

Lakehead Rotary Club—Thunder Bay

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**Rotary**



2016/17 President—Chris Davidson



# Lakehead Rotary Chronicle

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President Chris chairs our abbreviated meeting

A cloudy late summer morning with 15 Lakehead Rotarians on hand plus visiting Rotarian Clifford Mushquash [Rotary Club of Sioux Lookout].

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

Graham is on the door for the month of August but Mo handled today's meeting for him. 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	<b>Graham Stewart</b>	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	<b>Sunset Memorial</b>	MARCH	RFDA – Volker
OCTOBER		APRIL	Sandy Lychowyd
NOVEMBER		MAY	Salvation Army
DECEMBER	Investors Group	JUNE	Star Rotarians

Our sponsor this month...  
**SUNSET MEMORIAL GARDENS**  
**ARBOR MEMORIAL INC.**

Thank you Rotarian RICHARD KEHRIG

**OUR FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THUNDER BAY**  
Celebrating birthdays this month  
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And celebrating anniversaries this month  
**ALLAN & LORI ANN KOZLO**  
**ROY & JANE LUCAS**

**CALENDAR – MEETINGS & EVENTS:**

- SEPTEMBER **BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY**
- SEP 4 **PICNIC POT LUCK AT LOON LAKE**
- SEP 5 **LABOUR DAY**
- SEP 6 **BOARD MEETING**
- SEP 8 **JIM GREENAWAY**
- SUPERIOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**
- 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 **KELLY FETTES – LEADERSHIP THUNDER BAY**
- 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 15 ROTARY SHELTER FOOD DRIVE - METRO**  
**OCT 20 BUSINESS MEETING**  
**OCT 24 WORLD POLIO DAY – END POLIO NOW**  
**OCT 27 OPEN**

**NOVEMBER ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**  
**NOV 1 BOARD MEETING**  
**NOV 3 OPEN**  
**NOV 10 OPEN**  
**NOV 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY**  
**NOV 17 BUSINESS MEETING**  
**NOV 17 CANADA CLUB MEETING**  
**NOV 19 ROTARY CHRISTMAS PARADE**  
**NOV 24 OPEN**

**PRESENTATION:**

Our special guest today was to have been Mary Anne Comuzzi, Executive Director of the George Jeffrey Children’s Centre. She was unable to attend but here is some information on the GJCC until we can meet her in person.



**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 2016 at the Vanderwees Home & Garden mini golf course.

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](mailto:macomuzzi@georgejeffrey.com)

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

**TERRY FOX RUN:**

Don Morrison, our Fox Run Leader, is looking for more volunteers for this year's Run on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Some members have signed on to help and more will be needed for the registration desk. Don has posters and pledge forms as well as lawn signs for our members to use at work or home. He also has a limited supply of this year's Fox Run t-shirt. The cost is \$20 and please see Don soon if you want to have a shirt as they usually sell out quickly.



**50/50 FOR THE FOUNDATION:**

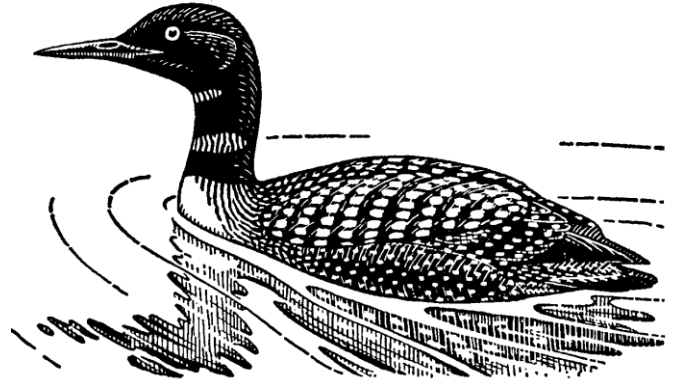
Mo was the lucky winner of today's 50/50 draw and his \$8 will be off to the Rotary Foundation later this year along with donations and 50/50 winnings gathered over the first half of our Rotary Year.

**FINES:**

Ken worked the cup today looking for tribute from those with stories to share about their fun times this summer. Gail Brescia enjoyed a trip with son Matthew on a surprise visit to Brian. Gail Kromm shared a similar sentiment as this summer included lots of time to visit with family, especially grandkids. Chris had a very packed summer as he was also getting his new venue up and running at Intercity Shopping Centre. Audrey's summer was also packed with fun including their move to a new home in the country. Volker shared a few of his many adventures travelling in the north to remote First Nations communities. Roy and Jane enjoyed a fabulous summer out at their Loon Lake home and were happy to help celebrate their son's 30<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**PICNIC POT LUCK AT LOON LAKE:**

Jane and Roy Lucas once again offer their summer home at Loon Lake for fellowship and good food in the great outdoors. The date this year is Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 3 pm. Their place is at 504 East Loon Lake Road. Directions were emailed to all members. This is a pot luck affair and members are invited to contribute something for the feast. The sign-up sheet made the rounds. Best to contact Roy to confirm your attendance and to discuss an item you could bring. It's good to bring lawn chairs too and Roy says the lake is warm so swimming is in order.



**NEXT MEETING:**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8/16**

**JIM GREENAWAY**

**SUPERIOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**