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ROTARY CLUB OF WEST OTTAWA

Pardeep Ahluwalia, President

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PROGRAM: Mike Beauchesne and Cindy Manor- An update on the Dave Smith Youth Treatment Centre f

DUTIES: Presiding, **Past President Jean Begin** for President **Pardeep Ahluwalia**; Greeters, **Carol Bell Thompson** and **Don Butler**; Reception, **Brian Hartley** with help from **Stu Picozzi**; Grace, **Graeme Fraser**; Past Presidents Draw, **Suren Gupta**; Payments/Attendance, **Mary Wattie**; Editor, **Rocco Disipio**.

MEETING BEGINS

Assembling in the church basement room **PP Jean Begin** invited us to the buffet at 12:00 and at 12:30 welcomed us to this year's 45th Rotary Meeting. After O Canada **Graeme Fraser** delivered a thoughtful grace reminding us to share our good fortune with those in need. **Graeme** also informed us that on June 3 Eleanor Glynn, wife of Charter Member Tom Glynn, passed away. Funeral details will be sent out. **Brian Hartley** introduced our guests: Johnny Marquez, visiting from Caracas, Beant Barewal, Marg Jones, guest of **Mike Traub**, (Marg is wife of former Club president Merv Jones), Patti Kay Hamilton, guest of **Marilyn Letts** and our two guest speakers. We sang them our Welcome Song. **Suren Gupta** asked **Graeme Fraser** to draw this week's winning PP Draw ticket. **Navin Parekh** held it thus winning \$25. Congratulations **Navin**.

AWARDS MEETING REVISITED.

Awards Chair **Alan Bowles** now rose to complete the Award presentations. One worthy recipient was absent last week but with us this week. **Alan** asked **Gaye Moffett** to read the relevant citation. It was for a Lloyd Loynes Award given to Club Members who render outstanding volunteer service both within and outside the club. **Gaye** noted that this recipient has led set up and take down all of the equipment for each meeting. He has subbed at the keyboard for our Music Master, been a regular SpinoFF editor, helped with the Dictionary for Life, sorted shoes for Shoe Bank, delivered plants for Mums for Thanksgiving, and helped with Music for Humanity and many other Club activities. Outside of the Club this recipient has helped young students with the Ottawa Reads Program at two public schools, taught music, helped new Canadians with language and literacy and played music to entertain at retirement homes. This worthy recipient of the Lloyd Loynes Award was our Sergeant at Arms, **Robert Shaw Wood**. Congratulations and thank you **Robert**. Touched by the Award, **Robert** thanked the Club. One thing he liked about being Sergeant at Arms was not having to attend committee meetings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-**Merv Letts**, told us that Rotary Home Golf a Thon participant group, The Broken Clubs, allegedly with the highest aggregate age, is looking for sponsors/donations. **Merv** circulated a folder to pledge sponsorship or donations

-**Rocco Disipio**, announced that this year's BBQ will be held at the Balys Estate on Saturday June 15 from 3 until about 6. He circulated a folder for sign-ups and payment. Chefs Phil Bronsther and **Victor Mazzola** need to know how many steak, salmon or chicken dishes to prepare. Please email **Rocco Disipio** at rdisipio@royalpage.ca or call him at 613-277-4537 and let him know your meal selection.

-**Marilyn Letts** told us the 2019 Mums Campaign is in full swing. **Tammy Whelan**, **Dave Morton** and **Joseph Redhead** along with RC Nepean Kanata are contacting Mums buyers to update their 2018 orders for 2019. This will simplify order processing. New buyers are also being sought

-Susan Dienes, informed us that June 18th is the last day to contribute to the Rotary Foundation for this Rotary year. Tax receipts were being emailed out for those contributing to the Foundation Walk. If you have not received your tax receipt check your spam.

PROGRAM:

Ken Murray introduced Mike Beauchesne, Executive Director of the Dave Smith Youth Treatment Centre, and Cindy Manor, Senior Director of Philanthropy. RCWO has been a major donor to the DSYTC and, to date has given over \$85,000.

