

**Rotary Club of Wiarton
Service Projects Report
Executive Meeting
January 3, 2022
(Submitted by Director Mike Mason)**

- 1) **Community Development:** Committee members – Mike Mason (Chair), Scott Elliott, Joanne Veerman, Glen Beacock, Laurie Leonard.

Report from Mike:

- Committee will be soliciting input in January from Club Members on potential organizations that could be added to the Club's TSBP Approved Proceeds of Lottery Recipients List. Particular emphasis would be on organizations that have the infrastructure to partner with us on Wine Survivor Elimination Draws or other similar lotteries that we may chose to operate in the future. No feedback has yet been received as a result of the letter sent to Families for Autism earlier in the Fall along with TSBP Checklist requesting detailed information that would allow them to be added to the Club's TSBP Approved Proceeds of Lottery Recipients List. As a reminder, this organization is responsible for the "Let's Communicate" signage recently installed in Bluewater Park & there is opportunity for the Club to support similar signage at PSDS and Wiarton Hospital.
- Committee received few responses from Club Members to its request for suggestions on ideas for Hands-On projects/activities. (E-mail sent to Members on Nov. 12th.) Committee to review the suggestions submitted & present a reduced list to Members in late January for consideration/selection. Target early Spring to begin working on the first one.
- Committee sponsored the OS Kiwanis Club's Santa Claus Float during the Wiarton Christmas Event held on Dec. 4th. Club's Rotary "Feather" Banners & Float Sponsorship Banner were positioned near Float for recognition Pat Cavan, Kathy Christie organized Rotary "Goody Bags" for handout to children with support from Gay Ratcliffe & Cathy Baier.
- Committee organized the participation of members in the preparation & distribution of Wiarton Salvation Army Christmas Hampers. Eight Rotarians plus one "soon to be member" & a Rotarian BFF volunteered. Arrangements were made for the purchase of 30 Hams with Wiarton Foodland for inclusion in designated Hampers. A \$1,000 donation to Wiarton Salvation Army to support the needs of the Hampers was made.
- Committee made donations in the amount of \$500 each to The Women's Centre Grey Bruce & the Bruce Peninsula Association for Community Living to enhance the Christmas experience of their clients.

- 2) **Youth Development:** Committee members – Mike Mason (Chair), Randy Curran, Scott Elliott.

Report from Mike:

- Committee made a donation in the amount of \$1,000 to Warton Kid's Den Daycare to be used to help subsidize fees for families in need especially in this time of pandemic.
- Committee will be making a \$654.32 donation to PSDS in early January in support of their Breakfast Club Program.

- 3) **Literacy:** Committee members – Bob Carson (Chair).

Report from Bob:

- No activity to report this month.

- 4) **Seniors:** Committee members – TBD.

Report from Director Mike:

- Committee Chair still being sought.
- Poinsettias originally intended for use at Club's (cancelled) Christmas Dinner were donated to Gateway Haven for the enjoyment of the residents.

- 5) **Youth Exchange:** Committee members – Donna Rudell (Chair), Mike McMillan, Nick Torra.

Report from Donna:

- As a reminder, Andy Walker has been approved by District & will be the Club's Outbound Student for 2022-23.

- 6) **Interact:** Committee members – Trevor Hathaway (Chair), Randy Curran.

Report from Trevor:

- An attempt to set up a meeting of the senior members of the Interact Club via ZOOM have so far proven unsuccessful.
- At this time, due to the ongoing pandemic, it remains unknown when/if the Interact Club will be able to hold meetings in the school.

- 7) **New Generations:** Committee members – Pat Cavan (Chair).

Report from Pat:

- No new activity to report at this time.

- 8) **Youth Protection:** Committee members – TBD.

Report from Director Mike:

- Pat Cavan has completed her role as Chair of this committee. Files have been handed over to Mike Mason to co-ordinate future needs.

9) **Foundation/International:** Committee members – Kathy Christie (Chair), Pat Cavan, Bev Garinger.

Report from Kathy:

a) Foundation:

- No new activity to report at this time.
- Committee undertaking plans with respect to Foundation & International programs that could be presented to the club as a whole but these will now be on hold until meetings resume in person.

b) International:

- Committee met to examine its budget and make plans for International distributions going forward.
- Decision made to provide \$2500 to Rotary Hand Up Committee to be used toward a new project in Guatemala. This donation will be made in January, 2022. All other international commitments are under review by committee members.

10) **Grant Writing:** Committee members – Bob Carson, Kathy Christie.

Report from Director Mike:

- No activity to report at this time.