



September 25th, 2019

# The Fortarian

## Rotary Club of Thunder Bay, (Fort William)

### 2019/2020 Board of Directors

President: Stephen Margarit  
 Treasurer: Boris Cham  
 Secretary: Joan Krisko  
 President Elect: Cynthia Judge  
 Past President: Sante Sottile  
*Meets: 3rd Tuesday of each month,  
 George Jeffrey Children's Centre  
 Boardroom 200 Brock St E., 6.30pm*

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

Directors: Steven Beaucage  
 Glen Craig  
 Robert Moore  
 Steven MacDonald  
 Dawn Sebesta  
 Jill Zachary

### Allocations Committee

Chair: Bob Hookham  
*Meets: 2nd Tuesday of each month,  
 Weiler Maloney Nelson Board Room 12 noon.*

### Rotary House Lottery Committee

Chair: Dave Knutson  
*Meets: 1st Tuesday of each month,  
 Weiler Maloney Nelson, 12 noon.*

### Weekly Dinner Meetings

*Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.  
 Airline Hotel and Conference Centre  
 698 W. Arthur St. Thunder Bay, ON*

### Mailing Address

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Note: For July and August, meetings will be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday only.

### Newsletter Editors

Erle Wheatley & Brian Phillips

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President Stephen called the meeting to order. Following the singing of O Canada, Robert Moore proposed the Toast to the Queen and Canada. Erle Wheatley was the SAA. We had two Rotarian guests at our meeting who were from Barrie, Ontario.

Bruce Nugent introduced our guest speaker, Erin Beagle, who is the Executive Director of Roots to Harvest.



Erin told us that Roots to Harvest provides transformative educational and employment opportunities for youth to engage with local agriculture and cultivate healthy communities. She said that they are not trying to turn the young people into farmers but rather to teach them the value of hard work and to gain the skills needed to earn a living. In addition to farm work, they work with schools and communities to grow and cultivate vegetable gardens and learn how to make healthy meals with their produce. In addition they are now learning about bee-keeping. President Stephen thanked Erin for her interesting talk.

Updates from the Lottery House Committee and the Allocations Committee were given by Dave Knutson and K.S, Joseph respectively, and it was announced that to date the Rotary Santa Claus Parade has obtained \$4,200 in sponsorships. All committees are asked to submit their budgets to Boris Cham, and President Stephen would like all committee chairs to write up their goals and procedures.

President Stephen thanked Irene and all the committee members for a great Peace Pole ceremony.



Our District Governor, Rick Bricker, will be visiting our Candian clubs next week. He will go to Shelter House on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, where our Satellite Club members will be preparing and serving an Octoberfest dinner and all our members are welcome to come and help. Rick will be at Daytona's at 4:30p.m. on Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, for our Board Meeting, which will be followed by our regular meeting at 5:30p.m. when he will deliver his message to our club.

Our finemaster was Brian Phillips who, not surprisingly, gave us a four part quiz on Daytona (not this restaurant). To the best of this scribe's knowledge no one answered all four questions correctly so it was a good day for the fine pot. The 50/50 draw was won by Mary-Ann Breton but alas the queen of hearts remained elusive.

Editor – Erle

Scribe – Cynthia

Photos – Irene

