

Lakehead Rotary Club—Thunder Bay

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2018/19 President—Brian Brescia



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A beautiful summer morning for our meeting with 18 Lakehead Rotarians on hand; prospective new member Lori Martineau; Richard's guest Lexie Penko [from the CEDC's Youth Entrepreneur Program] and her guest, the owner of a new enterprise – Handful of Characters; plus our special guest Bryanna Scott – Indigenous Education Programs Co-ordinator, Lakehead University.

ON THE DOOR IN 2017/18:

Mo was on the door today and for the meetings in July. Thank you Rotarians for your service to our Club. Help your Club this year by taking on the door for one of the months – confirm your choice with Clint.

JULY	Mo Papich	JANUARY	
AUGUST	Clifford Mushquash	FEBRUARY	
SEPTEMBER	Graham Stewart	MARCH	
OCTOBER	Richard Kehrig	APRIL	
NOVEMBER		MAY	
DECEMBER		JUNE	Gail Brescia

SPONSORSHIP:

If you can help your Club and wish to promote your business or community interests through a month sponsorship, please contact Sergeant Bill or Clint. Here is the sponsorship line-up so far:

JULY	CEDC	JANUARY	
AUGUST		FEBRUARY	
SEPTEMBER	4 Amigos	MARCH	
OCTOBER		APRIL	MS Society
NOVEMBER		MAY	Salvation Army
DECEMBER		JUNE	5 Star Rotarians

OUR SPONSOR THIS MONTH

Lexie Penko
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Lexie introduced us to one of the local entrepreneurs gaining experience and knowledge through the Entrepreneur Centre of the C.E.D.C. She has started a new business – Handful of Characters. When the owners of Helium Highs announced their retirement, it left the Pink Gorilla wondering what she would do... It left the PG with merely a couple of other characters to hang out with. A "handful" of characters you might say.

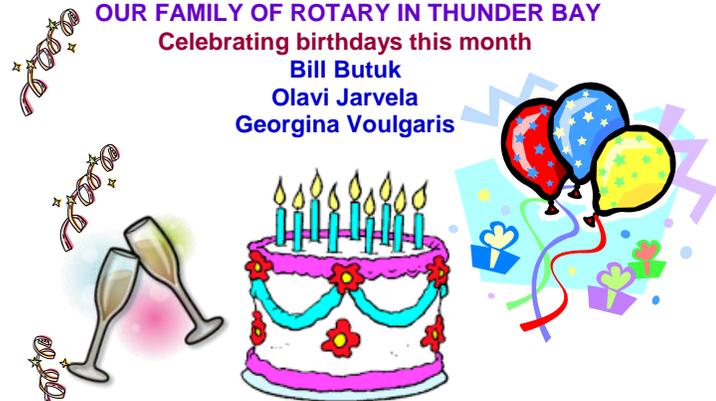
So, the Pink Gorilla wasted no time, and got to work finding herself some cute new furry friends. These new friends include the most adorable puppy, a green frog, a mischievous cheeky monkey and a very patriotic Canadian beaver! So what is it exactly that the notorious Pink Gorilla does when she leaves the office you must be asking? If you're having a birthday, a celebration, surprises, retirements, most occasions present an opportunity for a character to make an appearance! And, to celebrate with balloons, of course!



OUR FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THUNDER BAY

Celebrating birthdays this month

Bill Butuk
Olavi Jarvela
Georgina Voulgaris



Celebrating anniversaries this month
Donna & Don Yocom

CLUB CALENDAR

JULY – NEW LEADERSHIP MONTH

JUL 17 DG BLAINE MEETS OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JUL 19 DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT
JUL 26 SHERI ROBINSON, CHIROPRACTOR
SUMMER HEALTH

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT

AUG 2 LISA FOSTER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & MIKE DUNCAN, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & PROPERTY
COMMUNITY LIVING
AUG 6 CIVIC HOLIDAY
AUG 9 DEANNA FORD
DEVELOPING BETTER SPEECHES
AUG 16 CLUB BUSINESS MEETING
AUG 23 SANDY LYCHOWYD - MEMBERSHIP
AUG 30 RYLA STUDENT [TENTATIVE]

