

ROTARY CLUB OF WEST OTTAWA Jean Bégin, President

May 15, 2018 Editor: Jack Troughton

PROGRAM: Club assembly- committee reports

DUTIES

Grace: Sucha Mann Reception: Andrew Young Past Presidents' Draw: Linda Flynn

THE MEETING

Sucha Mann gave a grace which emphasized friendship.

Andrew Young introduced our guest: 'summer member', PDG Tony Watkins and we greeted him with our Welcome Song.

Linda Flynn continued with the Past Presidents' Draw won by **Joe Redhead** and then did the Club website quiz draw which was won by **Ken Murray**.

General Announcements

Phil Bronsther again urged us to sign up for the Voyageurs camping trip and promised a good time like many of us remember. The dates are September 14 to 16.

Don Butler promoted the annual Changeover meeting on the evening of June 19th. Tickets must be purchased in advance: \$40 for vegetarian or salmon main course and \$45 for roast beef.

Gaye Moffett invited us to hear the Ottawa Bach Choir performance of Bach To the Beatles at the prestigious Rideau Club on May 25. The OBC gave us a taste of this at our Music for Humanity concert last month. Tickets \$80 for world class music, delicious hors d'oeuvres, sumptuous desserts, wine and cocktails with a tax receipt for \$60 (Flyers were on each table)

Merv Letts rose on behalf of "Broken Clubs" golf team to urge participation or donations in support of the Rotary Home Golf-a-thon June 11

President's Announcements

- -Happy Birthday to **Sucha Mann** on May 16. -Following the meeting a group of members will be planting three Vimy Oaks at the Rotary
- **-Carol Waters** is looking for coffee mugs for Centre 507. If you can help bring the mugs on Tuesday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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International Service

Navin Parekh gave us an excellent summary of how the ISC classed funding requests and evaluated them. He then reported on a wide variety of requests: Education for inmates in India, Suan Cross' Project Chance in Africa, Support for CanUgan, a mobility aids project in Uganda, hospital equipment for Ghana, a sanitation project in Kenya to provide toilets, and upgrading a water supply in Jordan, supporting computers for schools in Burundi, and flood relief in Dominica. With a Rotary Club in Uganda, we applied for a global grant in 2017, RI has raised a number of questions and has given us 6 months to answer them. After discussion with Bob Harrison, Jim Maxwell and Don Butler on resolving his own conflict of interest in managing the grant application Navin told us that Rob Shaw Wood had agreed to take on the grant management. He completed his report by congratulating his committee, which may be the largest in the club, and for its energy.

Youth Services

Joe Redhead reported that we had no candidate for the Adventure in Citizenship, but we will be sending three students to RYLA.

Seven in a series of nine lectures with the Interact club at Woodroffe HS have been completed. Our Interactors will participate in the tree planting. The Dr Eric Pallister bursary has been awarded for 2018.

Environment

Stu Picozzi reported on another successful cleanup of Hunt Club Road between Woodroffe and Merivale; the committee will participate in the Vimy tree planting and will accompany the Rotary Clubs of Kanata Sunrise, Stittsville and Nepean Kanata in the project to plant 150 trees @ Insmill Park in Kanata on June 2nd @ 0900

Finance

Our finances are in good shape and have been streamlined. **Hadi Mortada** is the official treasurer and reports to the Board, **Mary Wattie** takes care of the weekly lunch payments and bank withdrawals, and **Linda Flynn** does the Quick Book entries and the reports to RI and the City of Ottawa. **Joe Wattie** provides valuable support and takes care of GST/HST matters.

Archives

Bill Rolph gave a detailed description of the archives process and thanked **Mike Traub** for providing storage space at one of his retirement residences. He said the purpose was to preserve the Club's legacy and the mission was to ensure that materials be available for the members. He appealed to committee chairs to get an annual report to him. At present only 10-15% of reports are in the archives. He told us that he is working alone and would appreciate the assistance of a member or two.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

Gave Moffett collected from:

Merv Letts who reported meeting a former member Jerry Collins who now lives in Belize. **Bud McGinnis** had a great celebration with old friends

Bill Rolph reported that his granddaughter will be returning next month from her year as an Youth Exchange student in Brazil and would be happy to tell us about it

Joan Heyland reported that Joe Redhead and Caroline De Witt had enjoyed the RI

Foundation walk through Kingston and raised some \$13,000.

Joe Redhead will accept the Presidential Citation for the Woodroffe Interact Club. Hadi Mortada was just glad to be back. Your editor missed identifying who announced that the Taste of Barrhaven will be on May 28 in support of RC South Nepean and two other charities. See www.tasteofbarrhaven.ca/

Dave Morton reported that he was headed for Tuscany.

Robert Shaw-Wood told us a tale about promotional gift beer mugs

CLOSING

President Jean Bégin ended with her regular plea for new members. Please look around. We are losing members, and this is not satisfactory. Can you help? BRING SOMEONE TO A MEETING

THANKS JACK

This will be **Jack Troughton's** last Spinoff as he now wants to focus on other things. He has been an important contributor over the last years and more than once introduced format and content changes which club members have welcomed. We will miss his succinct prose and humour.

Cash Calendar Winners

Here are the winners of the Cash Calendar draws for May 8 - 22, 2018:

1034 \$100 Jarrett Carty, Ottawa, ON

1056 \$25 Evelyn Stevens, North Gower, ON

2148 \$25 David Wood, Cornwall, ON

3225 \$20 Nancy Turner, Ottawa, ON

2372 \$50 Arnold Midgley, Ottawa, ON

0741 \$25 Gary Lockyer, Kemptville, ON

0149 \$25 Daryl Ranhala, Stittsville, ON

0807 \$25 Nancy Bergeron, Val des Monts, QC

3023 \$25 Deirdre McKenzie Black, Ottawa, ON

2254 \$125 Travis James Sadler, Amprior, ON

0198 \$25 Amanda Barresi, North Gower, ON

0771 \$50 J. Franssen, Kemptville, ON

1863 \$50 Rotary Club of Ottawa Charity Fund, Russell, ON

3178 \$25 Erica Clapp, c/o Collins Barrow Ottawa LLP, Ottawa, ON

3847 \$25 Susan Magner Rod, Ottawa, ON

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Nadim Nasser: (via Skype)- Microfinancing: filling the small business funding void in developing world Intro: Marilyn Letts Thanks: Brett Brooking

Greeters: Ed Balys, Alan Bowles Grace: Linda Flynn PP Draw: Bob Harrison

Reception: Larry Chop Ticket Sales/Attendance: Mary Wattie Editor: Robert Shaw-Wood

Tuesday, May 29, 2018

Jake Harding, Volunteer Coordinator, The Ottawa Mission: Coldest Night of the Year et al.

Intro: Gaye Moffett Thanks: Larry Chop Greeters: Dirk Keenan, Claudette Léger-Paillé Grace: Doreen Ide PP Draw: Anup Subedi Reception: Brett Brooking Ticket Sales/Attendance: Mary Wattie Editor: Gaye Moffett