ROTARY CLUB OF EXPLOITS



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August 2, 2018

I am surrounded by awesomeness here at the regularly scheduled luncheon for our club here at the Mount. MaPrez had her laptop out doing research of some technical thang, Rot Peggy was back from a few days in chez Paris with daughter where they bopped around to check out the local culture and amass interesting experiences, and Rot Brenna simply says, "I am Awesome!". I wanted to feel the Awesome too! I could almost feel that energy on the edge of my personal bubble wondering how I could coax it in. Lacking the proper training in spiritual capillary action akin to water adhesion processes, I could only hope for some simple osmosis action for it to filter through. But alas, none of this managed to leach through leaving me deficit inside my bubble....

No Program, but Rot Peggy enthralled the club with her story shared with our recently visited DG Rob Christie. Driving through Bishop Falls, Rot Peggy came across a pair of legs sticking out from under a camper truck into the road lane. As this appeared unusual, she stopped to render assistance not knowing who the creature was under the vehicle. After the usual bout of conversational to and fro both Rot Peggy and this fellow were Rotarians with the elderly gentleman being DG Rob himself. The DG had been traveling the district you see in his camper van visiting various clubs when his vehicle had

a breakdown in Bishop Falls. Like a true Rotarian, Peggy assisted by setting up a tow to a local garage and also provided the DG with her vehicle so that he could make his club visits while his vehicle was in the shop. She also provided the services of a key master; when the DG's entourage needed to access the inside of the locked camper for much needed items. So she arranged the local locksmith to come and access the camper to retrieve the personal items. Things did eventually get sorted out for the DG making Rot Peggy awesome as well. At this point I was still yearning for the amped up "awesome" just beyond my periphery but alas it was proving to be too much of an opaque veil for me to pierce....

MaPrez gave us the Cole's notes version over what was going in the past week with club business and the DG's visit with the exec and the club on July 26th. The DG's message was one of resilience; that being clubs of sizes and flavors have challenges yet it is the members within who rise and meet that challenge whether it is a fundraising challenge or a falling membership concern; there are successes when members come together to make it happen. Rot Fred was good enough to provide the DG and crew a GFW show 'n' tell with a visit to the Lionel Kelland Hospice. Eventually, available club members met the DG at Rotary Park for a tree planting to which the DG, a former Forester, took command of the spade and stuck 2 saplings into the hole with us looking on. With the DG looking spry and the rest of us exasperated from watching, we decided to continue the meet and greet at Barneys to avail of refreshments.

It was here that MaPrez made a note to the club of yours truly receiving the "True Rotarian" award to which members politely clapped to. Finally, as a last ditch effort to get at some of the "awesome", I demanded a standing ovation instead. Rotarians enthusiastically replied standing, clapping, and "bravo" of the like; blasting the awesome in past all barrier and obstacle making me feel awesome too......thanks.

MaPrez continued by stating we are in need of directors for the club. Rot John and Amy happily agreed to fill these roles for the club executive. In addition, we are in need of a wine event chair and committee members, which MaPrez is currently working on. Also starting in September, we will be doing breakfast meetings in lieu of the lunchtime meeting the 3rd week of every month....time to be determined. In other news, the club may see more classification talks in the near future. Classification talks may be a misnomer as it is no longer reserved for the newest members but a means to keep members abreast of the interests and projects current members are involved with.....so basically any member can be called upon to deliver a "personal state of the union"; This was another idea from the DG himself. Finally, does

anyone need help in navigating our website? If so contact Vicky and she can help answer some of your nagging website questions.

At the near end of the meeting the draw was performed with Rot Frank entitled but not enriched as he pulled the jack of spades. Happy bucks was a few with Rot Brenna happy for working with a small business advisor, Rot Amy was cheery because of upcoming vacation, Rot Fred was excited about the ABC trio performing soon but was quickly notified that this happened last week hence the sad buck instead. Rot John paid a shilling for the successful regatta in St. John's and finally Rot Vicky was happy for having a full Rotary board.

With no other business in the pipeline MaPrez clanged the bell at 1:30 to send everyone on their meery cheery way....

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July 5, 2018

Into the Maw of the Mount I go with armloads of piggy bank, abacus, and ledgers of us Rots for it is I, in the new year of the Rotary, that I dispense the funds and collect the funds to keep our name on the Mount's walls. Enter I do as most Thursdays into the crucible where the brethren have gathered waiting for the kitchen to rustle in some grub. I go to my usual spot where I can dump all my crap on top of the bar to examine the records to properly debit the accounts of those who are lining up at the trough. I look around the room to the rabble that have gathered so far only to notice Pavlov's salivations and the grumble of my innards to signal that lunch must be near.

After many minutes of me bumming Rots of their lunch money Ma Prez rang us in and Rot Michelle led the Ode with all following suit. After a gracious Rotary Grace, Ma Prez welcomed our guests Ashley Verge, Central region Coordinator from Connector NL as today's program and Heather Oakley from RBC and Ashley's guest; to which she invited all to take their seats.

I eventually took mine....and after seating in the same spot for many meetings, I noticed that it was a nicely arsly-formed seat. I shifted, squirmed, and squished to examine it cuppiture, noting that it was a comfortable back side fit. I was at this for many analytical minutes when I was startled out of my wits with an exclamation of "Oh My God" from Ma Prez. "The prime rib is succulent, the au jus and the flavors, how it all combines in a tasty flavorful way, and I even got the heal of the bread....." ...and on and on Ma Prez went about the joyous taste, made me wonder if I can get a food orgasm from my chef salad as well.

Rot Michelle, as the stand in Sarg, commanded the ticket box and realized that Ma Prez was the last to put in her ducket.....the meal must have distracted her from her ticket purchase. Rot Brenna won the draw but not the pot as the Ace of Spades still resides in the deck. "Happy Bucks!?" was the cry of the tormentor as she went around the room collecting tithes for Rotarian's indulgences and Proclamations: Rot Tim put in a looney for his granddaughter turning 10, Rot Fred pitched in a buck to proclaim the snow blower is finally put away, Rot John was happily down a dollar for his daughter's graduation, Rot Michelle's dollar gave her bragging rights about her upcoming 10 day vacation, and Rot Kim was cheery about Kashayla's successful grade 7.

Before our program Ma Prez stressed the need for someone to fill the VP position and had voluntold yours truly about teaming up with Rot Michelle to find nominations for this particular role. The surprise statement had barreled its way into my being producing something of a gag reflex, with the unfortunate result of partridgeberry spittle. Ma Prez then carried with introducing our program while I was hacking up the last bits of tart.



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Ashley came from the St. John's Board of Trade, is now working as the central rep for Connector NL, a group dedicated to bringing business and professional groups together with newcomers in the region. The premise is that a "new comer" whether it is a newly landed immigrant or another Newfoundlander not from the area have no circles or known groups to connect with; and businesses looking for new employees for positions not filled locally, can utilize this match making service with the aim of creating more efficient employment opportunities when people move into the area. A few engaging questions from the gathered Rots were asked to the point of Ma Prez timing out the Q&A with the ring of the bell thus closing out another Rotary lunch round at 1:40pm.

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July 12, 2018

Ma Prez called me this am to announce that she was absent for today's gathering and was temporarily relinquishing command of the Rotary helm to this minion. Goose bumps on top of goose pimples formed at the thought of the raw excitement of returning to the Dias where I can once again let loose Presidential power upon those below. All my nerve endings were frazzled with excitement; like many years ago, I could blister forth from the helm and beckon the Rotarians below to my whimsical needs. I no longer needed the charm of my lowly self to ingratiate those around me when today I could now use my new bestowed authority to bend all to my will...

This self grand delusion was somewhat tempered when Ma Prez commanded thy to properly lead the meeting, greet everyone, announce guests, lead the ode, say grace and greet the Queen in absentia, humbly ask for someone to do fines, provide the club business updates, respond to questions, and to close the meeting at the appointed time. "Yes my liege" I meekly blew into the blower as the excited fever ran out of me like runny snot... "I'll do your bidding"... Deflated, I never even had the heart to ask for my usual salad and settled on the proffered soup and sandwich with a whispery "thank-you" to the Mount's server.

