

## The Rotary Club of Wellington



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District 7070

Chartered: November 22, 2002 Rotarian of the Year 2017-2018 **Trudy Brown**  May 29/2018 Club #60346

## **Today: Club Forum**

## **President's Remarks**

Remember what the author of an article in the Rotarian magazine said? "Rotary is weird. Rotarians are old, mostly." He went on to make another few statements which I won't duplicate here. But before you get upset or even angry with him, let me tell you that he is a Rotarian himself, albeit a young one. In other words, he was very self-critical with our organization. But, there was something else he also said: "So what's it like to be a millennial in Rotary? To most young people, Rotary is old-fashioned. For me, that's what makes it cool. People in my peer group tend to isolate themselves. We are connected by technology, but not truly connected. Rotary is my antidote to that." There you have it!

Unrelated but based on another article about a club very successful in attracting new and younger members, the president was quoted saying: "When you think about it, the best and worst things about Rotary are really the same thing – that weekly meeting. People are scared to make such a big commitment. But if you've got the right club with the right sort of people, it's not a chore. It's something you aim for. We spend the whole week looking forward to the meeting." Sounds familiar?

But, by all means, this is not an absolution from my side to keep the status quo. We need fresh ideas and meaningful input especially from our younger members on how to adapt to and move forward in the new, technology oriented, environment. Change is Good, Donkey!

Alex



Glen Wallis founded the <u>Food-to-Share program</u> with a grant from the <u>Awesome Foundation</u> in 2015.

Last Week: Glen Wallis-Food to Share

Glen has enjoyed cooking since childhood and loves living in a farming community with a great abundance and variety of fresh local produce. He also values living in a community where volunteerism and supporting the less fortunate within our community is important.

His concept is simple, take the bounty that is grown in what used to be the canning capital of Canada and produce prepared food that can be distributed through the food banks and other groups. The fresh produce would come from individuals who have gardens, farmers who have pledged to grow for the cause and local farms stands that have too much of a particular vegetable.

This initiative attempts to bring attention to the fact that Prince Edward County ranks second for food insecurity in Ontario. Only 25% of the needy use our food banks. PEC was identified as having 12% of residents suffer from food insecurity.

The fresh food would be collected for the cooking days that would be held at the different ward recreation hall kitchens and Church kitchens throughout the County. Some food would be received before the cooking days and would be cleaned, prepared and frozen for use on the cooking days. In their third year, they have distributed 30,000 lbs. of food. 100-150 servings are cooked and distributed each cooking day.

Food to Share is looking for as many donations and as much sponsorship as possible. These include printing services, greenhouses to provide seedlings, seed suppliers, growers and farm stand owners, walk in freezer space, web designers, and restaurants and cafés willing to donate storage containers and provide recipes and food science knowledge.

Rotary Grace	
O Lord and giver of all good	
We thank thee for our daily food	
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways	
Help us to serve thee all our days.	

## FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Monthly Set-Up Teams		
May Team #3	June Team #4	
Karen Selick(TL)	Art Sinclair(TL)	
Liz Bosma Donovan	Colin Fredericks	
Ted Nash	John Inwood	
Margot Langford	Dick MacArthur	
Howard Ziedenberg	Dawn Cutler	
Brent Insley	Phyo Kyi	
David Baldwin	Alex Mayeski	
Mike Lattner	Steve Thorn	

Birth	Date	
Birthdays	None	
Anniversaries	Donna & Ted Nash	May 28
	35 Years	

Bottle Duty Schedule for May/June				
Date	9-11AM	10AM-12PM	11AM-1PM	
Wed	David S.	Charles L.	Barry D.	
May 30	Alex L.		Dave R.	
Sat	Ted N.		<mark>Open</mark>	
June 2	Bill M.		<mark>Open</mark>	
	<mark>Open</mark>		<mark>Open</mark>	
Mon	Tim C.			
June 4				
Wed	Michelle K.		Parker G.	
June 6	<mark>Open</mark>		Dave R.	
	David S.		Karen S.	
Sat	Kristen N.		Alex L.	
June 9	Pierre L.		Howard Z.	
	David B.		<mark>Open</mark>	
Mon	Mike L.			
June 11	Tim C.			
Wed	John I.		Barry D.	
June 13	Trudy B.		Karen S.	
	David S.		Phyo K.	

Future Meetings & Events				
June 5	Past President's Dinner W.O.L.			
June 12	Maria Gacesa			
	"Water Week" in Wellington			
June 14	Rotary Nine & Dine Golf Day			
June 19	Club Forum			
June 26	Joyce Fowler- St. John Ambulance			
	Therapy Dog Program			

Our Prez presenting Alannah Burris... 2014 Scholarship winner.



The Score Board is up





**Visitors last week:** Mike Harper (Running for Council) Carol Love, Kim Lee, William Mulholland (all three prospective new members)

 $\textbf{Photos} \ \mathsf{by} \ \mathsf{Tim, Pierre} \ \& \ \mathsf{Howard}$ 

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