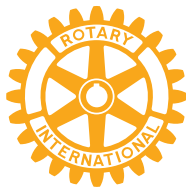


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Rotary Club of Peterborough October 31, 2016

(Submitted by Gord Regts)

President Bruce (the Hippy) Gravel opened the meeting at 12:10 PM (unlike most hippies he's prompt). We started with Grace by Eleanor Downs and the 4-Way Test was lead by Ginette Bailey.

Today in Canadian History: In 1920 Dr Fredrick Banting dreamt of a solution that lead to his discovery of a treatment for diabetes. In 1926 the great illusionist and escape artist Harry Houdini dies of complications from a punch to the stomach delivered 10 days earlier in Montreal by a McGill student. It was a normal part of his act but Houdini hadn't had time to brace his stomach muscles.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Our guests were introduced by Ray Saitz. Guest of the Club was Mason Fraser (speaker). The only other guest was a giant chipmunk also known as Frances Gravel (Bruce Gravel). Visiting Rotarian was Aditia Devalia who is the incoming president for his club in Zambia.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Sergeant this month is Stan Pineau. Stan fined everyone in the Club \$2.00 for letting Steve Kylie sit all by himself at a front table. He said Steve was so hurt that he didn't come to today's meeting. The slight was compounded by the fact Steve had been named Peterborough's Business Citizen of the year just days before.

Exchange Student Report: No talk from Lais as someone forgot to pick her up at school.

Head Table: The head table consisted of President Bruce, our speaker Mason Fraser, farmer Ken Tremblay, warlock Dr. Peter MacLoughlin, and witch Ginette Bailey.

HAPPY BUCKS: *Peter MacLoughlin* - for a recent visit to Barcelona and Majorca. *Mo Cox* - for his hair growing back. *Lloyd Graham* - for his mom's 91st birthday, trip to Vermont with Moe Grant and their respective spouses; his new collaborative book is started; while in Vermont they visited a Rotary Club that still holds sing songs and in honour of their visit sang Oh Canada (probably better than we do); former exchange student from Denmark Johann ??? Got his Masters degree. *Jim Maloney* - that the zoo got a replacement female otter. Apparently you can't just go out and live trap one whenever you want to. *Marie Press* - for her Grandma turning 100. *Arlene Blunck* for having her daughter for a 4 day visit.

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms: Eleanor Down went to a lot of trouble to put together a Halloween quiz. It was so good most of us could only get one or two answers. Wendy Hill-Coyle's table won with 13 of 15 correct answers. (I think they cheated)

Announcements: *Linn Thain* reminded us that our November 7th meeting will be our Remembrance Day meeting. It will be held at The Peterborough Golf and Country Club at our regularly scheduled time (12:10). It is very important that Linn has an accurate number of Rotarians and guests who will be in attendance. Contact linn@cogeco.ca before Tuesday Nov 1. If you haven't contacted Linn don't bother to show up as we must advise the Club of the number of people attending.

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

November Birthdays:

November 7 - Mike Evans
November 8 - Sally Harding
November 11 - Jim Moloney
November 14 - Andrew Welk
November 15 - Neil Campbell
November 18 - Linda Mitchelson
November 25 - Frank Gishman
November 29 - Wendy Hill-Coyle
November 30 - John Cockburn

November Club Member Anniversaries:

November 2 - Milan Ichniovsky
November 2 - Peter Thomas
November 3 - Sharon Lees
November 14 - Lyn Kimmett
November 15 - Wayne Harding
November 15 - John Thomas
November 19 - Arlene Blunck
November 27 - Rick Storey
November 28 - Eleanor Down
November 29 - Joe Kapron
November 30 - Linda Mitchelson

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Upcoming Program Schedule



November 7 – Remembrance Day Service

November 14 – John Stevenson, CEO Peterborough Utilities Group

Our Nov 14th meeting will be with PUC personnel about the proposed sale to Ontario Hydro. This promises to be somewhat controversial and therefore interesting meeting. If you are bringing a guest advise Linn as again the Holiday Inn would like an approximate number of meals required.

