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NEWSLETTER UPDATE - February 2015

Monday February 16, 2015. General & Board of Governors BB#7

Location - Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Oak St. Brantford. 18 Members present. 1 Guest.

Thursday February 19, 2015. Annual Board of Governors

Location - Alberta Room, Fairmont Royal York, Toronto - 22 Board Members present. 13 Guests

Monday March 2, 2015. General & Board of Governors SW#1

Location - Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Oak St. Brantford. 19 Members present. 1 Guest

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



First off let me say there was a great turn out for the Past President's Party and the Yearbook looks great (thanks **Chris E. Clarke**). They are available to every member.

MY AGENDA THIS YEAR IS TO FIND US A NEW CLUB HOUSE

A New Place To Hang Our Plaques and Showcase Our History With Pride

and Carry On As The Founding Members Intended.

I NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU! ALL OF YOU!!

I don't have all the answers so please let me know, your opinion counts. Some things that we need to consider are: Where should we buy, what should we buy, what are our needs (*parking, disability accessibility, location*). Do we want a club house as an income property or do we just lease a place? These are all things we, as a Club, need to know. We need your feedback in order to have our Building Committee better able to search for a new facility and reach our goal of having our **new space by Fall of 2015.**

It was stated to me, in my first meeting as President, that the position of President has no real power. As President however, I have the power of this page and I will use it the best I can. I already know that the only real power a President has is the support of the membership.

I need you to send me your thoughts and recommendations in the next 2 weeks.

Call me!! Text me!! Facebook me!! Get me your ideas. All of your feedback will be brought to the committee and considered. **The time is now!!**

Over the last few years the club and members alike have been met with many challenges. We have come down a long hard road to get to where we are. It took a lot of hard work. Were still on that road we and still have a way to go.

When we get to the end of that road and you're not happy with where we end up, maybe you should have gotten on the bus!

My contact info - **Cell: 416 702-9600, email: president@showmensleague.ca, or Facebook me.**

As a side note: In all general meetings all members are allowed to ask questions or present ideas. If you raise your hand, you will get your opportunity to speak. **You will be heard. You ALL have a say.**

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2015 COMMITTEES

Cemetery: Chair - **Paul Bissonnett** with PE Robert Weatherill & James Gain

Sick and Welfare: Chair - **PE Robert Weatherill** with Marg Shank, PP Bruce Brock & Tony Cope

Entertainment: Chair - **Karen Hartley** with Tony Cope & Sheldon Coffin

New Building: Chair - **Tony Fisler** with PE Robert Weatherill & PP Tom Cox

YearBook: Chair (*to be appointed*) with Marg Shank, Richard K. Spear & James Gain

NewsLetter: Chair - **James Gain** with *all of the above*

Preservation: Chair (*to be appointed*) with PP Barry Jamieson, PP Bruce Brock, PE Robert Weatherill & PP Tom Cox

Finance: Chair - **PP Barry Jamieson** with Steve Weatherill, PP Phil McCafferty, PP Brad McCafferty, PE Robert Weatherill & PP Geordie Todd

If you're not on a committee does not mean you cannot help!

We welcome all extra volunteers who wish to assist with these committees.

Cemetery: **Richard K Spear** has started a fund to purchase headstones for **Bearman Thames** and **Johnny the Greek** at **The Showmen's Rest in Memorial Gardens**.

You can get more info from the website or FaceBook page contact Richard at second-vice@showmensleague.ca

Sick and Welfare: Outgoing S&W Chairperson **Marge Shank** reports that Club Member **Brenda Wafford** was quite under the weather but is feeling much better now. If you know anyone in the business who is not well, contact incoming S&W Chairperson **PE Robert Weatherill** or anyone on his crew, *listed above*, to help keep the Club informed so that we make sure to send a card or flowers or pay a visit.

Yearbook: If you purchased a page in the yearbook, please make cheques or money orders out to **The Showmen's League of America - Canadian Chapter**. Prompt payment would be appreciated for any outstanding page. Since we are all due to hit the road shortly and will become exceptionally busy quickly, post dated cheques will be gratefully accepted.

All members in good standing, make sure our Secretary **Pauline Trent** has your mailing address so the Yearbook can be sent to you. Contact her at address or number below.

Or just come by to 21 Oak St. Brantford on Meeting Night and pick one up.

