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Rotary Club of Etobicoke

District Governor: **Valarie Wafer**

RI President: **Ron D. Burton**

Week December 04, 2013

Board 2013-2014

President: Michael Bell, Secretary: Ron Miller, Treasurer: Don Edwards

December 11, 2013 – Annual Christmas Dinner, Lambton G & C, 7.00 P.M.

Reporting: Ron Miller Pictures: Ron Miller & Peter Dusek

Annual General Meeting

Community Service Report – Hugh Williams:

Slate of Candidates for the 2013-14 Board of Directors:

The Nominating Committee, consisting of **Michael Bell, Andre Dugas, Ingrid McGaughey, Paul Roeser and Lynda Ryder** proposed the following slate of Director Candidates for 2013-2014; **President Mark Winson; Senior Director Frederik Martin; Vice President Hugh Williams; Director Donna Cansfield; President Elect Jack Fleming; Director Gregg Dobson; Past President Michael Bell; Director Gillian Dugas; Secretary Ron Miller; Director Ingrid McGaughey; Treasurer Don Edwards; and Director Kester Trim.** Secretary Ron now presented the proposed Slate of Directors to the membership for approval. Ron first asked if there any other nominations from the floor. None were received. Moved by Lynda Ryder and seconded by Brock Buchanan that the nominations be closed. The members were now asked to approve the Board of Directors for 2013-2014. The members voted unanimous in favour.



Hugh began by saying "CSC is becoming a committee of action!" with several Hands-On Etobicoke initiatives underway, planned and undertaken. For instance this Saturday, hundreds of wrapped presents will go to the Boys and Girls at Woodbine Banquet Hall, many of which were provided by the club. Last Saturday several club members, Rotaractors, and others packed thousands of food packages for the "Kids against Hunger" program. Our club website, Facebook page & the Hands-On Etobicoke Facebook page show many of the ways we are making a difference in the community.

CSC is also very committed to creating partnerships and relationships with the organizations we support with the club's money. Every proposal we receive includes a commitment and plan from the organization on how they can work with us, and we continue to ask that organizations receiving cheques do so at one of our meetings.

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It is particularly worthwhile to see how “far” our dollars are going, because most of the donations we make are small but highly significant. For example, our funding for the Anduhyaun First Nations Shelter makes a huge difference, because in many cases, ours is the only money they receive – whether it’s for children’s toys or shelter supplies.

Thank you must be extended to Gill Dugas and Theresa Sherwood for their leadership; and to Liz Read as well for making her home available for meetings.

The Microskills partnership is now underway and will be a core part of the club’s work going forward. This project will be “kicking off” with a formal announcement in the next couple of weeks, and the impact of our funding and partnership in supporting their move to a larger facility will be felt by the young people in the Dixon / Islington community for years to come.

Finally, as we’ve seen these past two years, it’s often the newest members of the club who make a big impact, and an example of that is Michael Lu and his “Lights On for Seniors” program which the club has helped finance in which his staff are volunteering to deliver gifts and their time to orphan seniors. Already we have heard a very moving story of joy from both the care-giver and the elderly client.

“Service Above Self” is truly embodied in the committee’s work.

International Service Report – Gill Dugas:



Gill noted the ISC is “proud to have recommended and received approval to fund the following International Projects since our 1st meeting in September 2013”.

Liberia School, Township of Nimba - Over 2 years ago we provided funding for a basic 10 room school building, and in September additional funding was approved for cement floors, school desks and benches, blackboards and doors. This is an important project that will hopefully encourage the placement of professional teachers for the 400 plus students who walk great distances to attend this school. Our Club is the only source of funding for this school in a part of the world that seldom come to anyone’s attention.

Rift Valley Water and sanitation Project for 4 schools in Kenya - Support funding for the Toronto Eglington Rotary Club for their Global Grant application for Complete Water and Sanitation Programs including latrines, water tanks, clean drinking water, and hand washing stations for 4 schools.

Canadian Friends of Aniquem (CAFA) - Association for Burned Children in Peru - A Peruvian charity operating a burn clinic in Lima, Peru assisting young people that have suffered severe burns and are often subjected to bullying, prejudice and isolation. The funding will provide bursaries and grants to help particularly needy CAFA clients continue their education.

Children of Hope, Uganda (Barlonyo Early Childhood Development Centre) - Last year funding was provided for school uniforms and books. This year’s funding provided material to make uniforms by mothers in the vocational centre for the additional children who have enrolled during the new school year, and for teaching materials and school supplies.

