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Rotary Club of Etobicoke

District Governor: **Valarie Wafer**

RI President: **Ron D. Burton**

Week October 02, 2013

Board 2013-2014

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

Speaker: October 09, 2013 – Capt. (Hon.) Mark McQueen Royal Canadian Navy – The New Canadian Navy

Reporting & Pictures; Ron Miller

SWOT Session – Lynda Ryder

Erlene Brown was unable to attend today to do her Classification Talk. In her place, Lynda Ryder held an impromptu SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis session with the members. Lynda says she has conducted many of these sessions and it is a good way to find out “what we are doing right; what we are doing wrong; what needs to be done; and what needs to be improved”. Lynda would like to have these sessions on a regular basis as she feels strongly that we need to talk to members to see “where we have been and where we are going to”. Lynda asked members to complete a short questionnaire she supplied on what are the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of our Club. She said she will compile the data and present it to the Club at a later date. This was only a short session, but Lynda would like to have more organized sessions in the future.

RIP Helene Maxwell wife of Bob Maxwell

HELENE MAXWELL Suddenly on Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at Trillium Health Centre in Mississauga. Beloved wife of Robert for 54 years. Loving mother of Jamie. Dear grandmother of Brandon. Predeceased by her brother Donald Smith. Dear sister-in-law of Lorraine Smith, June Lindsey, Bill Lindsey and she will be fondly remembered by their families. Helene was a volunteer with Dorothy Ley Hospice for many years. Friends will be received

at the Ward Funeral Home, 2035 Weston Rd. (north of Lawrence Ave.), Weston, on Sunday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. A service will be held in the chapel on Monday, October 7, 2013 at 3 o'clock. Cremation to follow. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the charity of your choice would be greatly appreciated. Please visit our Book of Memories at www.wardfuneralhome.com

Inducting New Member – Jay Douglas



President Michael inducted Jay Douglas as a new member in the Club. Ron Miller presented Jay with his Membership Card, Club ID badge and his New Member Information package. Past President Hugh presented Jay with his Rotary pin. Jay said that he was “deeply honoured” to be a member of our Club.

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Vocational Minute

October is "Vocational Services" Month. Vocational Services Director Jack Fleming announced that there will be a "Vocational Services Minute" at all of the 3 luncheon meetings this month. Today, Jack wanted to mention some of the initiatives the committee has been involved in. Jack says he has made a "connection" with the Humber College Business School and that he is also liaising with Matti Lahroussi who has also had connections with Humber with Youth Services. Jack wanted to mention that Humber was having a "Speed Networking Event" on October 30th (6 to 8 PM) at the College's North Campus. This event has the following "Benefits to Employers";

- Network with other industry experts and broaden your personal and professional networks
- Market your company and promote your brand on campus
- Help students' career decision-making by sharing your own expertise and experience
- Advertise job, volunteer opportunities and events within your business at no charge
- Collaborate with placement advisors to recruit future intern students
- Give back to the community of emerging professionals

Jack would like to encourage members to attend (registration ends Oct 21st) and for members to forward the information to their friends who run businesses in Etobicoke.

Jack also noted that with Matti's help, he would like to "open communication about a possible Rotaract at Humber. Jack says he has a meeting with Humber's VP of Community Service for Students on October 16th.

Visitors & Guests



Visiting Rotarian

➤ **Faizal and Caroline Al Sayegh** - Rotary Club of Dubai, UAE

Guests

➤ **Exilus Previlon** - Potential New Member
➤ **Keith Theodore** - Potential New member

Attendance:

Members -15
Guests -4
Total - 19



50/50 Draw

Andre Dugas - 6 of Clubs. So the Pots grows....



HAPPY BUCKS

Lynda Ryder - Lynda said that "she was not necessarily happy" but wanted to share some information. Lynda went to a meeting on Monday regarding the new Mimico Internment Centre (new word for Jail) that is opening up on Horner Avenue. They will have 1620 beds for inmates of which; 17% in addition related offences; 25% with mental health issues; and 30% of regular inmates. Lynda thinks that this could "become a huge burden on the community" as they release around 200 inmates every week of which 70% are homeless.

Ingrid McGaughey - Ingrid was happy to say that with Jack Fleming's help (as one of the coach's) her son's baseball team was #1 in the championship in the Royal York Baseball league. She said that it

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had been a “long road” for her son who has suffered from a “degenerative hip disease” but has now been chosen to play “select baseball”.

Ralph Chiodo – Ralph was happy to be here today and wanted everyone to “spend a couple hours and pray for snow”.

Andre Dugas – Andre was happy to say that Gillian had received some statistics on the “nutri biscuits” project the Club is involved with in Sri Lanka. They have had an 85% success rate over 3 months to increase the weights of children under 5 years old. With this success they hope is to expand the program to other parts of Sri Lanka especially in the North. This is being co-ordinated by the Rotary Club of Colombo Regency. Andre says he is “very proud of Gillian”.

Jim Woodside – Jim said that some time ago his son had met a girl “who was not such a good person” and caused him to become “almost bankrupt”. Jim was now happy to say that his son (who is a Rotarian in Havelock) is now “out of debt” and has just bought a “newer” car instead of the “clunker” he had been driving. He is “now making money and not “just keeping his head above water”.

2013 District 7070 Conference (“Into the Future”)

October 25, 26 & 27 – Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville,

ON – contact Ron Miller for information or visit the conference website at <http://www.intothefuture.ca/>

October 24th – World Polio Day:

President Michael announced that Thursday, October 24th is World Polio Day. To mark the day, Rotarians in the GTA are going to man all of the GO stations on Thursday morning from 6:30 AM until 8:30 AM passing out information on the Rotary Polio eradication program. The Rotary Club of Etobicoke has been asked to man the Mimico GO station. Michael is looking for volunteers to help out. Please contact Michael if you help out. As well on the 24th there will be a “flag-raising” to celebrate World Polio Day at Toronto City Hall at 10 AM. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Dates to Remember

**Board of Directors Meeting – October 10, 2013,
6.00 p.m. – Venue Michael Bell's Residence.**

Contact Ron Miller