



Rotary Club of Peterborough February 13, 2017

(Submitted by Lucas Smith)

Called to Order at 13:10 by President Bruce Gravel

Today in History – In 1937, Halifax native Hal Foster published his first Prince Valiant comic strip. He would write and draw it for the next 42 years. Also, in 1988, the Calgary Winter Olympics opened and hosted over 1,800 athletes from 57 countries.

Grace – Thoughtfully, by Bill Crins. **4-Way Test** – Led by Martin Parker. **A Toast and O'Canada...** Thank you **Dr. Paul Bodrug** on the keyboard.

Birthdays – Peter Thomas, Stu Stovel, Doug Armstrong, Don Earle, Nick Avlonitis, Sarah Burke, Atul Swarup, David Abramsky, Jim Stewart, and Wayne Harding all have birthdays this month. Any of the above present came forward with the usual five dollars for the foundation.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians – Introduced by Arlene Blunck: Lais Viana our, exchange student; Kate Kincaid/Lucas Smith; Laura Kennedy/Brian Wilson. Nicole Gagliardi and John Good our speakers.

Y/E moment – **Lias**, moved to Atul's yesterday, went to Petes game with Brian Wilson and Dale, flight on Saturday with Lucas Smith and his son Andrew – bad weather made it a short trip, **going to Montreal for a trip and needs a ride to Port Hope on 25th of February to connect with the long haul ride.**

Sergeant-at-Arms – Stan Pinneau, kept the fines simple and charged everyone \$2.00.

Happy Bucks – Martin Parker: looked at wife's facebook and a friend was in PRHC with broken bones, ended up driving her to Sudbury where it was -29°; Sue Sharp had a successful trip to Honduras; Lloyd Graham refereed Junior Classic basketball here in Peterborough.

Announcements: Ken Seim: **Funspiel in Lakefield** this Saturday. Starts at 1730, any proceeds to assist Exchange students on their year end trip. Lyn Kimmett: **The Carl Oake Swimathon** is this Friday at 0700 at the YMCA. You can still register a team or make a donation payable to the "Rotary Clubs of Peterborough Foundation" and designate it for the Swimathon or you can donate online at Canada Helps, Lyn: **The Swimathon Wrap Up** with the press will take place at 1100 prior to our next meeting on Feb 27th. If you are bringing any guests, please notify Linn Thain. If you do not

President: Bruce Gravel

Past President: Alan Ingram

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Joe Fleming

Sally Harding

Jason Stabler

Brian Wilson



February Birthdays:

February 1 - Peter Thomas

February 2 - John Thomas

February 4 - Stu Stovel

February 6 - Atul Swarup

February 6 - Sarah Burke

February 11 - David Abramsky

February 13 - Don Earle

February 15 - Doug Armstrong

February 16 - Jim Stewart

February 21 - Nick Avlonitis

February 22 - Wayne Harding

February Club Member

Anniversaries:

February 4 - Charlie Burge

February 10 - Ken Seim

February 11 - Hannah Routly

February 12 - Bob Parr

February 17 - Garry Humphreys

February 18 - Eric Steinmiller

February 22 - Bill Crins

February 24 - Jaimie Bondy

February 24 - Don Earle

February 28 - Alan Ingram

Our Exchange Student info:

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is residing with

Atul Swarup & Charlotte Van Leeuwen

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Peterborough ON

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Upcoming Program Schedule



February 20 – NO MEETING – Family Day

February 27 – Hon. Maryam Monsef, MP – Government of Canada update

March 6 – Andy LaCroix, Executive Director – Shorelines Casino

notify him, there may not be sufficient food or seating. At **1830 on February 16 Graham Hart is doing a piece on Peter Norris.**

Guest Speaker: John Good, Executive Director for the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough and Nicole Gagliardi were introduced by Moe Grant. John has been executive director for 3 years, and also Nicole is a graduate of Trent University.

The goal of the Foundation is to help GOOD PEOPLE to do great things! Vitality in a community makes a community like Peterborough! The Foundation makes it easier to improve the life of our residents! It's goals are very similar to Rotary's! Philanthropy makes this happen.

The Foundation partners with donors who summarize a lifetime of giving to community by stating, modestly that "we just did what we could to make our community even better"! We want to attract people from outside the community to come here.

A survey in 2015 has shown about 1/3 of our population is under the age of 30 and 1/2 is under 45yrs. Younger people under the age of 45 do not have the same feeling of belonging as the older population.

Entrepreneurialism is alive and well in our area with a growing number of new business's starting up each year. We also have the highest rate of immigrant entrepreneurs in Canada.

Inadequate incomes create affordability issues for many people who can't access decent housing, healthy food or transportation. Our social safety net is full of holes and needs change to ensure that everyone has a decent standard of living.

Our community is rich in the arts and cultural offerings, but when we compare our municipal spending in this area to other communities, we fall short. There is room for investment in this area. A thriving arts scene supports economic development, improves health, and wellbeing, nurtures innovation, and builds community connections and fuels creativity and critical thinking. All of these are necessary for a vital community.

There are troubling trends in our community when it comes to health and wellness. Fewer people are reporting good mental health and we are below the average in the province. We are also falling below targets for physical activity targets, particularly for children and youth.

On a positive note, the data tells us that Greater Peterborough is a giving community, both in volunteerism and charitable donations. How can we harness this to build more community vitality together?

Think about your cause! What needs to happen before your cause does not need you anymore? Most causes require years of work to solve. The business of building community vitality happens when we work together.

The Community Foundation is here to help you to make the difference you seek – a lasting difference!

The Foundation can be your resource to connect you to the knowledge, opportunities and partners that you need to make a difference here in Peterborough, in a way that is meaningful to you. Please have a look at reports on our website at www.cfpg.ca You may want to make a one time or monthly donation to an

existing fund at the Foundation to help build a community asset that will support a cause that you care about or a charity that is close to your heart. You may wish to meet with representatives of the Foundation for the purpose of setting up your own fund within the Foundation. This would ensure that your area of interest continues after you are gone but your impact will continue.

Questions were asked:

1. Philanthropy and giving-Doug Armstrong-Are we putting our money in the wrong place? Response-80% of giving is donor driven
2. Who decides where the money goes-\$6m now-Donors do advise where money goes. Have agency designated funds. There is a granting committee that decides.
3. Health and Wellness for students-Do schools support this such as going to the YMCA. BoE is part of our knowledge networks.
4. What is the relationship to UW. They work hand in hand.
5. What type of foundation is this?--Are a public foundation.
6. Donor advised funds-\$20,000 minimum. One at 1m and one at 2m. Field of interest funds,

Thank you by Amy Simpson and notice of the usual donation to Sleeping Children around the world.

President Bruce's thought for the week: "To keep your marriage brimming with love in the loving cup. Whenever you are wrong admit it and whenever you are right, keep your mouth shut." – Ogden Nash

Don't forget to come out to the Carl Oake Swimathon this Friday at 0700 at the YMCA

Remember that there is no meeting until Feb 27th because of Family Day.

Also if you are bringing guests on the 27th, make sure to notify Linn Thain! If you do not, there may not be FOOD or a SEAT at a table for them!

Meeting adjourned: 13:10

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**

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.