

# **ROTARY WHEEL**

# **Rotary Club of Oshawa**



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### Report on the Meeting of July 30, 2018

#### Head table

President: Kevin Harding Introducer: Geoff Lloyd

Guest Speakers: Robina & Celina Brah

Thanker: Donna Doherty

Rotarian: none

Sergeant at Arms: Tess Pierce

#### Introductions/Guests

Tess Pierce opened the meeting by announcing it was "Cheesecake Day" and celebrated with cheesecake FAQs and trivia.

- Barbara Suen, guest of Kim Tam
- Rhonda Gorham, guest of Kevin Harding

#### **President's Announcements**

- 1. The new club directory is in your mail slots. Thanks to Tom for creating this for us!
- 2. Cobourg Rotary Appreciation Day is September 9, the day after Friendship Day
- 3. Pool Day has been rescheduled to this Thursday, August 2 from 1:30-4:30 at Rotary Pool. All are invited to attend and enjoy a free swim and some hot dogs/hamburgers
- 4. As mentioned previously, Bill Stirling has stepped down from the Board. The Board met this week and chose John Hudson to serve out the remainder of Bill's term. John was presented with a pin as the newest member of the Board.

#### Mic Time

**Tess Pierce**: Asked members to help fill the remainder of the spots at the Welcome Tent for Ribfest.

**Jay Cannings:** Noted that the final Ribfest meeting will be on Wednesday at 5pm at his offices at RBC.

**Ron Dick:** Also asked folks to sign up to volunteer selling beverage tickets at Ribfest. He also noted there will be only one station for ticket sales this year. Those wishing to pre-purchase discount drink tickets (\$5) must do so prior to the event.

Ron also noted that dues (\$275) are now due.

**Carol Henry:** Also looking for volunteer servers at the drink tent (must be 18 yrs+)

**Kevin Harding Sr:** Instead of a 50/50 draw this year, we are doing a raffle for a basket of liquor, which has been donated. Raffle ticket sellers are needed.

## **Happy Bucks**

**Tess Pierce:** Attended a great workshop on how to teach taboo topics. Also happy that the family's first great grandchild (Amanda) has been born.

**Emmy Iheme:** Was delighted to wake his son at 5:30 am to wish him a happy 26<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**Kevin Harding:** He and Kirsten enjoyed a night away to attend a wedding and thanked his parents for watching the boys. Can they come back again, please?

**Geoff Lloyd:** Played some masterful golf at Golfer's Dream (clearly, he dreamt this!) **Ron Dick:** Had a great time camping at Pinery Provincial Park and is recovering from an acute case of doggie-transmitted poison ivy (it's a real thing; look it up!)

**Bob Merry:** His two grandsons competed in a triathlon in Lindsay. Both completed the race; one in second place and the other in tears. But at least he got there!

# <u>Speaker – Robina & Celina Brah</u>

Geoff Lloyd introduced our speakers, sisters Robina and Celina Brah.

Robina and Celina started their initiative "Come-Unity" after seeing a group of young children who were skipping rope stop to approach and include another boy of a different faith group. This inspired and moved Robina and Celina to start Come-Unity and to write their book "A Porcupine in a Pig's Town" which is based on "The Three Little Pigs" and shows how much more enriched life is when you find unity through diversity in community, regardless of faith or ethnicity. Robina and Celina wrote the book with friends and neighbours, therefore putting their beliefs into practice.

Donna Doherty thanked Robina and Celina for their good work, noting that the importance of their message during this troubling time.

#### **Noon Hour Draw**

The pot was over \$300. The ticket drawn was 8140389 and Donna Doherty was the winner. She drew the 6 of clubs.

#### Next Meeting - August 13, 2018

Please note that there is NO meeting next week due to the Civic Holiday (Aug 6) Long Weekend. Our next regular meeting will be held on August 13 at the Oshawa Golf and Curling Club. Our Assistant Governor, Roger Tessier will be joining us, so please give him a warm welcome!

#### All regular meetings held at:

12:10 at the Oshawa Golf & Curling Club