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

SEP 3 LABOUR DAY
SEP 6 BRIAN EDWARDS – OPERATION RED NOSE
SEP 13 BETTINA JACOBSON – EQUINE ASSISTED LEARNING
SEP 20 CLUB BUSINESS MEETING
SEP 27 MAJOR LORI MITCHELL – SALVATION ARMY

OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

OCT 4 GAIL & BRIAN BRESCIA – DRAGON BOATS & TRAVELS IN ITALY
OCT 8 THANKSGIVING
OCT 11 CHARLIE BROWN – THE ALEXANDER HENRY
OCT 18 CLUB BUSINESS MEETING
OCT 25 JAMIE SITAR - LHIN
OCT 31 HALLOWEEN

NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

NOV 1 MME ELOIDE et PAULA AFNOO
NOV 8 RESERVED – ARMY CADETS
NOV 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY
NOV 18 BUSINESS MEETING
NOV 25 OPEN

DECEMBER IS FAMILY OF ROTARY MONTH

DEC 1&2 DECEMBER DREAMS
DEC 6 OPEN
DEC 13 MEETING CANCELLED
DEC 13 CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP – NOR' WESTER
DEC 20 BUSINESS MEETING & ELECTIONS
DEC 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
DEC 25 CHRISTMAS DAY
DEC 27 OPEN
DEC 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE

PRESENTATION:



Gikinoo'amaadiwin – We Gain Knowledge

Lakehead University's Department of Aboriginal Education is a unique Department that offers people of Aboriginal descent as well as people who would like to teach Aboriginal learners with the opportunity to become a teacher or increase his or her knowledge of an Algonquian language. As part of the Faculty of Education, we offer undergraduate programs that focus on Aboriginal traditions, languages, and teachings. Our programs provide you with the knowledge, qualifications, and cultural understanding to make a difference in your student's lives.

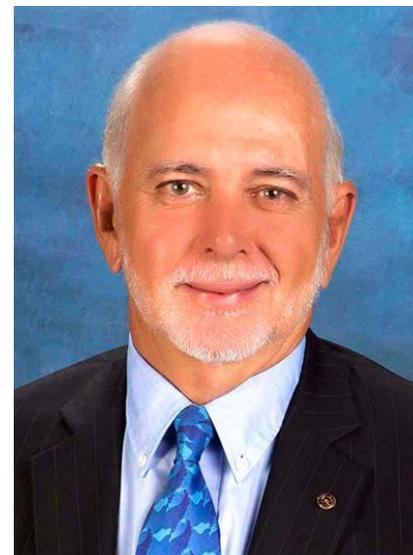
Note: Starting in the Fall of 2015 all of our undergraduate degree programs will include two years of professional program delivery instead of one. This change will extend all of our programs by one academic year. PhD student and Aboriginal Education Program Coordinator Bryanna Scott has been awarded a scholarship from Indspire's *Building Brighter Futures: Bursaries, Scholarships, and Awards* program.

As noted on the charity's website, "Indspire is an Indigenous-led registered charity that invests in the education of Indigenous people for the long-term benefit of these individuals, their families and communities, and Canada. In partnership with Indigenous, private and public sector stakeholders, Indspire educates, connects and invests in Indigenous people so they will achieve their highest potential." Bryanna, a citizen of the Metis Nation of Ontario, has received this national award twice in the past and is honoured that Indspire supports and contributes to the success of many of Canada's Indigenous students across all fields and levels of post-secondary education.

Bryanna Scott is a Metis woman from Fort Frances. She is a PhD student in the Faculty of Education at Lakehead University where she also works as the Co-ordinator of Indigenous Education Programs. Bryanna has worked for the Federal Government, consulting with Aboriginal groups on health promotion projects, as well as at both Confederation College and Lakehead University in a variety of roles leading and supporting Aboriginal initiatives and students in their academic pursuits. Bryanna has a ten-year-old who is a Lake Helen Band member.

ROTARY'S NEW LEADERS FOR 2018/19:

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT – BARRY RASSIN



BE THE INSPIRATION

Presidential theme 2018-19: Be the Inspiration

RI President-elect Barry Rassin's theme for 2018-19, Be the Inspiration, asks Rotarians to inspire change in the world and in each other. "I ask all of you to be the Inspiration to help Rotary move from reaction to action — to take a hard look at the environmental issues that affect health and welfare around the world and do what we can to help."

