



# Lakehead Rotary Chronicle



July 27, 2017



President Wayne welcomes our new member Clifford Mushquash with his sponsor Chris Davidson assisting

A beautiful summer morning for our final meeting in July with 22 Lakehead Rotarians including our new member Clifford Mushquash who is transferring from the Rotary Club of Sioux Lookout.

**ON THE DOOR IN 2016/17:**

Clint was on the desk today and for all of the meetings in the month of July. See below our 2017/18 line-up. Thank you Rotarians for your service to our Club. The sign-up sheet for 2017/18 is available now so pick a month and sign on to help your Club.

<b>JULY</b>	<b>Clint Kuschak</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	Clifford Mushquash
<b>AUGUST</b>	Karl Ratz	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	open
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Graham Stewart	<b>MARCH</b>	open
<b>OCTOBER</b>	open	<b>APRIL</b>	open
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	open	<b>MAY</b>	open
<b>DECEMBER</b>	Mo Papich	<b>JUNE</b>	open

**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:

<b>JULY</b>	open	<b>JANUARY</b>	open
<b>AUGUST</b>	TBSO/Ken	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	Beaux Daddy's
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Graham's Group	<b>MARCH</b>	RFDA/Volker
<b>OCTOBER</b>	Nexus/Audrey	<b>APRIL</b>	MS Society/Sandy
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	NOSM/Gail	<b>MAY</b>	Salvation Army/Gail
<b>DECEMBER</b>	open	<b>JUNE</b>	5 Star Rotarians

**TODAY'S ROTARY MOMENT:**

President Wayne introduced a new element for our weekly meetings – a "Rotary Moment" – for members to reflect on why they became a Rotarian, what expectations they had at the time they joined our Club and any new expectations they have now, and what they get out of being a Rotarian.

Paul Carr shared his Rotary Moment today. Paul joined Lakehead Rotary in March 1993 at the invitation of a "banker" in our Club. This member knew that Paul had served as a Rotarian in the Kenora Rotary Club for 8 years before moving to Thunder Bay and he was determined to recruit Paul to the Lakehead Club. Paul became a Rotarian for fellowship, meeting new friends, exploring new opportunities for service in his community and the world, and fun. He also admired Rotary for its profile in the world and the good work of Rotary Clubs and Rotarians and how they were recognized. He recalled one such moment of recognition when he met the Archbishop of Canterbury years ago in a receiving line and that the Archbishop noted and commented on Paul's Rotary pin and his status as a Rotarian. Paul has served our Club in many capacities over the years including serving as our President and leader of our International Service effort.

**OUR FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THUNDER BAY**

**Celebrating birthdays this month**

- BILL BUTUK**
- OLAVI JARVELA**
- GAIL KROMM**
- GEORGINA VOULGARIS**



**Celebrating anniversaries this month**

- DONNA & DON YOCOM**

**CLUB CALENDAR:**

- AUGUST IS ROTARY MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH**
- AUG 3** RICHARD KEHRIG – SUPERIOR SALES COACHING
- AUG 7** CIVIC HOLIDAY
- AUG 10** COURTNEY MILLER/T. BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY
- AUG 11 – 12** COUNTRY FEST - MURILLO
- AUG 12** DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL – BOULEVARD LAKE
- AUG 15** BOARD MEETING
- AUG 17** BUSINESS MEETING
- AUG 24** CYNTHIA WESLEY- ESQUIMAUX CHAIR on TRUTH and RECONCILIATION LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY
- AUG 31** RYLA "CAMPER" [TENTATIVE]

## SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

SEP 1 – 10	WORLD BASEBALL U-18 TOURNAMENT
SEP 4	LABOUR DAY
SEP 7	MAC SQUIRES – DYNAMIC FOREST
SEP 14	OPEN
SEP 17	TERRY FOX RUN – BOULEVARD LAKE
SEP 19	BOARD MEETING
SEP 21	BUSINESS MEETING
SEP 21	INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY
SEP 23	PEACE DAY CELEBRATION - MARINGA
SEP 27	OPEN

## OCTOBER IS ROTARY VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

OCT 5	OPEN
OCT 9	THANKSGIVING
OCT 12	OPEN
OCT 17	BOARD MEETING
OCT 19	BUSINESS MEETING
OCT 25	SHELTER HOUSE MEAL
OCT 26	OPEN
OCT 31	HALLOWEEN

## NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

NOV 2	OPEN
NOV 9	OPEN
NOV 11	REMEMBRANCE DAY
NOV 14	BOARD MEETING
NOV 16	OPEN
NOV 21	BOARD MEETING
NOV 23	BUSINESS MEETING
NOV 30	OPEN

### PRESENTATION:

Our special guest today was our new member Clifford Mushquash with his classification talk right on the heels of his formal welcome to our Club...and sporting his spiffy “new member red ribbon”.



