



Today's Program

Professor Douglas Sanderson,
University of Toronto Law School

Topic

The Relationship between Settler
People, the Crown, and First Nations

Host

Peter Love

Location

The National Club, 303 Bay Street



Professor Douglas Sanderson is a member of the O p a s k w a y a k Cree Nation. Douglas earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Toronto, and his LL.M. from

Columbia University where he was a Fulbright Scholar. From 2004-2007 he was a Senior Advisor to the Government of Ontario, first in the Office of the Minister Responsible for Aboriginal Affairs, and later to the Attorney General. From 2007 to 2009, he was a Visiting Research Fellow at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law.

Douglas' research areas include Aboriginal and legal theory, as well as private law (primarily property law) and public and private legal theory. His work uses the lens of property and legal theory to examine the nature of historic injustice to Indigenous peoples and possible avenues for redress. Moving beyond the framework of common law property rights and constitutional land/treaty rights, his scholarship focuses on Aboriginal institutions, post-colonial reconciliation and rebuilding community.

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The Rotary Club of Toronto is donating in excess of \$1,000,000 to local and international agencies during our Centennial Year.

Please join us at a
Special Friday Centennial Luncheon
on June 21, 2013

at The Fairmont Royal York, The Ballroom

A \$25,000 Special Centennial Award will be presented to SKETCH

Our Club's Past Presidents' Committee will present this award for the renovation of the kitchen at SKETCH's new home at ArtScape's YoungPlace. In cooperation with George Brown College and designed with help from our Past President Geoffrey Johnson, the kitchen will be the heart of the renovation of SKETCH's new home. The culinary arts program will provide nutritious food for the SKETCH community and beyond. The kitchen will provide many opportunities for the creation of social enterprises.



Culinary Artists preparing a feast in the old SKETCH studio



Registration 12:00 p.m.
Lunch 12:15 p.m.
Cost \$38.00 per ticket

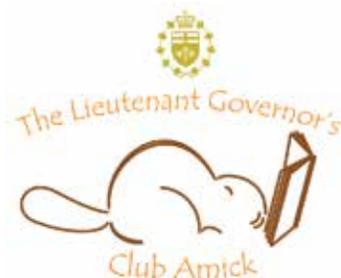
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The Rotary Club of Toronto Presents \$25,000 to Club Amick

– by Chris Snyder, Chair, Aboriginal Service Committee



Club Amick is a book club and literacy program initiated seven years ago by the Honourable James Bartleman when he was Lieutenant Governor. This program provides books and other literacy services to young people from Kindergarten to Grade 6 in fly-in communities in Northern Ontario. Over the past seven years, thousands of Aboriginal children have received books and other literacy services they would not have otherwise received. Mr. Bartleman, who is a member of our club's Aboriginal Service Committee Advisory Board, is unable to come to today's presentation; however, he sent this comment upon hearing of the donation: "What excellent news! And congratulations on your commitment!"



The money will be accepted by Daryl Novak of the Ontario Library Service, who runs the program. This program has also been funded by the Ontario Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and the Ministry of Education. This grant supports the Club's mandate of providing educational assistance to the Aboriginal people in Ontario.

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Camp Lake Scugog 2013: Why Camp Scugog Should Be Mandatory for New Rotarians!

— by Lorna & Cliff Johnson



On May 31st, we got into our Jeep and made the relatively short drive to Camp Lake Scugog, for our very first camp weekend. It had been drummed into both of us, as new members, that this was a “must do.” If you had suggested this to either one of us that this was in any way optional, we would have said “NO.” Philanthropy by its very nature is voluntary, and compelling attendance at a work camp as a condition of joining a club seemed more like involuntary servitude above self than service above self! But there we were, driving in the weekend traffic to Camp Scugog.

However, after two days of hard labour and before heading home, we sat on the deck of the Camp Scugog dining hall enjoying our last lunch with 30 tired, dirty, exhausted but exhilarated fellow workers, feasting on our final lunch comprised of a cornucopia of the tastiest leftovers from the weekend feasts and sipping a glass of fine red wine. We both agreed that there was no place we’d rather be, and nobody else we’d rather be with. Best weekend ever!

Putting aside the (many) good works of the weekend for a moment, what we both took away was a greater level of fellowship and friendship than we’ve had in any Rotary club – we’ve been members in Australia and in Maine. For us it was a matter of transforming nodding acquaintances into friends and putting a face and a place on our donations. Slide shows are nice and visitors are wonderful, but going and doing and sharing and creating together is transformative.

