

Rotary Club of Peterborough August 27, 2018 Submitted by Ray Saitz

President Ken Tremblay called the meeting to order at 12:19 pm. He called for a moment of silence in memory of Glen Morgan who had recently passed away. Glen had joined Rotary in 1956 and had been an honorary member for the past several years.

Grace: Bill Crins. Four Way Test: Diane Allen. Toast to Canada and the Queen followed by the singing of Oh Canada with Paul Bodrug at the keyboard.

Guests: Ray Saitz introduced the guests. Former exchange student Sarah-Sophie and her fiancé Michael MacNill were guests of Lucas Smith, and Lynne Chant and Donna Geary were visiting from the Kawartha Club.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Lloyd Graham levied fines for no pin or name tag. Lloyd gave congrats to Bruce Gravel and wife Frances for selling huge numbers of 50/50 tickets and each of us was to throw in one dollar to show how proud we are of them. Then Lloyd levied a fine for Bruce for bragging about it on Facebook. The two women visitors from the Kawartha Club were fined for sitting at the same table. Lloyd then went on to administer a Canada Day quiz with some devilishly difficult questions.

Exchange Student Moment: Sarah-Sofie, a former exchange student, came to the podium to let us know what she has been doing since last seeing us. Inspired by Sally Harding, Sarah-Sofie attended business school for three years and graduated. She confided that while an exchange student she had fallen in love with Michael MacNill and the two got engaged two months ago. She has been in St. Andrews for four months and will be in Halifax while Michael goes to Dalhousie.

Announcements: *Sue Sharp* will be hosting a project day Sunday, September 23, from 1:00 to 4:00 to sew, cut and paste for the Honduras project. *Donna Geary* from the Kawartha Club extended her thanks to us for selling tickets at Musicfest but did indicate that Bruce and Frances are just behind Donna in sales. *Diane Allen* said that the school President: Ken Tremblay Past President: Andi van Koeverden President Elect: Kevin Duguay Treasurer: Wayne Harding Club Secretary: Moe Grant Sgt. at Arms: Lloyd Graham Directors:

Marie Press Morris Cox John Thomas Sarah Burke Wayne Harding Lloyd Graham



September Birthdays:

September 1 - Amy Simpson September 2 - Jaimie Donohue September 2 - Andi van Koeverden September 13 - Joe Fleming September 18 - John McCormack September 19 - Carl Oake September 28 - Colin MacKenzie September 30 - Joe Hall

September Club Member Anniversaries:

September 9 - John McCormack September 12 - David Abramsky September 12 - Jim Stewart September 25 - Brent Perrin September 30 - Neil Campbell

breakfast program will commence on September 10. *Colin MacKenzie* informed us that the last meeting's food surplus went to Peterborough Youth Services and today it is going to YES. Bruce Gravel told us that the next social event will be axe throwing on September 16 from 1 to 4 at the Peterborough Axe Club. This will be a tri-club event and tickets are \$30 per person. Tracey Ormond let us know of two more social events. On Saturday, September 8, there will be a party at Showplace to celebrate Tracey's husband's 50th birthday. It is free and doors open at 7:00. Let Tracey know if you will be attending. December 1 there will be a Westben performance of The Little Drummer at Northminster Church. Let Tracey know if you intend to attend. Jim Coyle let us know that there would be a Centennial Project meeting after this meeting. Peter MacLoghlin reminded us of the annual Swimathon which is coming up on Friday, February 15, 2019. He is cochair along with Chris Futcher and he will stay on for another year. Stay tuned for notice of the first meeting in December.

Happy Bucks: *Diane Allen* had put out a challenge for the board to sell 50/50 tickets at Musicfest and one recent evening the challenge was met. *Colin MacKenzie* said it was nice to see Sarah-Sofie back, and mentioned that she had bested him in a game of squash. *Jim Stewart* was happy to see 10 contenders in the masters championship. *Kevin Duguay* was happy that his grandson turned 2, his granddaughter Reese turned 6 weeks, and his daughter Danielle is a chef who was featured in a major magazine. *Morris Cox* gave us some words of wisdom. He was having trouble with black squirrels and set a trap but caught a skunk and it cost him 100 dollars to get rid of it.

Program: *President Ken* acknowledged that Garry Humphreys is now chairman of the Sunshine Committee. Let Garry know of anything to be noted and he will get it to the membership. President Ken gave us a presentation of the highlights of his attendance at the Rotary International Convention which was held June 23 to 27 in Toronto at the Air Canada Centre and Metro Convention Centre and attended by 25,000 delegates. The Rotary International theme was *Be the One* and Ken was able to hear and see world class keynote speakers including one session conducted in Spanish. Ken thanked us for making it possible for him to attend. He then went on to his next topic which was the Club Goals for 2018 and 2019. He described a "basket of goals" which includes Membership Renewal: 100 for the 100th; Service: Making a Difference; Governance: Building for the Future; Fund Raising: Supporting Service; the Club Centennial: Celebration and Recognition; Partnerships: Working with Others.

Rick Storey: He is Assistant District Governor in the third and final year of his term. He mentioned that he finds it inspiring to be in the Club and to volunteer. *Make a Difference* was last year's theme and we did do a tremendous number of things. We are a strong vibrant club going through a period of change and will be the first club in District 7010 to celebrate its 100th anniversary. Rick told three stories to illustrate the inspiration and satisfaction of being a Rotarian. The three stories could be entitled "Max Comstock", "Hans in Japan", and "Willis Cleveland." He summarized Rotary's strategic plan which will provide the framework for our future: "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." If you would like to take over for Rick as Assistant District Governor please let him or President Ken know.

Meeting adjourned at about 1:40 pm.

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 Moe Grant or someone else on the Membership Committee. Moe 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.

Can't Attend A Weekly Meeting... Maybe Make-up Rotary Make-up Meetings may be sent to Lucas Smith for your attendance credit.

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