



# The Fortarian

Sept 8th, 2021  
Rotary Club of Thunder Bay (Fort William)

## 2021/2022 Board of Directors

President: Dawn Sebesta  
Secretary: Stephen Margarit  
Assistant Secretary: Irene Sottile  
Treasurer: Erle Wheatley  
Assistant Treasurer: Sante Sottile  
President Elect: Fhara Pottinger  
Past President: Cynthia Judge  
Meets: 3rd Tuesday of each month,  
Zoom: 6.30pm

## Website [www.fwrotary.ca](http://www.fwrotary.ca)

Directors:  
Irene Sottile  
Robert Moore  
Sante Sottile  
Mary Ann Breton  
Bev Knutson  
Stephen Margarit

## Allocations Committee

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

## Mailing Address

PO Box 10061  
Thunder Bay, ON  
Canada P7B 6T6

## Newsletter Editors

Erle Wheatley & Brian Phillips

**September 22, 2021**

President Dawn Sebesta is currently attending weddings and visiting family in her homeland, the United States of America.

In Dawn's absence the hybrid meeting was chaired by our Secretary, Stephen Margarit. O Canada was played by Joan Krisko, the Toast to the Queen was proposed by Sante Sottile and Stephen Margarit read the Land Accord Statement.

Stephen introduced our speaker, Warren Philp, a Port Arthur Rotarian. Born and raised in Port



Arthur (Thunder Bay) Warren obtained a bachelor's degree in Urban Planning from the University of Waterloo in 1983. After a 30 year career with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation as a Housing Market Analyst, Warren retired in 2017. He has had a long involvement with baseball – from playing in the Brisbane Baseball League in Australia in 1986-87 to being a founder of the Thunder Bay International Baseball Association in 2003 which over the years brought twelve national teams from around the world to

Thunder Bay. Warren completed five marathons during his time as a distance runner, which included significant local trail running coupled with knowledge of the local multi-use trails from being an avid cyclist.

Warren gave a very detailed presentation to our club on the Waterfront Trail Community Action Team's proposed plans. A PDF of his presentation is also posted on our website.

Following his presentation Warren answered members' questions and was thanked by Stephen.

Stephen read correspondence which included several more thank you letters from Lakehead Music Festival recipients of awards donated by our club, as well as thank yous for our donations from George Jeffrey Foundation and the Thunder Bay Hospital Foundation.

Sante Sottile stated that there was nothing new to report from Allocations at this time.

Bob Hookham reported that the Offer to Purchase the Triad house on Dogwood will be going to the lawyers this week.

Mandi O'Connor has a supply of the orange shirt pins which we can purchase for \$5.00 each.

Our A.D.G. Dan Brown told us that the Nipigon Rotary Club will be holding their 50\50 Raffle for Polio. Tickets cost \$30.00 each.

For the Lighter Side, Irene Sottile amused us with a tale of two Irish twins.

The next meeting will be on October 13, 2021.

Secretary Stephen will notify the club with details regarding helping at Shelter House and RFDA.

Meeting adjourned.

**Editor Erle**

**Scribe Cynthia**

