



# Lakehead Rotary Chronicle



May 24, 2018



President Wayne counts down the days left in his term as President

A muggy spring morning for our meeting with 20 Lakehead Rotarians out for our monthly Business Meeting. President Wayne was in good form today noting that he only has 34 more sleeps as Club President. He reminded us that Queen Victoria was born on this day in 1819. Bob Dylan was born in 1941 and “Mary had a little Lamb” was published in 1830. He also noted that he saw the boat he dreamed of owning one day...it was parked in his dentist’s driveway.

**ON THE DOOR IN 2017/18:**

Karl Ratz was on the door today and for the meetings in May. Thank you Rotarians for your service to our Club.

JULY	Clint Kuschak	JANUARY	Clifford Mushquash
AUGUST	Karl Ratz	FEBRUARY	Gail Brescia
SEPTEMBER	Graham Stewart	MARCH	Mo Papich
OCTOBER	Karl Ratz	APRIL	Karl Ratz
NOVEMBER	Karl Ratz	MAY	Karl Ratz
DECEMBER	Mo Papich	JUNE	Mo Papich

**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	open	JANUARY	open
AUGUST	TBSO/Ken	FEBRUARY	Beaux Daddy’s
SEPTEMBER	4 Amigos	MARCH	RFDA/Volker
OCTOBER	Nexus/Audrey	APRIL	MS Society/Sandy
NOVEMBER	NOSM/Gail	MAY	Salvation Army/Gail
DECEMBER	open	JUNE	5 Star Rotarians



**OUR SPONSOR THIS MONTH**

**ROTARIAN GAIL KROMM**  
Salvation Army




Our sponsor this month is the SALVATION ARMY – thank you Rotarian Gail Kromm. Gail related another good news story of a client who is making a change for a better life. This young man has dealt with mental health issues and used the SA Youth Shelter. He was ultimately diagnosed and is on meds that help when he remembers to take them or is reminded by someone. He did not talk much over the time he was at the SA Shelter but recently surprised Gail by speaking to her. He has received one of the apartments in the SA Habitat program and continues to make good progress.

**OUR FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THUNDER BAY**

**Celebrating birthdays this month**

Liisa Leskowski  
Sandy Lychowyd  
Roy Lucas



**Celebrating anniversaries this month**  
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**CLUB CALENDAR**

**MAY IS ROTARY YOUTH SERVICE MONTH**  
MAY 31 CAROUSEL RESTORATION PROJECT

**JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH**  
JUN 7 JEFF GAROFALO – POSITIVE AGING  
JUN 14 DAN FULTON – MONARCH GARDENS  
JUN 21 MEETING CANCELLED !!!  
JUN 21 PRESIDENT’S BBQ & ASSEMBLY  
JUN 23-27 ROTARY INT’L CONVENTION – TORONTO  
JUN 28 BUSINESS MEETING – FINAL MEETING OF 17/18



**BUILDING BRIDGES  
GOODWILL & FRIENDSHIP**

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE – 2018 THUNDER BAY**

The Conference Committee held its final meeting on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> to evaluate all aspects of the Conference and to receive final reports from division leaders. The results will be assembled in a final report for reference by future Conference hosts starting with the Minot Conference Committee.

**BUSINESS MEETING - REPORTS:**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

President Wayne reported that Clifford is leading the Strategic Planning Committee in the completion of our proposed Vision – Strategic Plan. He will share a brief overview of the Plan at our June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting with a more thorough review after it has been approved by our Board.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT:**

P-E Brian noted that DGE Blain Johnson would be in Thunder Bay and Nipigon in July for meeting with our 4 area Clubs and their Boards. He will meet our Directors on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and our Members at our meeting on Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. We will share our goals and plans with him and he will bring greetings from the Rotary President and our District and talk about his plans for his year as Governor.

Brian will also be looking for members to step up to take on leadership roles in his year starting with the President-Elect and President-Nominee. A number of Committees are also in need of leaders and members and he will discuss these in more detail and future meetings as part of implementing our new Strategic Plan.

