



ROTARY WHEEL

Rotary Club of Oshawa

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Report on the Meeting of August 13, 2018

Head Table

President: Kevin Harding Jr.

President Elect & Ribfest Committee Chair: Jay Cannings

Past President & Ribfest Beverage Committee: Ron Dick

Rotarian & Wheelbarrow of Booze Committee: Kevin Harding Sr.

Past President & Ribfest Security/Parking Committee: Emmy Itheme

Sergeant-at-Arms & Ribfest Welcome Tent Committee: Tess Pierce

Introductions/Guests

Joe Longo, prospective member

Roger Tessier, Rotarian Coburg Club & Asst. District Gov.

President's Announcements

1. Sad News: Long time member Reg Smith passed away. Reg was one of the last surviving officers of the D-Day invasion and was almost 101 years old. There were no services for him. We had a moment of silence to honour Reg.
2. Tuesday Aug 14 Trivia Nite at Berry Hill. Fellowship from 6-7 pm and Trivia starts at 7pm. Bring family and friends.
3. Board meeting tonight 5:30 pm at Arthur's
4. Save the Dates
 - a. Sept. 8: Friendship Day at Parkwood Estates 11:30 – 2pm
 - b. Sept. 30: Foundation Walk at McMichael Gallery in Kleinburg
 - c. Oct 27: District Conference & Rotary Reunion in Wellington
5. PR News: We have GREAT press coverage this month
 - a. Snapd Oshawa we are on pages 1-5!! Thanks Mike!
 - b. Oshawa This Week - Jay Cannings was featured in an interview about Ribfest.
 - c. Lots of Social Media coverage.

Mic Time

- Clive Waugh: World Community Service meeting immediately following lunch today. He also announced that Bob Jarvest and the Dominican Project is proceeding, and we should know the official dates soon. A couple of Rotarians from our club have expressed interest in going to help.
- Ron Dick: (1) Reminded us that dues are due! (2) He has discount beer tickets available today for advanced sale price of \$5.00. (3) He still has a couple slots open for beer ticket sales on Sunday morning.
- Trish Best: Car stickers are available with dates.
- Mike Uphoff: Needs Ribfest bar help on Fri 12-3 and Sunday 3-7.

Happy Bucks

Tom Hodgson: Announced it is Left handed day and he reminded us that since he is left handed he uses more of his brain and is smarter. But he had to be reminded to put money in the basket so he may not be using his brain at capacity.

Emmy IHEME: He and his family spent a wonderful time at the Oshawa beach and enjoyed the park.

Kevin Jr. Had a wonderful visit with out-of-town family and got to have them help celebrate his son's birthday.

Arthur Lovell: Got goaded into being happy but he laughed and smiled while he contributed to the \$\$ in the Happy Bucks basket.

Tom Maxwell: Was happy Tom Hodgson had enough money for Happy Bucks and did not have to borrow from him.

Bonnie Grundy: Will have a house full of 20+ family all coming to visit. A blessing for sure!

Gary Kindree: Very proud of his granddaughter. Her Lacrosse team earned the Bronze at the competition.

Tess Pierce: Happy to support Simcoe Settlement House's Back packs for kids program. If you would like to help:

1. Slip Tess some money today or next week
2. Bring in school supplies next week to meeting and Tess will drop them off.

Speakers: Ribfest KickOff

Several speakers updated the club on what is in store for Ribfest (our 17th!).

- Jay thanked all the committee members and noted that nearly everyone in club contributes in some way. He reminisced about how he started small on the committee work and gradually took on more responsibility. He loves the days at Ribfest and especially connecting with friends complaining about all the work they have to do. It is all worth it though and because of our hard work, expenses are down. He pointed out several committee members who stepped up, like Rhonda VanderLinde who improved the paid sponsorships from \$4,000 last year to \$14,500 this year and Dale Duke who has some awesome bands lined up. He reminded us about the volunteer parking cards, no looking at weather.com!!, and the redesign of the park. He also told us about the fun he and Kevin Sr had buying \$1,200 worth of booze at LCBO.
- Kevin Sr. thanked Chad Campbell in securing UPAC's donation for the wheelbarrow draw and he and Kim Tan look forward to doing this. Maybe next year we can do TWO raffles!
- Ron is all about the beer and beverages. Brock St. is really stepping up and will be there all weekend for support. We will sell both Amber and Blonde drafts and a Radler. Diamond wines are back again, and the LCBO will be sponsoring a separate tasting booth for coolers and their coolers will be available for sale in our beer tent area. A new addition this year is fruit drinks for kids in addition to water. Beer, coolers, and wine are \$6.00 each. Water and fruit drinks are \$2.00 each.
- Emmy went over the security and parking. All the committee members have been updated on the emergency/evacuation plan that includes medical and police emergencies, lost kids and items and weather-related events. The emergency plan will be available in security tent and in trailer. If you would like a copy he can email one to you. Parking is being coordinated with Oshawa Kicks again this year.

Noon Hour Draw

The pot was \$324. Gary Kindree had the winning ticket but picked the Queen of Hearts. More for me to win next week.

Next Meeting – August 20, 2018

Wilf Braddock – “The Weed Whisperer” will answer questions about your garden and lawns. He is happy to help you identify plants for you. Just bring in a picture.

All regular meetings held at: 12:10 at the Oshawa Golf & Curling Club