Nutritional Project Sri Lanka - Following the Club’s successful pilot nutrition program in partnership with the Rotary Club of Colombo Regency in Sri Lanka which provided high protein biscuits to 220 children less than 5 years of age (37% severely malnourished) and resulted in increased body weight in over 85% of the children, a new expanded

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program has been developed. ISC applied for a District grant of \$2,400 to support the expanded program. The new nutrition project will provide 467,640 biscuits to 650 children in 4 locations including Jaffna. The program has been expended to include a screening program for micro-nutrient deficiencies, supplying food supplement packages to 100 families in the greatest need, creation of standardized manual on nutrition awareness, etc. ISC's district grant has received support funding from the Belleville Rotary Club. The Colombo Regency RC and several other Sri Lankan Rotary Clubs have provided additional funding. They have also applied for their own district grant and will shortly apply for a global grant.

Ending Mother to Child Transmission of HIV in Malawi - The ISC provided funding to the Uxbridge Rotary Club in support of their global grant project to prevent the spread of HIV from mother to child in Malawi.

Melaga Vocational School (Mwanga, Kilimanjaro, Tanzania) – Funding was provided for the expansion of a female student dormitory at the Melaga Vocational School that targets secondary students who missed chances for higher education and lack skills to combat daily challenges. The school provides skills in mechanics, welding, tailoring, electrical installation, computer applications and secretariat, cooking, decorating, and driving. The dormitory will provide security, comfort and a better studying environment for female students by allowing them to avoid the risks facing them when they go home after classes.

AMORAK Society, Bangladesh – ISC provided funding to AMORAK to support their program for mothers and children in the slums of Bangladesh. The program enrolls mothers in AMORAK schools where they are taught to read and write (in their own language and English) then they go home and teach 5 children in their own home.

Water and Sanitation Project in Uganda – ISC provided funding to the Oakville Trafalgar Rotary Club, who in partnership with the Rotary Clubs of Kampala and Lira have applied for a global grant for

a Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Project in Alooi and Barlonyo in Northern Uganda.

School Libraries Development Project, Cape Town – ISC provided funding to the Waterfront Rotary Club of Cape Town with their School Libraries Development Project. The Waterfront Club will be continuing their earlier project to develop much needed libraries in schools in the Cape Town area. Waterfront is the club Bernadette Hunkeler Brown will be joining shortly.

Fistula Repair Project, Uganda – ISC provided funding for a project we are developing with RC Kampala South in support of a Fistula Repair Pilot Project in Uganda. There are over 200,000 women in Uganda living with obstetric fistula, one of the most serious injuries of childbirth. The project will be overseen by RC Kampala. Partnerships have been developed locally with Nakesero Hospital and with support from Deseret International and Hope Against Fistula Support Organizations, the project will provide free surgery to sufferers.

KIVA (\$10,000) – Small loans for women/families around the world – KIVA provides field partners around the world that vet, administer and disburse loans. Throughout the life of the loan ISC gets updates on the repayment of our loans. On January 1st ISC will distribute a new round of loans. ISC for several years has maintained a \$10,000 investment in KIVA that enables us to fund over 17 individuals to operate or start up small businesses each year. For 2013 the loans from (2 from Peru, 2 Rwanda, 2 Kenya, 2 Philippines, 2 Ecuador' and 1 each from Mali, Cambodia, Bolivia, Tanzania, Nicaragua, Ghana, and Mexico) have been fully reimbursed.

Philippines Typhoon Emergency Relief – Gill was pleased to say that the Club had donated \$2,500 to the emergency relief for the Philippines Typhoon Disaster. The funding was provided through 2 organizations, ShelterBox and GlobalMedics. Our donations were matched by the Canadian Government.

Magoanine Project (Update) - Gill also wanted to give an update on the Magoanine Project that

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everyone knows Nigel “spearheaded and canvassed for the funding”. While Nigel has now moved to Cape Town, SA, he is still a member of our Club. Nigel sent the following update along with greetings to the Club;

“The Magoanine School Water and Sanitation Project in Maputo, Mozambique, is in the final stages of paperwork preparation, prior to lodging a formal Application for a Global Grant. The pledges and donations to-day total approximately US\$100,000 but it is anticipated the cost of the project will have increased due to local inflation in the 18 months since the budget of \$121,210 was originally prepared. For that reason, a qualified engineer (a member of the Maputo Club) has been approached with a view to updating the cost. A new budget will be established with which to approach TRP for the remaining funds. It is hoped that Nigel and Frederik will submit the Application for a Global grant shortly.”