The Mount, a fine collection of bricks and mortar, was a well beaten path for me. Years of associations of such harked me over the years to visit the Establishment for one reason or another. No matter what parking spot I occupied, I could know the steps to take to the door, the breaths it costed me to get there, and the smiling faces behind the counter when they had a free moment. Unexpected was Rot John who was waiting in the foyer came to me to announce the room was locked. This was an unexpected change to my regular programming of pushing through the bar door, but I responded by my usual "meh" and proceeded to invade the Mount's kitchen as a pass through to behind the locked door.

I set my office of treasurer on top of the bar once again so that these functions would not be missed. There was talk of "Trump" and Political conspiracy" but true to Rotary ideals there was not the talk of politics but rather a case of the patients running the asylum at the American executive. Mean-whilst Rot Lisa popped by to tell me it was her regret she couldn't stay for lunch as the Mount was in need of her. Keeping one eye on the clock and the other on the attendance, I noted it was half past the hour and hence time to start the meeting.

We were few in number ... 6 to be exact but the Ode was sung by what sounded to be 3 led by Rot John. Grace and cheers to the Royalty were given by yours truly as I invited everyone to take their seats.

Rot Mike and Amy paid some fines....something to do with being late and missing all the funness of meeting openings, Rot John had a happy toonie for his 60th birthday, which by the way was in April..."Shame on us for not remembering that!" and that the grand B-Day celebrations where happening in St. John's this weekend with the fam. And Rot Fred paid a happy buck 'cause Fred is always happy.

Guess what?...I won the draw! The elations of excitement I felt earlier this am about the unyielding Presidential power started to rise again in anticipation of plucking out the ever elusive Ace of Spades. So desperate I was to win some cab fare that a fog formed over my mind's eye blocking my use of the Force to discern the correct card and picked the 5 of diamonds instead. The disappointment and the wane of power left me hollow and the feeling of space-time peeling away underneath and dropping me into oblivion was instead my only reward for this venture.

Care of Ma Prez I had some announcements ... The DG and company are due to be in GFW on the 26th which is a Thursday. I asked Rot Mike about doing some show and tell and he agreed pending his schedule. We doing a tree planting that day with the DG just to show our pride and club colors at the Rotary Park however we need to get sanction from the town first before this goes ahead. Finally, the club is searching for a VP to fill this role with the goal of morphing into the next Prez for July 2019 Rotary year. Both myself and Rot Michelle have been tasked to this project and report back to the exec on our mission.

With no program scheduled for today and the general banter continuing half past the hour, I closed the meeting at 1:30 pm.

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JUNE 21, 2018

So folks, looks like I got caught in another weak moment ... Ma Prez asked me to send in some notes on the luncheon meetings as they occur and to keep the fellow brethren who are absent informed as to the goings-ons that go on in our part of the Mount. "No Prob" says I as note taking is what most of us can do anyway as a scribble here and there. Now I promised myself that I would not go into the fanatical stories that I did when I was club scribe back in the day; but just a few wee factoids to keep everyone engaged as it was pointed out during our fireside chat at Peggy's ... So let's give this a try ...

FACTOID 1:

8 members present with 9 guests who were Sue Hickey, Jack Kenny, Laura Horwood, Michael Barnes, Megan Price, Janelle Langdon, Kay Langdon, Michelle Rye-Gardner, and Olivia Hiscock ... Ok that was boring ... anyone can quote stats and names but where is the fun in that? Isn't it better if we concluded that guests outnumbered Rotarians for the first time since the early days of speak off and that the name of the club should be changed to the "Guest club of Exploits"

FACTOID 2:

Sue is the spouse of John, Jack, son of Scott, Laura, employee of Kim, and the rest were from Special Olympics ... This would be better if it was noted as: Sue the better half of John, Scott's protégé Jack, Laura, minion of Kim, and the outstanding athletes and coaches who cam e to share with their successes at sport, fundraising, and the specialness of their organization locally.

FACTOID 3:

Meal served was cooked dinner of meat, potato, and carrot.....Ok so I may not have gotten the meal right ... I can't friggin' note everything so then I adlibbed and besides, I really don't care what the rest of you's eat 'cause I had salad thank u very much!

FACTOID 4:

Sue won the ticket draw but not the pot ... So if no one wins the pot and no joker is drawn then there is no excitement. But there was little time for this anyway as past Ma-Prez was in a huff to move things along so that the program could get started.

FACTOID 5:

There were 4 happy bucks Ok so if that was all that was said then no one would be the wiser. So an education is needed here then about these happy bucks and thankfully I am here to advise on such matters ... Fred was cheery about the big crew today, John was singing praises of Bridgette or rather it was Bridgette who was doing a stand up job singing at the Grad and was doing good with her exams, Great Scott was happy to have his Jack home, and Michelle was noting Robyn's B-Daye and her finding employment in GFW.

Ok enough with the factoids already as we had run out of them. But Ma Prez did rise to greet us all and provide with a few proclamations such as the club have been invited to the Mawio'mi Pow-wow (forgive me if spelled that incorrectly) that is taking place June 22-24 at Gorge Park and that the District Governor will be attending our club on July 26.

Ma Prez then introduced Kim, who introduced members and coaches of the Special Olympics who shared their experiences with the club at their recent athletic events. Several of the athletes present had received awards for their achievements in these events with one passing around a gold medal for all to see ... The club was proud of their achievements. They also showed a video of some of their performances that earned them the trophy bling. The coach demonstrated that she is quite proud of the group being the 3rd largest in the province and had just successfully raised over \$20,000 for the events and programs. Even Great Scott chimed in that the SO bowling is a must see; full of energy and a vibe not experienced elsewhere.

Prez Vicky thanked the group for today's interesting program and banged the gong at 1:32 while some of the head table elites hung out afterwards for pictures and selfies with our guests.

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June 28, 2018

Yippee!.....the sun is out, the weather is warmer, the birds are chirp 'in, and the Rotarians are gathered at the Mount for chow, updates, and goin-ons. Funny that by the end of winter people are complaining about how cold it has been and can't wait for summer; and are the same folk who talk smack about being too frigg'n hot in the summer. But for me personally, I'll take the heat of summer and the cold of winter 'cause that's how I roll.

The crew was slight today at the Mount...Perhaps folks are taking advantage of the warmness to pull weeds or visit estate sales, which were the first thoughts that popped into my mind. I did count 8 present plus Baby Tarragon which for going into summer session is not unexpected. The gathered cloistered around the center with even Ma Prez removing herself from the presidential dais to sit with the crew to feel the love. They tried to pry me away from the head table, I refused, citing some nonsense about needing the roominess for my crap and foragibles. But I did take down the podium to remove the stigma of eliteness as a compromise to their thoughtfulness.

So for those of you who didn't hear the news earlier, lunch fees are going up in the new Rotary year (July 1st) from \$12 to \$15. We try our best to keep in line with what the Mount charge us for lunches and taking into account what additional lunch costs are incurred for our guests who come to speak to the club throughout the year. We have been using the card system which is great for me because I am not spending half of the meeting chasing Rotarians (Rots) around for lunch payments but instead, write in their prepaid cards the dates when they are here for lunch. This also makes it easier for when I am not here to collect lunch payments as long as someone notes the attendance for me to adjust the meal cards upon my return. As pricing is no different for prepaid meal cards,

I'm not sure what the benefit to the Rots is as long as it makes my job easier....(I'm self-centered like that)

As I pushed the bun into my maw, I took an interest in some of the group speak....Ma Prez was hacking into RI site wondering for the definition of a Service Project.....Mount Mistress Lisa was beta testing Martini Mondays with others noting "I'm in for a taste test!" followed by cackles of laughter. Rot Fred and Frank were chemically bonding with talk of sulphides, fish, and smells...made me wonder if one of them had passed gas. Thank goodness lunch came and the room quieted down quite a bit after that...

With Rot Brenna tapping the back of her hand for "tick toc" Ma Prez removed herself from the group speak to cling the bell for attention. After collecting her thoughts and with now all eyes toward the helm, Ma Prez invited Rots to peruse the sheets that were passed around citing job descriptions for the various positions in and around club operations. There was some discussion around tweaking a process where members could be attracted to some of these responsibilities with Rot Michelle eschewing a position of being "voluntold" for club participation. But for now, Rots are encourage to think about where they can participate to help the club as noted on the handouts...And as a segue from this topic to club responsibilities, Ma Prez was pleased to announce that Rot Brenna would fill the Secretary role starting in the new Rotary year.

