

Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Weekly Meeting, Monday September 12th, 2016

Present:

Steph Worthington	Joanne Watson	Jim Wenger
Mark Goode	Fred Larsen	Charles Kelly
Noel Sterne	Matt Dixon	Korine Keyzer
John Parker	Mark Burns	Bob Wink
Jenn Man	Jerry Wink	James Maxwell
Mike Bunn	John Mayo	Bruce Waite
Lawrence LaFrance	Dave North	

Oh Canada:

We picked up right where we left off Gang!!!! Nice Work

The Blessing:

Noel Sterne offered the blessing today – thanks Noel.

Happy Loonies:

Lawrence LaFrance – Sons Ben and Dan are off to school.
Sounds like son Will might be close to landing a job – great stuff
Guys!!!!

Dave North (me) – Daughter Lexie and her cousin Emma made the Western lacrosse team – groovy stuff Gals!!!!

Fred Larsen is happy that the Lighthouse Christian Ministries / Couchiching Jubilee House golf tournament is almost full. There are still spaces for a few more foursomes. Shoot Fred an email if you have some time to swing the clubs for this one.

Speaking of golf, James Maxwell is happy that the BBBS golf tournament was a huge success. James extended an invitation to the club for the BBBS appreciation event this Saturday at Geneva Park. This one is for the whole family. Let James know if you can attend so they can plan for numbers.

Mike Bunn is happy (I think) that Grant Thornton will be closing their Orillia office. They will continue operations in Orillia but they will be housed down in Barrie. Mike also announced that he will be retiring in June of 2019. Kind of short notice don't you think Mike?

Jen Man's son Noah won a silver medal at his provincial Tae Kwon Do Competition recently – congrats Noah!!!!

Guest Speaker:

Julianna Matyas from “We are the Villagers” was our guest speaker today. Julianna co-founded this volunteer group and their mission is to assist children with costs associated with sports, the arts and other activities they may otherwise be unable to participate in. They are based out of Midland however their reach has extended to much of Simcoe County including Orillia. Thank you for being with us today Julianna, it was very nice to have you.

Other Business:

Children’s Safety Village: School is back in and we have spots to fill for set up and tear down. Thank you to the almost retired Mike Bunn for looking after this.

Fire Safety Trailer – there is some final painting to do and the Fire Safety House will be completely refurbished. The unveiling will take place on our Monday September 26th meeting at the Mariposa Inn. Special thanks to Jerry Wink for taking this project on. The Fire Safety Trailer will continue to teach fire safety and prevent tragedy for many years to come!!!!

The Auction – you gusted it, it’s auction time. Cards are rolling in as we speak. The big day is Saturday November 5th so make sure you all have it marked off on your calendars!!!!

President's Night:

Past President Chuck Burton will host the club on Thursday September 29th at Hawkridge G&CC as we celebrate the fantastic year of President Ben Cole. You won't want to miss the highlights, the lowlights and the awards presentation including the prestigious "Special K" appointment for this past year. Let's have a full turnout for this one Gang as we say goodbye to Ben who will join the ranks of the "Knife and Forkers" (aka the Past Presidents).

Next Week:

That's all for this week. Next week we're back at Theo's. Our guest speaker will be Kevin Lehman, who will talk about Joe Roberts and his "Push for Change" initiative. Welcome back and have a great week everyone.

Thought for the Day:

"Vision is the art of seeing what is invisible to others."

Johnathan Swift