



## Rotary Club of Peterborough November 28, 2016

(Submitted by Colin MacKenzie)

12:10 pm - President Bruce called the meeting to order.

In History Today: In 1885 Cabinet creates Banff National Park, Canada's first national park, encompassing 10 square miles protecting 3 hot springs on Sulphur Mountain. And, in 1995 Ottawa privatizes publicly owned CNR after 28 years as a Crown Corporation, the largest in Canada in which the IPO raised \$2.6 Billion for the Government.

Grace: Bill Kintz. 4-Way Test: Jim Maloney

**Guests:** Sarah Burke introduced our 5 guests after which we made them feel welcome with our usual rendition of We Welcome You... and accompanying words. Charles "Chuck" Ealey - guest of the club and our guest speaker. Lais, our exchange student from Brazil. Glen James - guest of Betty Halman-Plumley. Moe Grant - guest of the club and returning club member from Barrie. John Mazziotti - guest of Willis Cleveland. President Bruce mentioned that Moe Grant was happy to be back as a club member, having been a Barrie club member in the past. Moe was presented with his "returning" badge. Welcome back, Moe!

**Activity report from Lais:** Lais has been kept busy with after school activities and that included working at the build site at 678 St Mary's Street with Habitat Youth Council, painting doors and it seems, painting Colin as well, being at a party at the Hardings, attending the Paul Harris Award night, going to the theatre with Bruce and his wife, went to a show (Come From Away) in Toronto with Sally and her daughter, Rachel and during the show "Rotary" was mentioned 5 times.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** As Linn walked to the podium we all wondered what fines would be levied out and to whom but he was very kind this week Linn was honourable in fining himself and then asked everybody to put \$2 on the tables. He asked who won the Grey Cup and to a loud and thunderous reply, Ottawa or the Ottawa Red Blacks! Way to go the Capital!

President Bruce reminded us that December 5th would be an in-club meeting to confirm the new Board members for 2016-2017. As well, the Board accepted, out of three nominees, the election of Brian Menton to represent Council on Legislation. Brian is PDG of District 7010 in 2011-2012 and 2014-2015. Lloyd motioned to approve, seconded by Lyn.

**Happy Bucks:** President Bruce was happy to tell us his daughter-in-law had passed a rigorous training course with Westjet as a flight attendant. Ray said he had some serious dental work done and in the same dentist office Art Turner was there as well. After returning home, Ray received a call from Art hoping Ray was OK. Ray happy and touched by the show of compassion and humanity by Art. Willis happy to be sharing in the BEL Club's 40th anniversary, an event that Bruce will attend as well. Willis "happy" to invite one and all to the event. Andrew Welk happy to have his certification as a CPA. He is also happy to be wrapping presents in the Lansdowne Place Mall for Big Brothers and Sisters, so please give him some presents to wrap and make him even more "happier." Contact him for dates and times or

**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

### 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 - Jane Parr  
December 6 - Frank Gishman  
December 7 - Jim Moloney  
December 9 - Sarah Burke  
December 11 - Peter Norris  
December 12 - Colin MacKenzie  
December 18 - Atul Swarup  
December 21 - Matthew Holmes  
December 22 - Bruce Gravel  
December 21 - Art Turner

### Our Exchange Student info:

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is residing with

Sally & Wayne Harding

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## Upcoming Program Schedule



**December 5 – Annual General Meeting – Reports and Election of Officers**

**December 12 – Evan Bates, John Howard Society – What is the Aspire Program**

check Clubrunner. *Ken Seim* happy to have entertained the Scots curlers, and he thanked Jim and Wendy, Kim and Mark, and especially to Mark who drove one of the curlers to the airport, and thanks to Joe Kapron and to President Bruce and the Club for their support! Och Aye, ladies and lassies! *Lloyd* – happy that his father is out of hospital and at home, managed to get his mother into a retirement home, Lloyd went for a 3 hour run and happy to report that Mohammad and his wife Randa, Syrian refugees, will be opening a new restaurant on George St next week. *Lyn* gave thanks for all who nominated him for his Paul Harris Award. *Cal Langman* happy moving into his condo, at last, but he never wants to see another cardboard box again and never wants to unpack anything again! *Brian Kinz* happy about his trip to Brazil. *Eric Steinmiller* happy in retirement and happy about his recent trip to Africa and says Capetown is the most beautiful city. He is now visiting the southern states and happy that his grand-daughter raised some money for Five Counties. *Sue Mackle* happy to announce plans for some festive activities and based on survey results, Handel's Masiah concert on Dec 19th at 7:30 was chosen. \$27 per person. Those not wishing to go but want to wait for those who did, can go to the Ashburnham Ale House. For more info contact Susan.