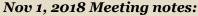
Rot Michelle provided results of the survey that went around to club members for input. Lacking any standard scientific method or statistical analysis, feedback from members was skewed towards a buddy system, more board directors, and more speakers as a way to engage Rotarians more in the club. A thought of experimenting with changing time slots for lunch might appeal to those folks who may be able to make a breakfast or a supper meeting was given serious consideration as well. "We are still in the process of collecting further surveys" quipped Rot Michelle as the results and considerations are not final.

With the hour pushing toward 2pm, Baby Tarragon, who had now had a beaten track between his mother and me, threw a fit and launched his toys all over...I could only think the thought that maybe he lost some money in the slots behind me. Rot Mother picked him up as I proffered the ticket-can towards his paw and drew Rot Michelle's ticket for the day. A numbered spade was drawn for chase the Ace which kept the pot safe at \$275 as of today.

With people milling out of the room Ma Prez adjourned the meeting at 1:40pm

YIR Rotarian Paul





Opening/Chair: Vicky chaired the meeting.

Visitors/Guests: Vicky and Michelle Daye spoke to the club on the wine event updates *Speaker(s) & Program:* Our club again focused on the wine event. This large project is very important to fund our club for the year (as it's the main fundraiser), and we need to ensure its success.

NEXT MEETING: There will be no club meeting held on Nov 8th as we will be setting up for the wine event all day.

OUR NEXT CLUB MEETING IS...

Breakfast Meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel (upstairs)

8am to 9am

Fred Lee will be chairing this breakfast meeting, Tom Boone will be delivering a presentation on the Lionel Kelland Hospice project. Tom is a founding member and member of the board for this initiative. It promises to be an excellent meeting.

Since we have added the breakfast meetings, we seem to be having some confusion around meeting times. We hope this bulletin will help this, but hope that our Rotarians may 'buddy up' with a member who isn't comfortable with internet communication and remind them about our events.

Stories

Nov 1 2018 Meeting Musings

Posted by Paulie Howard on Nov 01, 2018



Good Day Everyone!

Paul's Musings ...

Ladies and Gents, I hope you had dragged your rattled bones out to Sobey's to stock up on diabetes causing candies, gummy teeth-filling jujubes, two-bite chocolate bars not made of chocolate, stringy thingy died sweetened ropes, teeth cracking candied lollipops, bags of air with a few chips in them, sweetened tarty tarts that don't look anything like rockets, and last but not least, a few pieces of pliable gum whose ingredients resemble the output of the Manhattan project. Its Halloween you see, a time when young'ins marl around the neighbourhood dressed in ridiculously scary plasticized outfits proffering bags of bonbons to be added to at each willing household.....And in the end, it's the parents who go through the catch of the night to exercise their "parent tax" for they have sweet tooth's as well.

I think we all went through Halloween with different experiences as kids. For me, it was rounding up a plastic mask that scratched at your face while you struggled to look through the peepholes. Sporting woollen cuffs and a top-knotted toque to keep some semblance of warmth while you more often than not trudged through a few snow drifts....And then when you arrived back at the domicile, pile high your take for assortment. Fruits and apples were ho-hum left to rot lest some desperate sense of yearning sought them out. Molasses candy and rockets were the least desirable and hence placed in the back of the shelf. Chips, bars, and other assorted treats were consumed first and this was the Precious; hid away from the prying eyes and light fingers of siblings.

I survived the Halloween experience this year once again with only 12 visitors coming to the door. Every year the roving mobs seem to get less and less leaving me with more and more treats to deal with. I wonder what I have to do with these leftovers? Will I eat them myself only to watch my belt burst its hole, or do I squirrel it all away for a just-in-case moment of weakness? I could throw the whole works out into the road free for the taking.....meh, I think I will just bring it into work as I have a bunch of gannets working there who like to have sweets with their tea.

With the Rotary luncheon upon us I had to play catch-up as I was away from this venue for the last couple of sessions. The Ode was sung in a minor chord with MaPrez providing another different grace of the meal from her tome of Graces. We all sat, tasking the Mount's minion with requests for salad as she efficiently acknowledged all of our salad shout outs as she hurried back into the kitchen. Buns were rolled around to those who wanted one or two with a choice of butters....and finally, coffee and teas were slurped over the lips of the Gathered; cementing the cracks within consumed entrees in each of our gut.

The Sarge like the town crier announced Rot Fred as the winner of the ticket draw only for him to pluck out a joker amongst the chorus of cackles. Happy bucks were proffered with the Gathered raising their tokens high into the air hoping to be the first to be acknowledged and recognized for valuable airtime to cast off their renditions of what makes them happy: Rot Fred paid a ducket to relay a story about the life-saving benefits of drinking liquor neat, Rot John was happy that Bridgette is doing well with her studies, Rot Tim paid a shilling for his son has a job and can start paying his own way, Rot Amy threw in a tooney for the successful completion of the past weekend's karate event to which she provided much assistance, plus let it be known about her upcoming polio trip, and Rot Peggy thankfully paid for surviving the grandchildren.

Now I usually yammer on about some of the Prez's proclamations that comes after, however, these factoids are usually in her submissions to the club bulletin so I don't want to repeat ourselves and risk churning out alternative facts....so I'll let MaPrez fill the void with her utterances for that day.

We will be attending - please let me know if you can help at the booth - set up at 5, at booth 6 - 9, then take-down at 9. All of our material is stored at the Mt. Peyton so the set-up and take-down should be relatively easy & fast.

NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD SOUGHT!

Our nominating committee is looking for nominations for President - 2019/20 and Secretary - 2019/20

We would love to have YOU step up and offer your great ideas to move our club forward! Questions about these roles? You can ask any one of the Past Presidents or ... go to this link at Rogary.org (log in to "my rotary") to see what the official job description is: <u>Club Roles</u>
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MEETING CHAIR SCHEDULE

Here is the updated schedule for chairing future meetings. Please arrange an alternate and let me know when/who are switching.

Download the list

Speakers

Nov 15, 2018 8:00 AM
Tom Boone
Lionel Kelland Hospice - Update

View entire list

Upcoming Events

Breakfast Meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel Nov 15, 2018 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Weekly Lunch Meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel Nov 22, 2018 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Exec Meeting

Online

Dec 05, 2018 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Weekly Lunch Meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel Dec 06, 2018 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Weekly Lunch Meeting

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Kim McDonald-Wilkes November 17

Terry Goodyear

November 27

Anniversaries

Kim McDonald-Wilkes Colin Wilkes November 14

Paulie Howard Ness Howard November 29

Barry Bartlett Peggy Bartlett December 29

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Nov 15, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: Fred Lee chaired the meeting today.

Visitors/Guests: Our guest speakers were Tom Boone (founding member and Treasurer) and Al Bradley (Chair) with Lionel Kelland Hospice. Also joining us were Board members: Dr. John Campbell, Sandra Evans, Sister Betty Rae Lee, and guests Rose Daley and Sister Roisin Gannon and Sister Bernadette Doherty.

Speaker(s) & Program: The presentation gave us an overview of the progress to date as well as the fundraising, and provincial government funding status. The donation of the building has put this project years ahead of schedule and gives them a 2+million head start. A completed business plan has been submitted to the Province and is now being studied for feasibility.









The meeting was very well attended. Due to the interest in the presentation, there was no 50/50 or Happy Bucks collected.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting is a lunch meeting, chaired by Rotarian John Whelan. Regular club business is on the agenda, along with a recap of the wine event.

Lunch meeting

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Dec 06, 2018 12:30 PM Craig Goudie

Botwood Murals

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Nov 22, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: John Whelan chaired our lunch meeting today

Visitors/Guests: We didn't have a special speaker today *Speaker(s) & Program:* Discussion covered club business

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Stories

Paul's Musings - Nov 22 2018

Posted by Paulie Howard on Nov 22, 2018



Paul's Musings ...