Brian reminded us that the annual President's BBQ is coming up on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Valhalla Inn. The event will be held in the Viking Room and adjacent courtyard with a fine barbecue and "entertainment" as we celebrate our achievements and year together...and roast and toast our Club leaders, especially our dear President and purveyor of useful trivia. Clint has the sign-up sheet and is accepting payment - \$45 per person. Members may sign up and pay at the door too but he needs our Club's total count for the hotel by Monday of that week...so sign-on soon.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**

Sandy reported that two members – Claudio Monteleone and Rev. Jonathon Blanchard – have decided that they will not renew their membership in 2018/19. At its meeting on Tuesday, the Board approved the continuation of Honorary Membership for Liisa Leskowi for 2018/19. Sandy reported that she is talking with one person who has expressed interest in becoming a member of our Club but this might not happen until later in our new Rotary Year.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**MEMBER DUES REPORT:**

Membership Dues are approved for 2018/19 at same level - \$220.00. Members will continue to have the option to pay their dues in 2 installments – July 1/18 and January 1/19. Dues invoices were issued to members as of April 1/18 with a first reminder sent on May 1/18. A final reminder will be sent on June 1/18 and the Membership Chairperson will call those who have not renewed by the end of June to determine their intentions [before R.I. invoices our Club for the first installment of the Semi-Annual Dues]. Two members have so far indicated they will not be renewing their membership – Rev. Blanchard and Claudio Monteleone. As of the date of this Report, 19 members have paid their dues.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

LAKEHEAD ROTARY CLUB						
2017/18 OPERATING BUDGET [STATEMENT]						
[As at April 30'18]						
REVENUE:			BUDGET	%	YR TO DATE	%
1 Member Dues [\$220.00]	35	\$	7,700.00	11%	\$ 8,672.00	13%
2 New Member Admissions	2	\$	180.00	0%	\$ 285.00	0%
3 Meeting Fees		\$	9,000.00	13%	\$ 6,601.00	10%
4 President's BBQ		\$	1,400.00	2%		
5 Meal Cards		\$	1,500.00	2%	\$ 1,545.00	2%
6 Fellowship Fines		\$	1,000.00	1%	\$ 1,020.00	2%
7 50/50		\$	600.00	1%	\$ 382.00	1%
8 December Dreams		\$	15,980.00	24%	\$ 14,942.00	22%
9 Spirit of Thunder Bay		\$	16,700.00	25%	\$ 12,678.00	19%
10 2017 Shrimp Fest		\$	11,530.00	17%	\$ 11,530.00	17%
11 Rotary Christmas Parade		\$	-	0%	\$ 8,824.74	13%
12 Month Sponsorships		\$	1,000.00	1%	\$ 350.00	1%
13 Rotary Anniversary		\$	-	0%		
14 District Conference		\$	-	0%		
15 Misc. Revenue		\$	50.00	0%		
16 Donations Account Surplus [2016/17]		\$	1,125.00	2%	\$ 1,125.00	2%
17 TOTAL REVENUE		\$	67,765.00	100%	\$ 66,829.74	100%
EXPENSE:						
18 Club Dues [Rotary Int'l]		\$	3,500.00	5%	\$ 3,933.56	6%
19 Club Dues [District 5580]		\$	3,028.00	4%	\$ 3,027.77	5%
20 Meeting Expenses		\$	11,000.00	16%	\$ 9,425.50	14%
21 Membership Recruit. & Recognition		\$	500.00	1%	\$ 362.05	1%
22 Club Supplies/Equipment		\$	400.00	1%	\$ 147.90	0%
23 Insurance		\$	773.28	1%	\$ 773.28	1%
24 RYLA Fees/Expenses		\$	1,300.00	2%	\$ 1,291.24	2%
25 Club Event Expenses:						
26 Terry Fox Run		\$	500.00	1%	\$ 75.00	0%
27 December Dreams		\$	9,128.00	13%	\$ 8,364.11	13%
28 Spirit of Thunder Bay		\$	6,450.00	10%	\$ 5,481.00	8%
29 2017 Shrimp Fest		\$	5,636.45	8%	\$ 5,636.45	9%
30						
31 President's BBQ		\$	1,800.00	3%		0%
32 Donations		\$	19,522.00	29%	\$ 13,200.00	20%
33 Canada Club Event Expenses:						
34 Rotary Christmas Parade		\$	300.00	0%	\$ 9,405.10	14%
35 Rotary Anniversary		\$	-	0%	\$ 169.82	0%
36 Peace Day Ceremony		\$	-	0%		
37 District Conference		\$	2,000.00	3%	\$ 1,566.15	2%
38 Bank & Credit/Debit Card Fees		\$	700.00	1%	\$ 660.29	1%
39 Club Donation to Foundation		\$	-	0%	\$ 100.00	0%
40 Memberships/Subscriptions		\$	288.00	0%	\$ 285.55	0%
41 Storage Fees		\$	300.00	0%	\$ 300.00	0%
42 Postage/Freight		\$	-			
43 Printing/Photocopy		\$	-			
44 ClubRunner/Website		\$	500.00	1%	\$ 473.92	1%
45 L.E.A.D. & Training Expenses		\$	-		\$ 499.59	1%
46 TOTAL EXPENSE		\$	67,625.73	100%	\$ 65,178.28	100%
47 NET		\$	139.27		\$ 1,651.46	

