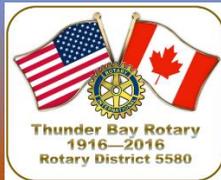


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2016/17 President—Chris Davidson



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President Chris and Past President Volker were both unable to attend so Past President Ken took up the gavel to lead our group today

A soggy summer morning for our meeting in with 17 Lakehead Rotarians on hand plus prospective new member Mike Caza. Our special guest Mary Anne Comuzzi from the George Jeffrey Children's Centre had to cancel at the last moment so Shirley didn't have much time to find a replacement...but we enjoyed a leisurely breakfast. [Note: Mary Anne's presentation has been rescheduled to September 1st]

ON THE DOOR IN 2016/17:

Mo was on the door today and for the month of August. Here is our 2016/17 line-up: Thank you Rotarians for your service to our Club. The sign-up sheet for 2016/17 is available now so pick a month and sign on to help your Club.

JULY	Clint Kuschak	JANUARY	Gail Brescia
AUGUST	Mo Papich	FEBRUARY	
SEPTEMBER	Graham Stewart	MARCH	
OCTOBER		APRIL	
NOVEMBER		MAY	
DECEMBER	Volker Kromm	JUNE	

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	NOSM	JANUARY	
AUGUST	Blair Schoales	FEBRUARY	Beaux Daddy's
SEPTEMBER	Sunset Memorial	MARCH	RFDA – Volker
OCTOBER		APRIL	Sandy Lychowyd
NOVEMBER		MAY	Salvation Army
DECEMBER	Investors Group	JUNE	Star Rotarians

Our sponsor this month...
**BLAIR SCHOALES MEDICINE
PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION**
Thank you Rotarian BLAIR SCHOALES

Rotarian Blair Schoales




**Blair Schoales Medicine
Professional Corporation**

OUR FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THUNDER BAY Celebrating birthdays this month



And celebrating anniversaries this month
**CLINT & BARBARA KUSCHAK
DON & BETSY MORRISON**

CALENDAR – MEETINGS & EVENTS:

AUGUST	MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT
AUG 18	BUSINESS MEETING & RYLA PRESENTATION
AUG 25	KATHRYN & GAIL...PERSONAL UPDATES
SEPTEMBER	BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY
SEP 1	MARY ANNE COMUZZI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GEORGE JEFFREY CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
SEP 5	LABOUR DAY
SEP 6	BOARD MEETING
SEP 8	OPEN
SEP 15	BUSINESS MEETING
SEP 15	CANADA CLUB MEETING
SEP 15	VANDERWEES MEMORIAL MINI-GOLF EVENT
SEP 18	TERRY FOX RUN – BOULEVARD LAKE
SEP 22	OPEN
SEP 29	OPEN

OCTOBER ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
OCT 4 BOARD MEETING
OCT 6 OPEN
OCT 10 THANKSGIVING
OCT 13 BARRIE STREIB – THUNDER BAY SYMPHONY
OCT 20 BUSINESS MEETING
OCT 27 OPEN

PRESENTATION:

Our special guest today was to have been Mary Anne Comuzzi, Executive Director of the George Jeffrey Children's Centre but she had to cancel at the last minute. She will speak to us at our September 1st meeting. Until then, here is a little information on the GJCC including their new fundraising event.



George Jeffrey Children's Centre

Enriching children's lives by meeting their physical, developmental and social needs in a caring, family-centred environment

George Jeffrey Children's Centre (GJCC) is a paediatric outpatient health facility located in Thunder Bay, Ontario. We have been meeting the communication, developmental, and physical needs of children for over 60 years; providing services to infants, children, and adolescents aged birth to 19 years. The Centre is one of twenty Children's Treatment Centres in the province of Ontario, and we are an active member of the Ontario Association of Children's Rehabilitation Services (OACRS).

Services Include:

- Augmentative Communication
- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Recreation and Leisure Facilitation
- Rural Services (District of Thunder Bay)
- Seating and Mobility
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Social Work

GJCC believes in a family-centred service delivery model of care. Families are recognized as the experts in their child, and work with service providers to make informed decisions about their child's care. Through this model of care, we respect the uniqueness of each family and give consideration to the strengths and needs of each child and family.

The GJCC offers a wide range of Services, Programs and Resources:

Services include:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Social Work
- Augmentative & Alternative Communication
- Seating & Mobility

Programs include:

- Rural Children's Services
- Infant & Preschool Services

- School Age Services
- Adolescent Program Services
- Motor Skills Outreach
- Fine Motor Skills Development
- Social Skills Groups

Clinics include:

- Infant Growth & Development
- Feeding & Swallowing Clinic
- Medical Consultant
- Orthopaedic Clinic
- Gross Motor
- Northern Clinic

Funding:

George Jeffrey Children's Centre is a registered charity, incorporated under the laws of Ontario as a not-for-profit organization. The Ministry of Children and Youth Services (MCYS) is the main funding source for ongoing operations of the Centre. The Centre also operates a fully licensed daycare, which is located offsite. Funding for George Jeffrey/Sherbrooke Community Daycare is provided by Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board (TBDSSAB) as well as revenue generated by a fee structure for daycare services. Both the Centre and the Daycare depend on donations to enhance programs and the purchase of capital equipment. The continued goal of the [George Jeffrey Children's Foundation](#) is to raise necessary funds to support the efforts of George Jeffrey Children's Centre.

