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Brandon Kiwanis Club Bulletin

Meeting of September 24th, 2019

Last Moment Push: A few members have not yet paid their dues! It is vital that you pay your dues (\$130) by the end of September. If you fail to pay and do not let the club know you will not be paying, the club will be billed for your dues by Kiwanis International and the club will have to pay those dues even though you are no longer a member.

Speaker: Sept 17th meeting. Heather Peters of Victoria Lifeline talked about their medical alert devices. The topic was beginning to feel too close to home for some of us. Most of us have had experience with the problem of someone who we fear is alone and we fear is at risk of needing emergency help at some time. She outlined the range of devices from those basically limited to the immediate area of home to one that, through the cell phone system, can send an alert from anywhere there is cell service. A major advantage is to allow someone to stay in their own home longer with confidence. While there are other services, Victoria Lifeline is a non-profit with any extra funds going to support the Victoria General Hospital Fund.

Business Meeting: Sept 24th. Peter was celebrating his last meeting as president. Now he will be just a simple, ordinary member like the rest of us and we won't have to show him so much respect at coffee. No more jokes folks, just plain vanilla meetings from now on (I don't want to put any pressure on Gerry).

Orton Anderson was with us at a meeting with 21 in attendance. It was great to see Orton looking healthy. He looked pretty healthy before but now he has a little electronic assist.

Finances: Reg assured us that we are in good shape (if you want to know how much we have in the bank you will have to come to the meetings). We will still be

paying about \$3000 for the masonry around the pillars for the Rideau Pavilion. (That pavilion seems to have been getting quite a bit of pre-reserved and informal use).

Secretary: Roger said that he still had a couple of members yet to pay fees. One last push, as I said above, before the end of the month.

President's Last Words From the Podium: Peter thanks the membership for their work during the year. Our fund raising events create a lot of camaraderie. Without any disservice to those not mentioned he commented on Don and John at Youth and Community Service, Gerry at house and reception, Vern for rounding up speakers and the great membership drive, Hamid and his group for their huge work following up Don's suggestion for the Pavilion project and Frank with his team for their tremendous effort for the 100th anniversary event. Our regular fund raising projects have had Roger as a great driving force for the Kar Derby and Keith working overtime with the Bike Auction (of late two of them). Peter had others in his list but this is the short version.

As a final note, the social committee (Orton, Cec and Norm) have **December 10th** set for the Christmas luncheon so you can mark that off on your calendar.



Vern, Ken, our speaker for the 17th Heather Peters and Peter

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

What's happening at Kiwanis

- 1) **Oct 1** Perhaps installation of new executive
- 2) **Oct 8 and following** We have our own Orton Anderson at some meeting soon

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