**Announcements:** *Colin* apologized for some errors in last week's bulletin and paid a \$10 fine to President Bruce. Colin also mentioned the Club receiving a "thank-you" card from Cameron House Womens Shelter for a donation of food recently. He also invited members to donate a can of food at the next two meetings to help Syrian Refugees in our community and distribution will be done by Colin and Lloyd. Today's food will be going to the YES Shelter. *Rick* reminded everyone to fill in the spelling word sheets for next year's Spelling Bee competitions. He also reminded everybody about the Easter Seals Party in December. For more info contact Rick. *President Bruce* reminded everybody that some comments attributed to him in last week's bulletin about Arch Klumpf were not correct (Colin already paid a fine!) Bruce did not say that Arch founded Rotary. Moving on... he said that in Judge Alan's absence, congratulations about his recent appointment as a sitting Judge in Nunavet will be made at another time. President Bruce reminded everybody to still seek out donations for the Auction in January and to go on line for fast processing of tickets and tax receipts. Donations could be in the form of photography lessons or a night of fine food catered by chefs extraordinaire Ken and Wayne. President Bruce also thanked Jamie Schmale, MP for Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes and Brock for something I could not remember or decipher from my writing!

**Guest Speaker: Introduced by Betty Halman-Plumley.** Charles "Chuck" Ealey was an outstanding football player who overcame racial barriers while excelling at his sport. An American by birth and having grown up in a tough part of Toledo, Ohio, Chuck moved on and up as a result of his excellent physical and sporting abilities. He is semi-retired as a consultant with the Investors Group. He remembers the assassinations in the 1960's, the Vietnam War, the racial tensions and that he was only one of 5 black kids in high school. He saw sports and football as a way to detach himself from the negativity in society at that time. Having played football a short while in the US, he came to Canada to play a game that the US did not allow him to utilize his full potential as a gifted player. Born in Portsmouth, Ohio, Chuck played high school football and was quarter back for the University of Toledo Rockets, leading them to 35 consecutive wins from 1969 – 1971, an NCAA record that still stands today. In 1971 he was named First Team All American by the "Football News" but was voted 8th overall for the Heisman Trophy. As an American quarterback he was passed over by the 1972 NFL Draft. Chuck came north to Canada and in 1972 he joined the Hamilton TiCats leading them to first place in the

East Division, earning the CFL's Most Outstanding Rookie award and becoming the first black quarterback to lead the TiCats to a Grey Cup victory as well as being nominated the MVP.

Chuck went on to play with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and the Argos. He played seven seasons with three CFL teams, passing for 13,326 yards and 82 touchdowns.

He is an accomplished public speaker, has been the subject of books and TV programs as a pioneer in a sport that was not accepting of non whites at that time. Chuck's story can be found in a book entitled "The Stone Thrower" written by his daughter. A short video showed his friends and colleagues describe Chuck as passionate, caring, committed, an inspiration, focused, a hard worker and person with integrity. All of these attributes allowed him to be a successful certified financial planner with the Investors Group and he was the regional director in Mississauga. His attributes also earned him the Herb Carnegie Award. Herb Carnegie has been described as "the best black hockey player who never played in the NHL." He was a dazzling player with the Quebec Aces, a businessman, a philanthropist, a champion golfer and a recipient of the Order of Canada. However, he could not get to play in the NHL. He died in 2012 at age 92.

It stands to reason why Chuck would be the recipient of the Herb Carnegie Award. Chuck has always believed in the power of goodness in people and he says it comes from his words of inspiration - Inward, Outward and Upward. He encourages people to work as a team, he loves to speak to students and adults alike, he imparts his knowledge of doing things in a spirit of cooperation, of having important values and principals, to be true to yourself and others, and if you think you can make a change and a difference, just do it and not have your feelings and judgment clouded by outside influences. He likened these values to those of Rotary values and what Rotary stands for in the community. Finally, as a bit of humour, he said that Canada has so many good things about it and these values have been taken to heart by some of his friends south of the border who, not receiving Donald Trump well as President elect, want to move to Canada and live here. After answering some questions from members, Rick provided a well-deserved thank-you to Chuck for his presentation.

In closing President Bruce reminded everybody about the BEL Club's 40th Anniversary celebration, the in-club meeting and election of board members on December 5th, the Spelling Bee word submission form and about the Auction, to go online for ticket information.

President Bruce's end of meeting quote is : "I have 6 locks on my door, all in a row. When I go out I lock everyone. I figure no matter how long somebody stands there picking the locks, they are always locking three of them." (a quote from comedienne Elayne Boosler.)

#### 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)

#### 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.