

**Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Meeting, Monday October 3rd, 2016**

Present:

Steph Worthington	Dave North	John Parker
Charles Kelly	John Pritchard	Jim Wenger
Steve Van Kessel	Heather Breckles	Korine Keyzer
James Maxwell	Noel Sterne	Bruce McRae
Doug Downey	Tim Timpano	Deb Trickey
Peter Head	Glenn McCurdy	Jerry Wink
Fred Larsen	John Mayo	Don Haskins
Bob Brown	Bruce Waite	Lawrence LaFrance

Guests:

Gerry Dwyer	Marie Dwyer	Pat Morris
Sarah McRae	Toni Lisi	Brigitte Lisi
Sandy Cobb	Robert Mark	L.G. Eric Gonneau

Oh Canada:

The club delivered a stirring rendition of our national anthem today!!

The Blessing:

Noel Sterne offered the blessing today – thank you Noel

Happy Loonies:

James Maxwell is happy that the “Man Cave Tour” raised over ten thousand smackaroos for BBBS. Nice job Dudes!!!

John Mayo chipped in a loonie in honor of former Kiwanian Graham Downard who donated \$200.00 to the auction. Great stuff guys!!!!

Tim Timpano’s nephew was traded from the Sudbury Wolves to the much more defensive minded Erie Otters of the O.H.L. BTW, he’s a goalie - awesome news Tim!!!!

Doug Downey has accepted the P.C. candidacy for the provincial Simcoe North riding – congrats Doug!!!!

Today’s Meeting:

L.G. Eric Gonneau was on hand today for the installation of the incoming executive. He also shared a very inspiring, personal experience he recently had with a disadvantaged youth. This really drives home the vision of Kiwanis to improve the world one child at a time. Thank you Eric, your message hit home with all of us who were there.

Longtime friend of Kiwanis Gerry Dwyer was also with us today. Many of us know Gerry from his tireless efforts in getting the Kiwanis Safety Village up and running. Gerry was on hand to recognize the efforts of Toni Lisi, who has volunteered with the Safety Village since day one. Great having you both with us today!!

This Past Week:

Wow, what a week we had!!!! Last Monday we had lunch at the Mariposa Inn. We were accompanied by many members of our local EMS, the media and many other guests and dignitaries as Jerry Wink unveiled the completely refurbished Kiwanis Fire Safety House. A more formal write up is in the works but for now let's congratulate Jerry and all the Kiwanians involved in pulling this thing off. It looks absolutely amazing!!!! Great job Gang!!!!!!

President's Night:

Past President Chuck Burton was our host at Hawkridge G.&C.C. as we all looked back on the outstanding year of outgoing President Ben Cole. Wow, what a great evening!!!! Super dinner, lots of laughs, a few jibes and maybe a bottle of wine or two.

Doug Downey was deservedly awarded the Skid Watson Award. Dave North (me) was awarded the George McVeigh Spirit Award for which I am deeply honored and flattered. Steph Worthington, Bruce Waite and myself were jointly awarded the much coveted Special K award. I'm not really sure why, I was in the

bathroom during the presentation. Congratulations to all and to you as well Ben on a fantastic year. We wish you well as you beam on up and out of here and boldly go to take up rank with the rest of us Past Presidents.

Auction Update:

There have been many notable partnerships throughout the history of human endeavor. Instances where two individuals join forces and together accomplish far more than they could as individuals. I'm talking about iconic tandems such as Stanley and Livingstone, Maria and Pierre Curie, Lennon and McCartney and Batman and Robin. Well you can add the names of Van Kessel and Head to that list!!! These guys are the dynamic duo of charity auctions!!!! (I'll leave it up to all of you to decide who is which). One way in which you can help our "Caped Persuaders" is to get your auction cards in. The deadline is October 21st.

Next Week:

Next week is Thanksgiving so we'll be having a round table at Brewery Bay. The following week we're back at the same bat time, same bat place (Theo's). Not sure who the special guest villain will be but you won't want to miss it!!!!

Thought for the Day:

Robin: Batman, why do you think auction cards come in late every year for the Kiwanis auction?

Batman: It's called procrastination Old Chum. The tendency to put off something that's unpleasant, to sit on something longer than one should.

Robin: **HOLY HEMORRHOIDS BATMAN!!!!!!**

Somewhat embellished dialogue between Burt Ward and Adam West circa 1966