Clifford has been a “visiting Rotarian” at our Club for many meetings this past year as he completed his year with the Rotary Club of Sioux Lookout. Today, he became a member of Lakehead Rotary and was warmly welcomed by his fellow Rotarians and new friends.

Clifford is a member of the Pays Plat First Nation but lived for most of his life in Sioux Lookout. [Pays Plat First Nation is a small First Nation reserve community located near Rosport, Ontario, Canada, about 175 km northeast of Thunder Bay. The Pays Plat 51 Reserve is in the boundaries of the territory described in the Robinson-Superior Treaty of 1850].

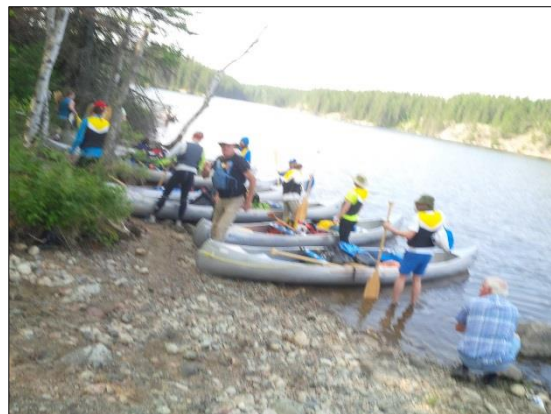
Clifford noted that his first induction into the world-wide family of Rotary took place at a steak fry on July 29<sup>th</sup> so his induction today is

almost an “anniversary”. Before he officially joined the Sioux Lookout Club he would attend the Sioux Lookout Rotary meetings as a guest to get to know the people and Rotary. Clifford’s father worked for CN and his mother worked for a time with the Armed Forces in Sioux Lookout and later worked for Health Canada. Clifford is the youngest of three siblings.

Clifford was engaged in figure skating from an early age and competed as a member of the Sioux Lookout Figure Skating Club. His love for the sport continues today though he is on the other side of the boards as a judge for Skate Canada. Earlier this year, Clifford provided an informative presentation to our Club about the complexity and rigours of judging skate competitions.

He came to know Chris Davidson when he worked for a time for Beau Daddy’s in Sioux Lookout where he also met Chris’ wife Kathryn. Kathryn was President of the Sioux Lookout Rotary Club and she approached Clifford about a Rotary-sponsored Wilderness Adventure program

*Rotary District 5550 and the Sioux Lookout Rotary Club offer an amazing, wilderness, canoeing experience to youth from all over the world. Each July for the last 25 years 12 – 16 youth have gathered in Sioux Lookout for 14 fun filled days of adventure. Young people apply through their local Rotary Club/District. Each country is invited to send one participant. Overcoming the challenges of multiple languages and experience levels is guaranteed as the group becomes a team through their days of initial training and on the trip itself.*



Clifford enjoyed this experience but it’s apparently the last time he camped outside.

He went to Ottawa for another Rotary-sponsored program – Adventures in Citizenship – and also learned about Rotaract. He moved to Ottawa to attend university and joined the Rotaract Club in Ottawa. In 2009, he moved back to Sioux Lookout and worked for a time helping people through the “Out of the Cold” Program.

*[Provides accommodations in a group facility for individuals requiring overnight emergency shelter*

- Provides beds for up to twenty adults
- Provides a hot supper (usually soup and bread) for shelter patrons only
- Provides a breakfast (usually oatmeal, toast, egg and coffee or tea) for shelter patrons only
- Provides a lunch to individuals in need of a meal
- Accepts donations of soup and food items
- Recruits volunteers to assist with the shelter

*Offers referrals to addictions counselling and other supports]*

He returned to Ottawa for a time and then back to Sioux Lookout to work at the Sioux Lookout Hospital in the area of mental health and addictions. When funding ran out for this program area, he enrolled in the Social Work Program at Lakehead University and has recently completed his 1<sup>st</sup> year at LU. He starts his 2<sup>nd</sup> year soon and is considering the possibility of graduate studies in the future or perhaps law school.