Gill would like to “add her thanks to the members of the ISC for their commitment and support to our own committee and to our club”. She added that “we will be spending the remaining funds in our budget in the New Year and I know we have some great projects on our agenda.”

Financial Statements – June 30, 2013 – Paul Roeser:



In the absence of Treasure Don Edward, Paul Roeser presented the Financial Statements for the period ending June 30, 2013.

Vocational Report – Jack Fleming:



This report will highlight the activities of the Committee in the 1st Half of our fiscal year (2013-2014).

First Jack wanted to acknowledge the members of the committee: Joe Bulger; John Campbell; Donna Cansfield; Jay Carey; Jeremy Carter; Ralph Chiodo; Kevin Crigger; Kevin Irani; Robert Lychenko; Karen McMillan; John Valvano; and Paul Roeser.

In addition, he would like to thank the following members who have expressed an interest in our activities and/or who had made a contribution to our efforts: Yvan Baker; Erlene Brown; Peter Dusek; Martina Ernst; Theresa Sherwood; Maati Lahroussi (Chair, Youth Service).

At the start of the year, the Committee determined the following priorities:

To make a deliberate effort to raise the profile of the Rotary At Work program within the business community in Etobicoke

To examine ways to support students, at the high school and college level, to better connect with the business community ... and ... to assist in job placement opportunities

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To consider periodic opportunities to offer meetings / seminars that would be of interest to the business community

As a result, we have entered into a number of interesting discussions with a variety of potential 'partners' and we are excited by the opportunities that we have to make a difference.

The following is a summary of our efforts to date:

Status Report re: "Rotary at Work":

The 'program: The focus is about 'the employment of the disabled' and how we can help the business community find ways to be more inclusive employers ... and ... more productive businesses

Club Meeting – Nov. 27th

We welcomed Mark Wafer & Joe Dale (members of the Whitby Rotary Club) to our meeting. They made a very effective presentation of the Rotary At Work program and we were fortunate to have 40 people in attendance, including a large number of interested guests.

Rotary at Work 'Event'

At this time, we are looking to February/March 2014. We would like to run a major event with a very special keynote speaker (LG David Onley). We are waiting for confirmation from his office. We have a number of 'partners' who are interested in making this a great opportunity to raise the visibility of the program.

Humber College:

Potential areas of involvement:

We are looking at the program that is run for Foreign Trained Professionals. This is a group of people that are skilled, but are challenged in finding meaningful employment opportunities.

The College has 2,200 'disabled students'. We will explore ways to assist in finding internships, co-op placements, and other job opportunities.

NOTE: The Youth Service committee has been heavily engaged with Humber College. Jack Fleming and Maati Lahroussi communicate regularly to

ensure we have a coordinated effort and to enhance the relationship.

We contributed to a Speed Networking event run by the Business School to assist in job placement activities of the students.

Partnership possibilities:

The College is excited about the Rotary At Work program and has offered their support, both financially and through resources, to support our efforts.

Scarlett Heights Entrepreneurial Academy:

SHEA is a unique school within our community that is focused on developing the 'entrepreneurial spirit' within high school students. We want to look for ways to support their efforts as it relates to fostering productive efforts in the Etobicoke business community.

Business Conference for Gr. 7 & 8 students:

On November 28th, three Club members (Lynda Ryder, John Campbell and Jack Fleming) participated as workshop leaders at the annual SHEA conference:

Winter Wonderland – Mentoring Project:

We have assembled a team of six Club members to serve as 'mentors' to 34 students as they build out 'business plans' and prepare to operate businesses in a special event on December 17th. Etobicoke Guardian will provide coverage.

SHEA staff will evaluate the students and select top performers. Those students will be invited to a Club meeting in January and will be recognized for their achievement.

NOTE: This effort is being considered a 'pilot' effort. We will learn from it and will use the experience to consider future support activities from our Club.

Central Etobicoke High School:

CEHS is a school focused on 'special needs students'. While this is an environment that deals with a broad range of issues and challenges, we have engaged in a very constructive dialogue with their leadership. Beyond possible funding support from our Club, we are looking for possible areas where we can support. The placement of students into 'intern experiences' and other 'job experience' situations is part of our focus with CEHS.

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Other Areas of Involvement:

We have connected with several 'business networking organizations'.

