



## Rotary Club of Peterborough October 23, 2017 (Submitted by Gord Regts)

President Andi Van Koeverden opened the meeting at 12:20.

**Grace:** Willis Cleveland said the grace. Last week he did the 4-Way Test, is this a step up or down? By the way Willis confirmed that last week the first test was in Spanish.

**Four-Way Test:** Audrey Lakien recited the 4-Way Test. All in English this time.

**Oh Canada:** Paul Bodrug's fine work on the keyboard was rewarded with a better rendition of our National Anthem. Maybe the improvement was due to the assistance of the people from Showplace?

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Our guests were introduced by Joe McCulloch. In addition to our exchange student Mati Giannoni we had the pleasure of the company of Pat Hooper and Beth McMaster, both from Showplace Peterborough and guests of the Club.

**Exchange Student Report:** Last week I blamed the people I sat with for the fact I didn't catch all of Mati's report. This week I'm blaming the whole room. Rotarians you are getting older and you don't whisper as quietly as you think you do so as Grumpy would say SHUT UP and LISTEN – NO TALKING! I'll also try turning up my hearing aids. I think Mati went golfing with Diane Allen. I KNOW she beat Colin at squash and she went to the Farmer's Market with Kevin.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Sergeant Ken Tremblay had trouble raising funds due to so many having exemption cards. He was however inventive charging those without cards for not putting away their toys (i.e. Boats), watching stupid TV shows Dynasty? Is that the new Dallas, he mentioned J.R and I don't think he meant local JR McGee. The best fine was for everyone who hasn't yet bought Local Lager. If there were exemption cards every time you bought a case I could have shared my extras with several of you.

**Announcements:** *Colin MacKenzie:* Habit for Humanity Youth Council has lost several of its members due to graduation. Habitat is interviewing and looking for new members. Habit will be having a build day in November and Colin will provide further details as they become available. He was ashamed to have lost to Mati at Squash but presented her with a water bottle and lapel pin from the Y for her excellent performance. *Rick Storey:* As announced last week, the walk to end polio is Tuesday October 24th which is World Polio Day. It goes from Lakefield to Trent U to PGCC to City Hall to Holiday Inn. You can walk any or all sections or none and just join them at Holiday Inn at 3:00 PM. Also, there are pledge sheets on the tables to support Mati in the climb at the CN Tower in support of United Way on Nov 5th. *Alan Ingram:* Rotary prepares a meal at the ONE ROOF DINER on the 1st and 4th Tuesday each month. There are 2 shifts with the 3:00PM to 5:15PM shift doing mainly meal prep and some serving and the 5:15PM to 7:00PM shift doing mainly

**President:** Andi van Koeverden

**Past President:** Bruce Gravel

**President Elect:** Ken Tremblay

**Treasurer:** Wayne Harding

**Club Secretary:** Ken Tremblay

**Sgt. at Arms:** Linn Thain

**Directors:**

**Marie Press**

**Stan Pineau**

**Jason Stabler**

**Joe Fleming**

**Kevin Duguay**

**Peter Thomas**

**Lloyd Graham**

### October Birthdays:

October 2 - Susan Sharp

October 9 - Steve Kylie

October 10 - Joe McCulloch

October 19 - Tina Johnston

October 22 - Eleanor Down

October 24 - Ginny Veselski

### October Club Member

#### Anniversaries:

October 4 - Joe Hall

October 4 - Gord Regts

October 18 - Amy Simpson

October 23 - Nick Avlonitis

October 29 - Betty Halman-Plumley

October 31 - Joe Fleming

### Our Exchange Student info:

**Matilde Giannoni**

**Cell: 705-875-3508**

**is residing with**

**Sally and Wayne Harding**

**1730 Keppler Crescent**

**Peterborough ON**

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## Upcoming Program Schedule



**October 30 – TBA**

**November 6 – Remembrance Day Recognition**

**November 13 – Adam Noble and Dr. Andressa Laceda – Noblegen**

serving and cleanup. They could use some additional help. Call Alan to volunteer. Rotarians also meet alternate Mondays at Kawartha Food Share to help sort and repack food. (See Editors Comments in last week's Bulletin). In December he will need volunteers to pack and deliver Christmas Food Hampers in partnership with the Salvation Army. *Marie Press:* Marie noted at the recent District Conference how many Clubs promoted their international projects. She arranged for our Club to have a booth to promote our work at next year's Conference. The Social Committee is working on a night of FUN in November. Probably pool etc. at Riley's. Details to follow. Our Christmas get together is slated for December 10th at Ashburnham Ale House, there are still some spaces available. And the trip to Toronto in the spring still has a few seats available.