Alan Ingram advised that Kawartha Food share will start 1 hour earlier due to Halloween. I don't see what difference it makes. Most of them go for a bit of fellowship at The Porch and Pint after packing so they'll be home too late for the Trick or Treaters anyway. **Paul Harris Dinner** is Nov. 21 at PGCC. We will be honouring four community leaders. Kenzu Abdallah, Dr Judith Buys, Paul Hickey and Father Leo Coughlin and one Rotarian Lin Kimmet. **Our club** received several awards at the District Conference. A Gold Presidential Citation from International President Ravi Ravindan for meeting 7 of 7 goals set by RI. (only 4 of 42 clubs in our district received the award. The District Governor's Achievement Recognition (only 15 of 42 received this award. In addition two Rotarians in our Club received the District Governor's Special Recognition Award. Congratulations to Assistant Governor Rick Storey and Past President Alan Ingram. **Colin MacKenzie** he was injured while giving a squash lesson to Lais. She accidentally hit him with a racket that slipped from her hand. Colin exaggerated the injuries and made her feel bad before fessing up that he hadn't received any lasting injuries. Today's excess food goes to the Peterborough Youth Shelter. **Rick Storey** - Spelling Bee committee will have it's first meeting Thursday Nov 24th at 4 PM at the YMCA. New members are welcome to join the committee. Also the Rotary Easter Seals Children's Christmas party will be Sunday December 12th. The party is for kids to age 18 with some type of disability. **Doug Armstrong** chair of the Programme Committee thanked his coworkers for their hard work that resulted in him receiving the Rotarian of the month award. Our meetings are booked through January with a few openings in Feb and March. If you have any idea for a guest speaker call Doug. **President Bruce** reminded us that we need donations for the Auction.

Programme: For the second week in a row our speaker was introduced by Secretary Ken "the farmer" Tremblay. In retaliation for something the Pres did Ken advised of some of the hijinks at the District Conference. It seems Constable Rick was trying to take breathalyser samples in the lobby of the Marriott. Our hippy President was trying to sell marijuana in the same lobby. Ken held up a copy of the book "Sully". In it Sully credits his training with helping him decide in 21 seconds from the thump of hitting geese on takeoff to starting his landing procedures on the Hudson River. And this was the tie in to our speaker Mason Fraser who is a professor of flight training at Seneca College at the Peterborough Airport. Mason began his aviation career with his Private Pilot License at Spectrum College in 2003. He graduated from Confederation College in 2006 with a Commercial Pilot License. He returned to Spectrum Airways as an instructor and eventually served as Chief Flight Instructor until joining Seneca as a professor in March 2011. Mason holds an Airline Transport Pilot License and a Class 1 Flight Instructor Rating. At Seneca he has held various positions, presently focusing on Multi-engine, Commercial and Instrument Flight phases of training. He also manages the Flight Instructor Refresher Course on behalf of Transport Canada and offered to professionals in the Aviation Industry through Seneca College.

Mason gave us a history of the School of Aviation which started in 1968 at Buttonville Airport. Initially a Diploma programme it became a Degree programme in 2003. They currently have some 19 aircraft and 6 flight simulators. The Peterborough Campus also has it's own Maintenance Facility and staff as well as classrooms, offices etc.

There are normally 200 people in various stages of the programme. Students spend the first two years at the Toronto Campus before coming to Peterborough for flight training. Students will receive a Private Pilot License, Night rating, Commercial Pilot rating, Multi engine qualification, Group 1 Instrument rating and a "frozen" IATPL (International Airline Transport Pilot Licence). Frozen means they are qualified and have written necessary tests but must have additional flying hours. They also

provide Crew Coordination Training, Air Taxi training and Jet Transition Environment Training.

State of Aviation Industry: Trust Public trust level is at a record high as safety levels are high.

Mandatory retirement age was set at 60 in 2011, but changed to 65 after appeals. Normally there are 12 to 18 openings due to retirements per year. The next few years are looking at some 600 new openings.

Safety Levels are currently very high.

Technology switching from dial gauges to "Glass Cockpit" which is basically computer screen where pilots can place "dials" anywhere on the screen to suit themselves. Seneca provides training on both types of instrumentation but all new planes are Glass cockpit.

Global Industry - lots of opportunity due to retirements and industry growth.

Meeting the needs: Seneca has established partnerships to ensure students get proper training. Partners include Aviation Accreditation Board, International AABI Accreditation. Partnerships with Air Georgian, Jazz Air and Sunwing give students direct entry into left seat positions. Selected Education. They partner with the Department of Defence to provide jet training to future fighter pilots.

The Future: Programme expansion including a possible Diploma program for students who don't require the Degree.

Obtain additional aircraft and simulators. Campus expansion. Mason answered questions on the cost of the programme (about \$5,000 per semester x 12), salary ranges for grads, percentage of women in programme (25 to 30 percent) and background checks.

Mason was thanked by Peter MacLoghlin who advised we would be making a donation to Sleeping Children Around the World in his name.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 with this quote from Oscar Wilde "Some cause happiness wherever they go, others whenever they go."

Editor's Note: I just spent 4 hours raking some 14 bags of mostly maple and oak leaves from my backyard. This is in addition to some 10 bags last week. Some of you will say so what? That's not that many bags. The thing is I have no Maple or Oak trees on my property. Peterborough has a bylaw requiring owners to pick up after their dogs. Recently they passed one requiring poop and scoop for cats. I think we need a bylaw requiring tree owners to rake up their tree leaves on neighbours lawns. Get on that councillor McWilliams. I'd speak to my neighbour councillor Henry Clarke but his trees are part of my problem.

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.