President 2018-19 Barry Rassin

Rotary Club of East Nassau
New Providence, Bahamas

Barry Rassin earned an MBA in health and hospital administration from the University of Florida, and is the first fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives in the Bahamas. He recently retired after 37 years as president of Doctors Hospital Health System and continues as an adviser. He is a lifetime member of the American Hospital Association and has served on several boards, including the Quality Council of the Bahamas, Health Education Council, and Employer's Confederation.

A Rotarian since 1980, Rassin has served Rotary as director and is vice chair of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees. He was an RI training leader and the aide to 2015-16 RI President K.R. Ravindran.

Rassin received Rotary's highest honor, the Service Above Self Award, as well as other humanitarian awards for his work leading Rotary's relief efforts in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake there. He and his wife, Esther, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR – BLAINE JOHNSON:



Blaine and Jessie Johnson

District Governor Blaine Johnson joined Rotary in 2004 at the age of 27. He was a member of the Janesville, Minnesota Rotary Club in District 5960 for seven years and served as their club president twice. He then joined the Bismarck, North Dakota Rotary Club in 2011 and served as their club president in 2014-15. He obtained his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of North Dakota and his juris doctorate from the University of Minnesota Law School. He is a partner with the law firm of Crowley Fleck PLLP where he practices extensively in the areas of banking, real estate, and oil and gas. He is married to his best friend, Jessie and together they have five children: Wynter, Brianna, Isaiah, Aiden and Keira. Jessie is Vice-President of Loan Operations for Starion Bank in Bismarck.

FELLOWSHIP FINES:

Wayne worked the room this morning. After a year of receiving the attention of the fine master, Wayne relished the opportunity to recognize his fellow Rotarians in fine style. President Brian was first up for doing such a fine job...so far. However, he was also recognized for not bringing any of the fine wines home from Italy. Gail and Brian countered with a happy dollar for their excellent adventure in Italy and for the success of the Dragons of Hope – placing 42nd in a field of 124 dragon boat teams is impressive. In their honour, all those in the room who have not been to Italy were invited to pay tribute. Gail Kromm shared her happy dollar for a

family visit and Clifford shared his for the upcoming family gathering at Pays Platt for an annual POW WOW. Clifford was also happy to have taken in this year's Blues Fest. Graham shared his happy dollar for an upcoming ride for MS in Wisconsin. Audrey's happy dollar was for husband Stirling who is finally coming home from his time in hospital. Carol was happy to have family over to help clean out her basement. Paige was happy for a recent family visit. Wayne wrapped up this round celebrating their return from another visit with their new twin grandkids. Wayne seemed to be relieved to be home declaring that he and his wife would not be having any more kids.

50/50:

Clifford was our happy winner today and his share will be assembled with other weekly donations and forwarded to the Rotary Foundation in December.

PORT ARTHUR ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual Port Arthur Rotary Golf Tournament is planned for Wednesday July 25, 2018 at the Thunder Bay Country Club on Golf Links Road.

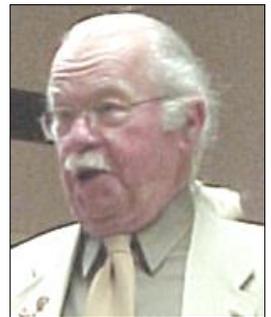
Individuals and teams are welcome. Best Ball format. Golf (9 holes) \$25.00 - Golf Cart (2/ cart \$10.00 ea.) meal (Steak Barbeque to follow golf (approx. 6:00 pm) \$40.00 includes tax & gratuity plus entry fee.

You are welcome to join us for Golf, Dinner or both. If you have access to some prizes we would appreciate your generosity. If you can join us and/ or have prizes please contact Doug Shanks by e-mail shanksj@cheadles.com

BILL'S STUFF...

Welcome regular contributor to your weekly Club Chronicle – Bill Butuk with his "Bill's Stuff" Column.