There may be activities that can be of interest and mutual benefit.

We will explore the possibility of conducting a survey with these groups. From that, we may be able to determine subject matter and topics that need attention ... and ... explore how we can provide meetings/events to explore those topics.

Youth Services – Greg Dobson:



Chair Maati Lahroussi was unable to attend the AGM so in his absence, Greg Dobson delivered Maati's Youth Services report.

Maati wanted to thank his committee team members for their support and also wanted to extend appreciation to Michael, Jack, Don, Hugh, Ron, Gill, Andre and Ingrid for their "partnership and support".

YS's objective "is to undertake initiatives that are economical and can be implemented in partnership with local organizations. This allows us to prompt the brand of Rotary Club and spread word about the good work that our club does in the community.

Some of the YS accomplishments;

Organized Enhancing the Self-Esteem of Youth through Green Spaces in partnership with Home

Depot, Humber college, the Humber Arboretum, MicroSkills, 23 Division TPS, and Rexdale community Hub

Organized anti-bullying conversations with Le Centre ontarien de prévention des agressions (COPA) and École élémentaire Félix-Leclerc on October 24th

Set up a scholarship for Humber College students

Initiated and organized an education project for youth residing at Youth Without Shelter

Sponsored 2 students from the York University Rotaract Club to attend the District conference

Established a line of communication with Rotaract and increased their participation in the Club's Big Ideas Forum.

In support of the Rotaract member's development as future business leader, Shams Umar, VP of Sales, JP Morgan was secured to lecture the students on the benefits of commercial cars as a method of payment for businesses.

Received an award from United Way, City of Toronto, and Rexdale Community Hub as recognition of our support of the Rexdale Community Hub.

Attended a number of meetings at Humber in the support of Rotary at Work in partnership with Jack Fleming.

In progress;

Mentoring Program – Stephen Mbonye and Maati have agreed on a mentoring template that will be used by a mentor to monitor the progress of a mentee

The YS committee has approved the request for funding (\$750) of the Empowering Youth and their Families to Make Smart Financial Decisions project in conjunction with the Rexdale Community Hub

Approved the request to allocate \$1,500 to set up 3 \$500 wards for Humber students with disabilities. \$1,000 has already been approved by the Board and the remaining \$500 will be presented to the Board for their approval on December 9th.

The committee will seek Board approval for the club to participate in the setup of a technology camp in the summer of 2014 at a cost of \$1,000

Working with a legal firm to assist them on their objective to incorporate people with disabilities in their workforce.

Working on an opportunity to start a Rotaract at Humber College.

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Membership – Michael Bell:

In the absence of Alex Woda, Michael Bell gave the membership report.

Michael was pleased to say that last year we had 16 new members and so far this year we have had 13 more new members. Michael said this is “fabulous” and not only are we getting new members, but we are getting “quality” new members who are “stepping up” and getting truly involved in the Club. Our 5 newest members are scheduled to be inducted at our Christmas Party on December 7th.

Club Administration



SWOT Analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) – A SWOT Analysis was performed at a Club meeting and the results sent to all Board members for discussion. The results will assist club development committee goals to help achieve the club’s annual goals. Some of our strengths: Ribfest; Hands on Etobicoke. Some Weaknesses: getting volunteers for Ribfest; member retention; hard to get to know members. Some Opportunities: more “interactive” meetings with the membership; more fellowship/social events; more information meetings on Ribfest. Some Threats: leadership succession; lack of awareness of social media by many of our members (need training). Lynda added that our fellowship/social events such as the Lakeshore Santa Claus Parade, our Christmas Party, our BIF evening meetings, and participation in

our Hands On Etobicoke events are a good way for members to get to know each other. She also noted that Theresa Sherwood and Erlene Brown are working on a “mentoring” plan that will try to address the member retention problem.

60 Minute Meetings – Lynda thinks that the “60 minute” meeting that President Michael has implemented has been a good idea. Lynda also noted that attendance at our luncheon meetings is up and our BIF meetings are also well attended.

Hands On Etobicoke – Theresa Sherwood:



Theresa had a poster showing all of the projects HOE had been involved in so far this year;

- The Salvation Army Etobicoke Temple’s Toy Drive to help unpack and set up toys on first day December 9 and to help to fill morning and afternoon shifts (December 10 to 20) to meet and greet and assist parents to select toys.
- Kids against Hunger “fighting hunger project at the Salvation Army Etobicoke Temple
- Purchase and wrap over 100 toys for Boys and Girls of the Albion Neighbourhood Services Club.
- Purchase and wrap 28 toys for children living in women’s shelters
- Purchase 50 Santa Sacs containing 3 ft Christmas tree and decorations and 50 Goodie Bags containing gifts “Lights on for Seniors” program.

