



ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE

## Rotary Club of Peterborough November 27, 2017

(Submitted by Mike Evans)

**President** called the meeting to order at 12.15pm

Grace was read by Stan Pineau. Four Way Test was read by Andrew Welk. Toast to Canada and the Queen was made by President Andi. Oh Canada (with Paul Bodrug at the keyboard).

**Guests:** Were introduced by Jay Amer: Julie Davis – guest of the Club. Chis Davies – guest of Jos Kapron. Tracey Rundale – guest of the Club. Jurgen Rausett – guest of Joe McCulloch. Mati, exchange student – guest of the Club

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Jay Amer

**Birthdays:** November 11 - Jim Moloney; November 14 - Andrew Welk; November 15 - Neil Campbell; November 18 - Linda Mitchelson; November 21 - Diane Allen; November 29 - Wendy Hill; November 30 - John Coburn.

**Program:** Steve Kylie introduced our guest, Julie Davis. Julie was born in Sydney Australia. On arriving in Peterborough Julie was attracted to the size of the University which was founded by a community determined to ensure a bright future for their children. For fifty years the community has have attracted globally aware, passionate and inspiring students and faculty committed to creating a better world. Just 71 students were eligible to graduate on June 2, 1967 when Trent University held its first Convocation ceremony on a construction site that would soon become the Bata Library. Trent's very first chancellor, The Honourable Leslie M. Frost, was installed, and honorary degrees were granted to Charles Allan Ashley, Alex Colville, Major James William Coldwell, Edwin Mirvish,

**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

Stan Pineau

Jason Stabler

Kevin Duguay

Peter Thomas

Lloyd Graham

Vacancy

### December Birthdays:

December 2 - Mark Donohue

December 3 - Ken Seim

December 8 - Neil Hannam

December 21 - Bill Graham

December 25 - Matthew Holmes

December 29 - Ginette Bailey

### December Club Member

#### Anniversaries:

December 1 - Kevin Duguay

December 1 - Jane Parr

December 7 - Jim Maloney

December 9 - Sarah Burke

December 11 - Peter Norris

December 12 - Colin MacKenzie

December 18 - Atul Swarup

December 22 - Bruce Gravel

December 31 - Art Turner



## Upcoming Program Schedule



January 8 – The Honourable Maryam Monsef – MP for Peterborough-Kawartha

January 15 – His Worship Mayor Daryl Bennett – Mayor of the City of Peterborough

January 22 – The Honourable Jeff Leal – MPP for Peterborough

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and The Right Honourable Bora Laskin, who gave the Convocation address.

Since then, 11 chancellors and nine presidents have welcomed nearly 50,000 graduates into the Trent University Alumni Association, paid tribute to 230 Honorary Degree Recipients and awarded 371 medals to outstanding students. Our seven convocation ceremonies this week will recognize five outstanding Canadians, including the former chief of Curve Lake, Keith Knott, and past Prime Minister, the Right Honorable Paul Martin. How apropos that this year's convocation, too, will be on the doorstep of a construction site as we undertake a revitalization of the Bata Library to serve a growing number of students and meet increasing needs for digital knowledge infrastructure.

From its very beginnings, the brand new University inspired high hopes that it would usher in a new era of possibility for the region. There is no doubt, as we look at Trent today, that this potential has been realized. We are also sure that there is so much more we can do to enrich our communities - together.

In the past two years, Trent has had the highest percentage increase in applications of any University in the province - and this year, the greatest increase in students making Trent their first choice. More than three quarters of our students come from outside the region thus bringing significant incremental benefits to our local economy. Trent students are valued partners at many local businesses and organizations where they complete placements and community-based research projects. The energy, creativity and innovation of Trent students contributes to our vibrant downtown and our growing entrepreneurial ecosystem. Trent is also a major contributor to the sports and recreation scene in the region with our beautiful nature trails, Justin Chiu Stadium, new ball diamond and sports fields that opened last year on the east bank. State-of-the-art Trent Community Sport and Recreation Centre. More than 700 youth participate each year in the Excalibur Sports Camps which this year are celebrating 25 years of fun and friendship by expanding into Lakefield with a satellite location.

In the past year alone Trent hosted more than 100 public lectures and screenings bringing new ideas and provocative discussions to our community,

including a special presentation of the story of Chanie Wenjack and a panel addressing the legacy of residential schools.

While more than 1,700 graduates cross the stage, what an excellent time to reflect on the role that Trent University has played since that first ceremony 50 years ago.

The founders built an impressive university. In our second half-century we will take their work and vision further. However, it is only with the engagement and support of Trent alumni, our community and donors that we will continue to be a vibrant institution of learning, discovery and action.

The meeting was adjourned at 13.30.

#### **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. 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.

**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](mailto:lucsmith@peterboro.net)