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## *This Week's Program...*

The short answer is that there is none. Of course, the reason is quite simple: **There is no meeting this Tuesday, as the date falls on the heels of Canada Day.**

## *Birthdays and Anniversaries this week...*

*...none that we know of.*

*But let's all wish Lawrence & Maureen a...*

*...Happy Anniversary, Monday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>!*

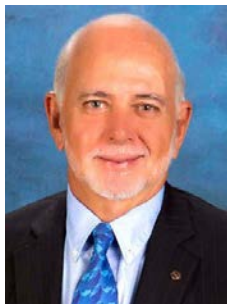
## *Future Programs...*

- July 10: [Evening meeting] **Kemba Mitchell**, chairperson of *West Island Black Community Association* will join us as we present a scholarship on behalf of our club's Youth Committee.
- July 17: Our new Club President **Murray** will tell us, "What is Expected of Every One of Us this New Rotary Year."
- July 24: T.B.D.

## *It's a New Rotary Year...*

As of July 1<sup>st</sup> we have a new Rotary International President, a new District Governor and a new Club President.

The **President of RI** for 2018-2019 is **Barry Rassin**, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas.



He earned an MBA in health and hospital administration from the University of Florida, and is the first fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives in the Bahamas. He recently retired after 37 years as president of Doctors Hospital Health System and continues as an adviser. He is a lifetime member of the American Hospital Association and has served on several boards, including the Quality Council of the Bahamas, Health Education Council, and Employer's Confederation.

A Rotarian since 1980, President Rassin has served Rotary as director and is vice chair of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees. He was an RI training leader and the aide to 2015-16 RI President K.R. Ravindran.

He received Rotary's highest honor, the Service Above Self Award, as well as other humanitarian awards for his work leading Rotary's relief efforts in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake there. He and his wife, Esther, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.

Our new **District Governor** is **Marthas Weaver**, a member of the Rotary E-club of District 7040-Premier.

She grew up on a diversified farming operation in California's San Joaquin Valley; worked in large cities such as Los Angeles

and San Francisco; and has lived in rural areas for the past 25 years.

Martha's family settled early in Central California and that is where she raised her son; met her husband Jim Britell, and where one of her step-sons and his family still live. Jim's family is from Utica, New York and he always dreamed of living in the Adirondacks, and that is why they now live in Malone, NY.



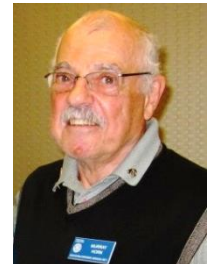
Martha has worked as a Marketing Consultant; specializing in online and social media campaigns. She managed Malone's SBA Women's Business Center; managed the Franklin County Empire Zone; was a City Administrator and Councillor in the City of Port Orford; and began her professional career as an Operations Supervisor for the Social Security Administration.

Before moving to Malone, Martha helped establish an interpretive museum in a historic coast guard station, supervised the renovation of a scenic overlook park and worked with the local Chamber of Commerce to remodel their visitor center.

Volunteering in her community, she chaired the Village of Malone Efficiency Study Committee — based on whose work Malone residents voted to remain a village, and the Town and Village committed to expand shared services. Martha is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Malone.

Our new **Club President** is **Murray Horn**.

In 1961 Murray left his home in Saskatchewan to attend university in Montreal. After graduating from Sir George Williams University (now Concordia), he joined the Montreal YMCA as a youth worker. He met his wife, **Carol Rollit**, while he was the director of the YMCA's day camp, Camp Perrot, where she worked as a program director.



In 1971 he received his Master's degree from Springfield College, Massachusetts and celebrated the birth of their daughter Chandra. Feeling adventurous he, Carol and Chandra moved to Inuvik in 1972 to work for the government of the NWT's Department of Education. Then followed a series of promotions and transfers from Inuvik to Churchill to Rankin Inlet (where their son Andrew was born) to Frobisher Bay to Fort Smith, until he left education in 1979 to join Gulf Oil, responsible for northern aboriginal employment and training, until the closure of the Beaufort oil patch in 1986.

Back in Montreal Murray joined VIA Rail as the manager of technical training, which led to being hired to direct a World Bank railway rehabilitation project in The Sudan for 4 years.

Upon returning to Montreal in 1993 Murray and Carol sold their empty nest, rented an apartment in the city as a base for their family while the children attended university and they

moved to Cambridge Bay, Nunavut, where Carol supervised a McGill teacher training program for Inuit teachers.

Murray was invited to rejoin the government of the NWT where he served as Superintendent of Personnel, and Director of Corporate Services for Nunavut's new Department of Education.

