

WEEKLY MEETING AGENDA

March 24 2021– (Zoom 41)

ZOOMING: Andy Glavac, John Cappa, Hugh Graham, Paul Snack, Crystal Lambkin, Dave Schulz, Mel Groom, Mike Taylor, Ann Harrison, Bob Eamer, Janet Cripps, Lance Wiebe, Keith McConkey, Carolyn Mullin, Annie Holtby, Heather Scott, and Gail Levay.

1. Open meeting: – Welcome everyone. Welcome to Crystal Lambkin, a friend of Angela Carter's, recently moved from Toronto to Fonthill, a Rotarian who may join us as a member in July and will be attending our meetings between now and then. Welcome, Crystal!
2. Land Acknowledgement: **Mike**
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: **Andy**
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: **Ann**
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**
Heavenly Maker, Whom we know by many names,
We thank you for Fellowship and good times,
We ask you to bless us, bless those we love,
Those we struggle to love and those who struggle to love us!
These things we ask in you name. Amen
6. President's Report/Correspondence/Announcements:
 - Scholarships. Every year we award two \$1000 scholarships at EL Crossley to two Interact students, Because of Covid and school changes due to it, Interact wasn't up and running this past year. Ann is suggesting we broaden the eligible students to include all Grade 12 students and that the selection based on an essay. The essay requirement: Rotary International has the motto of "Service Above Self". In an essay of approximately 1000 words explain what this motto means to you. Using some specific examples, describe how you have in the past, and will in the future live a life that aligns with this motto.

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MOTION: That the Rotary Club of Fonthill provide two (2) \$1,000 scholarships to two (2) students of E.L. Crossley who are graduating in the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved: Ann Harrison **Seconded:** John Cappa

Discussion: Dave noted it could be an opportunity to connect the successful students to Rotaract should it be available at their chosen university/college. Mike clarified that it would just be a one-time Covid year change and would revert to Interact members the following years. Keith mentioned the Essay's 300 words were 2 twitters and Mel agreed it didn't provide enough. The essay requirement above the motion reflects the increase to 1000 words.

Vote **Carried**

- Spring Clean Up Online Auction. Annie reported that the committee had zoomed with MaxSold Online Estate Sales Company to see their protocols. We also zoomed with lead Rotarian for Northumberland Rotary Club who just finished an auction with MaxSold to hear what worked, what they'd do differently next time (and they're definitely doing it again). We're just awaiting final confirmation from the warehouse re timing. I have a noon meeting and hopefully all will be settled today. I know several members are ready to deliver. I'll let everyone know the timing, send out the 'NO' list again and the Waiver form for each donor which also serves as a record of your donations. We're not canvassing with this auction, just checking our own homes and asking friends and neighbours if they have anything they'd like to contribute. Hopefully we can all come up with something to add. Thanks for your help!
- Easter Hoppin'. Ann. Dave has hidden Easter eggs throughout our website. The object is to count them. Another option is to make cookies using Rotary colours. A Bonus is also there for anyone incorporating the Rotary Wheel on a cookie.
- Watershed, Canada Day. John. When looking for locations (a shout out to Don Campbell of the Welland Club), Don visited lots of locations and talked to those already cleaning beaches as part of the job. We don't want to go where the beaches may already be done. We're checking out what's available and connecting with Heath too. We think we'll have our own sites. Teams of 2 to 6/7 no higher. Trying to impact the environment so that's why we're slower with site locations. Crystal asked if we'd checked with the schools. Ann is making that approach for everyone as she has the contacts. Ann added that Crossley isn't doing anything for the Cleanup. Students could volunteer to help with Rotary for this. The schools have a volunteer spreadsheet that they can sign up with. Ann also said that she'd been in touch with someone from the Pelham Arts Festival. Ann is going to confirm that there will be one poster highlighting Rotary and the Clean Up. The winning poster would be chosen and shared on Pelham Art Festival's social media as well as ours. All of them would be on the Pelham Art Festival site. It might take \$100 for printing a physical poster plus a bit for a prize.
- Cards for members. Gail thanked Heather who brought in stamps from Costco for mailing out cards. Hugh thanked Gail again for taking care of this.

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- Canada Day Committee. Lance mentioned there was Zoom fatigue and there was going to be a Drive By in Centennial Park and they're expecting 500-700 cars through. There will be a decoration kit for car. Do we want to put a brochure in similar to a Did You Know What We Do? There will be a bike contest. People will be encouraged to take selfies while dressed in red – photos will be arranged in the shape of a flag. Paul S said he had a bunch of cards that could be our brochure. There was a suggestion of adding the colouring books from the bank. Also, Gail reminded us that our 30th year starts July 1st. Maybe a banner, maybe use a car for the banner. We'll be there!
 - Club Structure – Committees, bylaws, succession. Hugh
Committees. Hugh would like to see more responsibility, more committee members. Ask the question 'what would you like to be in?' Hugh would like to see a Fundraising Committee to come up with ideas and follow them through. Paul S volunteered to chair this new committee. Thank you, Paul. Hugh also thought a Finance Committee to help with the budget, etc. would be beneficial.
By-laws. Ann is still working on this.
Succession. Ann. We still have no President Elect, someone to follow Ann. It wouldn't be till July 2022 so there is time to learn. With the POD system, it makes the President's load easier to carry. There's lots of help. Take time to consider this.
 - Communication. Hugh mentioned that there a few people we haven't seen for a while and haven't heard from them either. Andrew is one. Bob said he's had conversations with him recently and he should be available soon. Tia was another. Gail said she saw her and could speak with her. Mel said that she was in touch with her as well. Let them know we're thinking of them,
7. Birthdays: Paul A. (March 5); Mel (March 19)
Rotary Anniversaries: Tia (Mar 17/10); Meghan (Mar 20/19); Ann (Mar 23/16); Janet (Mar 27/19); Pat (Mar 29/06)
 8. Rotary Moment: **Canceled due to time constraints**
 9. Happy Loonies: **Canceled due to time constraints**
 10. Action items: Check your home for items you'd like to donate to our Spring Clean Up Auction.
ACTION: ALL
Save the 24th April, Earth Day, for the Great Lakes Clean Up. ACTION: ALL
Think of someone to serve as President Elect. It's a great year and goes by quickly. Lots of support. Maybe it could be you! ACTION: ALL