

Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Weekly Meeting, Monday April 25, 2016

Present:

Bob MacDonald
Joanne Watson
Doug Downey
John Morton
Korine Keyzer
Fred Larsen
Charles Kelly
Rob Town

Ben Cole
John Pritchard
Noel Sterne
Dave Burns
John Parker
Bob Wink
Bruce Waite
John Mayo

Dave North
Steph Worthington
Heather Breckles
Marnie Waite
Carol Ivey
Mike Bunn
Don Haskins

Guests:

Elaine Wallis

Frances Yarbrough (guest speaker)

Oh Canada:

Today's rendition of our national anthem was performed with
verve and vigor!!!!

The Blessing:

Noel Sterne for the Salvation Army was on hand today to offer the blessing – thank you Noel.

Happy Loonies:

Heather Breckles was happy that Son Tom's house sold in thirty-six hours!!!!!! Sure your last name isn't Vu????

Carol Ivey chipped in a loonie for being recognized as one of RBC's top advisors for the past twenty-five years. Top of the top for twenty-five years – really Carol, a loonie???? Just kidding, that's awesome!!!

Bob Wink was happy to have “The Legend of Hayden” back in the hood – stay tuned!!!!!!

Rob Town was able to get a quick eighteen holes in after sitting through one of those continuing education seminars all weekend – well played Rob!!!

Doug Downey noted that we had not one but two accountants at today's meeting (last week of income tax). Thanks for squeezing us in Guys!!!!

Special Happy Loonie:

Charles Kelly was setting up the safety village at Harriot Todd this morning. He learned that Jeff, the OPP liaison had been approached by a male student, aged thirteen. It turns out this young man has been addicted to drugs since he was eight years old and was inspired to reach out to Jeff for help. This is the kind of thing that makes Kiwanis so worthwhile!!!! Great stuff Charles!!!!

Today's Guest Speaker:

Francis Yarbrough, longtime volunteer for the Red Cross was our guest speaker for today. Francis spoke about the many disaster relief efforts she has taken part in since 1987 including Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. She talked about the emotional as well as the physical challenges the disaster victims often experience. Thank you for a very interesting and moving presentation Francis!!!!

Other Business:

The club ratified the motion to donate 25,000.00, spread out over three years, to the St. Paul's Centre renovation. A great way to say thanks to St. Paul's, which has been the home of the Kiwanis Music Festival since the beginning – really cool!!!

Kiwanis Children's Safety Village:

Don't forget to check the website for the KCSV set up and tear down schedule. Thanks to Mike Bunn for looking after this – great job Mike!!!!

Auction Kick off Meeting:

I know that everyone has Thursday May 5th circled on their calendars in red ink with an exclamation point!!!!!! That's when we're all meeting in the side room at Brewery Bay to kick off the 2016 Kiwanis Mammoth Auction. See you there!!!!

Bulletin Name:

I've been writing this bulletin on and off for the past number of years. We've never had a name for it and it needs one. I was thinking it should be something that really captures the mood and the feeling the club has after our meetings every week at Theo's. Some titles that have been put forward so far include "The Groaner", "The Belt Stretcher", "The Belcher" and "The Gastro-Intestinal Weekly". I'm open to suggestions Gang. Try and keep it tasteful.

Next Week:

We're back at Theo's next Monday when our guest speaker will be Dave McKee – owner of the Hitch House and a friend of Burl's Creek Event Park.

That's all for today, have a great week everyone!!!!

Thought for the Day:

“You are stronger than you seem, braver than you believe and smarter than you think you are.”

Christopher Robin, Winnie the Pooh, A.A. Milne.



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