Tally Ho...To the Mount we Go! Rotary and Rotarians abound as all assemble around the trough waiting for the feasting to begin. The fair maidens of the Mount, dutifully listen to our pleas of

green cheffery salads as we plop our behinds down ogling at the dessert and being tempted into thinking that it should be treated as an appetizer.

I whiz around with my abacus in hand getting those owing to pony up some chits. Meanwhile, Rot John chaired the helm today as MaPrez had taken a planned outage. Rot John, up on the dais, reminded me of the stern lecturer from the Christian Brother schools. Organized in thought and manner, Rot John banged the gavel to startle us from our slumber and rise to the occasion. "Drat," my inner self said as I was about to shovel a piece of carrot cake into my maw and instead quickly ascended to verbalize the Ode. ``What key is this supposed to be sung in?`` I wondered as everyone had their own key and none of them seemed right. This reverie was broken somewhat as Chairman John ambled about for a Grace and could only provide the club with the NDP variant. It was actually quite fitting but not before finester Mike noted that we are a politically secular lot and that such egressions were still subject to a potentially possible maybe a fine...we`ll see...

As we gorged our self on beef stroganoff and slurped on tea, the group speak of the gathered was notable:

- There was some babbling on about Kiwanis...How they were having their challenges as a club with low membership and difficulty with engagement on projects. Their president had written a piece in the community paper discussing these problems and could lead to club dissolution. The piece also asked old and current members to come together to revitalize the club.
- Which is better, slow-cooked pork in beef au jus as you can't get pork jus; or pulled pork? I don't know why this was discussed 'cause we were eating beef today.
- They were talking about Instapot as a wonderful thing. I was confused here because I wasn't sure if it was some magical cooking rig or smokeable weed that grows as fast as a chia pet.

At the top of the hour, the Stern Chairman arose to move things along. This was the cue for finester Mike to bring some levity to the club by issuing fines: The Chairman took a bruising for his use of the NDP Grace, Rot Amy paid a happy buck for getting 3 names for potential members at the Connector event which Rotary participated, Rot Kim was happy that vehicle works again and the LKH may get to present at the district conference, Rot Fred paid Rot Tim`s fine for bad joke telling, and Rot Peggy paid a happy buck for being happy.

The Stern Chairman had some more notables: Rot Brenna has resigned from the club as she is being transferred. Also, the club has received nominations for Greg Woolfrey as President and Peggy Bartlett as Secretary for the upcoming year. Henceforth, there will be an AGM on Dec 13th to ask for further nominations and vote in the upcoming executive positions.

Rot John discussed the upcoming Adventure in Citizenship program and instructed yours truly to get a check ready as registration has to be received shortly and plans to work side by side with Rot Deirdra on this endeavour.

Finaly, Rot Kim chimed in with a plug for the United Church Christmas give out of gifts. Kim will pass along a list to us Rotarians as to the items to bring in to her for this program.

With all the yammerings done the Stern Chairman rung the bell at about 1:15 and sent all back out into the World until next week again.

Yours in Rotary,



Our Next Meeting -Thursday, November 29th

12:30 to 1:30 Mt. Peyton Hotel

Chair: Mike Goodyear



Santa Clause Parade?

If we have members who are willing and able to put together a car to participate in the Santa Clause Parade this Saturday, please do so - we will be touching on this at our Nov 29th meeting for an update. Let us know if you've reached out to the parade committee to let them know we will have an entry (if that ends up being the case). Remember, they have a huge amount of work on their hands coordinating this so it's important to let them know asap if we need a spot.

When are you chairing? Here's the list - check it out!

Don't get caught by surprise - please review this roster and if the date you have been slotted in isn't doable, it's your responsibility to find an alternate. Simply reach out to a fellow club member and ask them to switch (or simply take your spot). It's fun and we're thrilled to see everyone's

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Speakers

Dec 06, 2018 12:30 PM <u>Craig Goudie</u> Botwood Murals

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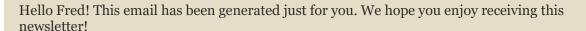




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Nov 29, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: Mike Goodyear was our chair for this lunch meeting

Visitors/Guests: Kim brought Helen Skinner, her new Game Coordinator for the SONL Games.

Speaker(s) & Program: Kim gave the members an update on the upcoming 2019 Special Olympics NL Winter Games. A reminder that she is still looking for more volunteers, to see how you can help you can contact Kim directly. The dates for the games are Feb 22-24 and March 1-3, 2019.

Mike proposed participating in the Santa Claus Parade on December 1st and put a call out for members who wanted to be involved. Mike, John and Sonya did a great job of representing our club in the parade.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting (Dec 6th) will be chaired by Rotarian Tim Chalker, and is a lunch meeting. We have a speaker joining us. local artist Craig Goudie will be telling us all about the Botwood Mural project.

Lunch meeting Mt. Peyton Hotel 12:30 to 1:30

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September 27, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: Michelle Daye chaired the meeting **Visitors/Guests:** Mary Kelly was guest and speaker

Speaker(s) & Program: Mary Kelly spoke to the club about the Provincial Student Leadership Conference. This conference is hosted by EVI this year (Oct 18 - 21) and will bring over 300 student leaders and teachers to our community.

50/50, Happy Bucks & Fines: There were no fines, happy bucks or 50/50 tickets sold.

NEXT MEETING:

Due to lack of volunteers, we have canceled our booth at the Seniors' Fair (we hope you pop in and visit it though). Because of this, we will resume our lunch meeting at the Mt. Peyton.

Posted by Paulie Howard on Sep 27, 2018



Paul's Musings for Sept 27th, 2018

...Weary eyed and pooped, I slogged up toward the Mount to join the Gathered on this fine Thursday afternoon. Eyelids heavy, breathing sporadic, a weighted presence bared down on my being making every additional step a chore. Closer and closer to the Mount's breach, I managed while slugs on the ground traveled faster than I. Without the strength of a feather, I managed to push the handicap button to open the gate where I can use my last gasps to fall in. Shuffling across the tiled floor, I headed into the pub to see a few of the Rots lingering about. Propped up against the bar, I had Rots proffer their payments while I dozed for a moment. Dreamed I did of a hag spirit chasing me around on a train asking for my ticket. It was through the lucid fog I realized that Rot Michelle was asking about the 50/50 tickets and where they were too. Fog lifted and consciousness gained the upper hand as internal reserve power kicked in as a retort formed: "I don't know where the tickets are as we ran out while I was absent and somebody else started a new roll".

Well that shagged the tickets sales for today as we all sat to our places at the trough. Rot Michelle, who was filling in for MaPrez, welcomed our guest and speaker Mary Kelly. Mary retired from the teaching profession this past season, but according to all the volunteering she is currently doing; you swear she really hasn't retired. Today though Mary is here to chat about the upcoming student leadership conference to be held here during the weekend of Oct 18 -21. Exploits Valley High will play host to about 300 students from all across the province as they attend seminars and conferences covering any range of topics such as mental health, drug awareness and abuse, violence prevention, fundraising, outdoor survival skills, and a host of other interesting subjects students may be fond of. To pull this off Mary asked us to help her get the word out on this as they need help in several areas to ensure success. An important resource they need **are billets** who can take student(s) for the weekend. If anyone is interested they should contact the school for more details and what you can commit to for donating student housing. They are also asking for help during the event for logistical support such as bodies to help serve meals and snacks during breaks. Finally, Mary did say that financial resources are always welcome. They have been busy getting donations and are just \$1,500 shy from their budget of \$15,000, however, please feel free to donate. Rot Michelle thanked Mary for her informative presentation before questions could be asked.

Rot Mike ended the session with a thesis on local cemetery management or rather the lack thereof. Apparently, there is no committee to look after the dead ones there or perhaps where to place the dearly departed. There was even chatter that some folks having been planted across the highway in unsurveyed land. Some of the groups (denominations) are running out of space according to Rot Mike. I wonder what the dead there think of this dreariness?.....Nothing probably because they are dead. Personally though, I think we should just stack caskets in the grave to save space and put sticky notes on existing headstones that may contain a caption such as:

....Here lies John S. Doe
He was a rightful ol' soul
But his time had passed
And he thought it was a gas
To be buried on top of cranky ol' Mr. Rowe

We are done at one-thirty-one...

