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Quote for Today

“My personal definition of success is making a difference – So every day is a success.” ~ Our guest speaker today, Jeff Dart

President's Announcements

Welcome Guests: Amanda Gallagher potential new member, and Jeff Dart, our speaker today.

Honours and Awards June 22 via Zoom but will also be in person when we come F2F again.

Clean up June 16 from 10 -12 meet at the Children's arena bring your gloves, bags and Rotarian, **Jeff Fertile** will pick up our trash bags. Thanks Jeff!

June 29: President Jay's last lunch

Rotary International still says no F2F until June 30 if that changes Jay will let us know.

July 6 is Trish's first meeting as Pres.

Meeting Today

Twenty-three Rotarians and two guests joined us for another ZOOM meeting. Both Toms ZOOMED in & TMax figured out the video, but Tom H. only got the audio going. We don't care. We love them both. Here is a screen shot of some of the group.



Oshawa Creek Clean Up June 16.

A beautiful day to clean the creek.

**IF YOU SEE
A MESS...
PITCH IN
& CLEAN IT**

A small but enthusiastic group helped clean up the creek Tuesday between Rotary bridge and Bond Street. Participating were, Pres. **Jay**, Pres.-elect **Trish**, **Kevin Sr.**, **Rhonda G.**, **Emmy**, **Gordon** & his wife **Marilyn**, **Tess** & her hubby, **John**. Rotarian **Jeff Fertile** had truck duty and took our trash for us.



Scribe for Rotary
Wheel: Tess

MIC TIME

- **Tess** reminded up about the Clean-up.
- **Trish:** Rotary Facemasks and neck gators will be avail. Cost about \$5.00. She will let us know when we can get them.
- **Trish** also mentioned several other fund-raising ideas and looks forward to them as President 2020-2021.
- **Trish** would like to do a bottle drive before Sept when the District 7070 does one. We will work together with Parkwood. Save the date - Sat. July 18. And save your bottles!
- **Ron Dick:** District conference officially postponed until April 9-11, 2021.



Welcoming Streets - Oshawa

Mayor Dan Carter introduced Jeff. They have known each other for 20 years and Mayor Dan praised Jeff for his extraordinary talent and leadership. This scribe was so impressed with the talk that I forgot a lot of it – thankfully Jeff shared his Powerpoint slides - so here are some of the highlights.

- Welcoming Streets is a partnership with Carea Community Health (Where Jeff is Manager), City of Oshawa, and Downtown BIA.
- Modelled after similar program in Guelph with modifications to support Oshawa's vulnerable community.
- The aim of the project is to foster a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment for all by supporting downtown business owners and assisting community members in need of assistance.
- A community-based outreach worker & health promoter serve as point of 1st contact.
- When are they called? Some of the key areas are:
 - Person in distress
 - Services for unsheltered individuals
 - Safety concerns
 - Drug Paraphernalia retrieval
 - Heat & cold alerts

Results so far show their initiative is working. Since Nov. 2019, they've had over 2700 client interactions, almost 100 calls for support, and almost 300 people participating in the varying education programs. They have also had 452 referrals to legal aid, harm reduction services, personal care needs, housing security, and counselling. They also distribute Outreach supplies that include snack packs, water bottles, hygiene kits, socks & underwear, blankets, backpacks, & COVID PPE.

The Q&A was lively. For more information visit their [website](#). Rhonda G. provided a moving thank you.



We are now ZOOMING all our meetings

Monday 12 noon

Contact President Jay Cannings for link.

Our next meeting is June 22

A Special Meeting: Honour & Awards

