Fundraising Committee Meeting
May 11, 2026

1. **Opening Discussion**
    a. **Goal of the meeting**
        - Identify realistic alternatives to the golf tournament
        - Maintain approximately $5,000 fundraising target
        - Determine committee capacity

2. **Main Fundraising Ideas Discussed**
    a. **Larger-scale event:**
        - Food-Centred Event
            - Proposed at Oakfield Rugby Park
            - Potential free/low-cost venue
            - ~100 attendees
            - ~$100 tickets
            - Net ~$5,000
            - Ideas:
                - Potential "exposé" for the new chef at the Rugby park
                - Wine/whiskey tasting
                - Cheese/fondue
                - Local brewery/winery partnerships
            - Richard volunteered to lead planning with support from Joellen, the summer student, Nat, and Carol Anne

    b. **Other Large Events discussed**
        - "One Hundred Men Who Care"
        - Jail and Bail fundraiser
        - Dramatic reading of *A Christmas Carol*

    c. **Several smaller-scale events:**
        - Food Festivals
        - Community Fairs
        - Smile Cookie Campaign at Tim Hortons
        - 50/50 raffles
        - Community Walk-A-Thon
        - Trivia Night

3. **Emerging Consensus**
    - **Most members supported Food-Centred Event**
    - Reasons:

    - Existing venue connection
    - Potentially lower costs
    - Community appeal
    - Easier to sustain annually
- **Additional Complementary Fundraising**
    - 50/50 raffles
    - Holiday event (*A Christmas Carol*)
    - Smaller community-based activities

4. **Action Items**
    - **Nat**
        - Connect Richard with Marilyn Bird re *A Christmas Carol*
        - Assist with Doug Barr 50/50 ticket sales
    - **Richard**
        - Lead food-centred event planning with summer student and organizational support
        - Conduct feasibility/cost analysis
    - **Carol Anne**
        - Contact Oakfield Rugby Park re: dinner partnership
        - Coordinate snacks for Doug Barr concert
    - **Joellen**
        - Share Golf Tournament planning materials with Richard
        - Investigate Victim Compensation Fund
        - Ask Katie to nominate LCCJ for the 100 Women Who Care fundraiser
    - **All Board Members**
        - Promote Friday's Doug Barr event on social media and send emails to neighbours and contacts to boost ticket sales