



**The Rotary Club of Wiarton**  
District 6330 Chartered 1938

**Dinner Meetings**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 6:00 PM  
Royal Canadian Legion, Berford St.

Oct 27, 2022

## The Gateway Gazette

The Club met for Dinner at 6:00 pm. There were 22 Members and Guests Present. Our guests were Speaker Thorsten Arnold and Hanna Arnold of Park Head and Past District Governor Gay's neighbour, Lyssa Ireton. Past President Trevor Hathaway joined the meeting after dinner.

Our Speaker Thorsten Arnold, PHD was introduced by Gay. He spoke on climate and weather patterns. With the use of charts and graphs, he showed that one of the largest climate problems we had was due to the removal of the soil's natural cover, trees and other vegetation. Cash cropping and asphalt cause the temperature to rise and prevented the formation of clouds and rain. When it does rain compacted, soil from cash cropping allowed the water to just run off instead of being absorbed. With more vegetative cover, the land would be cooler, more clouds would be formed and more moisture would be absorbed into the soil. Rotarian Mike McMillan thanked our most interesting speaker.

Rotarian John Foris spoke to a letter to the club from Reverend Ed Laksmanis, United Church pastor, requesting funds for the Wiarton Interfaith group to assist people from the community with basic needs. With Covid, they have not had their usual July interfaith Services and as a result have not been able to fund raise. The money is used to help folks with Heat, Hydro, Food, and Medical Expenses in the Wiarton area. They are requesting \$5000.00 and survey will be distributed to club members.

The Club is still looking to acquire some more Safety Vests in smaller sizes.

The Club Christmas Party will be at the Wiarton Inn on December 15, 2022.

November 17 will be a Games Night for the group at the Legion.

Rotarian Bev Garinger has been taking to the Town about the bad condition of the signs in Blue Water Park. She has been promised Action.

**Attendance:** 22 Members and guests

### Nov Birthdays:

27 Shirley Leeder

### Nov Anniversaries:

#### Upcoming Meetings:

**Nov 10 A Remembrance Day Tribute  
with Jon Farmer**

**Nov 17 Fun Night**

**Nov 24 Fundraising Discussion**

#### Upcoming Events:

Oct 31-Nov 6 World |interact Week

Nov 28 to Dec 2 Wine Survivor

Dec15 Wiarton Rotary Christmas party

#### Rotary Links:

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Bev reported that the tickets for the next Wine Survivor have all been distributed. Please turn in you stubs and money to Scott as soon as possible. A lot of work still needs to be done.

The Wine Survivor Committee is recommending that the next draw will not be held until June 2023.

“Socktober” has been a great success. Bags of Socks have been gathered. Rotarian Kathryn Christie and her committee are to be congratulated for their efforts. “Socktober” will end on October 31. Rotarian Laurie Leonard won the draw for members who brought socks to the meeting. Almost no one noticed that Laurie drew her own ticket in the draw.

Rotarian Jackie Drawbell presented an idea from the Meaford Club to have Corporate Club Memberships as way of bringing in new people to the group.

Treasurer Scott won the 50/50 draw (and didn't even have to draw his own ticket in order to win!!)