



**ROTARY CLUB OF FONTHILL
WEEKLY MEETING AGENDA**

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

Hybrid Meeting

Wendy Arscott, Paula and Sean Racher, Lance Wiebe, , Frank Adamson, Bob Eamer, Carolyn Mullin, Hugh Graham, Paul Snack, Annie Holtby, Mike Taylor, Pauline Oliver, Pat Duncan.

- 1. Welcome** to our guests, Paula and Sean Racher, guests of Paul and Wendy Arscott, guest of Lance Wiebe.
- 2. Land Acknowledgement. Carolyn**
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: Bob**
To the King and Canada, To the Office of the President of United States, and To the President of Rotary International
- 4. 4-WAY TEST: Bob**
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: Hugh**
A Different Kind of Invocation
Only a life lived for others is worth living. *Albert Einstein*
Everyone can be great because everyone can serve. *Martin Luther King Jr.*
The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve. *Albert Schweitzer*
The fruit of silence is prayer, the fruit of prayer is faith, the fruit of faith is love,
the fruit of love is service, the fruit of service is peace. *Mother Theresa*
Have a Great Day and Fantastic Week! *Hugh Graham*
- 6. Presidents Report, Correspondence and Announcements. Assorted**
Purse Bingo. Pauline. I have a print out of the schedule here. We're sold out. Programs are ready.

FunFest. Paul. We have unexpected news. Bissell's is asking us to pause for a year. Their kids are taking over the business and they want it to go smoothly and it's the same time of year. Last year we had 1700 people – 400 cars. We'll talk about it at the meeting on the 19th.

Great Lakes Clean Up. For the benefit of our guests, The Great Lakes Clean Up was initiated by Frank Adamson when he was DG. Our District touches both Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. Many clubs bordering on the other lakes also wanted to join in the project.

150th Celebration. The Rotary Club of Fonthill, as a project for the celebration, raised \$100,000 for EL Crossley Marching Band and the bass drum has the Rotary Wheel on it.

Rotary Mega TV Auction. This is our 14th year with 7 Niagara Rotary clubs who came together 14 years ago to do this auction together. We've raised \$2 Million so far. We brought in \$28,000 worth this year and whatever top bids come from our Fonthill donors' items and certificates comes back to the club. WE made 60% last year and hoping for 65% which would be \$18,200.

7. **Guest Speaker –Hugh.** I'd invited Ryan Harrison, President and Director of Fun and Owner of the Jackfish Baseball team. Welland had a team that was associated with the Pittsburg Pirates. Hugh loved it back then. When there was talk of a team actually moving to Welland. Hugh was one of the 1st to show up and get season's tickets. There are more evening games now. Welland Jackfish is a great family fun time. It's fans first! It's a great supporter of the auction. They're looking for corporate sponsorship. There's something happening every half inning – running the bases, etc. Ryan suggested Rotary at the Park.
- Paul.** Is it a Professional Team? An opportunity to move up? **Hugh.** There's a former Blue Jay playing right now for Guelph which is part of their league. 8 teams including London and Guelph. Local games are inexpensive too! The Stadium is very nice. The Junior Jackfish provides a great opportunity for young people with their training camps. Ryan apologised for not getting here and we'll reschedule for end of the month – the 30th.

8. **Rotary Moment and Happy Loonies –**

Annie. Happy to finally have money in my purse for all those Happy Loonies! And happy to be here!

Lance. I have a historic Loonie. I went to a wedding at Queenston Heights and learned that when the Americans were coming up the hill, 80 Haudenosaunee held them off! There were 190 kids at Lance's Hall.

Wendy. Happy any day I get up. Happy my daughter purchased a home. Glad I live in Canada!

Frank. Judy and I are heading to Jamaica. Missing Remembrance Day – will look for something there. I spoke with the Chief Pilot of the Lancaster about speaking to us and he'd prefer to do it in person.

Hugh. Fine money for talking about the TV Auction! I'm also happy to finally donate Happy Loonies after all this time.

Rachers. Happy to be here; happy to get involved in community.

Mike. 6/7 self testing negative. You can still get a bad cold!

Pauline is excited about the Purse Bingo. She's also happy to find a great Bicycle shop – Liberty Cycle on Bond Street.

Paul. Last year for Zak's Halloween!

Sawmill would let us use their golf carts to take the kids around and we'd have shots after at a neighbours.

Pat. On Halloween, we went over to my son's place to see the granddaughters in costume. Usually the parents also dress up!

Bob. Good Halloween again. How community is changing! Neighborhood kids – 22 under 16 that were not here last year!

Carolyn. More than 50 came by our place. Leftovers went to the Ukraine Church in St Catharines, locally they went to Pelham Cares.

Annie. Congrats to Frank for his run for Mayor. Wonderful campaign!

Next Meetings/Events: November 9th – Purse Bingo at MCC 6 pm Doors Open. **November 16th** – Fundraising Discussion this Wednesday); **November 23rd** – DG Lisa Bishop and PDG Anne Bermingham presenting award to Rotary Club of Fonthill; **Saturday, November 26th** – Temperanceville Setup- 9 AM. Register on Clubrunner at the Temperanceville Event Site!