



JULY 18, 2018

This week's speaker was Darrin Canniff, well known in the Chatham area. Darrin was introduced by Rotarian Tom McCarthy.

Darrin was born in Chatham-Kent. He received his Bachelor of Business Administration from Laurier University. He also has his CPA designation.

Darrin is currently a councillor and serves on the Economic Development committee as well as others. He has recently announced that he is running for mayor in the upcoming elections.

Darrin and his wife have been active community volunteers - chairing the United Way campaign in 2006. They have also served as Big Sisters/Big Brothers volunteers.

Darrin currently acts as Director of Finance for Transform SSO. He also acts on several local boards.

He is co-chair of the upcoming International Plowing Match with councillor Leon Leclair.

In 2001, Darrin introduced the Festival of Giving to this area. This festival has raised over \$3 million for local charities.

Darrin was named Citizen of The Year by the Chamber of Commerce in 2006.

But today, Darrin was talking to us about the 12 Days of Positivity event scheduled for September 2-13 in Chatham-Kent. When Darrin introduced this project in 2016, it was a one-day event. Last year, it increased to 12 days and it is also 12 days this year.

We were pleased to have a visit from Captain Positive, also known as Jason King, at our meeting today.

One of the 12 days has been designated as Service Club Day. Other days are designated as Neighbour Day, Senior Day, First Responder Day, Charity Day, Agriculture Day and of course, Positivity Day.

There are many special events planned for this year, including 5 free lunches on 5 different days. Many businesses are helping to sponsor these events. Tek Savvy is the major sponsor.

Captain Positive visited 38 schools last year and hopes to do that again this year.

Darrin is asking local businesses to do something positive on at least one of the days.

We appreciate the hard work and dedication of Darrin in making Chatham a more positive community.

Darrin was thanked by President Jennifer.





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Top: President Jennifer, Darrin and Tom McCarthy
Below: Darrin signing a book for the library



Darrin is joined by Captive Positive while President Jennifer looks on.



Happy Notices

BIRTHDAYS

Linda Campbell
July 20

Gord Fry
July 23

Tania Sharpe
July 24

Fannie Vavoulis
July 24

ANNIVERSARIES

Andy Watson
49 years

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JULY 15

**To Be
Announced**

AUGUST 15TH MEETING

The noon hour meeting
has been cancelled on this day.

Instead, President Jennifer and
Tony Hill have invited us for
a dinner BBQ
at their residence that evening.

More details to follow