



Rotary Club of Peterborough May 15, 2017

(Submitted by Pete MacLoughlin)

President Bruce opened the meeting with his "Today in Canadian History". In 1879, Parliament passes Dominion Day making July 1st a statutory holiday and in 1893 the 1st Stanley Cup was presented to the Montreal Club of the Amateur Hockey Association of Canada.

Grace by Lyn Kimmett. 4-Way Test led by Peter Thomas.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians introduced by Ray Saitz: Alan Boyd - Lucas Smith; Diane Chen, Melody Chen and Phoenix XU - club; Lais - Youth Exchange student; Adrain Fenandes - Betty Halman-Plumley; Melissa Doyle - Sue Sharpe; Martha Sullivan - club; Jaiden Merry - Andi VanKoeverden.

Birthdays: Mo Cox, Ken Tremblay, Al Kloosterman.

President Bruce's kudos: Articles and photos in The Examiner for the Senior and Student Spelling Bees. Bruce gave a big thanks to Co-Chairs Rick Storey and Bill Graham and the 3 judges Abi Adeusi, Andi Van Koeverden and Ray Saitz. He congratulated Lloyd Graham on his article describing the 2017 Dutch Resistance Frank Graham cycling tour.

Susan Mackle is moving to Toronto and President Bruce acknowledged Susan's contributions to the club. Susan joined the club in 1989 as our 1st Female Rotarian, 1st Female Club President, had over 25 years of perfect attendance until she moved to Malaysia. The club then gave Susan a standing ovation.

Lais's activities: a cold weekend at Sauble Beach with Eric and Donna RV camping, attending The Theatre Guild Musical "More Than a Memory" written and directed by her drama teacher Paul Crough,

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

May Birthdays:

May 1 - Alan Igram
May 2 - Piero Ronca
May 3 - Abi Adeusi
May 7 - Arlene Blunck
May 11 - Lloyd Graham
May 13 - Jim Coyle
May 15 - Bill Morrison
May 26 - Al Kloosterman
May 27 - Ken Tremblay
May 29 - Mo Cox

May Club Member

Anniversaries:

May 3 - Peter MacLoughlin
May 16 - Steve Kylie
May 17 - Stu Stovel
May 30 - Jim Coyle
May 30 - Al Kloosterman



Upcoming Program Schedule



May 22 - NO MEETING - Victoria Day

May 29 - Dean Ostrander, CEO - Community Care Peterborough

June 5 - Spelling Winners and RYLA Students

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hosting a party for 30 friends Saturday evening, making Creme de Brule custards with Wayne Harding, volunteering at the Spelling Bee. Next weekend she will be in Sudbury for her final Youth Ex weekend. June 12 will be her last Rotary meeting.

Sergeant-at-Arms Stan Pineau: Starting with Joe McCulloch's game of Heads and Tails, Stan stated that most Rotarians do not know their anatomy and asked everyone to pull out their wallets and contribute \$1. Stan had a meeting with Mo Cox who was quoted as stating the he did not pay fines as a senior. Mo agreed to pay \$5 up front and have an ad hoc committee monitor Mo's contributions i.e. members of Mo's table at Rotary meetings.

HAPPY BUCKS: *President Bruce* looking forward to roast lamb at The Greek Orthodox church BQ Sunday, June 11 from 12-5 o'clock. *Lais* has formed a "short person" club with *Chick MacLoughlin*. *Wendy Hill* for her 6 week Florida vacation with *Jim*. *Jim Maloney* for the installation of an accessible wheelchair swing, the 1st in Ontario at the Zoo thanks to the fundraising efforts of *James and Jennifer Todd* who raised \$15,000!. *Tracey Ormond* for having 7 Rotarians waiting to ask her questions. *Joe McCulloch* \$2 for having *Lais* as a passenger in *Gord Regt's* truck and using Rotary funds to purchase a new fridge at *Armour Heights* school (I wonder how many schools we are going to fund and isn't *Armour Heights* closing!). *Andi Van Koeverden* \$8 for her daughter's graduation. *Doug Armstrong* \$2 for the students liking his porridge and his grandson's graduation with a Masters of Economics and a job with *Stats Can.*, *Susan Mackle* \$28 for 28 years as a member of our club. *Susan* plans to join a Rotary Club in Toronto.

Announcements: *Ken Tremblay* has several items from the Rotary locker that may be of interest – like 10 year anniversary booklets starting with the 1950's decade and song books. *Ken* also would like to discontinue invoice payments for club dues! *Marie Press* WCS meeting Thursday, May 18 – location to be determined and the federal grant for a Honduras project should soon be approved. *Rick Storey* thanked the 33 volunteers for the Senior and School Spelling Bees and presented *Ray Saitz* with a \$1 bill as an honorarium for his contribution as chief judge. *Tracey Ormond* repeated the dates for upcoming social events (refer to last week's bulletin!), the Hawaiian dinner on July 13 is almost full and there is an option of paying \$20 per person if you do not want to bring food. *Steve Kylie*

needs 25 volunteers for the Victoria Day Fireworks and Family Day. The play stations and concessions will be held even if there are no fireworks because of the flooding. Contact *Andi Van Koeverden* if you can help. *President Bruce* – the The Rotary Charles Alan Award at The Kiwanis Music Festival was awarded to 2 students including *Noah Storey*.

Programme: Today's speaker, *Diane Chen* introduced by *Peter Norris* is the Property Development and Special Project manager for the Canada Cham Shan Temples headquarters in Markham. There are 4 local Buddhist Gardens sites: *Wutai Shan-Ski*, Hill Road, Bethany; *Putuo Shan*, 4 Lifford Road, Bethany; *E'mei Shan*, Ballyduff Road, Bethany and *Jiuhua Shan*, Pontypool Road. The *Wutai Shan* site is the 1st to be developed with construction starting in 2007 and will continue for another 20 years! The temple building using a 1000 year construction technique will consist of a gift shop, offices and a restaurant on the ground floor. The roof is onsite and is designed from a sacred temple in China. Buddhism is not really a religion, more a way of life. The temple plans to integrate in the community by using local tradesmen, forming a partnership with *Fleming and Trent* and providing alternative healthy lifestyle activities for e.g. *Tai Chi*, vegetarian food. In closing, *Diane* mentioned that she was a Rotoract member in Hong Kong 50 years ago. In answering a question about wind turbines she said that construction will still proceed. *Diane* was thanked by *Andi Van Koeverden*.

In closing *President Bruce* reminded us that **there is no meeting next Monday May22** and *President Elect Andi* will chair the May 29th meeting. His final remarks were "*Silence is golden unless you have grandkids, then silence is very suspicious*".

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.