



# The Fortarian

Feb 9th, 2022

Rotary Club of Thunder Bay (Fort William)

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 Zoom: 6.30pm

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Chair: Bob Hookham  
 Meets: 2nd Tuesday of each month,  
 Zoom 12 noon.

## Rotary House Lottery Committee

Chair: Dave Knutson  
 Meets: 1st Tuesday of each month,  
 Zoom 12 noon.

## Semi-monthly Zoom Meetings

Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.  
 Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday

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The Fort William Rotary's regular club meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup> was indeed a special occasion. Not only was it our annual special Valentine's Day event, but it was also the first time for many weeks that we were able to meet and socialize together in person.

President Dawn Sebesta welcomed everyone to the meeting, while Irene Sottile was in charge of the program for this Valentine's Day event. Irene had placed a "long-stemmed red rose" (with chocolate inside) at each place setting and a "goodie bag" was given to all participants. The Toast to the Women was given by Stephen Margarit and in response the Toast to the Men was given by Cynthia Judge.

We had been given the opportunity to preselect our individual choice from the Curling Club's menu and were asked to place a label with our name and number of choice in our places. The staff then served us with our selection of delicious chinese food in a most timely and efficient manner

After the meal Irene explained the contents of the "goodie bags". We were asked to write on each of the hearts enclosed a word that exemplified something that makes us happy and then place all the hearts into the translucent bauble which we can place on our next Christmas tree! Irene then produced her 2022 version of the "famous" valentine letter wherein we each had to insert a "crazy" word to fill-in the gaps. The finished version was then read aloud by Cindy Levanto Kawahara for the amusement of all.





## **Announcements:**

February 23<sup>rd</sup> - Our regular club meeting will be a hybrid one. For those wishing to attend in person we will meet at Dayton's's. The speaker will be from Toastmasters.

February 25<sup>th</sup> - The Anniversary Dinner will be a virtual meeting from 7:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. under the leadership of Lakehead Rotary.

A later regular club meeting will have a representative from the Women's Enterprise PARO as speaker.

Notification will be given when participation at Shelter House and RFDA can be resumed.

**Editor Erle**

**Scribe Cynthia**



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