



ROTARY WHEEL

Rotary Club of Oshawa

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Report on the Meeting of May 1st, 2017

Head table

Kevin Harding

Martin Parker – Guest Speaker

Bob Merry, Acting President

Dale Duke

Bonnie Brown

Lori Perkin Sgt@Arms

President's Introductions - Guests

Acting President Bob Merry introduced the following guest:

Gabriel Kakamoto, Exchange student

Announcements:

Acting President Bob Merry announced that the Local Community Service Committee received a request from Grandview Children's Centre to fund the unfunded balance for orthopedic equipment for a 12 year old Oshawa boy diagnosed with idiopathic toe walking issues.

Clive Waugh announced a one day forum on the "Future of Community Mental Health and Wellness" organized by UOIT to be held on Wednesday, May 10th. Keynote Luncheon Speaker: Lieutenant General the Honourable Romeo A. Dallaire. Keynote Closing Session Speaker: Neil Pasricha, Author, The Book of Awesome and recently released The Happiness Equation. Anyone interested in attending the luncheon or the full day forum should contact Clive.

Click on this link for further information:

<http://research.uoit.ca/events/futures-forum/mental-health-and-community-wellness/speakers-and-bios.php>

Ron Worboy reminded Rotarians of our next lunch meeting to be held at Robert McLaughlin Gallery on May 8th to celebrate the 60th Anniversary. Signup sheets are available at each table and encouraged all Rotarians to attend.

Happy Bucks

Frank Murphy celebrating the birth of his new granddaughter, Bob Merry celebrating a wonderful road trip with Elizabeth and Kevin Harding celebrating a wonderful trip to Las Vegas with 3 of his best friends, all participated in Happy Bucks.

Speaker – Martin Parker

Kevin Harding introduced Rotarian Martin Parker as our speaker. Martin moved to Oshawa from British Columbia when he was five years of age. Kevin met Martin when they worked on security at GM. Martin is now retired. Kevin encouraged Martin to join our Rotary Club.

Martin Parker advised that after accepting a part-time job at GM he ended up working at GM in security for 10 years. The time passed quickly and he enjoyed his work. Unfortunately he was diagnosed with Parkinson Disease and he was no longer able to continue in his work at GM.

In a very positive way, Martin decided to focus his energy on fundraising for research for Parkinson Disease. Martin created a video that is now on You Tube to increase awareness on the importance of donating funds towards research and medicine to treat the disease. Martin did not take his medication prior to creating the video to demonstrate how important the medicine is to be able to function while suffering from the disease. Martin has received responses from around the world. He continues to develop his social media skills and is working on photography as part of his social media skills development.

Dale Duke thanked Martin Parker for speaking to our Club.

Lucky Draw

Frank Murphy was the lucky ticket holder however was not successful in picking the lucky card.

Changes to directory, PLEASE contact Tom Hodgson

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting – Monday, May 8th

at the McLaughlin Art Gallery – All Rotarians are encouraged to attend the lunch and the celebrations!

All regular meetings held at:

12:10 at the Jubilee Pavilion Banquet & Conference Centre
