

Today's Program

Christian Jaehn-Kreibaum

Host

Robert O'Brien, *our official club historian*

Topic

The Berlin Wall

Location

National Club, 303 Bay St.



Christian was born in 1960 in West Berlin and grew up in Germany in a country divided. He was one-year-old when the Berlin Wall was built.

After boarding school, he studied architecture and business administration to

prepare to take over the family business, but he changed his mind to pursue a career in financial planning after an emotional event in the family.

In 1999, he moved to Canada and started to work as a Financial Advisor for an Insurance Broker in Trenton. Eventually he opened his own financial planning practice specializing in safe retirement income strategies.

His biggest challenge came in 2007 when his eldest daughter Kate at age 14 was diagnosed with Rheumatoid Arthritis and was put on 7 different drugs to manage the pain and swelling of her joints.

He went on a mission to find better treatment away from side-effects of these drugs.

After years of searching he found a Naturopathic Doctor who helped Kate to reduce the medications and regaining a fun filled and pain free life.

This experience made him become very passionate about living a healthy lifestyle and even organized educational public presentations for better health.

Celebrate 100 years of The Rotary Foundation at the 2017 District Foundation Walk

You are invited to the District 7070 Rotary Foundation Walk. We welcome you to bring friends and family to this event. You can even bring your dog along.

Date: Sep 10, 2017

Fee: No fee - it's FREE (but please collect pledges for Rotary Foundation)

Location: Heydenshore Pavilion
589 Water Street
Whitby, ON Canada
L1N 0C1
View Map here (<https://goo.gl/FuXJY8>)

Details: Join fellow Rotarians with friends and family for the annual District 7070 walk in support of The Rotary Foundation. Enjoy a leisurely walk along the beautiful waterfront trail in Whitby. The walk will feature live music, local craft beer, prizes and trivia. Dogs welcome. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served. It's a day of awesome fun for the whole family.

Registration starts at 8:30 am

The walk starts at 10:00 am

Lunch and fellowship at 12:00 pm

Please contribute by signing a pledge form on the table or calling the Rotary office. The club will then submit one cheque to the Rotary Foundation (Canada) who will issue the tax receipts.

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Michael Westlake, only son of Brian and Joyce Westlake, on August 1st. Private funeral service was held Thursday, August 10th at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church. He rests next to his brother Andrew in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The obituary was published in the Globe and Mail and the Toronto Star on Saturday, August 12.

The family wish to spend quiet time at the cottage until after Labour Day. Should you desire, donations may be made to the Andrew and Michael Westlake Memorial Fund through the Rotary Office or website or to a charity of your choice. Cards are most welcome.





AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!

- 4 Jack Robertson
- 8 Brent Thomas
- 13 Walter Davies, Steven Smith
- 21 James Statham
- 24 Harold Hetherington
- 25 Brian Porter, Peter Stephenson
- 29 Marcy Berg
- 30 Charles Dillingham, Guido Marini

Another New Member! Welcome



Kurt Meyer was born and raised in Mexico City and immigrated to Canada 3 1/2 years ago.

Since he was very young his parents taught him the value of being a responsible, honest, and hard worker. Kurt is very close with his mom, grandmother, and brother, although all his family lives in Mexico City.

He studied Mechanical Electrical Engineering and after graduating started a very progressive career with Coca Cola, Mexico. In his tenure with this company, he was able to quickly ascend the corporate ladder, working in different areas such as supply chain, IT, project management, and operations. During this time, he also completed a Master's Degree in Business and Marketing.

After 9 years at Coca Cola, he decided to work on a start-up in Mexico, which he successfully managed for 3 years before coming to Canada. His entrepreneurial spirit and passion for growing personally and professionally drove him to come to Canada to study an MBA from Queens University in Kingston, Ontario. In this adventure, his wife Vera and her 2 miniature Schnauzer dogs have been his companions. Also, his wife has been his support, confidant and loved partner.

Kurt has lived in Toronto for almost 2 years and was recently promoted to Division Director for Robert Half Finance Recruitment, the largest recruitment firm in Toronto. He has a passion for helping people improve their career and coach them in different aspects of their life. He loves reading, exercising, and playing tennis.

His interest in Rotary stems from his desire to give back some of the good things he has received from life.

Upcoming Speakers & Events

September 2017

- 1 NO MEETING, Labour Day
- 8 RI2018 Update, Michele Guy
- 15 Will Fleissig, Waterfront Toronto
- 22 Scholarship Award
- 29 Dr. Emie Seaquist, Search for New Worlds

October 2017

- 6 NO MEETING, Thanksgiving
- 13 Alex Andras, LGBTQ Community

Events

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| September 10 | Foundation Walk, Whitby |
| September 14 | Sherbourne Health Bus Celebration |
| October 1 | Winery Tour |
| October 4 | DG Neil Phillips' Club Visit Evening |
| November 3-4 | Rotary Uncorked, District Conference |

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What You Missed August 11, 2017 - by Maureen Bird



President Pat welcomed us all to the National Club Rooftop Patio with a very shortened opening and the acknowledgement of our meeting on the traditional grounds of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation.

Our special guests were our Newcomers, Lubna and Muneer al Zahabi, who arrived on May 10th with their three children and are getting well settled in Crescent Town. This has happened with the support of many donors and our Syrian Newcomer Committee chaired by Maureen Bird. President Pat made special mention of other guests, Dan and Nikki Desmarais (Maureen's son) who shared their home with the family for over three weeks. President Pat said "it was very kind of them and I'm sure lots of fun". Being introduced to their MP while strolling in the Beach area was a highlight of their earliest days in Canada. That would not have happened in Syria. We will be hosting the whole family later in the fall at a more formal meeting.



From left to right, Dan and Nikki Desmarais, Lubna and Muneer al Zahabi and President Pat.

Announcements included a new date for the winery tour (October 1st) and a reminder of golf and dinner on the 17th. After recognizing visiting Rotarians and guests, President Pat had the pleasure of introducing our newest member Kurt Meyer, sponsored by a recent new member, John Platts.

President Pat then read a painful obituary announcing the loss of Joyce and Brian Westlake's son, details elsewhere in the Voice.

As usual we were well fed by the National Club with a great diverse buffet. The meeting ended with the Ace of Clubs draw and Jack Robertson taking home the wine but not the \$500.

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