BUDGET NOTES:	
<b>REVENUE:</b>	
1 Member Dues	Based on 35 active members plus 1 honorary at start of year New Members: Clifford Musquash, Peter Holt-Hindle, James Pedwell Carol Dagenais, and Jennifer Kahan
2 Admissions	Three New Members during the year to pay admission fee
3 Meeting Fees	Based on current meal fees to cover actual costs
11 Rotary Parade	Sponsorship revenue to cover most of the policing costs for the Parade 3 Thunder Bay Clubs to share equally in balance of policing costs
<b>EXPENSE:</b>	
18 Rotary Int'l Dues	RI Dues based on 35 active members plus 1 honorary member as of July 1/17 Semi-Annual Dues invoiced on July 1/17 and January 1/18
19 Rotary 5580 Dues	District 5580 Total Annual Dues based on 34 active members as of June 30/16
21 Memb. Recruit.	Printing brochures, After Business event, P.Pres. Luncheons, Recognition, etc.
24 RYLA Fees	Sponsorship of 2 students plus travel and 1 night accommodation expense
26 Terry Fox Run	Policing and St. John Ambulance costs
27 December Dreams	Revised Expense due to Perfect Parties donation resulting in new net profit
32 Donations	Projected total donations in 2017/18 Note: does not include \$2,000 U.S. for W.D. [to issue once grant is approved]
34 Rotary Parade	Share of Policing Services expense. The Policing Invoice = \$9,262.11 and each of the 3 local Clubs will pay \$437.37 [after all sponsorships] Each Club also shares in cost to decorate the Rotary Float
37 D. Conference	Sponsorship and expenses. The Conference Statement reveals that a significant surplus is expected. The initial sponsorships/loans by the 4 area Clubs are to be refunded. Lakehead will receive \$1,500.
38 Bank Fees	Global Credit/Debit Card Fees plus cheques resupply cost of \$65.09
40 Memb/Subs	Chamber of Commerce membership
41 Storage	Annual Share of archives and Dreams show storage cost
44 ClubRunner	ClubRunner annual fee & upgrades
45 L.E.A.D. & Training	Expenses for President-Elect to attend L.E.A.D. session in Duluth

**CLUB SERVICE:**

**PROGRAMMING:**

Shirley has completed programming for June and turns the reins over to Carol Dagenais who will program our speakers in 2018/19. She has filled one date in July and is looking at a variety of speakers. She welcomes suggestions and leads. Please contact her with your ideas.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:  
DONATIONS REPORT:**

We received a request from St. John Ambulance for a donation of \$300 to assist with the cost of Camp 911: Medical First Responders Summer Camp which teaches children about essential lifesaving skills and how to respond in times of emergencies. The Directors approved this request at the last Board meeting. The Board also decided to withhold further donations in this year and add the surplus to our new Rotary Year's Donations Fund in part because of the small profit from this year's Shrimp Fest.

