



Today's Program

The Senior Citizens
Christmas Party

Host

Our Club's Senior Citizens
Committee

Location

Ballroom, Fairmont Royal
York



John Wanless Grade 6 Choir

Come on out and celebrate as we invite over 200 senior citizens from residences in downtown Toronto to a Christmas party featuring a Fairmont turkey dinner, entertainment, and gift bags for everyone. The luncheon is a Club tradition and a seasonal highlight for our guests. This year the entertainment will feature the Salvation Army Band and the John Wanless grade 6 choir. Should be good!



Volunteers Needed

– by Rohit Tamhane

The Rotaract Club of Toronto has been volunteering for over a year at the Fort York Food Bank on the last Saturday of every month to help prepare and serve meals within the community. Each Saturday over 100 meals are served. There are two spots reserved for Rotarians for Saturday December 27th, 2014.

1. Morning shift to help prepare meals from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
2. Afternoon shift to help serve and clean-up from 11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Please email Fatima at fatima161@gmail.com

OUR NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Congratulations to our members who were chosen by your nominating committee to be part of the Club's executive for the three-year term from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018. They will make up part of the board of directors who will lead us through our International Convention year in 2018.



Pat Newman

Vice President Elect:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

President:

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018



James McAuley

Club Treasurer:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016



Binoy Luckoo

Club Director:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018



Shannon Lundquist

Club Director:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018



Kevin Power

Club Director:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018



Barbara Thomson

Club Director:

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018



The three Santas who worked the Children's Party last Saturday.

Which one is the Real Santa?



New Member Karen Scott



Karen was born in Oshawa, to parents Merv and Flora, and raised there with her brother Ken. Karen is a very proud aunt to her 15-year old nephew Kenan and is very close to her extended family.

Karen starting working for GM after high school and while working full-time obtained her BA in Sociology from York University, aided by several courses at UofT. GM moved Karen over to EDS, and she began her career in IT project and program management.

In 1998, Karen accepted a 24-month expatriate assignment in Germany to manage some global programs, one of which was the implementation of the Euro currency for the Opel Bank's Automotive Finance Systems. Karen loved living in Europe, so two years turned into seven.

After the passing of her dear mother, Karen returned to North America to be closer to her beloved Dad, accepting positions with GM and GMAC in Detroit.

In early 2010, Karen returned to Oshawa to be with her Dad as he battled terminal cancer. Although she has wanderlust, she plans to stay in the area for the foreseeable future. Since 2013, Karen has been working as an IT Project Manager for Canada's largest law firm, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP.

Karen is very active outside of work, which her late parents would be so glad to have seen as for too many years all she did was work. Karen is a volunteer with a focus on global diversity for the worldwide Project Management Institute in the USA. Karen is also a volunteer for Sleeping Children Around the World and has been to India in 2013 and to Sri Lanka earlier this year. In 2015, she will be going to Togo.

Karen is working on her memoir focusing on time spent in Germany. She also continues to improve her German and is re-learning French, with the objective to re-enter university in 2015 in a dual French-German degree program.

From the months of May through October, on the weekends, and for summer holidays, you'll find Karen at her cottage on Lake Muskoka. Karen feels privileged to be joining the Toronto Rotary Club and is looking forward to meeting club members and getting involved.

What You Missed Dec 5th, 2014

– by Joe Pochodyniak



I don't know about you, but there is just something about the way Brigitte Bogar belts out the very best parts of our national anthem that fills me with this deep, rich sense of nationalistic pride. Brigitte brings out all that is great about Canada with her voice and all that is great about our beloved Rotary Club of Toronto too.

For those of you who were unable to attend this past Friday's lunch, you really did miss a dandy. Brigitte's voice was as pleasing to our ears as the seared beef tenderloin medallions, sautéed wild mushrooms, butternut squash risotto and buttered asparagus spears with Scotch Whisky Essence were to our palettes. President Steve kicked things off as he usually does by welcoming us to the lunch, introducing the head table and calling this meeting our annual general meeting to order.

New member Karen Scott was officially welcomed to the club and John Andras introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. President Steve then moved to the business of the day's meeting by outlining the club's strong financial position, nominating new board members and announcing that our club's own Pat Neuman will assume the club's top job in 2016. Esteemed past president Neil Phillips then took to the lectern to introduce Corby's President & CEO Patrick O'Driscoll who spoke extensively about the spirits business with an emphasis on the whisky business in Canada. Patrick's discussion covered many facets of the Whisky business in Canada from its origins to its development and even its impact on our nation's economy. At the conclusion of Patrick's commentary, members and guests were fortunate enough to sample a Corby's Lot #40 Copper Pot Whisky. The sensations Glenn Davis and Brigitte Bogar bring to our ears Patrick O'Driscoll and Corby's brought to our taste buds.

TORCH SINGERS NEEDED

(Toronto Ontario Rotarians Caroling Happily)

For Senior's Christmas party on Friday December 12, at 11:30 a.m. Sharp!
Singers kindly contact eardley Samuels 905-855-0423.

Thursday night (tonight!) is not too late to call!

Upcoming Speakers & Events

December 2014

19 Members' Christmas Party
26 No Meeting

January 2015

2 No Meeting
9 Dr. Gillian Kupakuwana: Congrats Rotary; Keep It Up!
16 Rev. Canon Rob Fead, Padre for the Canadian Military

Editor of the Week

Don Bell

What You Missed Reporter, December 12

John Suk

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