



**SERVE TO
CHANGE LIVES**

ROTARY CLUB OF FONTHILL

WEEKLY MEETING AGENDA

December 15th, 2021

Hybrid – In Person at MCC and Zoom Meeting

Present: Ann Harrison, Hugh Graham, Bob Eamer. Jan Cripps, Gail Levay, Dave Schulz, Dick Goode, Troy Killick, Annie Holtby, Lance Wiebe, Keith McConkey, Pat Duncan, Paul Allen, Meghan McNaughton, Paul Snack, Frank Adamson.

1. Welcome Guests

2. Land Acknowledgement - Lance

We begin this gathering by acknowledging the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis and Inuit people and acknowledging reminds us that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. Toast: Dave

To the Queen and Canada, To the Office of the President of United States, and To the President of Rotary International

4. 4-WAY TEST: Janet

Of the things we think, say, or do
Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned?
Will it build good will and better friendships?
Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

5. Invocation: Bob

With our friends beside us, and no person beneath us, with the bonds of Rotary between us, and our worries behind us, with our goals before us, and no task beyond us, with a thirst for knowledge, and a dream for a polio-free world, we give thanks.

6. Presidents Report, Correspondence and Announcements

Ann. Salvation Army Family. 845 at EL Crossley. Pickup is back of the school and then on to Holy Trinity Church in Welland. Thanks to Pat and Jeanette.

Social on 22nd. Meet at 4 pm at the Bandshell. Hot chocolate and donuts, explore Temperanceville.

Family Skating is January 7 at MCC. Paul has organised 730-930 pm and has coordinated with Rotaract Niagara re Food4Kids, **Mike** has volunteered to coordinate this with Nancie and a coworker. Collected \$

will go toward Rotaract. Collected money goes to Rotaract. They're looking at \$1600. They're doing a matching grant. They have a donation jar. It's like an Assembly Line.

A Financial Donation is set up so money will flow to Food4Kids Niagara. Mile's checking on the number served tight now.

We'll do a **Seasonal Greetings and Free Skate ad in paper**. **Paul**. It'll be 2 hours. Everyone has to be double vaxxed. Mike and Nancie will be there for the two hours. Bring family to skate and wear Rotary Regalia. We can be in dressing rooms 15 minutes before and after. Numbers are limited to 100 on rink at a time. It's a moveable 100. We don't have to control it; MCC will. Town will also put a plug in for the free skate in next week and the following week's Voice.

Ann. We're looking for a lead for the Family FunFest.

Note about Arches. **Frank** is having a zoom meeting with Council about the Arches.

Frank. Thanks, Ann. Concerning the meeting with Council, the two involved in design and coordination have resigned. James Federico is willing to take on the role as construction supervisor pro bono. He'll also donate back to the Arches. This is very positive news. James also has some contacts that will support the Arches. Five previous sponsors have agreed to double their donations. Sale of the TD building shouldn't have an impact on the footprint of the Arches.

Ann. Clubrunner has possibility to do the fundraiser for Food4KidsNiagara. Dave can put a widget on Clubrunner to be able to use our credit card Square. Woo hoo!

We need to look at next executive. We need a President Elect.

Mel and Ann met as Grant Committee with Melisa Brossard re a potential grant. Crossley might put in a proposal as well. We'll be having a board meeting to determine where the grant will go.

Mike. 450 kids are served. 27 schools want to be connected to the program.

Ann has reached out to those NOT attending our meetings in either format. Lindsey has stepped away. She still wants to volunteer. Kevin had to step away with Family illness earlier. He hopes to be back. Roy hopes to be back in the New Year. A few changes at work.

Bob. Re promotion, are there any more hats? **Mel**. No – will check at Wellspring storage. There are T and Golf shirts in Mel's spare room – Rotarians at Work T and Rotary Club of Fonthill Golf Shirts.

7. **Guest Speaker** – Maria Derkacz . Dave thought there were probably problems with Zoom. No speaker today

8.

Rotary Moment and Happy Loonies – Keith

9. **Keith had a Rotary Moment** when the kids were settled for the night and a knock came at the door. Two post-secondary students were seeking funds for Planet International. Keith looked PI up and they do a lot of the things we do. Keith did a normal donation, not a recurring one. It made him think that they chose an ideal moment to make the ask.

Happy Loonies.

Dave. Mel helped me out when I was trying to figure out Food4KidsNiagara. It's great how things come together in our club.

Janet. Grateful when I picked up son from Queens. Hope he remains healthy, He's writing exams from home.

Annie. We were babysitting for full day yesterday for Peter's grandson 1 year old. It was fun, exhausting, and Peter was over the moon.

Gail. Happy about Family FunFest because it's for all ages!

Troy. Happy because we're getting close to Christmas! 1st duty of the President is to become President elect for a year, We need you!

Mel. I'm touched by the humbleness of Dave Schulz. He managed to figure our everything about getting the square to work on Clubrunner. Ricj got his Booster shot yesterday,

Dick. My youngest of 5 has received her RN. She went west to snowboard so I'm pleased.

Paul S. Thanks again to Hugh and Annie. Without auction we might have zero for fundraising.

Ann, Son home and daughter arrives next weekend. Hopeful we can all gather for Christmas.

Frank, Twin brother from Kitchener and sister from out west are joining us for Christmas. Happy to go to Cancun with daughter and family from Idaho! I'm also going to Lockport to present Governor's trophy that wasn't presented in person LAST year.

Hugh. Nice time to get together with Welland Club's social. There was a surprise Paul Harris Fellow presentation. I guess I could use it as a makeup then.

Mike got his booster. I'm overwhelmed by setting up the Food4Kids Niagara. Rotaract Niagara has jumped on and also Lezlie Murch of St Catharines.

Lance. \$1000 is going to Pelham Cares because of donors to TV Auction deciding to donate directly to a place of **our** choice.

Pat. Thanks for supplies for the Salvation Army Family. Everything at home is still there on the house after the big winds. Thankful for online shopping!

Meghan is looking forward to going to the Sault for Christmas.

Keith will be putting up a fence in the spring because of the storm. Hi wife's grandmother with dementia is living on her own but it's nice to know others are also keeping an eye on her.

PS from Paul S. Any business owners can order rapid tests , Lori got 50 tests from online. Paul is using them for 4 employees and family.

10. Birthdays and Anniversaries

Andy's birthday was Dec 8th

Dave and Tina celebrate their anniversary on Dec 17th

Hugh joined Rotary in December 2000 and Roy joined in December 1998

Next Meetings/Events:

Ann See everyone on Dec 22nd – Social at the Bandshell – proposed time 4- 5:30 p.m
Have a very happy holiday season with your families. Stay well, relax and enjoy.

Frank. Big shout out! Ann has volunteered 100's of hours to the clinics. **Ann.** I enjoyed it.

NEW YEAR

January 7th – Skating at the MCC hosted by Rotary as a fundraiser for Food4Kids