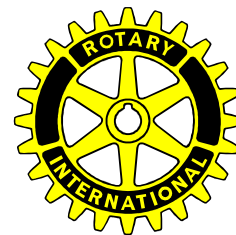


The Beacon News



The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of April 15, 2013

Club Assembly

CALL TO ORDER

6:00 p.m. President Kelly called the meeting to order with our customary Rotary grace and toast to the Queen.



It was pizza and salad night and, with Rotarians Bree and Avril readying the serving table, Rotarians helped themselves.

Inukshuk Stress Award

President Kelly presented the prestigious stress award to Rotarian Jamieson for organizing dinner this evening.

Introduction of Head table.

Needing no introduction, Rotarians Jamieson Ross and Jan Boycott, our speakers for this evening, joined President Kelly at head table.

GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

No guests other than our own exchange student, Niccole Eriksen.

ROTARY MINUTE

Sergeant-at-Arms Bill commented on the Rotary International website. One can register for weekly updates on a number of topics. The Rotarian magazine reported that Canadian Rotarians feel fortunate, for the most part for being born in Canada. RI President Tanaka's words were inspiring – how the devastating earthquake and tsunami, and the loss of some \$300 billion with half a million people losing everything, made him realize how much he is like the people that Rotary helps.



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Ken provided his report: Correspondence from St. Mary's School in Port Hope asking if we would support one of their grads. A pamphlet from the Alzheimer Society was very informative. The Legion is trying to track down our payment for the two Remembrance Day wreaths.



A card was received from the family of former Rotarian, Jim Adamson. Secretary's March 18 meeting agenda might have an error (no fine please). Rotarians Roger and Paul will be co-treasurers for the remainder of the year – Rotarian Roger assumes the role next year. The Philips Fund is now generating income. President Kelly is not available May 27 – something about a wedding, or honeymoon. Board agreed to

leave it to members what to discuss this evening.

DESSERT REPORTS

Past DG Bob reported that the Vocational Training team arrives on Saturday (April 20) and we still need host families. Contact PDG Bob if you can provide bed and breakfast for a few days.



Rotarian Roger reminded Rotarians to get their tickets for the Surf and Turf Dinner (Saturday, May 18). So far, a total of 146 tickets are out – Rotarian George has sold 39 of them. May 6 will be the last day for tickets, so that food can be ordered. Posters are available.



Rotarian Susan reported that the Glitz & Glam Fashion show is being held on May 1 (6 p.m. at the Carlyle) and that proceeds go to Northumberland

Parkinson's Society. Tickets are available at Susan Dewhurt and Ken Bell.



Rotarian Ted Harp announced that Seussical Jr., a musical on Dr. Seuss, is being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Port Hope and will be held in late August at the Capitol Theatre. The play helps develop local talent (includes 10 local aspiring performers) and is a fundraiser for us. There are 320 tickets available; price is \$20 for adults and \$12 for children. An additional 60 tickets will be given away to those unable to afford them. Our club's cost is \$1,000 – the plan is for each Rotarian to sell 10 tickets.



Rotarian Bruce reminded Rotarians of the Trump AIDS Poker Walk in Belleville on April 27. President Kelly and Rotarian Bruce are looking for two more to join their team. All others are invited to pledge a donation.

HAPPY BUCKS

Jamieson Ross – happy the food worked out OK.

President Kelly – happy about her upcoming wedding May 25. Also happy to have just gotten back on the red-eye from Sonoma CA – fun, for a business trip.

Bruce Coleman – happy about his birthday . . . considering the alternative.



Paul Tait – happy to go to his granddaughter's dance competition, where she danced solo and won gold.



John Mowat – happy to have finished his weekend to-do list . . . today.



Jim Gilmer – happy to have been bumped up to first class on his return flight from Ireland – it's the best.



Dianne Pendock – happy the Northumberland Hills Music Festival was such a success – all 33 kids were great; one six-year-old was ready to play violin non-stop.



Ben Currelly – happy about his birthday and for the great vacation month down south.

Bud Lynch – happy to provide a joke: granddad joined what he thought was the parachute club; it wasn't "parachute"; he signed up for five jumps.

George Harvey – happy about yet another of Sergeant-at-Arms Bill's ties – this is one even he might wear; also happy that the Capitol Theatre gala raised \$62,000.



Rolly Dalla Rosa – “devastated” that his birthday was not mentioned tonight.



PROGRAM

Introduction of Guest Speaker

President Kelly introduced Rotarians Jamieson and Jan, who are presenting on behalf of the Meeting Format Review Committee.



