

Today's Program

Greg Reed, CEO eHealth Ontario

Topic

How Electronic Health Records Are Improving Health Care

Location

Imperial Room, Fairmont Royal York



Greg Reed served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of eHealth Ontario since 2010 and recently completed his term. eHealth Ontario is the government agency tasked with the job of creating electronic health records for Ontario's 13 million citizens.

After obtaining a B.Sc. in Computer Science at the University of Toronto, Greg began his career as a systems engineer with IBM. He then attended Harvard Business School where he earned an MBA, after which he spent 20 years with international strategy consulting firm McKinsey & Company in New York, London (UK) and Toronto. There, he worked to turn around distressed companies, assisted telecom and technology firms, and was a founder of McKinsey's global Electronic Commerce Practice. During the past decade Greg has served as the CEO of both a wealth management company and a Canadian bank.

Greg is a Director of the National Arts Centre Foundation where he chairs the Finance and Audit Committee, is a Director of Business for the Arts, and is a former Director of the National Ballet of Canada.

Happy Birthday Rotary!

February 23 is the anniversary of the first Rotary meeting! From a humble beginning with only 4 attending the first meeting 109 years ago, Rotary has expanded to include over 1.2 million members in 34,282 clubs around the world.



The first four Rotarians

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Loehr's office for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting. Harris's desire for camaraderie among business associates brought together these four men and eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship.

Don't Leave It To Chance! - Thursday, March 27, 2014



I'll let you in on a little secret. The Rotary Club of Toronto's Annual Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014. Spend an evening wheeling and dealing with your Rotary friends, and their friends. And pass it on.

\$125 gets you a buffet dinner, and lots of laughs, your cards are free and so are the good times. As a Corporate Table you can purchase a table of ten for \$1,500 or a full sponsorship package including dinner for ten and corporate acknowledgement for \$5,000.

Proceeds go to The Rotary Club of Toronto. So, show up at Steam Whistle, around 6:00 pm in the evening and tell them Richard sent you.

It's a safe bet!

Don't forget... the Rotarians for Mine Action event at the National Club, Thursday, February 27th from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Today is the last day to get your tickets! Call Julie Dunaiskis at 416-364-0181 Ext. 2500 or email her at julie@eccgroup.ca



What you missed Feb 14, 2014

– by Rohit Tanhane



Red ties with white hearts, roses and chocolates adorned the room on the eighteenth floor of the Royal York. Tradition ended with the invocation and loyal toast, after which the new members were unleashed upon us! But that did not prevent us from heckling Pastor John Suk as he filled the role of monitor. (Which begs the question, when was a Pastor last heckled at our lectern?)

Marcy Berg, our MC, began the lunch with an invitation, “You can make a difference, by joining us. But please don’t judge us on today’s program. It’s normally way more . . . well, different.” She shared the following announcements:

1) District Governor Elect, Brian Thompson has proposed for his year that all Rotary clubs in district 7070 sing the National Anthem in French.

2) The Fellowship and Entertainment Committee has unanimously voted to change its name to the “Fun Raising Committee.”

3) The Fund Raising Committee has unanimously voted to amalgamate with the Fun Raising Committee. All proceeds of the combined committees to be dedicated to having more fun.

4) It is with sadness that we announce the resignation of somewhat esteemed Past-President Neil Phillips from the Rotary Club of Toronto. He has decided to join the Rotaract Club instead.

5) The executive Council of the new members committee respectfully asked that John Andras refrain from buying ace of clubs tickets as his sudden bursts are scaring potential new members away.

6) The Fellowship and Entertainment Committee was told by the club executive that it must, in the future, refrain from holding wine tasting, vodka tasting and scotch tasting events. No one can remember going to them.

7) And last, but not least, and in summary, Susan Howson—chief of Camp Scugog Cleanup event—warns, “be there, or you will not have any stories to tell your grandchildren.”

The energy was so contagious, John Andras took hold my right hand as we played a “speed dating game.” The best answer got a heart, and John Joseph Mastandrea managed to amass enough to win first prize. Bill Bresner and President Richard contended for second, but were beat by the beautiful Sylvie Leger.

All in all, it was an honour to have attended such a well-coordinated and thoroughly entertaining meeting. If the efforts, sense of humour, and attention to detail that these new members demonstrated is any indication of our future, this writer feels grateful such wonderful individuals are part of our club. It is our responsibility to ensure that we keep them engaged.

Next week’s lunch with be in the Imperial Room (off the main lobby of the hotel) and our guest speaker will be Greg Reed, CEO of eHealth Ontario.

Upcoming Speakers & Events

February 2014

28 Colleen Johnson, CFO, TD Bank-Imperial Room

March 2014

7 David Crombie, former mayor of Toronto and federal Cabinet Minister

14 Robert De Luce, CEO, Porter Airlines

21 Bill Blair, Toronto Police Service Chief

28 D.J. Schneeweiss, Consul General of Israel

April 2014

2 Major General Richard Rohmer

11 Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

18 Easter-No Meeting

Events

Feb. 27 – Rotarians for Mine Action

Mar. 27 - Annual Fundraiser, Steam Whistle Brewery

Propose a Speaker

Peter Simmie, Chair

Program Committee

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Editor of the Week

John Andras

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Joe Pochodyniak



Pastor John Suk and the new members together after a job well done!



The speed dating winners are? John Joseph Mastandrea is eyeing his prize, the stuffed red monkey.



Marcy Berg making announcements as President Richard looks on in disbelief!

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