



Rotary Club of Peterborough June 12, 2017

(Submitted by Pete Bill Crins)

President called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm.

Grace was led by Tracey Ormond. Four Way Test was led by Bob Prentice. Toast to Canada and the Queen. Oh Canada (with Paul Bodrug at the keyboard).

Today in Canadian history: in 1792, Capt. George Vancouver sailed HMS Discovery into what is now known as Vancouver Harbour; in 1901, the City of Montreal passes a by-law making indoor toilets compulsory.

Guests: introduced by Arlene Blunck; guests were Lais Vianna, exchange student and guest of the club; Braden Barr, outgoing exchange student to Italy and guest of the club; Jackson Harding, rebound exchange student from France and guest of the club; Lea Raby, exchange student of the Kawartha Club from France and guest of the club; Maximilian Czmielewski, friend of Lais and guest of the club; Alicia Hopkins, friend of Lais from Brazil and guest of the club; Anne Smith, guest of Lucas Smith; Donna Hall, guest of Eric Steinmiller; Charlotte van Leeuwen, guest of Atul Swarup; Karen Laws, guest of Betty Halman-Plumley; visiting Rotarians Wendy Swain and Don Watkins, Kawartha Rotary Club.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Pineau issued \$1 fines to all members who have not yet purchased the "fines card".

Announcements: Stephen Kylie will be inducted to Peterborough's Pathway of Fame. Joe McCulloch announced that food sorting would occur at Foodshare this evening; that the school breakfast committee will be meeting on July 6th; and that a thank you letter had been received from One Million Meals, thanking the volunteers from the Rotary Club of Peterborough with assisting in the packaging of 200,000 meals for starving children to be provided locally and abroad. Linn Thain announced that next week's meeting will include a celebration of the Canada Day essay contest winners; and that "fine cards" are available to members, the proceeds going to the Rotary Foundation. Audrey Lakien and Milan Ichniowsky noted that volunteers will be needed to sell 50/50 tickets at Musicfest again this summer (17 shows, the first one on July 1st). Atul Swarup mentioned that he had received 4 responses on the draft strategic plan so far, but would like to receive more. Tracey Ormond mentioned that the Hawaiian luau social event is coming up on July 13th. Jim Coyle notified

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

June Birthdays:

June 1 - Frank Parish
June 9 - Shirlanne Pawley-Boyd
June 11 - Brent Perrin
June 13 - Cal Langman
June 14 - Joe Kapron
June 16 - Ray Saitz
June 20 - Peter Norris
June 24 - Stan Pineau

June Club Member

Anniversaries:

June 6 - Tracey Ormond
June 6 - Ginny Veselskiy
June 10 - Bob Phillips
June 16 - Gord Fallen
June 16 - Mark Donohue
June 21 - Shirlanne Pawley-Boyd

Our Exchange Student info:

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Upcoming Program Schedule



June 19 - Canada Essay Contest Winners

June 26 - Presidential Change Over - The Old and The New

July 3 - **NO MEETING - Canada Day** 🇨🇦

everyone that the Scottish touring golf team has not been able to field a team this year, so that event is cancelled; he also noted that there will be a reception at 3 p.m. at Cougar Landing prior to the Camp Kawartha Surf & Turf fund-raiser on June 24th. Sally Harding indicated that more volunteers are needed to help out with the cash desk at the entrance to our meetings each week. Bruce Gravel noted that June 26th will be the presidential change-over, and also that numerous awards will be presented to members on that date, including a “40-years of service” award to Frank Bayliss, with the District governor in attendance; he also mentioned that a dinner theatre event is being planned for August 29th, to be held at the Globus Theatre (\$68/person) with the theatre presentation being “Halfway There”.

Member induction: Betty Halman-Plumley introduced **Karen Laws** as a new member of the club. Karen had a long career with the Ministry of Natural Resources before retirement in 2014, being based in several northern locations (Sioux Lookout, Thunder Bay, North Bay) prior to moving to Peterborough. She was involved in many interesting projects with MNR, including Peregrine Falcon reintroduction and various wildlife management and policy projects. One of her other areas of expertise is dogs, where she is highly certified in training for field trials, companion and therapy dogs, making shelter dogs suitable for adoption, pet food nutrition, etc. As a child, Karen and her family were concerned about the future of Boyd Island in Pigeon Lake, and ever since, she has been involved in trying to save the island, which finally came to fruition in 2015 when the Kawartha Land Trust secured the island. Karen is also a member of the Peterborough Women’s Business Network. Following Betty’s introduction, Susan Sharp served as the District spokesperson, providing background about Rotary’s history, and outlining the objectives, ideals, and obligations of membership to Karen, followed by official induction into the club.

Classification Talk: Tracey Ormond, owner of “That’s a Wrap Catering”, presented her classification talk to the club. She indicated that she had had several careers prior to establishing her catering business, including nursing, professional pool and poker player, and 18-wheel truck driver. When her partner and his son joined the household, she dedicated her time of raising her son, and wanted to find a way to eat and to create food in a healthy and quick way, which then evolved into her catering business. She was introduced to Rotary through Peter Norris (Holiday Ford), and further through Alan Ingram when she was catering a Fireside meeting that Alan and Jenny were hosting.

Club Resolution: Secretary Ken Tremblay provided background on a Canada 150 project proposed by the Kawartha Rotary Club, seeking a partnership with the Peterborough Club to fund an adult gym at Beavermead Park, adjacent to the Rotary Greenway Trail. The funds for this project would come from surplus funds that have not been allocated to other projects. The City will pay for the remainder of the costs, including project management, installation, and insurance. Ken Tremblay outlined a motion that the club accept the proposal from the Kawartha Club to split the Rotary contribution for the project with the Peterborough

Club 50/50 (each club would contribute \$25,000). Lloyd Graham moved that the motion be accepted, seconded by Joe McCulloch. Some discussion occurred among the members and the board, followed by the call for a vote on the motion. The motion carried, with no members opposed.

Happy Bucks: no time

Program: Sally Harding introduced the guest speaker, our Rotary exchange student, Lais Viana, who summarized her year in Canada. Lais mentioned that one of her dreams was to live in a foreign country with people she didn’t know for a year; this dream came true. She arrived in Peterborough on August 19th, 2016. Prior to her departure from Fortaleza, Brazil, she had done some preparation work to understand what Canada might be like, but she was surprised on many fronts as her stay here continued. She participated in numerous events, some with her host families (Wayne and Sally, Atul and Charlotte, Lucas and Anne, Eric and Donna), some with other District Rotary exchange students, and some with friends from St. Peter Secondary School. She showed images of many of the events she participated in, including many “firsts”. She attended the Peterborough Folk Festival (where she was surprised that everyone sat quietly and listened to the music but didn’t dance), went camping where she was introduced to the thunderbox!, climbed the CN Tower on her 18th birthday, went on a trip to Montreal, participated on the school council, and much more. Some of the “firsts” she experienced while here included: pancakes, white Christmas, St. Patrick’s Day, camping, thunderbox, baseball, snowshoeing, eating vegetables, snow day, and visiting Pittsburgh. One of her favorite activities is dancing; she participated in dance team competitions, and showed a video of a dance that she had choreographed, which won her team first place in its category. Lais ended with a heart-felt speech of thanks to her host families and all Rotarians and other friends that had made her stay in Canada enjoyable and memorable. Lais was thanked by President Bruce, who then closed the meeting with his traditional humorous thought.

Meeting adjourned at about 13:47 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

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.