



Rotary Club of Etobicoke

District Governor: Valarie Wafer

RI President: Ron D. Burton

Week September 11, 2013

Board 2013-2014

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

September 18, 2013 – Big Ideas Forum "The Cost of Poverty", Crooked Cue – 7.00 P.M.

Reporting & Pictures; Ron Miller

Today's Speaker – Peter Dusak Photographer "Toronto Ribfest from behind the lens"

President Michael asked Ingrid McGaughey to introduce Peter. Ingrid noted that she and Peter were "childhood friends" and that she has known him since they were 7 or 8. They were very close growing up. She added that Peter was married "in this very building" (the Old Mill). Ingrid said that about a month and a half before Ribfest, the photographer that was going to do the pictures at Ribfest realized that she was unable to do the job. Ingrid said "she pulled some strings" and offered the job to Peter. On short notice, Peter agreed. What a great choice. It turned out Peter's pictures were "beautiful". He captured events, people "one on one", the "character" of event, etc. Ingrid said Peter surprised us all by how dedicated he was to the project and how much "he loved to take pictures that embraced the spirit of Ribfest". Peter was at Ribfest almost non-stop from the set-up days through the Thursday evening concert and the 4 days of Ribfest. He spent "hours and hours" on site (10 to 11 hours a day) then went home and spent 3 to 4 hours downloading his "exciting" pictures. Ingrid said that he was here today to show "a tiny piece of his work".

Peter began by saying that being at Ribfest was a great opportunity for him and that we have a great event. He said Ribfest was "new to him" and did not realize that it was such a "large scale event". He was

hoping to look at Ribfest with "fresh eyes" and try to "capture the essence of what the event was and people involved". He said after spending all the time there every day he would go home and spend hours downloading the pictures so that he could send them out right away. It was "a lot of work, but worth it". He said he will "remember this for the rest of his life" and that he "feels great for doing it".

Everyone attending Peter's presentation today thought his pictures were spectacular. Here are a few examples.

The Ribfest site (before and after set-up)



Website: www.rotaryetobicoke.org



"Jack and Rhena"



The "Boss"







We start them young in Rotary

The Citizenship Ceremony





Donna Cansfield & Judge Karen helping cut the cake



Canada Day Fireworks



The Midway at Night







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"That's All Folks"



Peter said that he took pictures from many vantage points including from top of ski hill, on the midway Ferris wheel; from the balcony of the chalet and just walking through the crowds. He managed to catch the "character" of just about everyone and everything that is the Toronto Ribfest from the crowds, the volunteers, the Ribfest staff, the ribbers, the vendors, and the performers, and of course the food.

Past President Hugh thanked Peter for his "fantastic" presentation. Hugh said that everywhere he looked at Ribfest he would see Peter busily taking pictures. His pictures not only capture the "magic of Ribfest" but showed "his great passion for taking great pictures".

Annual membership Dues Rotary Year 2013 -14

The Annaul membership dues are payable and \$250.00 This will increase to \$270.00 if not paid before **September 15, 2013**.



Visitors & Guests

Visiting Rotarian

Alice Otupiri - Rotary Club of Nepean-Kanata

Guests

- Jo-Ann Bell Guest of Michael Bell
- **Rhena Fleming** Guest of Jack Fleming
- **\$usan Stechly** Guest of Paul Roeser
- Libby Handler- Guest of Ingrid McGaughey
- **Keith Theodore** Guest of John Campbell
- Jay Douglas will officially be a new member on Monday, Sept. 16th
- Weiting Xu President York U
- Anmol Mirpuri York U Rotaract
- **↓ Thomas Jasiolek**
- Peter Dusek − Photographer − speaker

Attendance:

Members – 16 Guests -10 Total - 26



50/50 Draw

Brock Buchanan - 10 of Spades. So the Pots grows....



HAPPY BUCKS

Florian Hammerbacher – Florian noted that "he would become happy" if he gets more volunteers to help with bag-packing this Saturday at the No Frills (Rathburn & Renforth) from 2 to 5 PM. He still needs a few people to help out. This is a fun event that raises money for PolioPlus and the International Services Committee (50/50). Please join us on Saturday even if you can only spend an hour or two.

Paul Roeser – Paul was happy to have Susan Stechly as a guest today. Susan is one of the owners of Applied Electronics. It was her idea 5 years ago to bring the staff to the opening day of Ribfest and has been doing it ever since. Paul wanted to thank Susan by treating her to lunch today.

John Campbell – John wanted to let Florian know that he wouldn't be able to help out at bagpacking on Saturday, but was happy to say that he was flying out on Friday to Beijing. His daughter is teaching English in Shaoxing in Northeastern China.

Hugh Williams – Hugh was happy to say that next Wednesday they will be showing their house which will be going up for sale this Monday. However, he said that he was sad that because of this he will miss the BIF (Big Ideas Forum) next Wednesday. He was also happy (excited) that our speaker at the October 16th BIF will be Matt Anderson who Hugh says is "one of the senior health leaders in Canada and will be speaking on the "role of hospitals in the community". Matt is the CEO of the Etobicoke General Hospital – William Osler Health Centre.

Michael Bell – Michael noted that he was also going to miss next Wednesday's BIF but was happy to say he will be in Philadelphia as part of his District Governor training.

Ingrid McGaughey – Ingrid was happy about "the great turnout" at today's luncheon. She was also happy that Peter Dusek, our photographer from Ribfest was here today to share his "awesome" photos that will help us "relive Ribfest". She was also happy that her guest Libby was here today. She was also happy that our two Rotaractors from York University finally made it today as they were held up in traffic getting here.



Dates to Remember

Past Presidents Meeting – September 23, 2013, 7.00 p.m. – Venue Michael Bell's Residence. Host: Imm. Past President Hugh Williams

Rotaract Club of York University General Members

Meeting – September 26, 2013 6.00 p.m. Venue

York University Keele Campus. Contact President

Weiting Xu at yorku@gmail.com

5Th Annual Toronto International Microfinance Summit – October 5, 2013 8.00 am – 5.00 pm. Venue: Allstream Center, 105 Princes Blvd, Exhibition Place, Toronto. For Information and tickets visit www.microfinanceconference.ca.

District 7070 Foundation Walk – October 06, 2013

9.30 a.m. Walk The Rebel Heartland, Newmarket
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