Mike Beauchesne told us that the DSYTC was established in 1993 to help 13-21 year-olds and their families deal with drug dependency and abuse. The current DSYTC facilities in Carp, Carleton Place and Stittsville have a total of 24 beds. The treatment program can last up to three months, or 68 days on average. 61 % of clients are male and about 80% are Caucasian with 8-10% Indigenous. In addition to addiction many of the residents have mental health issues. In 2017/2018, the DSYTC treated 156 youths and 58% of the participants completed the program. The DSYTC seeks funding to finish a complex housing 30 residents in one facility. Cost will be \$14 million of which approximately \$7M has been raised with contributions from United Way, \$1.25 M, the provincial government, \$1.5 M, the sale of their previous building, \$1.4M and RCWO \$86,555. Details at <http://www.davesmithcentre.org/about-dsytc/annual-report/> are worth a look. Cindy Manor gave a heartfelt account of the help her family received from the DSYTC which led to her changing careers to raise funding for the DSYTC.

Answering questions from **Bea Osome, Ed Balys, Carol Bell Thompson, Sucha Mann, and Peter Fisher**, Beauchesne told us:

- as there is no city water service water had to be brought in;
- there is a waiting list of about 25-30 days.
- one can apply online, in person or over the phone.
- treatment is free.
- calls come from youths, their parents, schools, and the criminal justice system.
- no alcohol, smoking or vaping are allowed.
- notwithstanding use of opioids there is currently a drop in drug usage.

Ken Murray asked us to consider at election time candidate platforms regarding mental health.

Bob Harrison thanked our speakers with mementos and a donation to End Polio Now to mark their presentation.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

PP Jean asked **Joan Heyland** to collect.

Marilyn Letts told us that guest and next week's speaker, Patti Kay Hamilton, arrived at our meeting by canoe. A first?

Bea Osome had met a family with twin 14-year-old girls who need clothing. Any members able to donate appropriate clothing could please bring it in for **Bea**.

Ron Doll can now read fine print due to a successful eye procedure.

Clive Talbot donated because he had mistakenly not bought tickets for the PP Draw.

Blair Armstrong donated appropriately for his 85th birthday, which was June 4, the same day as his 94-year-old sister. Happy Birthday **Blair**.

Andrew Young regretted not making the Changeover Meeting. A muscle cramp, now better, had made sitting painful.

Stu Picozzi was happy that his granddaughter scored two goals in her first soccer match. Unfortunately, one of the goals was into her own net.

Ginette Thomas visited her cottage after a 5-week hiatus forced by flooding and is happy there was very little damage.

Sucha Mann reported that the Villa Lucia used no disposable plastics for the recent Sustainability Symposium and had promised to minimize the future use. He hoped Club could convince the St Elias Centre to follow suit.

Robert Shaw-Wood joked about fake news and, finally, **Graeme Fraser** reminded us of Eleanor Glynn's passing, praised **Robert Shaw-Wood's** sense of humour and expressed pleasure at seeing Marg Jones.

MEETING CLOSE:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The International Service Committee was scheduled to meet after adjournment. Let us all enjoy an excellent week in Rotary.

CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

The winners of the latest Cash Calendar draws will be given in a later Spinoff.

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Patti Kay Hamilton: "Trapline to Deadline- trading a skinning knife for a CBC microphone"

Presiding: **VP Ali Pahlavani**

Intro: **Gaye Moffett** Thanks: **Joan Heyland**

Greeters: **Jean Bégin, Rocco Disipio** Reception: **Fred Christie** Grace: **Eugen Achihaei**

PP Draw: **Alan Bowles** Editor: **Graeme Fraser** Meeting Fee/Attendance: **Doreen Ide**

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Tammy Whelan: 'Rotary at Work' program at LiveWorkPlay

Presiding: TBA

Intro: **Jen Soucy** Thanks: **Stu Picozzi**

Greeters: **Rocco Disipio, Roy Miller** Reception: **Doug Rowlands** Grace: **Navin Parekh**

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