



The Rotary Club of Wiarton
District 6330 Chartered 1938

Dinner Meetings
2nd and 4th Thursday, 6:00 PM
Royal Canadian Legion, Berford St.

March 9, 2023

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There were 19 Members and Guests for dinner. Past District Governor Gay came later. Our Guests were Marsha Cunningham Manager of the Owen Sound Little Theatre and Nancy Wardell Little Theatre's Volunteer Coordinator. Other Guests were Sophia Hepburn out going Exchange Student and Glen the Owner of Golf Ready Sauble Beach and Golf Pro at Pine Woods Golf Course. He was introduced by Rotarian Rebecca.

Rotarian Nick brought the Meeting to Order at 6:45 in the absence of President Pat who is in transit from Guatemala.

Rotarian Nora introduced our speakers Marsha and Nancy. Marsha gave those present an over view of the Little Theater's history and operations in the Owen Sound. The Theatre is a Charitable Organization who brings many special acts to our area. They are always in need of Volunteers. We are also reminded of the clubs upcoming visit to see a play on April 6, 2023. Nick and Nora thanked our guests for their interesting and informative presentation.

Our Thanks go out to Rotarians Glenda Jamieson and Nora Walden who will be our President and President Elect for the next Rotary year.

Sophia went to Wood Eden Camp near London for training this past weekend. She gave the club a brief report. The Club is in need of a driver to pick up a student at the camp on April 30. Rotarian Laurie is driving the student to this event.

Rotarian Mike McMillan is home from his hip operation. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Rotarian Scott is working on our major project of a cement Ping Pong Table for Bluewater Park.

Our "Tiny Forest Project" near Peninsula Shores School has been approved. There is going to be the opportunity for hands on work for this Environmental Project.

The District Grant Drum Project is a on the 16th and 17th of March. Those wishing to attend should contact Rotarian Glenda. She needs to know who is able to attend.

Attendance: 19 Members and guests

March Birthdays:
25 Glenda Jamieson

March Anniversaries:

Upcoming Meetings:

March 23rd regular meeting has been moved to March 30th

Upcoming Events

March 18, 19, 25 & 26
Maple Magic

April 1 Wine Survivor ticket sales begin

April 6: The Games Afoot

May 29 – June 2 Wine Survivor draw

Rotary Links:

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Rotarian Mike Mason gave a brief report on Maple Magic. All major volunteer spots are filled. There will be a clean-up on Wednesday, March 15th. Rotarian Eric has enough Syrup ahead for the first weekend.

Past President Trevor let us know of a great speaker that talked to the Interact Club. R and R Animal Rescue were very interesting and could be a program for our group at a later date.

We were informed as well that our midway for the Village Fair is unavailable attend due a series of unforeseen events. Trevor and his committee have tried to replace them; so far without success. Six other Companies were contacted. Changes will have to be made to Village Fair to make it work. The committee will report back at our next meeting.

We wished Past District Governor Gay a Happy Birthday.

Rotarian Glenda won the 50/50 draw.

Recently, a former inbound Wiarton Rotary Student, Ben Stevens, posted this to his Facebook page.

Hello to all,

Saturday we had the pleasure of hosting Rotary exchange student [Andy Walker](#) all the way from Canada for dinner. 🇨🇦
He is in Soissons for a year and changes his host family every three months. The most surprising thing is Andy is from [Wiarton \(Ontario\)](#), the town where, I myself was a Rotary Exchange Student in 1997/1998. 😊
This is a really incredible coincidence and I wanted to bring it up here in memory of the wonderful year I had there in Wiarton. I'm thinking especially of [Kim West-Briggs](#), [Cherie Brogreen](#), [Marcy McGill](#), [Teresa Ellen B. Kerr](#) ... ❤️

Andy is a super nice young man who represents his beautiful country wonderfully. There is a good chance we will see you there again in 2024.

We're not his welcoming family (unfortunately 😊), but we'll definitely take him for a weekend to Belgium before he leaves for the summer.

Life is surprising at times.

Good evening to all off you



Ben Stevens and Family with Andy Walker in Soissons, France

Rotarian Nora is organizing a trip to the Owen Sound Little Theater for April 6, 2023.

The Games Afoot



**Rotary Club of Wiarton: Special Event
Field Trip to the Roxy/Owen Sound Little Theatre
Thursday, April 6, 2023 Tickets \$28
See Nora for Tickets.**