YIR....Paul

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Frank Howard

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Oct 18, 2018 Meeting notes:

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Visitors/Guests: We didn't have a special speaker today

Speaker(s) & Program: Topic for discussion today was to update members on the wine event. We were a very small group but still managed on getting some great work done.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting (Oct 25th) will be chaired by Rotarian Peggy Bartlett, and is a lunch meeting. We have a speaker joining us. Hector Earle, with Corona College will be speaking to us about adult literacy and the valuable programs that Corona College offers.

Lunch meeting Mt. Peyton Hotel 12:30 to 1:30

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Oct 25, 2018 12:30 PM

Hector M. Earle

Corona College: "Meeting Literacy Needs"

Nov 15, 2018 8:00 AM

Tom Boone

Lionel Kelland Hospice - Update

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Oct 25, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: Peggy Bartlett chaired our breakfast meeting today. We opened with Mike G and Fred leading our Provincial anthem, a toast to the Queen, and Peggy blessed the meeting with a humorous joke. You really need to ask her to tell it to you!

Visitors/Guests: We gave the podium to Hector Earle, Program marketer for Corona College. Hector is a retired teacher and an avid supporter of adult education and the benefits of learning at all ages.

Speaker(s) & Program: Hector shared the programs offered by Corona College. Students are able to not fill in the gaps to achieving a high school diploma, but also will receive help in financial subsidy.

NEXT MEETING: November 1, 2018 Lunch meeting at the Mt. Peyton Hotel.

Lunch meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel

12:30 to 1:30

Please bring all information and updates with you to the meeting if you haven't already emailed updates to Vicky (sponsorship amounts, and items donated for the silent auction)

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Hector Earle with Peggy Bartlett Thank you for the presentation!

Wine Event update ...

We have 5 wine vendors confirmed - not only are they bringing wines to sample but will be bringing craft beers as well! The demand for adding beer to our event now being satisfied by our wonderful vendors!

Mike Snelgrove is providing entertainment to our guests!

Also, Alteen's is sponsoring a Jewelry Poker table. Gentlemen can get important Christmas shopping taken care of!

Watch for your updated database for sponsors - please send your results to vicky@vickyknee.com

Paul's Musings ...

Rotarian Paul Howard has been AWOL for the past few weeks. If anyone catches sight of him, please capture and return him to Grand Falls-Windsor. Be careful ... we understand that he's been hanging out with an group of karate experts! Also seen in his company is Rotarian Sonya Piercy - we believe the two of them are following in the footsteps of Bonny & Clyde, or possibly Master Po Ping ...

Now accepting nominations for Board positions for the 2019/20 Rotary year -

If you are an old-timer who has been in the club for years or a new member, we need YOU!

Serving on the Board is the best way to get the fullest Rotary experience and help the club grow and flourish in positive ways. The new board needs to be selected by the end of December.

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Oct 4, 2018 Meeting notes: Opening/Chair: Michelle Day

Visitors/Guests: We had no visitors or guests to this meeting

Speaker(s) & Program: Our program focused on the upcoming wine event. Michelle updated the members on what was done and recruited help with important tasks still to do. So far, the status is:

- We have 6 wine vendors committed
- the Legion on Oueen Street in GFW is booked
- Al Milley is confirmed for the finger food
- Riverview Motors is confirmed for shuttle service
- Tickets and posters are going to the printer on Tuesday and should be ready for members to take at our next meeting
- Letter for sponsorship will be emailed out to all the names on our database, to be followed up by members.
- There are minor changes to the Sponsorship Matrix please review this before discussing with business owners so there's no confusion.
- Money raised will go to aid Special Olympics NL and Meals on Wheels GFW. We are expecting more applications but these two organizations will be our main recipients.

50/50, Happy Bucks & Fines:

50/50 - Tim held the winning ticket but no Ace! *Happy Bucks:*

- Brenna is happy that bank reno's are almost done
- Deirdre happy (not happy?) to have to rush back to work
- Amy happy she conquered Zoom to log in for board meeting

- Tim happy his kids and grandkids visiting
- Lisa happy her dad coming to visit her for the weekend

Fines - We all behaved, no fines!

NEXT WEEK: Oct 11 - our wine event! Don't miss it (or there may be a danger of getting "voluntold" by Michelle!

Stories

Oct 4th 2018 Meeting Musings

Posted by Paulie Howard on Oct 04, 2018



Paul's Musing about Oct 4th, 2018 meeting ...

Hi everybody! It is Thursday, October 4th in the year of our Maker of 2018. I stroll through the Maw of the Mount to be greeted by the Gathered. Like a grape shrivelled to a tasty raisin, we were a small but mighty for the day as I ticked off each and every one of us on my daily census.

I sat quietly trying to reminisce the previous night's events of our monthly executive Rotary board meeting... However, the memory was opaque, as if trying to peer through a veil to see those cloudy images of historical thought. Rot Deirdra noticed my solemness and wondered why. With only myself and Rot Tim being the only two males present, I informed the good Rot Deirdra that estrogen had plugged up my neural pathways hence dulling my processing power. This also made my appearance flaccid like a half grumpy old man in anxious anticipation of a coming cramp. With the memory now faulty I tried my tachyonic antitelephone to call my past self from 18 hours previous to chat about the executive meeting, however, all I got was "This number cannot be completed as dialled, please try again". "Either the bloody thing didn't work or I dialled the wrong point in time" I sputtered to myself as I searched my memory once more looking for holes in the veil.

Inhaling through my nose seemed to have some positive effect; with all those wiry hairs jammed up there filtering out the estrogen particulates gave my innuts a chance to flush out those hormone overloads freeing up the simplest of pathways. I could see now that we were all on Zoom, which is something akin to Skype I think; where we could all see each other in little TV boxes on our screen....stacked in pyramid-like contestants in a TV game show. It was a frightful sight actually with each of us peezing slothiness with our rumpled jammies, twisted bed heads, and half corked wine infused weariness like those wretched denizens pushing themselves out of Wal-Mart. We were there, five of us in cyberspace, yammering on about wine show logistics. I only paid half heed to this banter as I was fascinated with each of our little caption of home life that doesn't stop; Rot Michelle yelling at her furry cats and Bob the minion, Rot Amy in a spartan room indistinguishable from a padded cell, Ma Prez sporting awesome headphones and a hairdo done by a Toni reminding me of one of those frantic Trance DJ's spinning some vinyl. Finally, Rot Brenna knows the secret of a successful secretary is wine, which was evident in the background by the bottles protruding out of the rack behind her.

This self-fascination was replaced with another as Ma Prez did a show 'n' tell by pushing her computer screen onto ours. This was not perfect though as there were delays in the presented material albeit Ma Prez used the downtime to bullet the info to us smoothly and professionally. I guess technology is like drinking booze: It solves and created most of the world's problems.

I was thankful then when Rot Michelle, who is co-chairing the wine event with Vicky, used today's meeting to recap to all what went on at the Zoomy executive meeting as I had trouble pushing past the mental spongiform an encephaly to recant details...Best of all, she never asked me for a report. Anywho, Rot Michelle summarized where we are with the upcoming wine event planning. She started by reminding all that in order for this event to be a success, we need the help of all club members. There was an email sent out earlier this week reminding the Gathered of this case; and she thanked those members who responded back saying when they could be available to help. To date, venue has been booked, Allan Milley is on board again this year, there are 5 vendors confirmed with hopes that a beer vendor may join as well. Tickets and posters to be sent to the printers for production which should be ready by next week. The sponsor matrix has been updated and simplified with the \$750 level being dropped and the rolling vid screen being done away with. She requires the Gathered to solicit and get 3 corporate sponsors with the ask letter being emailed out shortly. Brenna will be approaching her bank about a possible donation depending upon their requirements. Ma Prez agreed to approach Dot Kelly about the wine glasses and Kim has agreed to help distribute the posters. Finally, unlike last year. The event will promote both Special Olympics and Meals on Wheels as the event's maior donees.