Newsletter: If you want something said in print or have news or information you would like to convey to all SLACC members, please contact **James Gain**. james@showmensleague.ca or call 705-432-2924

All Members, Please forward your email address to Secretary **Pauline Trent** at secretary@showmensleague.ca or call 416-894-1850 and update your mailing address if required.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

General and Board of Governors

- Monday March 16, 2015, 7:pm, Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Oak St. Brantford

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- Monday March 30, 2015, 7:pm, Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Oak St. Brantford

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Club members (left to right) **Matt Randle, Jackson Robertson, Dirk Deinum, PP Bruce Brock** attending the **TSSA/NAARSO Amusement Ride Safety Forum** in Niagara Falls. The following members were also present, **Chris E. Clarke, PP Brad McCafferty, Joe Roy, PP Randy Homeniuk, Robert Gable and PP Billy Gordon**. There were also representatives from **Campbell Amusements** and **Worlds Finest Shows**. The forum was 3 days of informative sessions.

Attention ALL MIDWAYS

April 1, 2015 is the **ESA's Annual Midway Operators Meeting**. It will be located at Le Jardin 8440 Highway 27 Woodbridge. The approx. time is 8:00am - 4:00pm. More info can be found on the SLA-CC website under EVENTS.



Yearbook Update

The yearbook was a great success. A profit of \$9283.00 was raised by the sale of pages. Thank you so much to those of you whom supported the book's comeback.

Correction: There was an error in the yearbook layout and the full page ad placed by **Hollander Amusements** was missed from being inserted in the final yearbook. **The Hollanders** have always supported the book and they did so again with this Past President's Yearbook. I am sorry for the error.

If you did not receive your yearbook yet and are a member in good standing, your book will be mailed to you. Please ensure **Pauline Trent** has your correct address.

Go to www.showmensleague.ca then Choose Members, then Member Info Update to send your latest email and mailing address.

I hope we can keep the Yearbook going now that we have a good base.

Chris E. Clarke – Yearbook Chair

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2015 ANNUAL BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING



The 2015 Annual Board of Governors Meeting was held in the Alberta Room at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto at 5:00pm February 19, 2015.



Secretary
PAULINE TRENT



Incoming President
STEVE WEATHERILL



PP, First Vice
'BIG BILL' DENAULT



Outgoing President
BRUCE BROCK

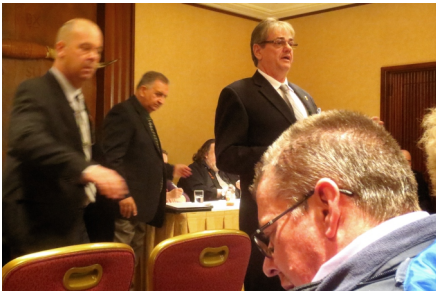


PP Treasurer
PHIL McCAFFERTY



Second Vice
RICHARD K. SPEAR

Various members review minutes pages from the previous meeting.



Discussion at the Annual Board Meeting of the creation of a **Preservation Committee** brought up by **PP Barry Jamieson** was met with some enthusiasm and interest. Talks continue in this regard on the matter concerning the present and future direction and identity of the Club. Also discussed was whether or not a single year is long enough for a President to best effect their mandate or if it might be better if the Presidency lasted for 2 years.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

All members in good standing are welcome to comment, criticise, make suggestions and offer ideas.

If you are **WITH IT AND FOR IT**....then **SHOW IT!** State your case and have your say about the present and future of **The Showmen's League of America - Canadian Chapter**.

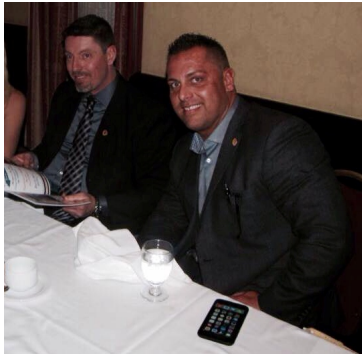
Come to a meeting and find out what some of the real issues are.

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2015 PAST PRESIDENT'S DINNER & PARTY



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The **2015 Past President's Dinner & Party** was a great success and more tickets were sold than expected. Another full table had to be brought into the room. All enjoyed the roast beef dinner and ceremonies. Door prizes were won and Funds were raised with a great Leather Jacket and Shirt raffled by SLACC Club Member **Dave Shirlow** and Gift Basket tipped by SLACC Board Member **Karen Hartley**. Most of the photographs taken throughout the night and included here are by **Allanah Deanna**.

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John William Robertson receives the long awaited Plaque designed in his Honour. Seen here accepting the quarter ton weight and highly prestigious award with his Family by his side in The Tudor Room.



The Presidential Portrait Paintings are back! Seen here with portraits painted by SLACC Board Member **James Gain** are **Outgoing President Bruce Brock**, **PP Brad McCafferty**, **PP Geordie Todd** and accepting the painting for her Grandfather **PP Len 'Pud' Lewis** is his grand-daughter **Brittany Fisler**.