Clifford was a proud member of the Sioux Lookout Rotary Club and he was elected to serve two back-to-back terms as their President. He helped the Club to reorganize and revitalize. He led the members in the development of a strategic plan and the members pledged \$25,000 for an auditorium for the Sioux Lookout High School.

He is working part-time for Wasaya Airways and has been recruited to serve on the John Howard Society Board of Directors. He has also joined Lakehead Rotary's Board of Directors. His experience with strategic planning for his Sioux Lookout Rotary Club will be very welcome as our Club is about to undergo a new Club Visioning [strategic planning] process this fall and he is one of our members who will help design and deliver the planning session.

**U-18 WORLD CUP BASEBALL  
SEPTEMBER 1 - 10**



<http://www.thunderbay2017.com/tournament>

**TERRY FOX RUN:**

The 37<sup>th</sup> annual TERRY FOX RUN takes place around the world on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and Terry's many friends and supporters will gather in Thunder Bay by St. Ignatius High School to honour his legacy and continue his "Marathon of Hope".

Hundreds of participants are expected and registration begins on site at 1:00 p.m. and the Run gets underway at 2:00 p.m.

Lakehead Rotarians will once again co-ordinate the Run lead by Rotarian Don Morrison. Rotary volunteers and friends will work the registration tables, provide water at stations around Boulevard Lake, and serve up Terry Fox Run Certificates and Stickers at the end of the Run as well as refreshments for the "runners". All ages participate in the Run including babes in strollers, cyclists, roller-blade skaters, first-time joggers, and experienced marathoners. It's a non-competitive event and everyone completes the course at their own pace.

Lakehead Rotary is honoured to be entrusted with the co-ordination of the annual Terry Fox Run and 100% of all donations turned in at the Run are forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation.



Here's a look at the new Terry Fox Run t-shirt for this year's Run...



**DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL – AUGUST 12/17  
BOULEVARD LAKE**

Family of  
Dragons  
Festival



Dragon Boat Racing

19 Years of serving the community and region, with quality paddlesport recreation and competition. The Lakehead Canoe Club takes great pride to offer this premiere charity event that supports three very worthy local charities. Dragon boating is the most fun that you can have with 21 of your friends, over two days of celebration, crazy paddling, and simply enjoying everything that a Thunder Bay Festival should be: friends, food, fabulous entertainment, and an opportunity to be the best that we can be.

And why does the Lakehead Canoe Club keep coming back? We operate the Regional Paddlesport Centre at Boulevard Lake and we are all about giving youth a chance to get involved with healthy activities that they can embrace for a life time. Everyone can paddle, all of us love to have fun while we learn.

Join us this year: friends, co-workers, family and rivals. Can't beat the price and the feeling you get by participating.

Questions? [vkromm@shaw.ca](mailto:vkromm@shaw.ca) 807.356.6440

Volker Kromm, Festival Chair

**50/50 FOR THE FOUNDATION:**

Paige was our winner today and her winnings will be sent to the Rotary Foundation in December along with all other donations and 50/50 winnings from May 25<sup>th</sup> to December.

