



Rotary Club of Peterborough September 19, 2016

(Submitted by Martin Parker)

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

This Date in History: in 1914 Nova Scotia Nurse Margaret MacDonald volunteered for overseas service with the Canadian Expeditionary Force and became the 1st woman in the British Empire to achieve the rank of Major. In 1980 twenty-two year old marathoner Terry Fox was invested as Companion of the Order of Canada, the youngest person to be so honoured.

Grace by David Abramsky, **Four-Way Test** was led by James Stewart, **Toast to Canada and the Queen** followed by **Oh Canada** with Paul Bodrug at the keyboard.

Arlene Blunck introduced **our guests:** Anita Erscegeb-Pappas, Debbie Keay, guest speakers Lesley Heighway and Rebecca Huels and exchange student Lais Viana.

Birthdays: President announced the members who had birthdays this month and they were requested to donate some folded money. Of the ten members with birthdays in September only four were present. The members sang Happy Birthday.

Exchange Student Minute: Lais Viana noted that yesterday she ate green beans for the first time ever. She noted she does not like vegetables. The beans were cooked by Chef Wayne Harding. She reported that school photos were taken today and she has made the school dance team.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Pineau noted his mistake in the information on the new version of 'O'Canada' used for the fines last week. Members who want a refund can collect at the upcoming Red Rock Music Festival in August 2017. He fined Gord Fallen for standing up for the applause last week for our new members. The fine amount was settled by negotiation with final approval by the President.

Classification Talk: Ginny Veselskiy taught members the correct pronunciation of her last name. She originated from Grand Manan in New Brunswick and has worked in the United States, England and various locations in Canada as a nurse finally settling in Peterborough in 2002. She is now a nurse-practitioner. She noted she became interested in Rotary through the

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

September Birthdays:

September 1 - Amy Simpson
September 2 - Jaimie Bondy-Donohue
September 2 - Andi Van Koeverden
September 6 - Barbara Tomaszewski
September 13 - Joe Fleming
September 18 - John McCormack
September 19 - Carl Oake
September 27 - Richard Morgan
September 28 - Colin MacKenzie
September 30 - Joe Hall

September Club Member Anniversaries:

September 9 - John McCormack
September 11 - Jim Scates
September 25 - Brent Perrin
September 30 - Neil Campbell

Our Exchange Student info:

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is residing with

Sally & Wayne Harding

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Upcoming Program Schedule



September 26 – Peter Jennings, author – Shark Assault, an Amazing Story of Survival

October 3 – David Pogue – Team 55, Suicide Awareness

October 10 – NO MEETING – Thanksgiving

Rotary Club of Grand Manan which hosts the summer festival each year on the island. She is planning to return to the island this summer to assist with the festival. She reviewed her interests and is looking forward to becoming involved in Rotary projects.

Happy Bucks: *Peter MacLoughlin* for his participation in the Ride for Hospice on the weekend; *Wendy Hill* for being unable to start the return boat trip to Florida due to navigation equipment problems on the boat. They plan to set out on August 1 next summer; *Nick Avlonitis* for his recent trip to Greece; *David Abramsky* for his daughter's wedding on a wet Saturday and for Gord Fallen in tuxedo helping to get cars out the mud; *Martin Parker* for selling winning ticket at Musicfest, which is being used to purchase a new motorized scooter, and for the Provincial decision to request a full Environmental Assessment for the proposed Parkway; *Kim Zippel* for the Ministry of Natural Resources for reclassifying Loggerhead Marsh as a Provincial Significant Wetland; *Arlene Blunck* for completing a ½ marathon on sunny Sunday instead of rainy Saturday; *Joe McCulloch* for attending a trade show in Las Vegas, even though very little time was spent at the trade show; *Will Cleveland* for his 65th wedding anniversary celebration and for the Rotarian (Audrey Lakien) for being a member of the winning Senior Woman's ball team, *Ken Tremblay* for his trip to France, tasting red wine not sampled by Rotarian Wayne with advice to travel facing forward when riding on a high speed train; *Lloyd Graham* for this Dad's 95th birthday and the bank retirees reunion in Kingston; *Susan Mackle* for her trip to Jasper, being asked to chair the Social Committee and announced she is planning an event for Women in Rotary; and *Eleanor Downs* for the changes with her employer which results in her being in Peterborough on Mondays thus able to attend the meetings.

Announcements: *Marie Press* announced additional government sponsored refugees are coming with 17 families by the end of March. She invited anyone who wishes to assist to contact her. *Jason Stabler* announced the Swimathon meeting will be taking place immediately after this meeting and additional volunteers are welcome. *Betsy McGregor* provided an update of the Seeds of Change project with Curve Lake First Nation. The completion has been delayed due to the illness of one of the elders. An updated report will be given to the President shortly. She also presented a Happy Buck in memory of MP Mauril Belanger who was responsible for the gender neutral version of 'O'Canada'. *Linn Thain*, our Sergeant-at-Arms reviewed the procedure for makeup meetings. *President Bruce Gravel* announced the Club's donation, last week's fines and other donations total \$1,325 and are being forwarded to the Rotary Club of Genova, Italy for Earthquake Relief. The recommendation of the Council of Legislation has been reviewed by the Board and will be reviewed by the Membership Committee next week. A full report will be made later to members.

Speaker: Colin MacKenzie introduced today's presenters Lesley Heighway and Rebecca Huels from the Peterborough

Regional Hospital Foundation and reviewed their accomplishments.

Lesley Heighway noted the role of the Foundation was to fund the acquisition of state-of-the-art medical equipment and technologies. She reviewed the various roles of the hospital from a Regional Centre of Excellence for specific procedures, Regional Referral Programme for additional procedures, and local procedures. The visitations to the various departments was shown. Heighway then reviewed examples of improved patient care made possible through equipment and technologies funded by the Foundation, especially in the areas of Cardiac, Neonatal and Labour and Delivery, Palliative Care Unit, Doctor Recruitment, upper extremity surgery and minimally invasive surgery procedures.

Heighway then highlighted the success of the Peterborough Dragon Boat Festival and introduced the Festival Chair, Debbie Keay, who was in attendance. She highlighted the statistics related with breast health at the PRHC. The successes are due to the generosity of the donors in Peterborough. The 5-year survival rate for breast cancer is now 88%. The Funds from the current Dragon Boat Festival are being used to purchase 3-D Imaging Equipment. She thanked the Rotary Club for supporting and participating in the Dragon Boat Festival. A short testimonial by a patient of the breast assessment programme was played.

Wendy Hill, based on her experience, thanked Lesley and Rebecca for their presentation and noted we need our Hospital and our Hospital needs us.

Bruce Gravel thanked Colin MacKenzie for organizing the Dragon Boat Festival team for the past three years and noted the registration costs are now included in the current budget.

Thought of the Day: How is it that one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

Adjournment.

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.