



Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: May 9, 2016

Attendance: Lisa B., Don D., Rob D., Cindy D., Jeff F., Donna G., Rhonda H., Robert K., Harold L., Tina M., Bruce N., Ian S., Rob T., Shelley V., Rhoda W.

Regrets: Alaina A., Bob B., Kathy C., Angela C., Erik H., Don I., Ed K., Greg K., Alaina L., Cecile M., Mary M., Lou M., Wendy O.

Guests: Mark Muscroft – City Auto
Jon Travis – prospective member

Grace & Toast to the Queen

Welcome: Donna Gilchrist, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Rotary Minute: Rob Driscoll gave the Rotary Minute. Rob showed a video about Operation Underground Railroad explaining the mission of this organization to get rid of slavery in the world, particularly, the sex slave trade. It is estimated that 30 million people are involved in the slave trade and that 2 million are children.

Introduction: Bruce Northrup introduced Mark Muscroft of City Auto. Mark is a former teacher at SRHS who later changed careers and entered the field of business.

Guest Speaker: Mark Muscroft told his story how he migrated from a classroom teacher to head of the athletic department at Sussex Regional High School. First he purchased the Trading Post but later to car sales. Mark now owns Main Street Car Wash, City Auto Sales, and City Auto Service. Mark shared stories of lessons that were learned. His business philosophy is **Product + Services = Growth**.

Thanker: Jeff Fuller thanked Mark for coming to the meeting and for sharing his story.

Committee Reports

Trip Draw: Rob Driscoll announced that the pick-up spot for winnings from the Trip Draw has changed from the Scotia Bank to Fundy Mutual Insurance on Main Street across from All Seasons. Rotarians were asked to communicate this when call monthly winners.

Camp Rotary: The Fredericton Club has additional costs this year – the counsellors' quarters, flooring, painting, new steel doors for the washrooms, etc. As well this past winter season the Camp experienced a break-in and there are missing tools. There is also a \$10,000 insurance bill. The workday for Camp Rotary is May 28, 2016.

New Generations: Lisa Brown reported that Brianna Dunfield has returned from Ottawa after attending **Adventure in Citizenship** and found it a life-changing experience. Brianna is willing to come to a meeting to talk about the program.

RYLA is happening this weekend.



Social: Jeff suggested a social at Sushi Jo Restaurant on Thursday, May 26, 2016.

Community Events

The **delivery truck for the Sharing Club** will be arriving tomorrow and next Tuesday. Rotarians will be sent an e-mail about the time of arrive.

Rotarians were reminded of **this Saturday's Town clean-up**. The meeting location will be the 8th Hussars and will go from 9 am – 12 noon, on May 14, 2016. Rotary volunteers were asked to wear their Rotary shirt. There will be a free BBQ at noon.

Rhoda asked if anyone would like to help put a team together for the **Relay for Life** taking place on Saturday, June 11, 2016. Festivities are taking place at the Rotary Ampitheatre and will begin at noon with the official ceremony is at 6 pm.

Bruce announced that there would be a musical fundraiser for Fort McMurray on Sunday, May 29, 2016 to be held at the Legion.

Shelley announced that Don Ingersol was planning a fundraising musical as well later this month for Fort McMurray. This will be in memory of his daughter, Lindsay, who recently died of cancer. Lindsay had taught school in Fort McMurray for eight years.

Bruce announced that there would be a barbeque for Jump Start held at Canadian Tire on Saturday, June 25, 2016.

Rotarians asked if it would be possible to put together a consolidated calendar with all the events.

Salvation Army: Bruce passed on a letter received from the Salvation Army requesting \$12,000 to purchase a refrigerated trailer for the storage of food. The Salvation Army just recently received status as a registered food bank. Presently the Salvation Army services approximately 100 families a month and they work in cooperation with the Sharing Club. This letter was passed on to Rob Driscoll for discussion by the Board.

Funds for Fort McMurray: Rob Driscoll stated that the Rotary Club has set up a Charitable Trust fund to help with the crises in Fort McMurray. It was noted as well that all donations made to the Red Cross will be matched by the Canadian government. This matter will be discussed at the Board and a recommendation made.

Board Meeting: The Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at noon at All Seasons Restaurant.

Chase the Joker: Rhoda Wilson's ticket was drawn but still no joker. The pot is now \$394.50.

Next Meeting: Next Club meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016, at the All Seasons Inn and Restaurant starting at 12:15 pm. Speaker next week is **Greg Keith** talking about his mission trip to Kimmirut.

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.

**Rhoda Wilson
Secretary**