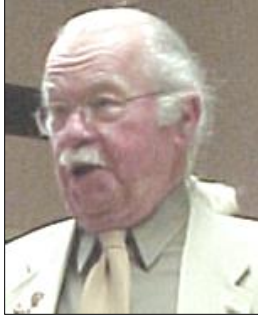
**FINES:**

Volker worked the cup today inviting members to share life experiences that "took them out of their comfort zone". Travis shared a story about his early years as a paper boy and meeting older subscribers on his collection rounds – most wanted to visit with and talk to Travis as a break from the loneliness often felt by our older neighbours. Wayne shared his experience as a young diplomat in Bhutan and being invited to a banquet on his arrival in the country. He acquired a Gho [the Gho is a knee-length robe somewhat resembling a kimono that is tied at the waist by a traditional belt known as Kera. The pouch which forms at the front traditionally was used for carrying food bowls and a small dagger. Today however it is more accustomed to carrying small articles such as wallets, mobile phones and Doma (beetle nut)]. Wayne went to some effort to find and wear this traditional dress but found when he entered the banquet room that his Gho was equivalent to wearing a "plaid suit" to a formal event in Canada. Nice! Volker shared a happy dollar to let us know he has taken up a new interest – bee keeping. He quizzed us on how to take care of the Queen Bee and if we knew how many bees are in a beehive – could be 60,000 bees in a hive. Audrey was happy to be at the meeting this morning though she was a tad late due to a pair of four-legged friends who played a part in her tardiness. Paul shared his happy dollar to remind us of the UN Peace Day and our local Rotary Clubs' presentation of a 1-hour ceremony at our Peace Pole at Prince Arthur's Landing [Marina]. This year, the ceremony takes place on Saturday, September 23 and he hopes that many of us will attend. Donna closed this round with her happy dollar as she and Don celebrate their anniversary this month.

## BILL'S STUFF...

Welcome regular contributor to your weekly Club Chronicle – Bill Butuk with his “Bill’s Stuff” Column. Bill takes a break in August from his regular column so enjoy this one. He resumes in September.

# “CHIPPIE” HILL



Chippie Hill (born Bertha Hill March 15, 1905 in Charleston, South Carolina -- died May 7, 1950 in Harlem, New York City) was an American blues and vaudeville singer who was active in the 1920s and from 1946 to 1950. Chippie was one of 16 children and was 9 years old when the family moved to New York City at the beginning of the Great Migration of southern blacks to northern cities.

Like many blues singers of that era, she began singing at local churches when she was 10 years old. She left home at age 12 and found work as a line dancer and chorus girl in Manhattan's Tenderloin red light district. Her first job was at Leroy's, a popular night-club in New York City, where Ethel Waters regularly performed. At the club, she got her nick-name “Chippie” from the owner because of her young age and small stature. Within a few years she moved along with many black New Yorkers to Harlem to escape the escalating racial tensions. There she worked with Ethel Waters and Ma Rainey, as The Rabbit Foot Minstrels.

In 1925 she moved to Chicago where she made her first recording, with Louis Armstrong, a hit record called “Trouble in Mind”. She also recorded “Georgia Man” and several others with Louis Armstrong and pianist Richard Jones. Over the next 4 years, she performed at many Chicago clubs. In 1929, she continued recording for Vocation Records and toured with bandleader/singer/musician Lovie Austin as the Blues Serenaders. Between 1925 and 1929, she recorded 25 titles.

In 1930, she retired from singing to raise her 7 children. During the next 15 years she sang occasionally but worked mostly outside of music. In 1946, she was working in a Chicago bakery when she was re-discovered by Rudi Blesh, an American jazz writer and critic. This led to appearances on Blesh's radio show and her return to the music

scene. She appeared at popular New York City night clubs and even appeared at Carnegie Hall in 1948 with trombonist Kid Ory. Also in 1948, she went to Paris, France to appear at the Paris Jazz Festival. In late 1949 and early 1950, she appeared at The Blue Note in Chicago with blues/jazz pianist Art Hode's Quintet. Chippie was back in fine form when, on May 7, 1950 she was killed on a Harlem street by a hit and run driver:

Look and listen to Chippie Hill at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dldmgeYc6o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oQ3gSSzSWow>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DHa5QdbYlq0>

## NEXT MEETING:

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**  
**RICHARD KEHRIG – SUPERIOR SALES COACHING**

## FORT WILLIAM ROTARY COUNTRY FEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Fort William Rotary Club will be running the bar for Country Fest this year & the proceeds will be going to Wilderness Discovery. We are looking for volunteers to help out for 3 - 4 hour shifts. The dates are Friday, August 11 - 6 pm to midnight & Saturday, August 12 - from noon to midnight. We will need about 65 volunteers for this event. Not all need to have smart-serve certification but anyone handling ticket sales or the actual servings will need their smart serve card. All volunteers must be 19 or over.

One can take the course on line. Once you have passed the course & have helped out, the FW club will reimburse for the cost. The card is good for life. Please email me with your phone number & email address so we can keep in contact. All volunteers will meet at the Murillo fair ground on Thursday August 10th for a full briefing & to get their badges & wrist bands. This will be a lot of fun for a great cause  
Thank You! Bob Hookham

To sign on as a volunteer, please contact FW Rotarian Joan Krisko at: [jkrisko2014@gmail.com](mailto:jkrisko2014@gmail.com)