As the club business bit started to wind down the draw was held with Rot Tim pulling a king...better luck next time. Like a gangster rasping a mug across the bars the Mistress of the Mount arose with a tea cup rattling the coins inside reminding all of happy bucks: Rot Brenna pitched in a looney happy that Bank renos are just about done, Rot Deirdra threw in a happy sarcastic buck because she had to return to work, Rot Amy put in a tithing to reflect on her experience with her first zoom board meeting, Rot Tim was happy because his young'ns and his young'ns' young'ns will be home this weekend, and finally Rot Lisa paid a happy looney for her dad was joining her this weekend.

With all that put to bed MaPrez rung the bell shortly past the half hour to dismiss all....Although the remaining ladies did stay behind.....probably plotting a coup....

YIR.... Pauly

Community Grant Funding Application

Happy 2018 to our community!!! We would like to ring in the New Year with our Community Grant Application!!

If you are an organization that requires financial support, have a great project you are working on or need a little help! Please take this opportunity to check out our Community Grant Application. Through this process, we have helped several organizations in the South and Central region of the province.

Community Funding Application

Community Grant Funding Guidelines

If you have any questions or require any assistance completing this application please email us rotaryclubgf@gmail.com

Call-out for local pictures



Calling all photographers!

Photos of the Grand Falls-Windsor area showing off the splendour of the seasons is needed for our bulletin and website banners.

- You must own the copyright on the image (we will give a photo credit)
- High-resolution horizontal format (images will be cropped and sized to 1200x300px
- Please provide a description if possible

The first group we need is for the Fall publications, so ... fallsy stuff!

World Polio Day - Oct 24, 2018

Posted on Sep 16, 2018



Help fight Polio Worldwide - October 24th, 2018

is World Polio Day.

Let's put our heads together to raise money for Polio Plus!

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Have a wonderful week!

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Oct 4, 2018 Meeting notes: Opening/Chair: Michelle Day

Visitors/Guests: We had no visitors or guests to this meeting

Speaker(s) & Program: Our program focused on the upcoming wine event. Michelle updated the members on what was done and recruited help with important tasks still to do. So far, the status is:

- We have 6 wine vendors committed
- the Legion on Oueen Street in GFW is booked
- Al Milley is confirmed for the finger food
- Riverview Motors is confirmed for shuttle service
- Tickets and posters are going to the printer on Tuesday and should be ready for members to take at our next meeting
- Letter for sponsorship will be emailed out to all the names on our database, to be followed up by members.
- There are minor changes to the Sponsorship Matrix please review this before discussing with business owners so there's no confusion.
- Money raised will go to aid Special Olympics NL and Meals on Wheels GFW. We are expecting more applications but these two organizations will be our main recipients.

50/50, Happy Bucks & Fines:

50/50 - Tim held the winning ticket but no Ace! *Happy Bucks:*

- Brenna is happy that bank reno's are almost done
- Deirdre happy (not happy?) to have to rush back to work
- Amy happy she conquered Zoom to log in for board meeting

- Tim happy his kids and grandkids visiting
- Lisa happy her dad coming to visit her for the weekend

Fines - We all behaved, no fines!

NEXT WEEK: Oct 11 - our wine event! Don't miss it (or there may be a danger of getting "voluntold" by Michelle!

Stories

Oct 4th 2018 Meeting Musings

Posted by Paulie Howard on Oct 04, 2018



Paul's Musing about Oct 4th, 2018 meeting ...

Hi everybody! It is Thursday, October 4th in the year of our Maker of 2018. I stroll through the Maw of the Mount to be greeted by the Gathered. Like a grape shrivelled to a tasty raisin, we were a small but mighty for the day as I ticked off each and every one of us on my daily census.

I sat quietly trying to reminisce the previous night's events of our monthly executive Rotary board meeting... However, the memory was opaque, as if trying to peer through a veil to see those cloudy images of historical thought. Rot Deirdra noticed my solemness and wondered why. With only myself and Rot Tim being the only two males present, I informed the good Rot Deirdra that estrogen had plugged up my neural pathways hence dulling my processing power. This also made my appearance flaccid like a half grumpy old man in anxious anticipation of a coming cramp. With the memory now faulty I tried my tachyonic antitelephone to call my past self from 18 hours previous to chat about the executive meeting, however, all I got was "This number cannot be completed as dialled, please try again". "Either the bloody thing didn't work or I dialled the wrong point in time" I sputtered to myself as I searched my memory once more looking for holes in the veil.

Inhaling through my nose seemed to have some positive effect; with all those wiry hairs jammed up there filtering out the estrogen particulates gave my innuts a chance to flush out those hormone overloads freeing up the simplest of pathways. I could see now that we were all on Zoom, which is something akin to Skype I think; where we could all see each other in little TV boxes on our screen....stacked in pyramid-like contestants in a TV game show. It was a frightful sight actually with each of us peezing slothiness with our rumpled jammies, twisted bed heads, and half corked wine infused weariness like those wretched denizens pushing themselves out of Wal-Mart. We were there, five of us in cyberspace, yammering on about wine show logistics. I only paid half heed to this banter as I was fascinated with each of our little caption of home life that doesn't stop; Rot Michelle yelling at her furry cats and Bob the minion, Rot Amy in a spartan room indistinguishable from a padded cell, Ma Prez sporting awesome headphones and a hairdo done by a Toni reminding me of one of those frantic Trance DJ's spinning some vinyl. Finally, Rot Brenna knows the secret of a successful secretary is wine, which was evident in the background by the bottles protruding out of the rack behind her.

This self-fascination was replaced with another as Ma Prez did a show 'n' tell by pushing her computer screen onto ours. This was not perfect though as there were delays in the presented material albeit Ma Prez used the downtime to bullet the info to us smoothly and professionally. I guess technology is like drinking booze: It solves and created most of the world's problems.

I was thankful then when Rot Michelle, who is co-chairing the wine event with Vicky, used today's meeting to recap to all what went on at the Zoomy executive meeting as I had trouble pushing past the mental spongiform an encephaly to recant details...Best of all, she never asked me for a report. Anywho, Rot Michelle summarized where we are with the upcoming wine event planning. She started by reminding all that in order for this event to be a success, we need the help of all club members. There was an email sent out earlier this week reminding the Gathered of this case; and she thanked those members who responded back saying when they could be available to help. To date, venue has been booked, Allan Milley is on board again this year, there are 5 vendors confirmed with hopes that a beer vendor may join as well. Tickets and posters to be sent to the printers for production which should be ready by next week. The sponsor matrix has been updated and simplified with the \$750 level being dropped and the rolling vid screen being done away with. She requires the Gathered to solicit and get 3 corporate sponsors with the ask letter being emailed out shortly. Brenna will be approaching her bank about a possible donation depending upon their requirements. Ma Prez agreed to approach Dot Kelly about the wine glasses and Kim has agreed to help distribute the posters. Finally, unlike last year. The event will promote both Special Olympics and Meals on Wheels as the event's maior donees.

As the club business bit started to wind down the draw was held with Rot Tim pulling a king...better luck next time. Like a gangster rasping a mug across the bars the Mistress of the Mount arose with a tea cup rattling the coins inside reminding all of happy bucks: Rot Brenna pitched in a looney happy that Bank renos are just about done, Rot Deirdra threw in a happy sarcastic buck because she had to return to work, Rot Amy put in a tithing to reflect on her experience with her first zoom board meeting, Rot Tim was happy because his young'ns and his young'ns' young'ns will be home this weekend, and finally Rot Lisa paid a happy looney for her dad was joining her this weekend.

With all that put to bed MaPrez rung the bell shortly past the half hour to dismiss all....Although the remaining ladies did stay behind.....probably plotting a coup....

YIR.... Pauly

Community Grant Funding Application

Happy 2018 to our community!!! We would like to ring in the New Year with our Community Grant Application!!

If you are an organization that requires financial support, have a great project you are working on or need a little help! Please take this opportunity to check out our Community Grant Application. Through this process, we have helped several organizations in the South and Central region of the province.

