

Kiwanis Club of Orillia
Weekly Meeting Monday February 24th, 2020
Theo's Restaurant

Present:

Mike Bunn	Pete Borutski	Heather Breckles
Steph Worthington	Charles Kelly	Rick O'Neal
Maria McConnell	Ben Cole	Jen Man
John Morton	Jerry Wink	Paul Ross
John Parker	Jim Wenger	Brandon Peacock
Lawrence LaFrance	Mark Riczu	Chuck Burton
Fred Larsen	Mark Burns	Don Haskins
Rob Town	Dave North	

Guests:

Tobias Whelan – Director, Freedom 55 Financial

The Blessing:

Vice Pres Heather Breckles stepped up to the plate and knocked it out today – nice job Heather!!!!

Oh Canada:

The only thing missing today were the white flags – yeish!!!!!! Next time let's wait for Fred!!!!

Happy Loonies:

Lawrence had a fin for the opening of the Common Stove restaurant, some epic mid-season skiing and the Raptors historic shellacking of the Indiana Pacers – extremely groovy!!!!

Super septuagenarian Jerry Wink restored my faith in him by snapping into the 180s and hitting the slopes with son Bob in Rossland BC. Really glad to hear it Jerry, thought we'd lost you!!!!

Mark Burns is happy that daughter Norah is home and doing well. Now that's fantastic news Mark!!!!

Steph W's dog will be undergoing chemo. Now I know what I'd like to come back as!!!!

Kiwanis Children's Safety Village:

Yup, it's that time of year. The KCSV will be firing back up the end of March. There's lots of vacant spots so look out for the sign-up genius. High-fives to Mike Bunn for looking after this!!!

Pitch-in Week:

We're bringing back a long-standing Kiwanis tradition by officially participating in Pitch-in week this spring. Wednesday March 13th is the day where we clean up the Millennium Trail from Forest Ave to Barnfield Point. The really cool thing is that Kiwanis sponsored this part of the trail when it was being built. Mark your calendars gang and bring out the fam!!!!

Today's Meeting:

Vice Pres Heather grabbed the gavel today. It was a club meeting where Brandon Peacock and Treasurer Jen Man introduced each other. Again, an insightful look into two more of our valued members. Thanks to Jen and Brandon, an outstanding job by both of you!!!!

Upcoming Events:

March 6 – OSMH Family ski day at the Heights of Horseshoe:

Mark sent out some info on this. Sounds like a great day. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$35.00 at the door. Not sure if I can ski the whole day but I know I can get out for a couple of hours. Besides, where can you ski for 25 buck these days and help out the hospital to boot???? Count me in Mark and bring a batch of tickets on Monday!!!!

May 2020 -KCSV Fundraiser dinner at Eastside Mario's:

I'm assuming we're doing this again.

Wednesday May 13th Pitch-in Week: Get your gloves and rakes ready!!!!

Kiwanis Spring Canoe and Hike Day: Okay, I haven't actually discussed this with Korine yet, but I have a dream today. Also, I'm nominating Mike Bunn as co-coordinator on this and I haven't discussed it with him either. Stay tuned everyone!!!

Wow, who wouldn't want to be in Kiwanis!!!!!!

Song of the Week:

I was really impressed by Brandon and Jen's introductions today and especially impressed to hear of Jen's Taekwondo accomplishments. Problem is, I don't know any Taekwondo songs. This is the closest thing I could come up with and I dedicate this to you Jen. I also know it's a little before your time but guaranteed, Mayo and LaFrance will be in their offices doing karate kicks in the mirror. Careful guys don't split your pants!!!

<https://youtu.be/bmfudW7rbG0>

Next Week:

We're back at Theo's where I believe we will be entertained by some live, non-country music – whew!!! That's all for now, have a great week everyone!!!

Thought for the Day:

“Be strong when you are weak, brave when you are scared and humble when you are victorious”.

Anon, but there are some really awesome Taekwondo quotes!!!