LAKEHEAD ROTARY CLUB			
CLUB DONATIONS - 2017/18			
		[as at May 22/18]	
		REVENUE	DONATIONS
Opening Balance/Funds Available as at July 1/17		\$1,125.00	
Proceeds from 2017 Shrimp Fest [80% share]		\$4,714.00	
Proceeds from December Dreams [80% share]		\$5,262.31	N2
Proceeds from Spirit of Thunder Bay [100% share]		\$7,197.00	
<b>Approved &amp; Projected Donations:</b>			
CNIB Programs for Children & Seniors			\$1,000.00
MS Society			\$1,500.00
Dew Drop Inn Annual Appeal			\$1,250.00
Rotary Shelter Annual Appeal			\$1,250.00
RFDA Annual Appeal			\$1,250.00
Thunder Bay Police Youth Corps			\$1,600.00
Easter Seals			\$1,000.00
St. John Ambulance			\$300.00
Shelter Box Canada			\$1,200.00
NOSM Bursary [top-up donation]			\$540.00
March of Dimes			\$900.00
<b>New Requests:</b>			
Thunder Bay Public Library	\$1,000		
Wilderness Discovery Camp	\$10,000	N1	\$2,580.00
NAN Youth Awards			
Guatemala Literacy Project	\$100 U.S.		\$130.00
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$18,298.31</b>	<b>\$1,300.00 \$13,200.00</b>
<b>BALANCE FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>		<b>\$3,798.31</b>	
<b>NOTES:</b>			
N1	Request to fund start-up costs for new WD Camp. Lakehead unlikely to afford \$10,000 in one year. Will have to consider funding over 2 or more years or develop a new fund raising event solely for WD in conjunction with others		
	The Board approved a donation of \$5,000 for WD in October '17 using the unassigned funds from the reserved funds raised over years through the Spirit event for the Lifesong School project and community donations		
	PA Rotary and FW Rotary will apply for a District Grant for WD to match their Clubs' contributions of \$2,000 U.S. and asked Lakehead to also contribute \$2,000 U.S. to generate matching funds in a District Grant [application to be submitted March 31/18]		
	The Board approved a donation of \$2,000 U.S. to be released once the grant is approved.		
N2	Revised/increased revenue due to generous donation of Perfect Parties		

**YOUTH SERVICE:  
R.Y.L.A.**

The two successful students for the Lakehead Rotary sponsorship are Brandon Refush and Camaryn Gregory. Most arrangements have been made but we are still looking for drivers to bring the students back to Canada from Duluth on July 14, 2018. Peter Holt-Hindle is taking over the R.Y.L.A. leadership role for our Club with advice from Chris Davidson as he completes the R.Y.L.A. process this year. Peter will also take over in July as our Club's Youth Service Director.

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:  
FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUND & POLIO PLUS:**

FOUNDATION GOALS REPORT - 2017/18				As at May 17/18			
Note: All amounts shown in U.S. dollars							
FUND	GOAL	M	TO MAY 17/18	50/50 PLUS	PLUS OTHER MEMB DONATIONS	TOTAL	% OF GOAL
ANNUAL FUND	\$ 2,520.00	35	\$ 2,061.24	\$ 360.00	N1 \$ 70.00	\$ 2,491.24	99%
POLIOPLUS	\$ 1,700.00		\$ 1,249.44	\$ 373.30	N2 \$ 70.00	\$ 1,692.74	100%
<b>NOTES:</b>							
N1	Member contributions at weekly meeting since Dec. 21/17 plus 50/50 shares						
N2	Includes 25% share of proceeds from the Anniversary event \$481.56 CDN						

**50/50 FOR THE FOUNDATION:**

Brian was our winner today and his winnings will be sent to the Rotary Foundation at the end of this month along with all other donations and 50/50 winnings from December 21/17 to May 31/18.

**FINES:**

Richard worked the cup today starting out with tribute from President Wayne for his comment that "life is sexually transmitted and terminal", though he could have recognized him for a number of other good reasons. Bill, Paul and Clint were then asked to stand and be recognized...since they were all uniformly dressed in the Thunder Bay Rotary 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary "hoodie". Richard then invited tribute from those who managed to be awake for the early morning Royal Wedding broadcast. Clifford paid up and Roy confessed that his wife got up for it. He also noted that he enjoyed the replay later in the day of the "preacher's sermon". Wayne used his PVR and had a more civilized viewing time. Sandy celebrated her birthday on the eve of the Wedding and slept in...a reasonable thing to do. Richard watched a replay later in the day and noted that the Queen did not sing along when everyone sang "God Save the Queen". Gail Kromm celebrated the Wedding for all of the diversity at the event and the many different cultures represented...a refreshing change. Audrey got up at 6 a.m. and still got to see the spectacle. She commented on the hats worn by all the ladies, many sporting "fascinators". She explained the derivation of the term as women started the fad by attaching or fastening things to their hats. Richard promptly responded by inviting tribute from all those in the room who did not own a fascinator. Fishing hats covered in lures doesn't count. An easy sweep. Audrey started the happiness round with hers for a successful weekend at work for the big conversion of systems as Nexus becomes Alterna Savings. She also noted that her purple iris are in bloom so it must be summer. Wayne's happiness was for his daughter who will be coming to visit soon. Shirley was happy to have spent some time in beautiful Surrey, B.C. Allan was happy for a recent trip to Duluth and some fun at an "Escape Room" there. He thought this might be a fun fellowship event for our members to consider and following the meeting, he shared a link to a local site that offers this "Escape Room" adventure. Check it out:

