



## Rotary Club of Peterborough September 10, 2018

Submitted by Bruce Gravel  
(knows the 4-Way Test by heart)

**Today in Canadian History:** 1621 - King James I grants Acadia to his secretary, Sir William Alexander, to found New Scotland, or Nova Scotia. The land grant is larger than Great Britain & France combined.

President Ken opened today's meeting at 12:12 p.m., welcoming everyone.

Eric Steinmiller said Grace. Eleanor Down said the 4-Way Test, reading from our banner. We sang O Canada, sounding good because of the expertise of Maestro Paul Bodrug on the keyboard.

**Guests:** Sally Harding introduced our guests: Scott Bonner, guest of Lucas Smith; MPP Dave Smith & Jordan Mercier & Emily McCullough, guests of the club; Maisie Watson from Homeward Bound; Darlene Cook from Peterborough Housing Corporation; B. Birkhoff, guest of Sally Harding. Our guests almost left because of our infamous welcome song.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Lloyd Graham levied fines, revelling in his terrible power.

**Rotarian of the Month - July:** Marie Press for her work on World Community Service and our club's new service project (details below).

**Happy Bucks:** Lloyd Graham (tree planted in his late father's honour on Highway of Heroes), Peter MacLoughlin (Breakfast Program & Swimathon Committee), Alan Ingram (being in Norway for Peter & Chick's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & he'll be bringing children's clothing on his next trip to Nunavut - contact him if you have clothing donations), Tracey Ormond (sister joining Rotary in China, where she teaches) and Jay Amer (brother selling his house).

**Announcements:** Colin MacKenzie (via Lloyd) said Rotarians were invited to the dedication this Thursday, Sept. 13, for the new Habitat for Humanity

President: Ken Tremblay

Past President: Andi van Koeverden

President Elect: Kevin Duguay

Treasurer: Wayne Harding

Club Secretary: Moe Grant

Sgt. at Arms: Lloyd Graham

Directors:

Marie Press

Morris Cox

John Thomas

Sarah Burke

Wayne Harding

Lloyd Graham



### September Birthdays:

September 1 - Amy Simpson  
September 2 - Jaimie Donohue  
September 2 - Andi van Koeverden  
September 13 - Joe Fleming  
September 18 - John McCormack  
September 19 - Carl Oake  
September 28 - Colin MacKenzie  
September 30 - Joe Hall

### September Club Member Anniversaries:

September 9 - John McCormack  
September 12 - David Abramsky  
September 12 - Jim Stewart  
September 25 - Brent Perrin  
September 30 - Neil Campbell



## Upcoming Program Schedule



September 24 - District Governor Sue Davidson  
October 15 - Mayoral Candidates

home at 452 Wolfe Street at 9:30 a.m. *Jay Amer* updated us on the work of his Program Committee; we are booked until 2019. Scheduled speakers: Sept. 24 (District Governor Sue Davidson), Oct. 15 (mayoral candidates), Oct. 29 (offsite at Fleming College hosted by new Fleming President), Nov. 5 (Remembrance Day), Nov. 19 (Paul Harris Dinner & Awards Night), Nov. 26 (Honduras update), Dec. 10 (Annual Meeting & Elections). *Sally Harding*: Meeting of Centennial sub-committee on New Events Sept. 19 at Berce Steakhouse. Youth Exchange committee meeting Sept. 20 at Holiday Inn at 5:00 pm. *Bruce Gravel*: LAST CALL today for signing up for Tri-Club Social & Tournament at Peterborough Axe Club this Sunday, Sept. 16 from 1-4 p.m. He brandished a handsome trophy, courtesy of President Ken, which would be awarded to the winner. 2019 Auction Committee would start meeting soon and members are needed to join this fun committee. Auction date: January 26, 2019. This is our club's largest fundraiser that isn't wet.

**New Service Project for Club:** Service Director Marie Press reviewed the many months of work of her 9-member Service Project Working Group. A club survey had identified Children & Hunger as priorities for our club. Marie's group had contacted/interviewed 9 local agencies. The committee narrowed the field to 2 finalists, and recommended one to the Board for approval: Homeward Bound (HB) Peterborough. The Board had approved and today recommended it to the club. It was a 2-year commitment of \$13,000 per year, funded via our annual Auction. (The Auction typically generates twice that amount each year.) HB's goal: breaking the cycle of poverty for single mothers and their children. This is done through education, then a career with a living wage. The education focus is on trades at Fleming College. The program currently has 4 women and 11 children enrolled. There would be many opportunities for Rotarians to be involved with HB clients, through mentoring, teaching life skills, wise choice shopping, value of volunteering, etc. Info pamphlets were at each table. For more details on HB, contact Maisie Watson, Manager, at 705-742-0439 x 219. Visit: [www.ptbohousingcorp.ca](http://www.ptbohousingcorp.ca)

**Two Weeks Notice:** Members would vote on this at our Sept. 24 meeting. Voting by proxy would be arranged. Our 2018-19 Budget would also be presented then.

**Program:** Cal Langman introduced our recently-elected MPP Dave Smith. Dave started by announcing 2 personal donations to our Auction fundraiser: A signed Ken Dryden hockey card and a rare CBC Hockey Night in Canada towel. Dave outlined his government's priorities: ending the ruinous strike at York University, cancelling the White Pines wind turbine project and 752 other costly "green energy" electrical projects, saving taxpayers \$780 million. Ontario had a large surplus of electricity and didn't need these expensive new projects. His government was ending the cap & trade carbon tax, which sucked \$2.2 billion from our economy. We will still reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Dave opened the floor to questions, and fielded several on various topics.

Sally Harding thanked him. Lloyd promised to deliver his thank-you glass to his office - when it eventually opens.

President Ken adjourned the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** Sept. 24. New dates for October: Oct. 15 & 29.

### **Your Smile:**

*"Learn from the mistakes of others.*

*You can never live long enough to make them all  
yourself."*

—Groucho Marx

### **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. Moe 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.

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