



## Rotary Club of Peterborough April 3, 2017

(Submitted by Ray Saitz)

**President Bruce** called the meeting to order at 12:14 pm. His today in history items were that in 1946 Canada acquired the Alaska Highway from the United States for \$108 million and in 1970 Bobby Orr won the NHL scoring trophy. Grace was said by Martin Parker, the Four Way Test was led by Gord Regts, followed by a Toast to Canada and the Queen and the singing of Oh Canada with Paul Bodrug at the keyboard.

**Guests:** Sarah Burke introduced the guests who were our guest speaker Bill Lockington, exchange student Lais, Diane Allen from the Whitby Sunrise Club and Dave Allen from the Belleville Club.

**Exchange Student Moment:** Lais started off with a cryptic public statement that she is no longer speaking to Wayne Harding and he knows why. She has been practising every day for a dance competition. Lais said that her hosts Lucas and Anne Smith are hosting a cute dog for 12 days and she loves dogs. On Saturday she assisted at the food packaging.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Joe McCulloch said that it was great pleasure to award a Roaring Rotarian glass to Al Kloosterman. Joe said that he was not going to fine anyone BUT each member should let his or her conscience be a guide and make a donation. Joe and Gord Regts had the opportunity to be "pretend patients" at a hospital learning exercise. They were to lie in bed and pretend to be dying and the experience led to Joe reflecting on how fortunate we all are for the numerous blessings in our lives.

**President:** Bruce Gravel

**Past President:** Alan Ingram

**President Elect:**  
Andi van Koeverden

**Treasurer:** Wayne Harding

**Club Secretary:** Ken Tremblay

**Sgt. at Arms:** Linn Thain

**Directors:**  
Jaimie Bondy-Donohue

Kevin Duguay

Joe Fleming

Sally Harding

Jason Stabler

Brian Wilson

### April Birthdays:

April 4 - Elizabeth Ichniowsky  
April 9 - Garry Humphreys  
April 13 - Art Turner  
April 14 - John Harvey  
April 18 - Peter MacLoghlin  
April 18 - Bob Parr  
April 18 - Brian Wilson  
April 19 - Audrey Lakien  
April 20 - Kim Zippel  
April 22 - Jim Scates  
April 22 - Marie Press  
April 23 - Bob Phillips  
April 23 - Ross Verner  
April 25 - Will Cleveland  
April 28 - Rick Storey

### April Club Member Anniversaries:

April 2 - Lucas Smith  
April 3 - Jay Amer  
April 4 - Piero Ronca  
April 5 - Ken Tremblay  
April 10 - Dick Kennedy  
April 15 - Lloyd Graham  
April 18 - Ginette Bailey  
April 26 - Martin Parker  
April 27 - Wendy Hill  
April 27 - Joe McCulloch  
April 29 - John Cockburn

### Our Exchange Student info:

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## Upcoming Program Schedule



April 10 - Susan Sharp & Marie Press - Honduras Project update

April 17 - NO MEETING - Easter Monday

April 24 - Canoe Museum Architects - New Canoe Museum design

**Birthdays:** Elizabeth Ichniovsky, Garry Humphreys, Art Turner, John Harvey, Peter MacLoghlin, Bob Parr, Brian Wilson, Audrey Lakien, Jim Scates, Marie Press, Bob Phillips, Ross Verner, Will Cleveland, and Rick Storey all were born in April.

**Announcements:** *Colin MacKenzie:* Habitat Youth council comes here often and one student, Kirsten Mangold, went on to study at Mount Alison where she has been named Athlete of the Year. The food donation last week went to Peterborough Youth Services and this week the recipient will be the Victorian Order of Nurses drop-in centre. *Rick Storey* brought along a show and tell which was a lending library with a Van Gogh theme painted by students at the Montessori School. Our District has an award for the best lending library and this one is in competition with fourteen others. The Peterborough Retirement Residence on Water Street will be the location of this one. On the Spelling Bee front he said that he is in need of five volunteers for the French Spelling Bee this Saturday at Trent from 7:45 to 9:15 am. He assured prospective volunteers that they do not need to speak French. *Alan Ingram* told us that on Saturday he and a number of Rotarians were involved in food packaging at the Wellness Centre. Each package feeds six people and costs about 27 cents per meal. 200,000 meals was the target for Saturday. *Ken Tremblay* said that two dozen people want invoices for dues but Ken would prefer the pre-authorized route and he urged members to register for that. *Bruce Gravel* mentioned that we have signage at the entry to the City on a list of all of the various clubs in Peterborough. We used the classic logo on the sign. He was also happy to see our Rotary Spelling Bee get tremendous support from CHEX and The Examiner. The Swimathon cheque presentation is in Snap'd magazine. The Rotarian magazine this month has an article outlining 20 things to know about Rotary and included the fact that Canada has the highest proportion of women in Rotary Clubs, apart from the Philippines. Bruce went on to let us know that information about the BEL golf tournament went out by email and that a sign-up sheet for the Tri-Club fundraiser at the Axe Club on May 7 was at the Registration Desk. *Kerri Davies* needs more volunteers for the Garden Show.

**Happy Bucks:** *Jason Stabler* is getting married this Sunday at The Pig's Ear and he noted that it was in the media a lot but he was not fined, and not fined for not wearing a pin. He also noted that a Clubrunner

app is available for your mobile device. *Lloyd Graham* let us know the sad news that his mother cannot go home, he survived the launch of the French spelling bee on Saturday, and his team lost the old timers championship by two points. *Ken Tremblay* made a presentation at our Club and now it has been picked up and printed in a leading journal. *David Abramsky* was happy to be back after being away for six months.

**Program:** Bill Lockington, a local lawyer and superb photographer, gave us presentation on Business Succession Planning. Bill spoke about the transition of ownership within a family-owned business. Succession means the transfer of wealth, labour, management, and decision-making. There are one million small businesses in Canada which is 98% of all businesses, but less than 20% of family businesses will be transferred to other family members. He talked about notable family-business failures and the reasons for some of the failures. One reason is often that the number of people who rely on a family business broadens and the business cannot supply everyone. Other factors are a lack of preparedness, a sense of entitlement, and a lack of communication. There is a need for planning for succession using business principles and there is a lack of trusted succession advisors. Succession should be seen as a process and not a date or event. Following his talk Bill fielded questions from the audience.

The meeting was adjourned at about 1:25 pm.

Can't Attend A Weekly Meeting... Maybe Make-up

Rotary Make-up Meetings may be sent to  
Lucas Smith for your attendance credit.  
Email: [lucsmith@peterboro.net](mailto:lucsmith@peterboro.net)

#### POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS

If you are bringing a guest to Rotary, who may be interested in joining our club, please make sure you introduce this person to Martin Wormald or someone else on the Membership Committee. Martin or a committee member will look after talking to the guest and seeing them through the membership process. The Membership Committee has some information at the Holiday Inn that potential Rotarians can take away with them.