



**SERVE TO
CHANGE LIVES**

ROTARY CLUB OF FONTHILL

WEEKLY MEETING AGENDA

October 13th, 2021

Hybrid – In Person at MCC and Zoom Meeting

ZOOMING Hugh Graham, Paul Snack, Paul Allen, Michael Jacques. Bob Eamer, Keith McConkey, Ann Harrison, Mel Groom, Annie Holtby, Mike Taylor, Carolyn Mullin, Meghan McNaughton, Lindsey Hardwick.

1. Welcome

2. Land Acknowledgement - Hugh

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: Hugh

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: Carolyn

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: Carolyn

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 world free of Polio and Corona control. We are thankful for our Rotary friends and the meal we are about to share.

6. Business Meeting. Ann

President's Announcements etc.

District Conference – Mel. Mel was asked by DG Anne to represent the club as Ambassador.

October Service Projects -Rotaract, Bring Back the Brookies, Steve Bauer Trail. Sign up online for one of the service projects. Rotaract is planting trees on the 22nd. EL Crossley students are doing Bring Back the Brookies on the 17th. We need someone to take the lead on the Steve Bauer Train Clean Up. We should be wearing Rotary attire. We're responsible for own leather gloves and bags. We'll talk to the town about dropping bags on the trail for them to pick up. This is also a reminder that participation in the conference goes toward the Citation.

October 22 Social. We're looking at a social after for those who feel comfortable with dining indoors. Peter Piper is fine with even one table in the room downstairs.

October 23 Key note etc in Hamilton. It's all virtual now. The \$20 initially paid when one registered even if for the virtual attendance is being refunded.

Paul Harris Nominations and Dinner – Annie. Mel and I have a meeting on Thursday with head of catering at Lookout so we'll let you know the results after. The date is firm – November 29. From your side, if you have someone you feel should be recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow and Service above Self, please submit name and a paragraph about why you feel this person is deserving – it can be a fellow club member or a community member. You can send to me or Mel by email. The press release that went to media gives you a broader idea of who you might nominate. We hope you'll participate in the nominations and in the evening itself. Please send Mel your response to her survey sent out on Oct 7th.
Bob. Do you know what the number of PHFs will be given out? **Annie.** Not yet. **Bob.** I like 1 Community and 1 Rotarian. **Ann.** We did miss last year and are taking that into consideration this year as well.

Just a vaccination and timing update from the Thursday meeting – Lookout asks that we show them proof of double vaxxing of all attendees BEFORE the PH evening. We need to wear masks when not sitting at our tables and sign off on a Covid survey on arrival (a yes or no). **(LATEST ON THE DOUBLE VAXXING. We (Rotary) will check that those entering have their double VAX and photo ID at the door.)**

Lookout's serving staff have until November 14 to get vaccinated so everyone there will be double vaxxed, Rotarian and Lookout staff. Times set are 530 pm for open bar, 630 pm for welcome and dinner, PH program after dinner with a 9ish pm photo op and farewell. Registration and payment will be on Clubrunner. This will go out again separately. Link again

rotarycluboffonthill.ca/event/paul-harris-dinner-1/

District grants options – Ann and Mel

Applications have to be in for January. We're looking for suggestions of what can be done in the community. **Hugh.** Serenity House in Welland is closing. Do the tables now go to NF? **Ann** Yes. Parameters - \$5000 is approved - \$2500 from us and \$2500 from the District. It needs to be for something tangible. It can't cover ads or marketing it's more to do with activity, not capital. It can't be for a project already in progress. We did do a call for ideas in the community. Working with the Indigenous, Children and the Environment were areas that the Club wanted to focus on. We need to have something by December. Let Mel know. Profits get directed to organisations and groups we want to support.

Arches Update – Frank not present.

Fundraising. Paul S Profits get directed to organisations and groups we want to support. It's an important cog in the wheel. Everybody has to be involved. Add in red 'How can we be involved?' If

anyone has ideas, let me know. We're looking at Sponsorship levels where we present levels of giving to larger businesses for them to do annual giving for recognition. **Bob.** RE this sponsorship, will it impact the auction? **Paul.** Yes. Things that would be included could be 1. **Family FunFest.** It's labour intensive. For the run up to event, we need help. We have a good template. Crossley business class has to design a real event. It could be great. June 18th is Father's Day Weekend and opening of Bissell's. 2. **Purse Bingo** January 28th. Waiting to know the #s we can have in the gym. We definitely need help the night of event. 3. **Canada Day.** Lawn signs for Canada Day with our Rotary Fonthill logo. Promote and sell. 4. Paper Shredding. \$20/box, we shred for them. 5. Summerfest. \$1000 for club. Need people to set up, take the lead. Paul sending it out again. 6. **ARCHES** still has a shortfall. There are ideas to fundraise outside of Rotary. 7. **Canada Games.** Marcel is taking a lead on promotions, wine, culinary, opportunities to promote Niagara. We're not responsible for organising. Niagara College could be central point. 8. **TV Auction.** Separate comments

