President's Annual Greeting

I am very pleased to address Rotarians in regard to this year at Port Arthur Rotary Club. It is a great honour to be named President. I know that honour is a partner of responsibility. Following in the recent footsteps of Vonnie, Brenda and Warren, we are all aware they have set a high bar for us to continue and hopefully even accelerate momentum this year. The club is also very fortunate to have Krysta Logozzo Daniele as President Elect and this year's lead for programming.

This year each board member has been asked to identify 1-3 objectives in their portfolios. These objectives are to be consistent with the following key initiatives for this year, and will form the basis for reporting progress to our members. These initiatives are also in addition to our annual activities in regard to fellowship and service.

Key Initiatives:

- 1. Financial Strengthening
 - ✓ find a solution to our meal/ meal cost/location issue
 - ✓ seek options to reduce bank charges and other annual financial charges
- 2. Membership and Retention
 - ✓ explore combining the Membership and Retention committees in order to
 - ✓ develop initiatives to increase both individual and community membership, and
 - ✓ embed comprehensive mentoring program in club's onboarding of new members
- 3. Fundraising
 - ✓ enact new approach by having prior year's Radio Days chair act as cochair of the current year program to provide seamless transition of learning and experience to the incoming chair
 - ✓ create and execute detailed action plan for golf event in support of the Salvation Army
- 4. Indigenous Programming
 - ✓ continue programming in support of learning Indigenous history and current issues
 - ✓ work closely with other clubs in support of Rotary HIP initiatives as appropriate within the Northwest Ontario Region 5. Board Planning Calendar
 - create detailed planning calendar in order to assist the Board to more effectively plan and execute our comprehensive annual action plans.

I look forward to working with all our members to continue the contribution of Port Arthur Rotary to our community.

Regards, Rod Morrison President, Port Arthur Rotary