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- Purchase and delivery of household, personal clothing and kitchen items to Anduhyaun First Nations Women's Shelter and Nekenaan Shelter.
- Purchase and wrap Halloween Goodie Bags (and Halloween costumes) and delivery for 80 children living in women's shelters – Anduhyaun, Nekenaan, Women's Habitat and Ernesteins.
- Purchased and filled Backpacks with school supplies for children in Albion Neighbourhood Services, Anduhyaun and Nekenaan First Nations Shelter, Backpacks 101
- Purchased and delivered Snack bins for David Hornell School for the breakfast/lunch program
- Mother's Day muffins for 50 ladies at women's shelters
- Painting bedroom at YWS (3 bedroom accommodation in Emergency Section)
- Cooked two large lasagnas, 80 sandwiches and 240 cookies for Light Patrol to hand out to their youth at risk clients – delivered to their Don Mills building.
- 8 club members shopped for ingredients, cooked and served meal for 50 plus youth at YWS
- Provided groceries and helped prepare food for St. Margaret's Youth Outreach Group to engage youth.
- Purchased 600 plus pairs of socks for Light Patrol to distribute to street involved youth
- Purchased and wrapped 5 baskets of household and personal items for Basketeers to give to women starting a new life after escaping abuse.
- Funded chickens and club team volunteered at Rexdale HUB's Thanksgiving Community lunch for 400 community folks

New Projects

- February -Cooking evening meal for St. Margaret's Community and 30 homeless men in their Out of the Cold program.
- Jan/Feb Providing hats, scarves and gloves for OOTC men at St. Margaret's

- March and April Providing two lunches for St. Matthew's Out of the Cold Program
- February - Painting Project at Youth Without Shelter
- February - Providing baked goods and assisting at Bake Sale to raise funds for Central Etobicoke School
- More to Come

Ribfest Report – Michael Bell:

Successes:

- One of our best and most pleasing visible successes is the Ribfest slide presentation (that was being shown at today's AGM) photographed and compiled by club member Peter Dusek.
- FEO (Festivals & Events Ontario) has named our Ribfest in the top 100 festivals in Ontario for the 2nd year in a row.
- The Entrance donation program brought in \$131,000 (shared 50/50 with the Toronto Rotary Club)
- We had a new record Media outreach of over 45,000,000 tier one impressions
- Beverage sales almost tied our previous best year
- Entertainment with 2 stages and 2 video screens
- The Rotary pavilion in Michael's opinion was the best ever display
- Waste collection during and morning cleanup best in years
- After Ribfest cleanup basically completed in one day (shortest ever)
- Hydro infrastructure rebuild completed and worked efficiently
- Club member Judge Karen McMillan presides over citizenship ceremony.

Challenges

- TDSB charges for Hollycrest field and parking supervision
- Effective recycling zone staffing
- Policing costs at Ribfest
- Sufficient qualified volunteers (smart serve for beer tents)

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- City Parks & Rec. Increased requirements and downloads
- Entrance and exit (bottlenecks) at peak times during Ribfest.

Hugh Williams added that our "3 year investment" has ended. The electrical system has been rebuilt; the entrance structures have been completed; etc. These extra expenses have now been completed and we should now be able to "move forward at a lower cost". We have also been able to rent out our entrance structure to other groups. The first "kickoff" meeting for Ribfest 2014 will be on January 8th at Illumineer.

Birthdays This Week



Peter Dusek - December 03

Liz Read - December 06

Yvon Baker - December 08

Happy Birthday to on your happy day...



**Cheque presentation to Arts Etobicoke
\$5,000.00**

Secretary's Announcements



Wednesday, December 11th - Christmas Party - Lambton G&CC - \$60 - Contact Lynda Ryder or Ron Miller if you are planning to attend.



