

# The Fortarian

Rotary Club of Thunder Bay,  
(Fort William)



February 1, 2012

## 2011/2012 Board of Directors

President: Fiona Skogstad  
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## Allocations Committee

Chair: Peter Stetsko  
Meets: 2nd Tuesday of each month  
Weiler, Maloney, Nelson, Board Room, 12 noon

## Rotary House Lottery Committee

Chair: Bob Hookham  
Meets: 1st Tuesday of each month  
Weiler, Maloney, Nelson, Board Room, 12 noon

## Weekly Dinner Meetings

Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.  
Travelodge Hotel Airline  
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## Editors

Erle Wheatley & Brian Phillips



Joan Krisko served as sargeant-at-arms for this business meeting which Bob Hookham missed and his seat was occupied by Cynthia Judge.

A list was passed around for volunteers to endorse for willingness to work at Shelter House next Monday at our monthly dinner.

Another list was circulating, not for the first time, for next week's Valentine Dinner at Ling Lee's on Cumberland Street. If, next week, it is discovered that you have gone to the Airline, expect to be fined and publicly embarrassed.



President Fiona said she was going to announce the nomination of our new President Elect, Elect but she wasn't in attendance. The members said that Fiona couldn't let the cat partway out of the bag like that so she announced that the winner is Jodi Phillips. A big round of applause followed.

House tickets are going to the commercial outlets this Friday (Feb.3) and advertising will commence shortly thereafter.

Terry Cameron has tickets for the members and following the meeting Terry was busy allocating those tickets to the members who approached him. The letters to last year's

ticket purchasers are being mailed out Feb. 3. Bob Hookham is looking into getting lighter, cheaper sandwich boards for the commercial outlets. This signage will be generic making no reference to the address of this year's House or the date of this year's draws.



Andy Morrow did the lighter side about the server, little Alex, and the memorial church plaque. It was a good joke and too bad for those of you who missed it. Andy also had a story about Erle Wheatley's weight loss program, Superman being a pain in the ass in the local bar and the 6-foot cockroach who was a nasty bug going around.



Two items from the last meeting of the Canada Club were discussed.

(1) Lyn McInnis volunteered to sit on a steering committee looking into putting on a fetal alcohol workshop later this year. The Club can look forward to a program on this matter in the relatively near future.

(2) Rotary wants to investigate the potential of putting on a Rib Fest later this year. Apparently other Rotary Clubs make great gobs of money at these rib feasts. They tend to run over 3 days so they are a major commitment. It would run during the third week in August and entry to the grounds will be no charge. Andy Morrow volunteered to sit on this committee and Lyn will consider doing so. The next meeting of this committee is Monday, Feb.6 in the Casino Rewards Room at 1 p.m.

There were two cheque presentations. Simon Thompson received a cheque for \$6,000.00 to assist the Keewaywin student assistance program. This program is designed to buffer the experience of Northern Students coming to Thunder Bay for education purposes.

Patricia Gillies accepted a cheque for \$2,250.00 to help send 5 student scientists to Prince Edward Island for the national science fair. Both recipients were given Rotary House Draw posters and encouraged to purchase a ticket on this year's draw.

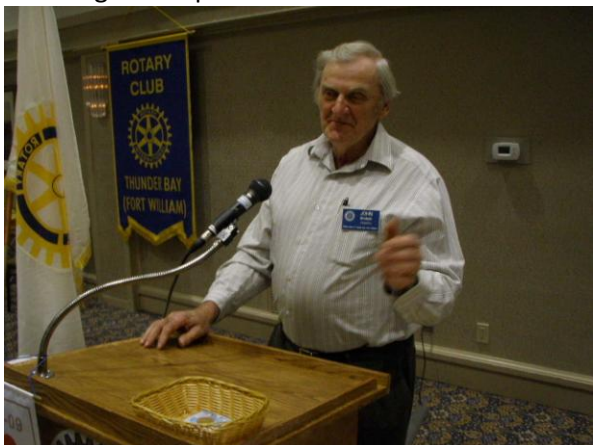


Craig Sandberg lead us in the singing of Daisy and her missing carriage. The paragraph where Daisy asserts that she'll be damned if she'll be crammed on a bicycle built for two seems to have disappeared from our songbooks.

Sharon Badanai now has tickets for sale for the Rotary anniversary dinner at the Knights of Columbus hall on February 24. She is looking for contributions to silent auction baskets. The Rotary House Band will be playing and there will be a silent auction as well as a speaker.

We soon will be asked to say nay or yay to the District Global Grant project in Guatamala providing sewage facilities to two communities. We received an e-mail containing some of the details of this project and we will be asked at a future meeting whether or not we wish to contribute to this effort.

There are two subsidized spaces left to attend the upcoming Rotary Leadership Conference. Four among us are attending at this point.



John Brodack was the finemaster and he started with happy dollars but few, if any, were happy so John fined those who failed to recall that the next day was Groundhog Day.



Solade Nicol will be attending the Shelter House appreciation dinner on our behalf. It will be at the Knights of Columbus hall and others are welcome to attend. This scribe did not note the time or date of that affair.

Karl announced that the process of selecting this year's RYLA students has started. The information has been distributed to the schools. Jurisdiction problems that occurred last year have hopefully been resolved.

Lyn McInnis has tickets for the Aids Thunder Bay waffle breakfast to be held at St. John's Anglican Church on Pearl St. The date is Sat. Feb. 11 and the time is from 9:00 a.m. till 11 a.m. They hope to serve 250 waffle meals with fruit topping and whipped cream.

Boris gently reminded us that there was only one more week to get in on the deep discount pricing of the semi-annual Club dues.

\$330.50 was up for grabs in this week's 50/50 draw and Myles Fucile came ever so close drawing the queen of diamonds. Right colour and gender but wrong suit.

The Allocations Committee met after the Club meeting to consider an application for funding that was time sensitive.

Scribe Ross B. Judge Photo's from Karl and the archive

Editor Erle Wheatley



We were reminded that this year's District Conference will be at the Black Lodge and Casino just outside Duluth. It is hosted by the Rotary Club of Cloquet.



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