LOUIE BLUIE



Louie Bluie (born William Howard Taft Armstrong March 4, 1909 in Dayton Tennessee-died July 30, 2003 in Boston Massachusetts) was an American country blues singer, fiddler, mandolin player and artist who was active from the 1920s to the 1990s. Growing up he was influenced by the many genres of music that came into the area He became one of the nation's finest black string-band musicians, receiving an NEA National Heritage Fellowship and a Tennessee Governor's Folk Heritage Award. As well as becoming an accomplished musician,, painter and storyteller, he created ethnic jewelry, mastered 7 foreign languages and 22 musical instruments.

Armstrong was born in Dayton Tennessee but grew up in LaFollette, Tennessee in a musical family of 9 children. He was the middle son in the family. Although his father had a steady job as an iron furnace worker, his childhood was marred by poverty. By the age of 7 Howard had fashioned paint brushes made from cat hair and paints made from berries and crepe paper. He was ambidextrous, capable of simultaneously drawing with both hands. By the age of 9, he was competent playing fiddle, mandolin and guitar. At age 10 he formed a family string band with his five younger brothers, playing for money on the streets of LaFollette and at the remote coal camps in the nearby mountains

As a young teenager he left school to join a band led by Blind Roland Martin and his brother Carl Martin, touring the U.S and performing a wide range of music and songs. On April 3, 1930, in Knoxville Tennessee, Armstrong along with brothers Roland and Carl Martin, billed as the Tennessee Chocolate Drops, made a live recording at the St. James Hotel for Vocation Records. They then went to tour as backup artists for blues musicians Big Bill Broonzy and Memphis Minnie. During the heart of the Great Depression Armstrong and his musical partners drifted to Chicago where they sang door-to-door in ethnic neighborhoods. A natural story-teller, Armstrong incorporated accounts of his early life into his performances. He sold his artwork on the street and made colorful jewelry. In this period of his life he acquired his stage name "Louie Bluie".

After serving in WW II, Armstrong moved to Detroit where he worked in automobile factories until 1971. With a revival of interest in old-time African-American music, Armstrong's band with the addition of guitarist Ted Bogan re-united playing at clubs, festivals and touring South America for the U.S. Government. He was the subject of documentaries "Louie Bluie" released in 1985 and "Sweet Old Song" released in 2002. In 1995 he received a W.C. Handy Blues nomination for his first solo album. The Louie Bluie Arts and Music Festival is held each year near his childhood town of LaFollette, Tennessee to celebrate his music and legacy. Watch and listen to Louie Bluie at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Qv9HEc2-EE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KOWpfKETNV><https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A62tTP5HOXc>

NEXT MEETING:

**THURSDAY, JULY 19
DISTRICT GOVERNOR BLAINE JOHNSON**



**MACKENZIE
TOUR**



Use this direct link to see the complete SPECTATOR SCHEDULE for the Stall Open:

<https://www.staalopen.ca/spectator-schedule>

A MONARCH'S LIFE...BUTTERFLIES IN THUNDER BAY

The second chapter in this story of the monarchs in our gardens features the caterpillars. Almost invisible at first, the tiny caterpillars grow quickly as non-stop eating machines. If you see a few holes on milkweed leaves or a trimmed edge or tip, there's a good chance that a tiny "cat" will be on the underside of the leaf or making a break for a new leaf as is the case in this photo.



The milkweed is just beginning to flower but the cats are beginning to forage. This wee beast is about 1/2" long but shows the colour scheme of the monarch caterpillar. We have had numerous visits this season from many different monarchs and they continue to arrive and lay their eggs on every plant they find. As we are still new to gardening for monarchs, we are also learning that they do face several predators and risks. Barbara is on the lookout for beetles that suck the small cats dry. There are a few parasitic flies and wasps that lay their eggs in cats that result in their death. The cats can also fall in storms. Barbara's response to all of these hazards has been the creation of a protective structure – a mini-greenhouse covered in screening from top to bottom. Entire milkweed plants in pots are inside with several cats munching away and pooping as they munch. She calls this the "monarchy" and those who help this noble butterfly are called "monarchists". She has "rescued" many cats and they are thriving. We also have a number of plantings in separate areas of our gardens and cats are showing up on a daily basis. Some of our neighbours are also 'raising cats' so we hope to see many butterflies later in the summer.