**Other Rotary Business:** Due to unforeseen difficulties there was no Bulletin on Sept 25th. Several people have asked for a copy of the resolution that was passed at that meeting. The following is the motion and procedure.

Moved by Joe McCulloch

Seconded by Brian Wilson

"That the three major project proposals currently before the Club for consideration be rejected and that no major project be determined for the 2017-2018 year.

AND

That with a clear set of criteria that meets this Club's goals and ideals, have the committee responsible restart the process to determine what a major project is and to determine whether one is indeed necessary."

The motion was put to the meeting

Yea 38 votes

Nay 16 votes

A quorum being present, the President declared the motion passed.

**Happy Bucks:** *Colin MacKenzie:* Oops I reported this under announcements but I'll repeat MATI BEAT COLIN at Squash. *Peter MacLoughlin:* Was happy to have celebrated his 50th anniversary of graduation from Medical School at Western University on the weekend. He was also happy to have spent 2 weeks on a river cruise in Germany. *Stanley Pineau:* Was happy to have met Nick Avlonitis in the washroom last week??? Nick suggested that we donate socks to help the Warming Room, Brock Mission etc. Stan made the suggestion at the end of our meeting last week there were lots of contributions this week. Colin will handle distribution. I believe we are doing it again next week. *Andrew Welk:* was happy to have visited 4 countries on his recent European Tour. He attended Rotary meetings in Norway and Holland and also visited Portugal and Spain. While in Spain he connected with a Highschool buddy who is now a pro basketballer in Spain. *Tracey Ormond:* was happy that her sister came home from China for a weekend visit. *Lloyd Graham:* was happy to have travelled to Toronto to pick up a second refugee family. *President Andi* was happy to have participated in about 5Km walk along the Gardiner Expressway. There were some 25,000 people participating to raise awareness for various charities. She was walking for Parkinson's Awareness. *Alan Ingram:* went out of order and did his Happy Bucks under Announcements. Aren't there special penalties for Judges doing that sort of thing. He was happy to have been to Inuvik, the per capita crime capital of Canada. Due to the dismay of Grumpy, the Judge didn't order any hangings but did dispense some justice.

**Programme:** Our guest speakers today were Pat Hooper, Chairman of the Board of Showplace Peterborough and Beth McMaster,

Chairman of the founding Board of Showplace. Beth spoke of growing up in the area and realizing the need for a performance centre. Over the past 22 years there were various studies conducted all which indicated that Peterborough had a need for a Performance Centre but no funding was forthcoming. In 1991 with the assistance of the late Rotarian Gord Farquharson, Peterborough Showplace was incorporated and certified as a charitable organization. Beth and Erica Cherney plied Doug Armstrong with strong drink and signed him up as Campaign Chairman. They raised \$3.5 million through a combination of local donations and matching funds from the federal and provincial governments, the municipal council declined participation. Tenders were called and local firm Mortloch Construction was signed to remodel the Odeon Theatre.

Pat Hooper then spoke about the current status of the organization. As with most arts related enterprises they are facing some financial challenges but with the assistance of Len Lifchus have arranged focus groups and formulated strategic plans and feel they are on the path to recovery. They have a new interim General Manager, Emily Martin. Their AGM is Tuesday Oct 24 at Ashburnham Funeral Home (not to be confused with Ashburnham Ale House). In previous years Showplace ran a fundraiser called Spring Tonic featuring local talent. It is being revived but as it will be in October and not the Spring it has been renamed Tonic@Twenty. It will take place Sat Oct 28th @ 8:00 pm and Sun Oct 29th at 2:00Pm. Admission is \$25.00. Rumour has it his Honour the Mayor Daryl Bennett may make a guest appearance. No word as to whether Police Chief Murray Rodd will accompany him.

Beth mentioned that the building purchased for Showplace, The Odeon Theatre, was built in 1947 the same year as Council started planning the PARKWAY. The show will reference Parkway Development (or lack there of I'm guessing) through the last 70 years.

Semi retired Judge Alan "The Hanger" Ingram thanked our speakers.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 PM.

**Editor's Note:** I usually take this opportunity to subject the club to the Truth as I see it. I had a really great idea for this week, unfortunately due to my advanced years I forgot it before I wrote this bulletin. I could wonder what is happening to our Club when Rotarians are meeting in bars and washrooms. And why Peterborough can build a Showplace in a mere 22 years but can't develop a Parkway in 70 years? But other than that I got nothin' so you're on your own this week.



Thank you Todd Sargent and your staff at ISL Insurance for sponsoring the Reception following The Rotary World Polio Day Walk.

Can't Attend A Weekly Meeting... Maybe Make-up

Rotary Make-up Meetings may be sent to  
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