All of the lunches, fellowship dinners and wine tastings paled in comparison to the experience we had working side by side with our fellow Rotarians painting, repairing, building and preparing Camp Scugog for the kids that will come this summer. It was also a humbling experience, driving us to appreciate the lives we have, the support networks, the financial stability that we take for granted. Cliff worked with incoming President Richard White repairing benches, making steps safe, replacing fly screens and helping Maureen build a cabinet for drums**. Cliff is not handy with tools but he managed to leave the camp just a little bit better than he found it. Lorna was assigned to sort out the clothing shop where mums and teenagers come to select the clothes, swim suits, blankets etc. they need for their much needed camping holiday; many of the campers just show up with the clothes on their backs.

We’ll be back next year! Any new members, watch out – we’ll be dragging you with us!!

***Editor’s Note: Earlier this year the Healthy Beginnings Committee bought 30 djembes (West African drums) for camp. If the campers enjoy them as much as our workers, the campfires this summer will be very special events!*



Sylvia Geist and Gloria Lee scrubbing cabins.



Drummers Sangin Lee, Gary Hoey, Jessica Rhynas, Dina Rashid



Rohit Tamhane, John Andras, Maureen Bird, Sangin Lee.



Boss Susan Howson with President Neil Phillips confused between his libations delivery and cook duties. A total of 65 people enjoyed the Saturday night feast.

Rotary Club of Toronto Charitable Foundation has recently provided funding to the following organizations:

Victim Services Toronto - \$10,000

The funds will be used to purchase and operate ten GPS monitors as part of a “Safe Guardian” pilot project. These monitors will assist women who are the victims of domestic violence, death threats, sexual assault or stalking. Victim Services Toronto has worked with the Toronto Police Service for the past 23 years. The GPS system provides a portable panic button which will alert police to imminent trouble while tracking the location of the potential victim.

Gilda’s Club - \$15,000

This organization helps children with cancer and their families. The Foundation funding will pay for a four-week program for 120 children to attend “Camp in the City.” This allows children and teens living with cancer to partake in a traditional camp experience while being in an environment with other children going through a similar experience.

TREC Charitable Foundation - \$5,000

The funds will be used to educate disadvantaged children in Toronto about the benefits of energy conservation and renewable energy. Students attend in-class workshops which help them better understand the issues. They are encouraged to participate in the Community Renewable Design Challenge which provides a forum for students to design and create an item of everyday use for renewable energy.

Southern Ontario Library Services - \$25,000

The funds will be used to support the Lieutenant Governor’s Club Amick Literacy Program. This program is designed to provide funding for books and other resources for Aboriginal children in 35 fly-in communities in Northern Ontario.



Newest Club Paul Harris Fellow and William Peace Award Recipient – by Valerie Clarke



I am honoured to tell you about one of our very special members who was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow and William Peace Award by President Neil at the Camp Scugog Weekend. I give you Catherine Lloyd, PHF!

Catherine joined our Club in 2002 and almost immediately joined our Communications & PR Committee as well as our Senior Citizens' Committee. She focused her strong planning and efforts, later becoming Chair of the Seniors Committee in 2007 and the Communications & PR Committee Chair in 2008. She has been involved in the Club's Seniors' Christmas Party and Children's Christmas Party for many years, and directed our successful and profitable auctions at our for 2007, 2008 and 2009 Ice Breakers. A member of the Board of our Club for the years 2009-2012, Catherine was assigned a very special project in 2009 when President Bert Steenburgh asked her to develop the Pauline Hill Award for Making a Difference.

When Catherine was "invited to join our Professional Chefs" we knew that this was an extremely coveted appointment. It would not have been made unless this member has the culinary expertise and the talent to meet the very strict and extremely high standards that are practiced by our Chefs. Or, it could be that having a degree in political studies from Trent University, and volunteering as a Brownie leader for so many years has honed her skills in excelling under all circumstances!

Catherine's level of commitment and contributions to our Club are numerous and to mention them all would far exceed the space here. Catherine's sense of honesty, integrity and level of commitment is outstanding and has resulted in a high level of respect among our Club members. Welcome to our latest Paul Harris Fellow and William Peace Award winner, Catherine Lloyd!



Catherine's cake Chef Catherine with her award

Interota: Worldwide Rotaract Meeting in Toronto!

– by Neil C. Phillips

Have you heard of Interota? Well, Toronto & Montreal are co-hosting in 2014 – so time to find out! Interota is a worldwide Rotaract meeting held every three years that is organised and sponsored by Rotaractors. It offers a forum for sharing ideas, concerns, and experiences with other Rotaract Club members from around the world. Participants are also treated to sightseeing and other cultural events throughout the weeklong event.

