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ROTARY CLUB OF WEST OTTAWA;
Pardeep Ahluwalia, President

August 7, 2018

Editor: Rod Holmes

PROGRAM: TABLE TALK

As we entered the room on another hot, summer day, we were greeted by **Ali Pahlavani** and then moved to the right to pay **Carol Bell Thompson** for the meal and register our attendance. **Larry Chop** was on the lookout for any guests. **Jean Bégin** was on hand, subbing for an unwell **Jack Troughton**, to take our toonies for a chance on the past president's draw. After filling our plates with chicken and/or pasta, and the trimmings, we were soon drawn to attention by **President Pardeep Ahluwalia** who announced a change in program. We had received word in the morning that our speaker was ill and would not be able to attend. In her place it was proposed we have informal table talk instead.

Following the national anthem, Grace, highlighting *Service Above Self*, was offered by **Ron Scott**. **Larry Chop** introduced Tammy Whelan, guest of **Jen Soucy**. We rose and sang our welcome song to her. We look forward to seeing Tammy in the future as a Rotarian on **Jen's LiveWorkPlay** team.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Peter Fisher read a nice note from the recipient of our Eric Pallister Bursary. Nick Armitage was then a student at West Carleton High School and the Rotary award, for which he is most grateful, will assist with his finances at Queen's University.

Doreen Ide asked for, and received, 8 volunteers to work on the *Dictionary4Life* project on Tuesday, August 16 @ 6 pm at the Bushtukah warehouse.

Brett Brooking announced another shoe sorting at the Kanata Dymon location this Saturday at 0930.

Stu Picozzi reports that last Saturday, **Merv & Marilyn Letts**, Teresa & **Hadi Mortada** helped serve burgers and hot dogs at a BBQ outside Giant Tiger on Bank St. They raised \$527.55 plus

\$383 inside at the cash desk, for a total of \$910 for the Rotary Home.

Marcia Armstrong and **Joseph Redhead** gave a two-pronged announcement about MUMS.

Marcia spoke about the urgent need to get those orders in. Last year at this point we had between 800 and 1000 plants on order; this year only about 100. Not good enough! Let's get on the job! Electronic orders are preferred but **Marcia** has some paper forms available. **Joseph** spoke about the need for delivery teams – 160 driver teams – for the Thursday, Friday, Saturday, September 27 – 29.

Plants will arrive at Bell's Corners United Church on Wednesday the 26th, a day earlier than last year. Let's all get behind this major fundraiser!

Joseph also said he needs volunteers for the mapping for deliveries with an orientation session being held at the church on September 17th.

PAST PRESIDENT'S DRAW

Brett Brooking won two large specialty chocolate bars in **Jean Bégin's** PP Draw.

DUES

Marcia thanked those who paid their dues today and urged anyone still owing to pay up!

TREASURER

President Pardeep announced that **Cam Ross**, owing to an increased work load, was no longer able to continue as treasurer. The Board agreed to accept **Linda Flynn's** offer to take over the position. Thank you, **Linda!!**

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

► **President Pardeep** recognized **Henry Akanko** with the presentation of his 1-year pin for 100% attendance.

► A sympathy card was circulated for members to sign as a result of the death, in Tanzania, of Adeline Mushi.

► Birthdays this week: **Andrew Young**, August 10; **Ken Murray**, August 12.

► We were reminded that the best of almost 100 photographs submitted for Calendar 2019 were being shown on the screen. The selection committee will now work on reducing the number.

PROGRAM

As earlier noted, today's speaker was ill and could not attend. **President Pardeep** suggested we take the time for some "table talk", a chance to get to know each other better. We had no trouble filling the time with informative conversation.

HAPPY DOLLARS

* **Eric Armstrong** was asked to circulate and seek out today's happy members.

* **Jen Soucy** was happy to introduce us to Tammy Whelan, a new member of the *LiveWorkPlay* team.

* **Ken Murray** was pleased with his trip out west, renting a car and touring parts of Alberta and B.C. and visiting new-found relatives.

* **Merv Letts** announced that our club's Foundation now stands at \$105,000. He paid tribute to **Fred Sirotek**, a prime supporter of the Fund. The money goes to support our club, so if you have spare funds, here's a place to consider.

* **Caroline De Witt** was pleased to have been recognized for 20 years of volunteering at the Ottawa Jazz Festival. Congratulations!

* **President Pardeep** was happy to see us come through the recent rain storms unscathed.

ADVANCE NOTICES

✓ The Ottawa area Rotary clubs and the Youth Now Farm Denim and Diamonds Hoedown will be held at the Farm on August 24.

✓ International Service meeting and Rotary grants management seminar will be in Cornwall on August 25.

✓ The *Give a Mulligan* golf tournament, sponsored by RCWO and Mulligans Golf Bar to benefit underprivileged children, will take place on August 27 at the Canadian Golf Club in Ashton Ontario.

✓ The Barrhaven Lions Club invites Rotary participation in its Autism fundraiser on Labour Day. RC Nepean-Kanata will organize.

✓ The Voyageurs weekend is Sept. 14-16.

✓ The Conference of Rotary Zones covering Districts in Canada, Alaska, north eastern USA and Bermuda will be held in Montreal on September 18-22.

✓ The Rotary Home Whiskey and Wine Event is set for September 25.

✓ The Rotary Home "Amazing Race" of 2-person teams will take place Sept. 29-30.

✓ *Dictionary4Life* Week is October 15-19. **No Rotary meeting October 16.**

✓ Polio Week is October 22-26.

✓ The Rotary District Conference will take place in Kingston on October 26-28.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, **President Pardeep** outlined the duties for next week, noted that the International Service Committee would meeting immediately following, and closed the meeting with the admonition to *Be The Inspiration* and invite potential members to a meeting.

CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

Here are the winners of the Cash Calendar draws for the week, August 1 – 7, 2018:

2860	\$50	Paula Robertson, Calgary, AB
0354	\$20	Levi Leroux, Winnipeg, MB
3500	\$25	Mr. & Mrs. Bill Dodgson, Merrickville, ON
1299	\$200	Sylvia & Dan Kolar, Carleton Place, ON
2237	\$25	Crista Clements, Kemptville, ON
3715	\$100	Janet Creighton, Nepean, ON
2048	\$25	George & Jennifer Farah, Orleans, ON

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

CLUB ASSEMBLY: Budget, PE Questionnaire results

Greeters: **Doug Heyland/Rami Alsaqqa** Reception: **Susan Dienen**

Grace: **Inna Flyazhenkova** PP Draw: **Warren Creighton** Editor: **Gaye Moffett**

Sales/Attendance: **Doreen Ide**

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

Jim Nininger: Compassionate Ottawa & Advanced Care Planning

Intro: **Gaye Moffett** Thanks: TBA

Greeters: **Jeremy Klein/Stu Picozzi** Reception: **Cletus Peters**

Grace: **Eric Armstrong** PP Draw: **Anup Subedi** Editor: **Ginette Thomas**

Sales/Attendance: **Doreen Ide**