Arches update –Frank not here today

Torch Relay planning –**Paul S.** There's a meeting of committed clubs today. @ weekend per club. Ours is in July. More to come. Can make \$ with T-shirts for runners. We're responsible for organising that. Lots of promotion for Rotary.

TV Auction next steps – **Annie**

First of all, thank you to everyone who has canvassed their old as well as new donors.

Thank you to those who donated themselves as Friends of Rotary and as cash donors. Neither is too late to do.

Our October 8th deadline date was for commitment from donors and entry. We still have till the 18th (next Monday) to complete entries and gather the donations. A reminder that we need one copy of the donation form you print from the Wizard for gift certificates or cash and we need two copies for items – one for the binder and one for the item. When we receive an item or certificate, we take photos that are uploaded to where Lyle can access them. Things that happen between the 18th and 22nd when the Wizard closes is finishing the photos, attaching the Warehouse W or Certificate C labels to the forms you've printed out that come to warehouse attached to the certificates and items. Lots of crosschecking happens. Then there's editing before the TV readers record every donation for the live auction part. If anyone is interested in editing, let me know. Most volunteer jobs are the days of the actual TV Auction. I'll let you know when the volunteer schedule for the warehouse and the studio is ready for sign up. Added link later – still looking for volunteers!

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZKXFoSgkjKccq25H2GdVxGAETecxuZh6hPo4W3JKd-k/edit?usp=sharing>

Cogeco does a great job with distancing, etc. and the warehouse was and will be well set up for protection and distancing as well. Only one person per family can enter to collect their wins – not a kid outing for instance.

In the meantime, whatever you can still bring to the table, the 18th is last day for that. If it's just you, personally, being a Friend of Rotary as a donor, make sure it's a gift certificate because of the great returns on gift certificates!

Crossley Halloween Food Drive @ the school is between 25th-29th October. Not going out to Community. Carolyn Renier said that the Student Council and Interact are merged for this. It may be an opportunity to help bring food.

Other Business Items Ann received a letter from the Legion about the service for Remembrance Day. One service 1045 on Nov 11, It's \$50 for small wreath and \$75 for large wreath. An recommending the large. She will present.

7. **Rotary Moment –Andy** no Moment today

8. **Happy loonies –Mel**

Hugh. I'm pleased that we shared Thanksgiving with youngest daughter. Also, I'd like to give a shout out to Michael who is now on the board of Community Living and also Ontario's president.

Paul s. Leafs starting tonight.

Bob. We had Thanksgiving with daughter and son-in-law. I'm working to refurbish brick patio. I've survived the first phase.

Michael. It's the one year anniversary of the 2nd book. I'm the board of Community Living, Ontario and excited to be part of it.

Keith. Awesome, Michael. My father-in Law just had a brain tumor removed and was home in 72 hours.

Meaghan. Declan turned 1 last week, Very spoiled.

Lindsey. Father is in hospital. Home now. We had a small Thanksgiving dinner @ house.

Mike. Being with everyone. Great couple of weeks with family.

Mel. Happy with larger Thanksgiving numbers this year. Karen's death made me reflect on good health.

Carolyn. It was the first time eating outside on Thanksgiving at cottage. Reflected on all the blessings we do have.

Ann. In a similar vein of thankfulness, we were at the cottage , cousins together and thankful for our health.

Next week there is no meeting. Check options for conference. I'll send details. Virtual and Hybrid meeting in 2 weeks' time.

9. **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Birthdays in October include Mike Taylor (4th), Michael Jacques (5th), Dave (7th) and Ann (24th). Keith's anniversary is October 6th.

Next Meetings/Events:

Week of October 18th Next week there is **no** meeting.– District Conference Oct 21-23 and some great opportunities for service and social – stay tuned

TV Auction due date coming soon – have your donations listed on line by the end of the 18th.