Fund Raising Events:

The GJCC raises funds each year through a variety of events. We are familiar with the Soap Box Derby on the north side of town. A new annual event was developed recently to raise funds for the GJCC while also paying tribute to a community leader and advocate for children with special needs – Joe Vanderwees.

Vanderwees Home & Garden and the Rotary Clubs of Thunder Bay are pleased to announce the 1st Annual Joe Vanderwees Memorial Mini Golf Tournament in support of George Jeffrey Children's Foundation. Vanderwees Home and Garden has generously agreed to host this event as a tribute to their founder, Joe Vanderwees and the Rotary Clubs of Thunder Bay have taken a Lead Role as the Presenting Sponsor to honour long time Rotarian Joe Vanderwees. The Mini Golf tournament will take place Thursday, September 15th 2016 at the Vanderwees Home & Garden mini golf course.

Attached is an outline of potential sponsorship opportunities as well as a team registration. We are hopeful you will consider supporting this worthwhile inaugural fundraising event in memory of one of our valued community heroes and in support of the children that are served at George Jeffrey Children's Centre.

Proceeds will be directed through George Jeffrey Children's Foundation to assist George Jeffrey Children's Centre to fulfill its mission of enriching the lives of children dealing with physical and developmental disabilities in Northwestern Ontario. Your involvement will help ensure that children with disabilities will continue to have access to many things we take for granted in our day to day lives and will assist them in reaching their best potential.

If you have any further questions you can contact Mary Anne Comuzzi: 625-6052 or email: macomuzzi@georgejeffrey.com



50/50 FOR THE FOUNDATION:

Gary Mack was the lucky winner of today's 50/50 draw and his \$10 will be off to the Rotary Foundation later this year along with donations and 50/50 winnings gathered over the first half of our Rotary Year.

FINES:

Ken worked the cup today and instead of the usual methods of "loonie extraction", he invited us to share a summer reminiscence or fun time from our past as a happy dollar for the cup. Gail Brescia started out with fond memories of family travels and for a trip soon with Brian and Matthew to Tuscany and other points of interest in Italy. Roy recounted a family trip [with the boys] through Europe. Bill remembered early days [1940s] when he was 10 and won a prestigious yo tournament. Mike's memories are of watching the growth and development of their children. Gail Kromm's favourite times are of being back home with family and recalling quiet times in the neighbourhood with grandmother by a flower bed. Kathryn also recalled great times with her daughters and their travels around town to "test" school playgrounds – apparently the playground at Algonquin School was the best. Paul also remembered days of his youth in Windsor in the 1950s, staying in the country in cabins with no electricity and few comforts...roughing it and having great times. Ken recalled early days growing up in Westfort and noting how "safe" the neighbourhood and town were in those days...and noting how our world has changed. Audrey remembered moving here when she was 10 and taking an exciting climb up the face of Mount McKay...assisted by her older brother. To this day, she does not like climbing.

Gary Mack shared his happy dollar to promote Shelter's "open house" on August 25th when George Street will be closed for the afternoon so everyone can enjoy a street party in front of Shelter House. Mike shared his happy/sad dollar to promote a Triathlon event on August 20th in Kaministiquia that needs helpers/volunteers. Sandy's happy dollar was for her son Troy who has his pilot's licence...so her next trip to Minneapolis will probably include some flight time. She also used the moment to promote the annual MS "burger day" event at local A&W restaurants when proceeds from the sale of burgers that day go to the MS Society. Gail Kromm shared her happy dollar to remind us about the Dragon Boat Festival this weekend at Boulevard Lake...with a new family-centred approach to this popular event. Bill shared a happy dollar for hearing a report on the radio of 3 choices in the U.S. election in November – Trump, Clinton...and Canada. Ken wrapped up this fun round with his reminder to watch the skies for a better-than-ever view of the Perseid Meteor Shower...as hundreds of meteors will be seen each night. The annual Perseid meteor shower happens every August when Earth passes through debris left by comet Swift-Tuttle. When the tiny chunks of rock crash through the Earth's atmosphere and burn up, they leave trails of light that we see as meteors. The Perseids produce more visible meteors than any other annual meteor shower. And the best way to watch [assuming there are no clouds to block the view] is away from the City's lights and resting on a lounge chair...so you will avoid neck strain.

NEXT MEETING:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18/16
MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING