

THE GATEWAY GAZETTE



The Rotary Club of Wiarton

District 6330 Chartered 1938 Dinner Meetings –6 P.M. Thursdays Royal Canadian Legion Branch 208

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Following our usual openings, we enjoyed another meal prepared by the Legion Ladies.

Birthdays:

Mike McMillan's son And Kevin Walker our guest

Fine Session:

Gay for leaving her coat in the downstairs bar Mal, Ron B and Ron G, for no name badge. Or at least put in a not visible spot

Also, apparently Bob Vaillancourt worked with Bob Carson's son at Lowe's.

Business:

Mike McMillan announced that the 2 approved fund raisers have been shelved as no one wanted to take to lead. (Bingo and Fun Run)

Mike Mason passed around the signup sheet for Maple Magic. Mike is also looking for help in the Administration role,

All Village Fair booths have captains and a co-chair.

Our speaker Ana Forrest was unable to attend to talk about her experiences.

Members of the club did some reminiscing of past exchange students and what a rewarding experience it has been,

Our Guests

Andy Walker is our next outgoing exchange student, and thanked the club for the opportunity. He is going to France

Nicole De Jong is also our outgoing student in this year and she is going to Germany. She also is very excited about this opportunity.

50/50: Mike Mason

Editor Gav Ratcliffe

Attendance: 22 Rotarians plus Ella

Guests: Ella's host dad Bob Vaillancourt, Kim Mizen and Kevin Walker and daughter Nicole, Anita and Brian DeJong and son, Andy.

Birthdays:

Jan 22 Eric Robinson

Feb 6 Glenn Beacock

7 Mike McMillan

13 Elaine Foris

26 Bev Garinger

27 Mary Lou McKenzie

Anniversaries:

Feb 18 Mal and Marianne Williams

Upcoming Meetings:

Feb 6 – Pawsitive K9 Academy
June 19-21 District Conference, Port Elgin

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Monthly Report #6

Hello Wiarton! This month has gone by very slow. Not much interesting or new has happened so far into this New Year.

One thing which has happened was that my friend from Norway had to leave for home early due to health complications, but we made sure she spent her last few days here feeling amazing. While it was very sad, it has made me more appreciative of my friends here, regardless if they are Rotary Exchange Students or School friends. Also I have spent more time with my school friends here, and we are much closer.

Also in other news, we have a winter inbound from Australia living in my city! Her name is Min. She is a year younger than me and she comes from a Chinese background. We have been trying to help her as much as possible to adjust and feel more comfortable with the city and the language and the customs here.

I spent Chinese New Year's with my exchange friends from Taiwan and the new Australian exchange student in a Chinese restaurant. We ate hotpot and talked all night. Chinese New Year's is important to me due to my Chinese background, and it was hard because of missing my family and not being able to have hotpot with them. But I am thankful for my friends who can relate to the struggle.

Soon, I will be exploring Spain on my first Rotary Tour of Spain. I am very excited and cannot wait to see more of the country.

I hope all is well at home and with our inbound!