In 1978 Murray was a founding member of the Frobisher Bay (Iqaluit) Rotary Club which is also part of District 7040. On moving back to Iqaluit Murray renewed his affiliation with the Rotary club and is a past president. His 22 years in Iqaluit were exciting and historic as the new Territory of Nunavut was created based on an historic land claims settlement and self-government initiatives.

In 2015 he and Carol retired to Pointe Claire where they are surrounded by children, grandchild and a very large extended family. Having been away for so long, the Montreal-Lakeshore Rotary club offered Carol and Murray a wonderful opportunity to find new friends and participate in our community in a meaningful way.

## ***Board of Directors 2018-19:***

### Club officers:

President:	<b>Murray Horn</b> , 514-791-0680
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Community Service:	<b>Brenda Scalzo</b>
International Service:	<b>Esin Ergun</b>
Youth Service:	<b>Songul Rosie Dilek</b>

## ***Special Events...***

July 14: [Saturday] Our annual **Changeover Party**, at the Cantrills', 1412 chemin St-Féréol, Les Cèdres, Québec J7T 1N8, from 3 p.m. until it's over.

## ***Last Week's Meeting...***

Our speaker last Tuesday was outgoing president, **Helen**, to summarize what our club accomplished in the past 12 months.

Besides Helen only 10 members (**Lawrence, Maureen, Stan, PDG Bill, Glorefe, Sade, Sola, Cameron, Joe Tabet, and Joe Zemanovich**) were present, plus Honorary Member **Joe Maxwell**.

We were pleased to welcome Glorefe's daughter **Anastasia** and **Sergei Brovkin**, Performance Improvement Project Manager, as a guest of the club.

On behalf of all the members of our club, President **Helen** wished **Lawrence** and **Maureen** a Happy Anniversary—52 years of happily married life together!

Helen also announced that **Sade** and **Sola Odutola** will be in charge of our club's speakers and other program material next year.

**Sade** asked members to pass along to her program ideas they may have in mind. She also reminded us that we will have only two speakers each month.

**Bill** had a joke for us"

"A man (we'll call him Mike) passed away. His will provided \$30,000 for an elaborate funeral.

"As the last guests departed the affair, his wife, Helen, turned to her oldest friend.

" 'Well, I'm sure Mike would be pleased,' she said.

" 'I'm sure you're right,' replied Jody, who lowered her voice and leaned in close.

" 'How much did this really cost?'

" 'All of it,' said Helen. 'Thirty thousand.'

" 'No!' Jody exclaimed. 'It was very nice, but \$30,000?'

"Helen answered. 'The funeral was \$7,000. I donated \$1,000 to the church. The wake, food, and drinks were another \$1,000. The rest went for the memorial stone.'

"Jody computed quickly. '\$21,000 for a memorial stone? My God, how big is it?'

" 'Two and a half carats,' Helen replied."

**Cameron** shared a list of statements made by Jeff Foxworthy during a recent appearance at Caesars in Windsor, Ontario:

"If someone in a Home Depot store offers you assistance and they don't work there, you may live in Canada.

"If you've worn shorts and a parka at the same time, you may live in Canada.

"If you've had a lengthy telephone conversation with someone who dialed a wrong number, you may live in Canada.

"If 'Vacation' means going anywhere south of Detroit for the weekend, you may live in Canada.

"If you measure distance in hours, you may live in Canada.

"If you know several people who have hit a deer more than once, you may live in Canada.

"If you have switched from 'heat' to 'A/C' in the same day and back again, you may live in Canada.

"If you can drive 90 km/hr through 2 feet of snow during a raging blizzard without flinching, you may live in Canada.

"If you install security lights on your house and garage, but leave both unlocked, you may live in Canada.

"If you carry jumper cables in your car and your wife knows how to use them, you may live in Canada.

"If you design your kid's Halloween costume to fit over a snowsuit, you may live in Canada.

"If the speed limit on the highway is 80 km and you're going 95 and everybody is passing you, you may live in Canada.

"If driving is better in the winter because the potholes are filled with snow, you may live in Canada.

"If you know all 4 seasons: almost winter, winter, still winter, and road construction, you may live in Canada.

"If you have more miles on your snow blower than your car, you may live in Canada.

"If you find -2 degrees a little chilly, you may live in Canada.

"If you actually understand these jokes and forward them to all your friends you definitely are—and proud to be—Canadian."

**Helen** began her summary by reflecting that it has been a good year. "I can't believe how fast it has gone by and that we are already at my last meeting as president of this wonderful Rotary club. I have personally benefitted by getting to know all of you better. How awesome you all are! How we pull together when we have an event. Our social events are so much fun.

"A year ago I had all these goals and objectives I hoped to achieve. Some of them we as a club have achieved; some we didn't, but that's okay because it was a very long list.