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Community Grant Funding Guidelines

If you have any questions or require any assistance completing this application please email us rotaryclubgf@gmail.com

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Hector M. Earle

Corona College: "Meeting Literacy Needs"

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Rotary Club of Exploits - September 17, 2018 Bulletin

Thursday Sept 13, 2018 Meeting notes:

Opening/Chair: Vicky chaired. Although we were a small group, we started the meeting with the Ode to Newfoundland verse, Vicky's favourite Rotary invocation and a heartfelt toast to the Queen. *Visitors/Guests:* We had no guests or speaker this week

Speaker(s) & Program: Our program was a club discussion of upcoming projects and events. Continuing the conversation from last week, it was determined that we would continue with the Community Grant Application process to select our event beneficiaries rather than naming an organization or project.

50/50, Happy Bucks & Fines:

50/50 - Michelle held the winning ticket but alas, no Ace **Happy Bucks:**

- Tim was happy because of the good weather
- Amy was happy because the first ToastMaster meeting for the fall season went over so well.
- Kim was happy because school is happening!

 Vicky was happy because we have 4 wine reps already committed to our event in November.

Fines - Michelle filled the role of Sargeant-at-Arms, and was on the ball fining Vicky for forgetting to pin her name tag. Hey! the guys put the name tag box in a different spot and I missed it ...

NEXT WEEK: Don't forget that next week we are launching our first Breakfast meeting! Mike Barry is filling a double role by chairing and also presenting - he will be telling us about Allied Youth. A very interesting organization, and a benefit for the youth in our area. The meeting will be from 8 to 9 at the Mt. Peyton.

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Visit our booth at the Seniors' Fair (October 4th) for more information and to donate!

Help Wanted - Seniors' Fair

Posted on Sep 16, 2018



October 4th is the Town's next Seniors' Fair at the Stadium!

We have attended previous Fairs and have registered again. It's a relaxed, fun way to put the face of Rotary to hundreds of residents who may not know about all that we do. We are also raising awareness (and hopefully a few shekels) towards Polio Awareness (World Polio Day is October 24th this year).

If you can spare an hour or two, we are looking for volunteers - please let Vicky know what you would like to do and hours that you're available.

- Set-up (the afternoon of Oct 3rd) please text Kim know if you can assist and when you're available.
- Man the booth (from 10 to 3, you can fill one hour or more!) currently John & Sue are slotted for the morning, so we only need one more during this time, and then the afternoon shift to cover. We're hoping to have 2 -3 people in the booth so we can chat with visitors, and provide breaks if needed. Please let John know if you can assist.
- Tear-down (3pm -) This is a fast process but all materials and displays need to be packed up and moved to our storage area. Please let Kim know if you can assist.

Paul's Musings

Posted by Paulie Howard on Sep 17, 2018



Somewhere around September 15th....

......I was absent, you see, from the past two gatherings attending to other bits 'n' bobs that pop up from time to time. Left unattended they grow, plume up, and ooze discord everywhere; like a growing volcano pushing its magma over everything sensible, creating inconvenience, discord, and to the point of intolerable chaos. Thankfully, I got my bits 'n' bobs buttoned up, and then I was able to concentrate on other matters

I was just about to ponder the next task when MaPrez sent me a note over the blower, inquiring if I can write some more Rotary musings. "But, but, but....I wasn't present at the last meeting; even my astral projections couldn't push my disassociated self that far to screen the Gathering....Because I wasn't present how would I scribe?". "Not to worry" MaPrez quipped, "I am sure you can always write something to keep the Gathered informed". "Umm...OK" said I quickly followed by a giggle on the other end of the line with a quick "click" and then silence. This reminded me about what Mark Twain said about religion; that its start comes about when a con man finds the first fool; and I was the one conned.

But no matter then as there is always lotsa Rotary stuff to dwell on about. Even if one is absent there is always behind the scene shananigans. Here is something to tickle your fancy: The Rotary club chase the ace pot for the winner stands at over \$315 for the winner. Imagine what you could do with those winnings....Buy 315 50/50 tickets at the next Rotary meeting which will provide you with a 98% chance of your ducket being drawn with less than 1% of pulling out the Ace of Spades (assuming 2 new card decks to draw from) which will on the slightest of chances net you \$162.50 in winnings (assuming 10 Rots purchased tickets).....I think that this is a perfect reason to attend lunch and a rational way to spend your winnings....don't you?

While I leave you to ponder that thought, consider another....don't forget to pay your Rotary member dues for the current year. These dues are needed to run the club and the administration there of. Once we deduct the cost of the annual executive retreat to Bora Bora, such fees are used to maintain our charter with RI, district cost such as liability insurance, website maintenance, membership kits, post box rental, and other sundry stuff. Thanks for those who already paid up for the year but there are still those who need to fork over some moolah to help with the housekeeping. Like most organizations, I keep track of the age of our receivables like membership dues. Unlike any other organization, I do not list receivables by age, rather I classify aged member dues and give them labels. You are curious now, aren't you?...Well see the table below to see what I mean...

Rotary Membership Receivable Age (months)	Classification (label)
1	Golden Rotarian

2	Ripe Rotarian
3	Starting to Smell Ripe Rotarian
4	Starting to form black spots: Rotarian
	looking a little sickly
5	Getting moldy and a little black: At this
	point can only be useful for penicillin or
	making banana bread.
	Rotton Rot: Time to throw into the
	compost to give it new usefulness
	again

.....Usually most Rotarians pay up before we reach "compost" stage so I don't have any labels beyond #6.

Finally another forgotten gem to check out is the Rotary International website. This site is jam-packed with enough rabbit holes to keep you mesmerized for some time. Anything anybody wanted to know what Rotary is and what it does can find the info here. Stuff like grants, definitions of club boards, giving in any imaginable way thinkable, a history lesson in Rotary, and anything else a newbie like me needs to find out. Can't find the info or you got a question, email them your inquiry and they will respond the next day! (I know I tried this 3 times already)

Well that's it for my musings. Now I should be there this week to sponge up the foolishness that goes inside the walls of the Mount....to join you in the reverally and the crazy; so I can write more Rotary ballads for the sole purpose of tiring your eyeballs....

Tech Tips Sep 17 2018

Posted by Vicky Knee on Sep 16, 2018

Tech Tips

To encourage all our members to fully enjoy our website, bulletin, and all the features that will make staying on top of "stuff" so much easier I'm posting a Tech Tips item each week (or so ...)

This week is the calendar sync. If you're like most of us and need to add appointments, events, and commitments to your online calendar, adding all things Rotary just became easier!

Here are the steps:

- 1. Click on Calendar on the top menu (from the Clubrunner member site).
- 2. Once the page is open with the full-size calendar, at the bottom right of the month grid click on the button "Subscribe to Calendar".

- 3. Now you should see a pop-up with 3 calendar choices, Outlook, Google, or Apple select the calendar you are using.
- 4. Copy the link after you select your calendar.
- 5. Go to your calendar and add the link you copied.

Congratulations, now you will have meetings and events that are added to our calendar added directly to your calendar. If you are having any problems feel free to call me at 489-2913.

Speakers

Sep 20, 2018 8:00 AM **Mike Barry**

Allied Youth

Sep 27, 2018 12:30 PM

Mary Kelly

To be announced

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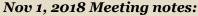
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Opening/Chair: Vicky chaired the meeting.

Visitors/Guests: Vicky and Michelle Daye spoke to the club on the wine event updates *Speaker(s) & Program:* Our club again focused on the wine event. This large project is very important to fund our club for the year (as it's the main fundraiser), and we need to ensure its success.

NEXT MEETING: There will be no club meeting held on Nov 8th as we will be setting up for the wine event all day.

OUR NEXT CLUB MEETING IS...

Breakfast Meeting

Mt. Peyton Hotel (upstairs)

8am to 9am

Fred Lee will be chairing this breakfast meeting, Tom Boone will be delivering a presentation on the Lionel Kelland Hospice project. Tom is a founding member and member of the board for this initiative. It promises to be an excellent meeting.

Since we have added the breakfast meetings, we seem to be having some confusion around meeting times. We hope this bulletin will help this, but hope that our Rotarians may 'buddy up' with a member who isn't comfortable with internet communication and remind them about our events.

Stories

Nov 1 2018 Meeting Musings

Posted by Paulie Howard on Nov 01, 2018



Good Day Everyone!

Paul's Musings ...