In 2014, Canada will host Interota - a first for both Canada and the United States. Although Interota is not an official Rotary International meeting, the RI Board of Directors recognises its value and supports the conference by approving its program content and by sending an RI representative to the event. This triennial meeting offers workshops, discussions, and speakers on topics of interest to Rotaractors. It is also an opportunity to network and share ideas with fellow Rotaractors from around the world. The RCT Board voted to support this conference through a donation of \$ 5,000 from our Philanthropic Fund.

This donation will help offset some of the conference costs, enabling delegates to come from around the world. To find out more about Interota, visit its website at www.interota2014.com



Interota 2014

Toronto & Montreal | July 26 to August 1

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Upcoming Speakers & Events

June 2013

- 21 Rocco Rossi, CEO, Prostate Cancer Canada; Centennial Awards Luncheon, Past President's Award to SKETCH
- 28 No Meeting, Canada Day Weekend

July 2013

- 5 Changeover Day
- 12 New President Richard White's "Throne Speech"
- 19 Andrée Cazabon, Gemini nominee and filmmaker
- 26 Michael Shapcott, Director of Housing and Innovation, Wellesley Institute

August 2013

- 2 No Meeting, Simcoe Day Weekend

Propose a Speaker

Peter Simmie, Chair

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What You Missed June 7, 2013

– by Jayson Phelps



If you missed lunch last week, you missed an event that demonstrated all the reasons we are Rotarians.

The lunch opened with two very talented members of the Jesse Ketchum Public School's Pan Vibrations performing a song on their steel drums; this was followed up in traditional form with "O Canada,"

except this time we did not have Glenn Davis on the piano, but instead our Rotary chorus accompanied the uplifting island rhythm of the steel drums.

After a short program break to enjoy our delectable National Club salmon, the program was quickly underway. We sat back to watch a video of the remarkable work that took place during the first ever Youth Expo. We heard of all the great work being done by a number of our partner organizations: Pathways to Education; Broadreach; and Arts for Children and Youth, to mention a few. We also heard several youth at the Expo, excitedly describe their enjoyment of the day, a theme that resonated courage, compassion and creativity.

The Youth Awards were then underway. Through the remarkable work of the Youth Day Committee, over 147 applications were screened and five finalists were presented with awards. The first place, \$2,000 Rotary Club of Toronto Youth Civic Leadership Award winner was Jason Xie. As a true community leader, Jason briefly described his initiatives involving seniors and youth, his online newspaper, and his pursuit of a computer science degree at university; but the true message was that excellence is a habit, not an act. Next, we heard a heartfelt and inspiring acceptance speech from the \$1,000 Gold winner, Sharia Wignarajah, who humbly described her Best Buddies program, and her passion for community service that she has developed, through her mere 920 hours of volunteerism! Not to be



Naresh with his proud parents

underplayed by the first two recipients, awe-inspired Rotarians also heard the bios of our three additional winners: Sophia Gilsch, Kamika Peter, and Nafisa Mohamed, who were the successful recipients of the Rotaract Silver, Bronze, and Toronto Community Housing awards, respectively.

As members enjoyed their scrumptious berry crumble, all was not yet over. Rotary Scholarship Chair Nancy Schaefer took the podium and introduced the second recipient of The Rotary Club of Toronto-Argos Scholarship, an initiative created in our Centennial year which covers the full cost of a four-year undergraduate program. Another remarkable leader, Naresh Srithanran, humbly and graciously accepted the scholarship – his proud parents looked on with cameras – saying he will be the first member of his family to attend university. Naresh articulated how he became inspired in volunteerism through the support that he received from his community during his younger years, and casually described the many fundraising initiatives he has led for our health care organizations, raising over \$100,000 to date.

Having the privilege to attend last Friday's lunch makes me proud to be a Rotarian, watching so many great youth leaders (and potential future Rotarians) shine through. Thanks goes to Prince Kumar, the Chair of the Youth Day and Youth Expo celebrations, along with his talented and accomplished committee.



Youth Day Committee with past and present winners

Volunteers Sign Up for the Annual Toronto Rotary Ribfest on June 28, 29, 30, July 1st!

The Rotary Club of Toronto's Fundraising Committee is very excited to announce that we have been asked to participate in the Etobicoke Rotary Club's Annual Ribfest. We have been asked to staff the admission gates, where we will collect a two-dollar admission donation from every adult. Children are free. This is an unbelievable opportunity for us, an absolute windfall! We need volunteers for shifts of four hours. Double shifts are also available! It is easy and fun and you will be part of the action. You will see some great entertainment. Bring your family, friends and make it a day!! Imagine the scent of those ribs cooking . . . yum, yum!

Sign up for shifts by contacting the office, Jai Persaud jaik.persaud@cibc.ca or Pat Neuman pneuman@welcomewagon.ca. We also welcome family and friends as volunteers.



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