"My main goal was to win the Presidential Citation, which is now called the Rotary Citation. This club has a history of winning Presidential Citations but we have missed the mark in the last two or three years. But at the district changeover DG Sue Bellor assured me that we have earned the Citation this year. It's a great achievement and every member of this club is to be congratulated because it's the members, not just the club president, who won this coveted award for our club.



"One thing we should all be proud of is raising \$1,500 for PolioPlus, thanks to donations from Roland Carriere—a Notary friend of **Knud**—and **Steve Moors**.

"Another thing I want to talk about is Membership. Our club has one of the best retention rates in the district, if not the best. We're a friendly club; we make everybody welcome. We will be getting a few more members soon. The Rotary Club of Hudson-and-Saint-Lazare is scheduled to close on June 30<sup>th</sup>, so we will invite their active members to transfer to our club at that time. Moreover, **Carol** has some new ideas for membership development that she plans to put in place next year.

"Another thing I wanted to work on was District participation. I know that some of our senior members have been involved in the district but recently our club has been a little lacking in its representation at the district level.

"So, you newer members, take note of the **2018-19 District Conference**, in Kingston, Ontario, at the end of October. And I believe there is a special, lower price for newer Rotarians (who joined Rotary July 1, 2015 or later). **Murray** will be telling you more about that as time progresses.

"I also wanted to raise Foundation awareness. District Foundation Chair **Bonnie Black** gave us an amazing presentation at the end of November, how we can contribute, what that money goes to, how the district gets its funding from RI.

"I also wanted to review the club's Bylaws and Constitution, which we did. I will email all our members their personal copy of both documents, which were passed by the Board and the club membership.

"Although it's down right now, we did have a very good website up and running until a few weeks ago, when we had a little glitch relating to an expiry date that we didn't anticipate. We kept it up to date over the years, adding new material as it became available. We are trying to fix the problem and we hope to have the website back in service soon.

"We did start a club Facebook page this year, thanks to **Kelly**, where we post new material, coming events, and so on. The Facebook page has been very well received.

"The only area I didn't really work on was club publicity. It's something we really ought to work on next year.

"You've all heard me say this many times—this club is one of the best-kept secrets in the West Island of Montreal. We're a

great club with amazing members and we do great things here. People out there should know that our Rotary club exists and what we do, especially the services we support in Montreal and on the West Island.

"We've had some awesome fundraisers this year—the Oyster Party last November was a great success and we are grateful to **Wayne** and his colleagues at the Baie d'Urfé Rescue Squad, who do us proud every single year with that event. Our auction less than a month ago raised a net profit of a little over \$16,300. That's a pretty good fundraiser. If we're not going to have an auction in the future, we're going to have to think up something really good that can bring sixteen to twenty thousand dollars into the coffers, to support the charitable work we want to do. **Murray** and his Auction Committee worked super hard to make a success of that event.

"And of course we had the 'Friendraiser,' an event put together by **Maureen** and **Lawrence** last September to raise money for Cheshire Homes. That event raised \$1,100 and was a lot of fun. It was a beautiful day and we had a good turnout.

"We had our annual breakfast between Christmas and New Year's, here at the hotel. It's not an official Rotary meeting but it's always a lot of fun.

"And we have our Changeover Party coming up July 14<sup>th</sup> and once again the **Cantrills** will be our hosts.

"We've had some great weekly programs this year and we've given cheques to many organizations in our community. Our club celebrates Halloween and Valentine's Day and we had a special luncheon to celebrate our charter date of February 27<sup>th</sup>.

"For **Brenda's** Community Service, we've contributed over 300 volunteer hours at over twenty events. These hours involved not only 18 Rotarians but other non-Rotarians friends and family as well. That's pretty phenomenal! And that doesn't include the many hours that **Joe Maxwell** put in at Lakeshore Hospital, selling tickets for the LGH Foundation's Duck Race.

"Our International Service committee, chaired by **Deniz**, also had a good year, with projects in Guatemala, Ghana, including projects in Malawi and elsewhere, working with Health Partners International of Canada. We sent books to the island of Saint Vincent, **Emily's** homeland.

"**Murray's** Youth committee was also very active and successful. We sent several students go on Adventures. We had a very successful Public Speaking Competition. We supported Amcal. And at our next meeting we will present a scholarship to the West Island Black Community Association.

"We had a special event where we presented Paul Harris Fellowships to community leaders, thanks to Awards Committee chair **Wayne**. I've had a lot of good feedback about that evening; we had a good crowd of people.

"All in all we've had a fantastic year. This is the best Rotary club. I remember the first time I came here as a visitor, how I was greeted so warmly and made welcome by everyone. And now, as we come to the end of this Rotary year, I am very proud to have been elected to serve as your president. The Rotary theme this year has been *Rotary: Making a Difference*, and we have really done that. Thank you, everybody!"