



## Rotary Club of Peterborough March 26, 2018

Submitted by Past President Bruce Gravel  
(knows where the Lost Ark is hidden)

**Today in Canadian History:** 1921 - Schooner Bluenose was launched. Built for fishing & racing, she was never defeated in International Fishing Trophy races for the fastest ship in the North Atlantic fleet. Put on the 10-cent coin in 1937. Stopped racing in 1938. Sold in 1942, and wrecked off Haiti in 1946.

President Andi opened today's meeting quite late at 12:30 p.m., welcoming everyone.

Past President Lloyd Graham said Grace. Diane Allen said the 4-Way Test, reading from our banner. We sang O Canada, sounding weak despite the best efforts of Maestro Paul Bodrug on the keyboard.

**Guests:** Arlene Blunck introduced our guests: Gunther Schubert and Dan Grady, both from the Peterborough Kawartha club, and Mati, our ever-smiling Exchange Student. Our guests almost left because of our infamous welcome song.

**Exchange Student Moment:** Mati had started her co-op placement at an animal clinic, where she witnessed a surgery. She thanked Lloyd for a big bag o' pins with which to weigh down her jacket.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Past President Moe Grant levied fines, revelling in his terrible power.

**Happy Bucks:** Past District Governor *John Cockburn* reminisced about the late Stu Stovel, Past President, who, in 2004, had succeeded in getting volunteers out every day from early May to Thanksgiving to build the new Rotary Hall building at Camp Kawartha. John also talked of how the late Willis Cleveland, Past District Governor, chaired our club's Peanut Drive in the 1970s for several years. *Nick Avlonitis* remembered Willis as

**President:** Andi van Koeverden

**Past President:** Bruce Gravel

**President Elect:** Ken Tremblay

**Treasurer:** Wayne Harding

**Club Secretary:** Ken Tremblay

**Sgt. at Arms:** Moe Grant

**Directors:**

Marie Press

Morris Cox

Jason Stabler

Kevin Duguay

Peter Thomas

Lloyd Graham

Jaimie Bondy-Donohue



### April Birthdays:

April 4 - Elizabeth Ichniowsky

April 9 - Garry Humphreys

April 13 - Art Turner

April 18 - Peter MacLoughlin

April 18 - Brian Wilson

April 19 - Audrey Lakien

April 22 - Marie Press

April 23 - Bob Phillips

April 23 - Ross Verner

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



## Upcoming Program Schedule



April 2 - NO MEETING - Easter Monday

April 9 - Terry Guiel - Executive Director, Downtown Business Improvement Area

April 16 - Mike Skinner - Innovation Cluster - Peterborough and the Kawarthas

### Our Exchange Student info:

Matilde Giannoni

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is residing with

Stephanie Fox-Comery & Dave Comery  
1005 Avery Avenue  
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always being first in line for roast lamb every June at his church's Greek Festival. Nick suggested a special in-club meeting to celebrate our departed members. *Lloyd Graham* said Stu had brought him back to Rotary. He was also happy for his basketball team making the championships and for his parents' new living arrangements.

**Announcements:** *Colin MacKenzie* said today's leftover food would go to the VON drop-in centre at The Mount. Available Rotarians were invited to the build day on April 7 for the Habitat for Humanity home at 450 Wolfe Street from 9-12, when lunch would be provided by the recipient family. *Eleanor Down* said sign-up sheets for parking volunteers were on the tables for the Garden Show on April 13-15, which raised about \$4,000 for our club. She desperately needed volunteers, **so please sign up!** *Dan Grady & Gunther Schubert* encouraged us to sign up for the 11th Annual Super Spring Cleanup on Earth Day, Saturday, April 21, at Confederation Park (across from City Hall) starting at 10:00 a.m. This is a tri-club event. To register: [www.superspringcleanup.ca](http://www.superspringcleanup.ca). *Joe Kapron* announced a meeting of our Parks & Trails Committee immediately after today's meeting. Past President & Assistant Governor *Rick Storey* said the 7th Annual Spelling Bee would be on Saturday, May 12, at Fleming College. All are invited to attend either the morning or afternoon sessions. He distributed cards with really hard words (thanks Ray Saitz!) that we all must learn to spell before next meeting, or else. He gave his Willis story: he knew us as people, including our kids' names, not just as Rotarians. President-Elect *Ken Tremblay* said he is starting the Board-Elect briefing process and selections of committee chairs for our 2018-19 year. (Bravo!) He would do a special presentation on April 30 at an in-club meeting, including referencing our Strategic Plan. Ken asked us to think about better ways of memorializing deceased members, especially those who had given so much to the club. President-Elect Nominee (PEN not PEE) *Kevin Duguay*, Past President, gave his personal Willis story. He said the Little Library which he sponsored will soon have a plaque commemorating Willis, who had donated many books to it. Kevin said our Local Lager fundraising ale will be at the Rotary Ribfest. Clubs now participating in the program include Picton, Port Dover, & Hamilton. He is working on having GTA and Ottawa clubs participate. The beer will be in 50 Beer Stores across Ontario. Locally, it's at

the Beer Store at Monaghan & Lansdowne and at the drive-thru store at the top of Lansdowne. Two local restaurants will also soon carry our beer. He said World Town Planning Day, which our club supported, would be May 2, during National Youth Week. President *Andi* gave her own Willis story. She read a note from his son, stating Willis had been fighting cancer for years. Many, many people are expected at his Celebration of Life on Saturday, April 21 from 3-5 p.m., so his son requested people to RSVP. Details would be emailed all members soon. On behalf of *Steve Kylie*, she noted info re: volunteering for our Victoria Day fireworks was coming soon.

**Program:** None! We were informed this was an in-club meeting. However, no reports from Directors about their portfolios, or club finances, or from chairs of major committees, were presented.

President Andi adjourned the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

**NO MEETING NEXT MONDAY**, April 2, Easter Monday. Go chase bunnies with your family.

**Your Smile:**

*"Laugh and the world laughs with you;  
snore and you sleep alone."  
—Anthony Burgess*

Aloha!

**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.  
Email: [smi0166@outlook.com](mailto:smi0166@outlook.com)