Ladies and Gents, I hope you had dragged your rattled bones out to Sobey's to stock up on diabetes causing candies, gummy teeth-filling jujubes, two-bite chocolate bars not made of chocolate, stringy thingy died sweetened ropes, teeth cracking candied lollipops, bags of air with a few chips in them, sweetened tarty tarts that don't look anything like rockets, and last but not least, a few pieces of pliable gum whose ingredients resemble the output of the Manhattan project. Its Halloween you see, a time when young'ins marl around the neighbourhood dressed in ridiculously scary plasticized outfits proffering bags of bonbons to be added to at each willing household.....And in the end, it's the parents who go through the catch of the night to exercise their "parent tax" for they have sweet tooth's as well.

I think we all went through Halloween with different experiences as kids. For me, it was rounding up a plastic mask that scratched at your face while you struggled to look through the peepholes. Sporting woollen cuffs and a top-knotted toque to keep some semblance of warmth while you more often than not trudged through a few snow drifts....And then when you arrived back at the domicile, pile high your take for assortment. Fruits and apples were ho-hum left to rot lest some desperate sense of yearning sought them out. Molasses candy and rockets were the least desirable and hence placed in the back of the shelf. Chips, bars, and other assorted treats were consumed first and this was the Precious; hid away from the prying eyes and light fingers of siblings.

I survived the Halloween experience this year once again with only 12 visitors coming to the door. Every year the roving mobs seem to get less and less leaving me with more and more treats to deal with. I wonder what I have to do with these leftovers? Will I eat them myself only to watch my belt burst its hole, or do I squirrel it all away for a just-in-case moment of weakness? I could throw the whole works out into the road free for the taking.....meh, I think I will just bring it into work as I have a bunch of gannets working there who like to have sweets with their tea.

With the Rotary luncheon upon us I had to play catch-up as I was away from this venue for the last couple of sessions. The Ode was sung in a minor chord with MaPrez providing another different grace of the meal from her tome of Graces. We all sat, tasking the Mount's minion with requests for salad as she efficiently acknowledged all of our salad shout outs as she hurried back into the kitchen. Buns were rolled around to those who wanted one or two with a choice of butters....and finally, coffee and teas were slurped over the lips of the Gathered; cementing the cracks within consumed entrees in each of our gut.

The Sarge like the town crier announced Rot Fred as the winner of the ticket draw only for him to pluck out a joker amongst the chorus of cackles. Happy bucks were proffered with the Gathered raising their tokens high into the air hoping to be the first to be acknowledged and recognized for valuable airtime to cast off their renditions of what makes them happy: Rot Fred paid a ducket to relay a story about the life-saving benefits of drinking liquor neat, Rot John was happy that Bridgette is doing well with her studies, Rot Tim paid a shilling for his son has a job and can start paying his own way, Rot Amy threw in a tooney for the successful completion of the past weekend's karate event to which she provided much assistance, plus let it be known about her upcoming polio trip, and Rot Peggy thankfully paid for surviving the grandchildren.

Now I usually yammer on about some of the Prez's proclamations that comes after, however, these factoids are usually in her submissions to the club bulletin so I don't want to repeat ourselves and risk churning out alternative facts....so I'll let MaPrez fill the void with her utterances for that day.

We will be attending - please let me know if you can help at the booth - set up at 5, at booth 6 - 9, then take-down at 9. All of our material is stored at the Mt. Peyton so the set-up and take-down should be relatively easy & fast.

NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD SOUGHT!

Our nominating committee is looking for nominations for President - 2019/20 and Secretary - 2019/20

We would love to have YOU step up and offer your great ideas to move our club forward! Questions about these roles? You can ask any one of the Past Presidents or ... go to this link at Rogary.org (log in to "my rotary") to see what the official job description is: <u>Club Roles</u>
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MEETING CHAIR SCHEDULE

Here is the updated schedule for chairing future meetings. Please arrange an alternate and let me know when/who are switching.

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Rotary Club of Exploits - August 30 2018 Bulletin

August 30, 2018 Weekly Meeting

Posted by Paulie Howard on Sep 03, 2018



Paul's Musings ... our weekly meeting

report

This day truly has been the first wet day of the summer. Here we are, the lot of us in Newfoundland, an island shoved off the North American continent, at the beck and call of our topsy turvy weather that attracted the likes of Eddy Shear from weather hum drum America. Our weather, which can change in the blink of an eye and whose forecasting are as useful as fly screens on a submarine, have challenged and hardened us Newfs in making the best of it. But this summer....this summer my friends, has been weatherly spectacular. Hot warm humid days, one right after the other in

unrelenting fashion, have numbed us all to the certainty that the cold and snow are shortly around the corner. Consequently, I have been made nish with the summer heat; my pupils perpetually contracted from the everlasting sunlight, pores open at 120% for the perfuse sweating and cooling, urination at a virtual standstill, and super slow body movements designed not to burn up my busty innuts during this enduring heat.

But today was a different day....a day of continual rain, cooler temperatures, and a pervasive dampness. To me, with all acclimation lost, seen the day as dark, dank, and dreary. The coolness bit at the skin, searing it with a cold reminder of things to come. The dampness eked its way through flesh and bone till all parts of me creaked and rattled; seizing and stalling as in need of some desperate ether. Walking across the Mount's parking lot was a chore; lead feet scuffled only to barely be there in front of me to catch my falling forward weight. I looked up; the darker sky cast an ominous shadow across the Mount as I expected a hockey helmeted dude named Michael brandishing a bloody machete would come busting out one of the Mount's exits.....But enough troping about the weather and me....Let's talk about Rotary...

What started out to be just Ma Prez and yours truly eventually grew to about 8 Rots to enjoy lunch together at the Pub. Ma Prez got things in order with all standing to the Ode. Rot Mike promptly started us in the song recital with Rots Sonya and Amy doing a two-part harmony with Rot Mike providing a decent baseline. "Inspiring" I thought as I swiped down the erect hairs on the nape of my neck.

The group babble was Rot Mike's thesis that when it comes to Trump "This has got to cause his downfall now" implying that each time the U.S. president missteps, the result would certainly seal his doom. This paradigm has been reiterated many times thus leaving us with the notion of "Teflon Don" which makes me wonder if he'll manage to keep the swamp for himself.

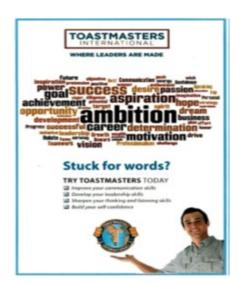
Rot Vicky talked about the Sci show on Netflix where Neil Degrass Tyson yammers on about the glories of the Universe and it's a must see for all. Rot Mike picked up the chatter on this and offered an excited to and fro on the topic while wiping a tear from his eye before switching to dog whisperer stories....certainly a fan of all space sciency things.

After her plate of coated mushroom chicken with potato and corn had been consumed, Ma Prez had a few notes to share. We will join Rot Mike next week for baileys and ice cream at the rear of his house weather pending. It

was supposed to be this week however the rain shagged that idea. Remember, brown bag your lunch and pay \$15 when you come next week which will go to the less fortunate.

Ma Prez then gave the floor to Rot Amy who introduced us to Toastmasters; a self help group who meet 2 times a month to practice public speaking skills. The cost to join is only \$50 for 6 months and some of your time. If you want to spruce up your presentations, then this might be the deal for you....details are embedded below.





With over \$300 to be won Rot Peggy presented us with the draw...Rot Tim won the draw but pulled out the Ace of Diamonds!...a close one indeed!. This prompted Ma Prez to quip.." Is there anything for a near miss?" "A miss is a miss" says I with Rot Mike finishing the thought with "Except in horseshoes, hand grenades, and contracting VD"

After being desensitized to that comment Rot Peggy continued with the happy bucks: Rot Mike paid for talking about spending this Christmas with the fam away somewhere, Rot Amy paid a buck for living in Canada because our healthcare system was to her benefit recently. Rot Tim paid a ducket for being thankful for the badly needed rain, Rot Shelley paid a happy/sad buck for sending off her son to university this weekend, and Rot Lisa fessed up a dollar for looking forward to a couple days leave coming shortly.

With all the fines in and the time reaching past the half hour mark Ma Prez made a verbalized "gong" noise to close the meeting at $1:35~\rm pm$

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