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CLUB OF BRANDON

Brandon Kiwanis Club Bulletin

Meeting of March 12, 2019

General Business

Hamid announced that there has been a substantial grant to pay for some of the tables for the Kiwanis Pavilion at Rideau Park. There are also some tables that have been rescued from the park across from the RM headquarters building on Veteran's Way that will be refurbished for dedication to the Pavilion. There is at least one request being made to the city for the use of the park this summer so we can hope for ample usage by the community when it is complete and furnished.

Speaker

Keith Scott talked to the club about a Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) that he hoped more people with disabled dependents (and disabled individuals themselves) would learn about and access. It is a plan that was only introduced within the last ten years or so and that could help relieve concerns of parents or others with dependents whose future security they would like to assure. It was clear that the plan is more general than just that one application but that thought struck me as a significant application since I have encountered several times parents with concerns for the future of a disabled child. Keith was not trying to sell the plan but his motivation in talking about it was that he thought it met a significant social need but that it was unrecognized to the point there was little uptake from those who could qualify. He feared that a future government would decide that such low uptake would justify withdrawal of the plan. Basically anyone that qualifies for the disability provisions under Revenue Canada can use the plan. The plan provides for contributing annually into a fund with the government

matching at significant levels until age 60. The matching is dependent on family income and for low income families the matching was very significant. Spreading the word about this opportunity was the message from Keith.

With apologies to Keith. I have tried to summarize the essence of what was a very important and thorough presentation.



Peter, Keith Scott and Lloyd. Should Keith be afraid!!



One of our members, Ray Poole, plans to be a hockey broadcaster.

Don Cherry, watch out!



Junior Curlers awards. Are we sponsoring the next Brier winner?

Staff Photographer: Hugh Cowan, our long time photographer is still looking for a replacement. Can we find a volunteer for this task?

Join the exciting conversation and repartee at the Kiwanis coffee Klatches (Tuesday to Friday morning, 9:30AM at the Chicken Delight on Rosser and Saturday and Monday at McDonald's on Victoria also at 9:30AM).

What's happening at Kiwanis

- 1) **March 19 Wayne Clayton -- Man-Sea (Sustainable Energy Association)**
- 2) **March 26 Business Meeting**
- 3) **April 2, Mayor Rick Chrest**
- 4) **April 9 Adam Potter Brandon City Police and city Bike Registration**

John Rice, Bulletin editor

Hugh Cowan, photography

