

Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Weekly Meeting, Monday May 9, 2016

Present:

Steve Van Kessel	Joanne Watson	John Pritchard
Jerry Wink	Charles Kelly	Ben Cole
Bob MacDonald	Fred Larsen	Chuck Burton
Steph Worthington	Heather Breckles	John Parker
Matt Watson	Mark Burns	Mark Goode
Noel Sterne	Matt Dixon	Erin Watson
Bob Brown	Bob Wink	Jennifer Mann
Doug Downey	Mike Bunn	Peter Head
Rob Town	Scott O'Conner	John Morton
Lawrence LaFrance	Dave North	

Oh Canada:

Today's rendition of our national anthem reached a deafening crescendo!!!! I'm still a little hoarse from all the high level singing!!!!

The Blessing:

Noel Sterne was on hand today to offer the blessing. Thank you Noel.

New Member Induction:

The always eloquent Jerry Wink introduced our newest member Adam Bortutski to the club today. Nicely done Jerry and welcome Adam. Give it a chance, you're really going to love it!!!!

Happy Loonies:

John Pritchard was happy about daughter Kelsey's university LAX team making it to the finals. Sounds like the Ontario gals really showed up!!!!

Rob Town is happy (I think) about T-ball getting underway for another year.

Chuck Burton's kids are picking up the slack around the yard these days.

Peter Head chipped in a loonie for his basketball team and their efforts to raise money for ALS research this past weekend. Join in with the Peacock family in the walk for ALS on June 11th – really great job on this Peter!!!!

Steve VK also had a loonie for Team Peacock and the June 11th ALS walk. Sounds like a great club event!!!

Scott O'Conner's son raised over \$400.00 for cancer research in his "Beer for a Year" campaign – nice job!!!!

Today's Guest Speaker:

Pat Oleson from Telecare Simcoe County was our guest speaker today. Telecare acts as a help phone and a friendly ear for people who are having difficulties coping on their own. They take calls from not only Simcoe County but also from other parts of Canada and even the US on occasion. The service is provided entirely by volunteers. Thank you for being with us today Pat.

Terrific Kids:

It's that time of year again – yay!!!!!! Chuck Burton will be organizing our Terrific Kids library book program again this year. Seventeen schools will be participating this year. Awesome job Chuck on a great program.

Auction Update:

We had twenty-four members out for our big auction kick off meeting last Thursday at Brewery Bay. Beer, wings and Kiwanis cheer were all on tap for what was a really good turn out!!! Steve VK reinforced the “Five and Five” theme for the auction this year – that’s five new donors and five new bidders from each member. If we can do that, we will blow the doors off of last year’s record result!!! Cards will be distributed in the next couple of weeks so that we have them before summer. Let’s all get an early start, band together and push this thing over the top this year!!!!!!

Kiwanis T-ball:

This is week number two for T-ball and numbers are way up over last year. So far we haven’t had any catastrophic disasters – at least not yet. We still have four weeks to go though so there’s plenty of time. We’re having issues with Coach Mark Burns though. With his full head of hair and youthful good looks, none of the parents believe he’s in Kiwanis!!!!!!

Next Week:

There is no regular meeting scheduled for next week. It's "Stars of the Festival" night at the Opera House. The plan is to meet at Brewery Bay for dinner at around 5:30 then make our way to the Opera House. I believe the curtain will rise at 7:00 pm.

Remember, Kiwanis own "Waite and See" family ensemble is on the program that evening so let's all support Bruce and Co by having a huge club turn out!!!

That's all for this week. Have a great week everyone.

Thought for the Day:

"Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success."

Anon