## FORTARIAN

WEDNESDAY 13/11/2024

THUNDER BAY, CANADA

### Meetings



2nd & 4th Wednesdays



Dinner - 5:30pm Meeting - 6:15pm



**Daytona's Restaurant** 965A Cobalt Crescent

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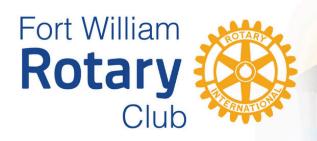


Glenn Craig
Club President



Stephanie Urchick
RI President







#### LAST MEETING

After a fulsome dinner of penne, meatballs, buns and salad, our club's annual Remembrance Day Service began, once again held at the Slovak Legion, and was organized by President Elect Jodi Phillips. President Glenn Craig welcomed all in attendance and Rotarian's introduced their guests.

President Glenn also had the privilege of calling the Marching of the Colour Party from the visiting Air Cadets led by Kim Treichere. Laura Craig tuned up our club and we sang O'Canada. Dawn Sebesta read the Land Acknowledgement and Sharon Badanai made the Toast to the King and Canada.

Sharon Badanai introduced her son Phillip Badanai who travelled to Thunder Bay to be our guest speaker. Phillip gave our club a very detailed presentation about his military service which was accompanied by a slide deck which contained many photos of his tours. A few of the photos were of the bullet ridden military jeep that he and his fellow soldier were driving when shots were fired at them during their 2001 tour in Bosnia. Phillip was badly injured but thankfully survived - his friend did not. The jeep is now on display in the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa. Phillip also shared that he was chosen to participate in the 2017 Invictus Games; however, he unfortunately suffered a stroke which prevented him from going to the games. Many questions were asked of Phillip and President Glenn presented him with a gift of appreciation.

Instead of happy dollars or fines, Glenn as Rotarians to make a donation to the Poppy Fund while sharing individual reflections of remembrance. Many Rotarians participated in this emotional activity.









#### **PARADE**

Thanks to everyone who helped out with the 32nd Rotary Santa Claus Parade! Whether you helped decorate the float, got the popcorn bagged, gave candy along the route, manned a barricade or volunteered at the TB Community Auditorium, you all did a great job! A special thanks to Dawn & committee for once again working with our sister clubs to put on this amazing kick-off event to the holiday season!







#### **Next Meeting: Nov. 27**

Michelle **Murodch-Gibson** Rowan Tree Collective



#### **HERE TO GIVE**



The Salvation Army Kettle Campaign was kicked off with our generous Allocations donation of \$10,000! The Steve's presented our allocations donation of \$4,990 to the DEK Foundation! This is our 1st donation to this charity!



**THIS WEEK'S SCRIBE:** 



**Cindy Levanto** 





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# Uncoming Suents Exents

NOV

**27** 

5:30 PM | 6:15 PM

Club Meeting: Rowan Tree Collective

DEC

1

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Shelter House Volunteer Lunch

DEC

2

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

RFDA Volunteer Night

DEC

4

5:30 PM

FW Rotary Holiday Social

DEC

14

6:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Rotary Tri-Club Christmas Party J

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15

7:00 PM

FW Rotary Carol Sing

DEC

21

12-2PM | 2-4PM

Volunteers Needed SA Kettles @ Superstore

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DEC

**25** 

NO MEETING

Merry Christmas

JAN

8

5:30PM

Club Meeting: OKC Tour