<http://countdownthunderba.wixsite.com/mysite/about-us>

Gail Brescia continue the happiness round with her recent trip with Brian to Detroit Lakes for the orientation to our Rotary District Grants Committee. Gail is now a member of this Committee that is responsible for reviewing all of the grant applications coming in from our District's Clubs. We now have two members serving at the District level – Gail and ADG Sandy. Allan continued his happiness with word that his 3 sisters would be coming to town soon and Maya celebrated a big birthday as she is no longer a "teen". Jennifer was happy to celebrate her 3-year old grandchild's birthday. Bill wrapped up this fine round with his "sad" dollar noting that "the end is near"...for President Wayne's year as President.

**BILL'S STUFF...**

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



**THE HOLMES BROTHERS**



The Holmes Brothers were an American musical trio of vocalists, guitarists and drummer who played blues, soul and gospel and were active from 1979 to 2015. The brothers were Wendell (born in Plainfield, New Jersey in 1944-died January 19, 2015) and Sherman (born 1940). They were raised in Christchurch, Virginia in a musical family. Their parents were both school teachers who fostered the boys' early interest in music by listening to traditional Baptist hymns, anthems and spirituals. They also listened to blues music by B.B. King, Junior Parker and Jimmy Reed. The brothers sang in the church choir in Christchurch, Virginia. Wendell learned to play guitar, organ and trumpet. Sherman studied clarinet and piano before taking up the bass. He went on to Virginia State University where he studied composition and music theory before dropping out in 1959 to move to New York City for a job with singer Jimmy Jones. When Wendell completed high school he joined his older brother in New York City.

The brothers formed "The Sevilles" in 1963 after playing in several bands in the N.Y.C. Area. They disbanded after 3 years but had gained invaluable experience backing up blues and soul artists like John Lee Hooker, the Impressions and Jerry Butler. By this time the brothers added fellow Virginian Willie "Popsy" Dixon (born July 26, 1942 in Virginia Beach, Virginia-died January 9, 2015) as drummer and the trio continued to play in various Top 40 bar bands.

In 1979, Sherman, Wendell and Popsy formed a group called The Holmes Brothers, all three sharing vocals, Sherman playing bass, Wendell playing guitar and Popsy on drums. They moved to New York City's Harlem area where they regularly played at blues clubs. Also in 1979 the group signed with Rounder Records and released their debut album "In the Spirit" in 1980. They released 4 more albums for Rounder and over the next 8 years toured with Peter Gabriel, Joan Osborne and performed with Van Morrison.

In 2001 they signed with Alligator Records and became increasingly popular appearing on TV shows like CBS Saturday Early Show and Late Night With David Letterman. Their albums "State Of Grace" and "Simple Truths" both reached the top 5 of the Blues Album Charts , with "State Of Grace" winning The Blues Music Award for Soul Blues Album of the Year. In 2014, the Holmes Brothers received the NEA National Heritage Fellowship, the highest honour bestowed upon traditional music artists. After Wendell's and Popsy's deaths in 2015, Sherman continued to perform with The Sherman Holmes Project.

Watch and listen to The Holmes Brothers at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TUZ24ZFBiok>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16iwqqXptqA>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OVRjf\\_DeiwE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OVRjf_DeiwE)

(with Van Morrison)

**NEXT MEETING    MAY 31/18**  
**THE CAROUSEL RENEWAL PROJECT**  
**CHIPPEWA PARK**

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

**JUNE 23 – 27**

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto>

In partnership with Rotary International, the Host Organizing Committee invites you to gather in Toronto, Canada June 23-27 2018. With the spirit of true Canadian hospitality, we wish to welcome Rotarians from around the world to experience everything Toronto and the Golden Horseshoe has to offer.



**SAVE THE DATE...FOR OUR ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S BBQ**

**PRESIDENT'S BBQ—JUNE 21**  
**6:00 P.M.—VALHALLA INN**  
**VIKING ROOM & COURTYARD**