Visitors & Guests

Visiting Rotarian

- **PDG Doug Byers** - Rotary Club of Whitby Sunrise
- **Joe Dale** - Rotary Club of Whitby Sunrise

Guests

- **Exilus Previlon** - Potential new member

Attendance:

Members -27
Guests -03
Total - 30

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HAPPY BUCKS

Frederik Martin – Frederik was happy to be back. He thinks it has been about 6 months since he has had a chance to be at a meeting. He was also happy to say that he was talking with **Nigel Brown in Cape Town (via Skype)**. **Nigel & Bernadette** sends their “good wishes” to the Club. Nigel noted that Bernadette has been accepted to join the Waterfront Rotary Club in Cape Town and that he will be remaining a member of our Club until at least the end of the Rotary year so that he can continue working on the Magoanine Project. Nigel has been in contact with Marie Louisa at the Maputo Rotary Club in Mozambique and that he was hoping for some good news soon.

Russ Morreale – Russ was happy to say that as a Past President he was “delighted” that his close friend and colleague Mark Winson will become the Club President next year. He says he knows he will have a great year.

Linda Ryder – Lynda was “so happy” to see Bob Maxwell here today. She said Bob has had a “tough time” lately and that he is “among friends”.

Gill Dugas – Gill was happy to thank the Club for supporting the “Kids against Hunger” project last Saturday. She says everyone that came worked very hard and that they packed over 14,300 food packets. Along with a group of our members who volunteered were members of the York University Rotaract Club and local Air Cadets. It was “a lot of fun”. She added that they were also able to distribute the 66 boxes of food packets to 4 of our food initiative partners who supported the club at Ribfest. She also noted that a shipment was also made to the Philippines Relief and to Haiti. Gill was also happy that the “Santa Sacks” had been delivered to 60 seniors that had been identified by

Michael Lu’s “Lights on for Seniors” program and that “goodie bags” had been made up for the scheduled “follow-up” visits. Gill said bags things like chocolates, shortbread cookies, etc and some “toiletry” gifts for women and men. Gill also wanted to thank Kester Trim for being such a “supportive host” at Saturday’s Kids against Hunger food packing at his Salvation Army Temple on Kipling. She also wanted to remind everyone that Kester and his wife Kathryn are looking for volunteers to help with their toy distribution at the Temple. Gill is getting a group together for a full day (December 9th) to unpacking the goods, categorizing them by ages on the table. They are also looking for volunteers to help distribute the toys December 10th to 20th (not Saturday or Sunday). Contact Gill for information.

Michael Lu – Michael was happy that the Club has supported his “Lights on for Seniors” program with the gift baskets. He the program has made a “big impact” on the seniors that his volunteers visited. He wanted to share an email from one of his volunteers;

“Hi Michael,

Since I'm here I will tell you how the referral client went on Wednesday. By far the most emotional day I have experienced in my PSW career to date! I brought my son Alex along with me since he had an appointment right before I met with him. As I sat and got to know Mr. P, Alex set up and decorated his tree. Mr. P is a wonderful man and was so very thankful for the service we are providing. He told me his life story and he began to cry. He just kept looking at Alex and was so happy he was there. He said all he ever wanted in life was to have children, which never happened. We got teary eyed. I got to know him a little bit and things he liked to do and such. Towards the end of our visit I promised to have coffee and lunch with him, as he said he would love to do so at our next visit.

Michael...Thank you for asking me to be a part of this project. It really means a lot to me to be a part of these people's lives and see the happiness when I explain why we are there. It has truly touched my

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heart in a way I thought wasn't left possible. I look forward to more visits and more smiles.

Thanks

Elizabeth"

Michael added that there are still a "lot of lonely seniors out there. He noted that he put an ad in the local newspaper but only got one response which indicates to him that "traditional media" doesn't reach these seniors. He relies on referrals from the community. He suggests telling your friends, family, and associates that if they know of seniors that are lonely and in need to contact him.

Michael Bell – Michael was happy give a "special thanks' to Gill, Theresa and their "Hands on Etobicoke" committee for "what they have done this year".

Brock Buchanan – Brock was happy that our Club donated \$3,000 to support a vocational training program in Tanzania. He said the program is aimed at youths between 15 and 22 however there is a high proportion of boys and not many girls because there is no accommodation for girls. Our contribution will help admit 27 girls by putting up a dormitory. The project is being monitored by the Rotary Club of Moshi – Kilimanjaro. Brock is going to Africa shortly and will monitor the progress. Brock added that he will be in Tanzania and Kenya and that if anyone had ideas for projects there to let him know and he will find out if they are viable or not while he is there

Dates to Remember

Annual Christmas Party – December 11, 2013. 7.00

P.M. Venue: Lambton Golf & Country Club. Cost

\$60.00. Contact Ron Miller or Lynda Ryder.