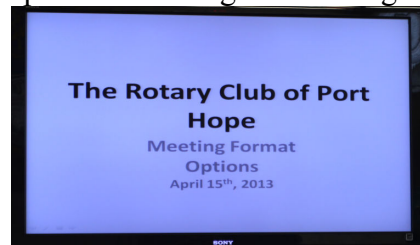
Program

Rotarian Jamieson started his PowerPoint by reviewing the goals: to retain current members; increase membership; attract young professionals; and offer more community outreach projects. He reviewed the club survey results: general

dissatisfaction with meal quality; satisfaction with current meal price; meetings are too long; a desire to do more community outreach programs; and we shouldn't have speakers simply for the sake of having speakers.



Based on the club's response from the last format presentation, the format review committee recommended that there be a trial run of the “Twilight” format from May until June of this year. The only difference between our current “Dinner” format and the proposed “Twilight” format is the exclusion of both a meal and speaker at the regular meetings.



For Twilight “regular” meetings the cost would be \$5. Meetings would start at 5:30 p.m., followed by Rotary grace, news, updates, a Rotary minute, happy bucks, upcoming events, announcements, etc. At about 6 p.m. there could be committee breakout sessions or short re-classification talks. We would regroup for other Rotary business and adjourn about 6:30 p.m. Rotarians may then leave for home or other commitments.

Alternatively, Rotarians may stay and enjoy fellowship, a second drink or a meal with their Rotarian friends at either the meeting location or at one of Port Hope's many other dining venues.

For Twilight "special" meetings, usually spouse/partner evening events, they would be held at a nice restaurant and cost would be in the \$30-\$50 range. They could be held on a Monday or other night of the week, possibly every 4-6 weeks. The meetings could begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. and include relevant and interesting speakers, formal presentations and fellowship.



Jamieson reported that the committee had surveyed local restaurants, but none were interested in hosting a club with the Twilight format. The committee felt that a bar with a large separate room could work. They approached the Beamish

House who offered to close off the front rooms for us at no cost. The Beamish can seat almost 35 comfortably and has a kitchen for those who wish to stay for a meal. The committee likes this location.

The committee presented a second option. We could continue to meet at the current location, but without a meal. Cost would be \$7-\$10 per person. There would be no "on-demand" kitchen service for those who would like to stay for dinner.

Rotarian Jan facilitated the discussion that followed and after many good comments, the club voted in favour of a Twilight format trial, for a two-month period, starting May 6, at 5:30 p.m. at the Beamish. Moved and seconded by Rotarians Susan and Bruce, respectively.

Thanking the Guest Speaker

President Kelly thanked Rotarians Jamieson and Jan and the committee for their hard work.

Reminder

Past DG Bob reminded Rotarians that next week is spouse night and the Vocational

Training Team from Japan will be presenting.

50/50 DRAW

No draw this week.

CLOSING

Singing of O'Canada.

SCRIBE AT WORK

No picture, but Aldo wrote the script!

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday, May 1, 2013, Rotary Fashion Show, Carlyle Inn & Bistro. Dinner & Show 6pm, Tickets \$50 each at Susan Dewhurst Fashions.

Proceeds to support Northumberland Parkinson's Foundation

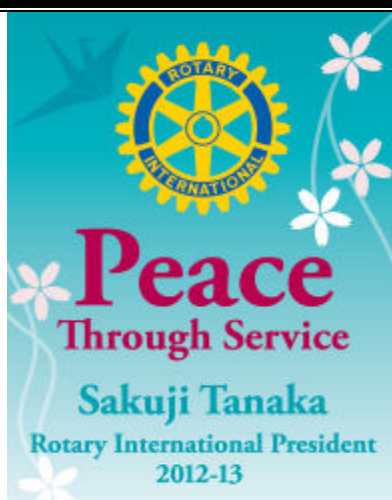
Saturday, May 18, 2013, Surf & Turf Dinner & Auction

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Scribe	Editor
Apr 22	Vocational Training Team - Japan	K of C	Jan B, Ron T	Ted H	Ted R
Apr 29	David Lishman – Environmental Cruises	K of C	Bill L, Roger I	Bree N	Ted R
May 06	TBA	K of C	Ted H, Bruce C	Rolly D	Ted R
May 13	TBA	K of C	Dianne P, Cleve P	John M	Ted R
May 22	Victoria Day – No Meeting				
May 27	TBA	K of C	Bob W, Jim G	Aldo D	Ted R
Jun 03	TBA	K of C	Linda T, John M	Ted H	Ted R

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