

Today's Program

Kenn Richard, Native Child and Family Services Toronto

Host

Carolyn Purden
Chair, Indigenous Service Committee

Topic

The Sixties Scoop

Location

Fairmont Royal York Hotel, Upper Canada Room



Both sides of Kenn Richard's family come from the original Métis and Francophone settlements along the Red and the Assiniboine River in Manitoba. He is of the first generation in his family to be raised in an urban environment and graduate from university. He holds a Masters in Social Work, University of Manitoba, and has been practicing social work, principally within Aboriginal child welfare, since the mid-seventies. Kenn is founder and Executive Director of Native Child and Family Services of Toronto, a mandated Children's Aid Society and Children's Mental Health Center, since 1989.

Kenn has been the recipient of multiple awards including the Toronto Civic Award of Merit, The Aboriginal Affairs Award, The Chief of Police Community Award, and the Salute to the City Award for outstanding civic contribution. Most recently he has been honored with the Diamond Jubilee medal in recognition of HRH Elizabeth 60 years on the throne.

Kenn is a strong children's advocate at both the national and the local level and is often called to lend advice to government in the field of Native Child Welfare and its related issues. He has appeared as expert witness to the courts and Parliamentary/Legislative committees on matters associated with Native children. He has also been active in both print and the visual media on issues associated with the welfare of Native children.

SAVE THE DATE for Scugog Camp Weekend

When: May 26 to 28, 2017

Where: Camp Scugog just outside Port Perry just over an hour from Toronto

Who is Lake Scugog Camp: A fresh air camp for children, teens and Mothers so that they can gain new knowledge, attitudes and skills in a safe environment

Why them: Because they are a non-profit camp focused on needed children in the centre of Toronto. They have little funding and need us very much

Why should I come: "A magnificent fence was erected, many cabins were painted and spiffed up, and the transformation was apparent to all. The Camp staff were there working along side of us, and their gratitude was palpable. I have left much out, but the important thing to know is this; in my opinion, the Camp Weekend is the best thing you can do all year, to fully experience the rewards of being a member of our great Club" - Peter Love
"All in all, I will remember the weekend as a time of feast, fellowship and fortitude. And although I quipped that "never again" would I attend, of course next year I wouldn't miss it for the world" - Shannon Lindquist

A promise: I can promise you that there will be lots of hard work-painting nailing, fixing etc. and you will enjoy every minute. There will be laughter, song and incredible food prepared by your fellow members.

If you have been to Camp you probably already have the date in your calendar. If you have not put it in now so you don't miss out, May 26 to 28. If you can't come for the whole weekend come for the day. If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask me. Susan Howson
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Register Online: You Will be Notified When the Online Registration Link is Open

Going to Atlanta?

— by Michele Guy & Michael Cooksey Co-Chairs,
Toronto 2018 HOC

Here's Your Chance to be Part of the Action



The Toronto 2018 HOC will be having a huge presence at this year's Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, running from June 10th to 14th. This will be our chance to really create excitement around Toronto 2018 and to get as many folks as possible to sign up for both the convention and the HOC ticketed events.

If you are going to Atlanta, we want your help. Please consider giving us a couple of hours of your time to be an Ambassador at the Toronto 2018 Booth in the Atlanta House of Friendship.

Orientation and training will be provided. Even if your experience with Toronto and Rotary Conventions is limited, we will get you up to speed in no time.

Plus, if you volunteer, you will be getting a fantastic Toronto 2018 HOC Polo Shirt and, if you sign up to work on shifts involving two or more days, you will get 2 shirts!

Please go to www.rotary2018.org and fill in your request to volunteer.

R2R has New Dates!

— by Rohit Tamhane (your friendly, neighborhood R2R-man)



New Dates for R2R, our Rotary/Rotaract Networking events.

Please get out your erasers and pencil in the following dates:

- March 15th, 2017
- April 12th, 2017
- May (To be announced soon)
- June 1st, 2017

R2R is held at the National Club, 303 Bay Street at 6 PM. Thanks to Mr. Bill Morari for the venue.

Please RSVP to rohit@arcadiahomecare.ca each month so we don't waste food.

Fellowship and Entertainment – Another Informal Night at TCJ !!

— by Lorna Johnson



On January 17, 2017, the Winter Edition of the informal TCJ dinner was another chance for Rotarians to catch up on the quickly changing Garden District in the east end of Toronto.

A dozen stalwarts braved the cold to sample sushi, soba, and several types of Chinese cuisine.

The highlight of the evening was the arrival of Vice President Elect Kevin Power, who managed to eat the largest plate of lemon chicken I have ever seen (he had skipped lunch) stopping by between work engagements and watching his son play hockey later than evening.

As always, a good time was had by all.

You're Invited!

**The Rotary Club of Toronto's
Annual Fundraiser at
The Steam Whistle Brewery**

Thursday, March 30th 2017 6:30 pm
The Steam Whistle Brewery
255 Bremner Blvd. (South East Of Rogers Centre)

Great Food, Games & Prizes

Admission For Only \$135 Includes Dinner!

**All Donations Made Will Go Towards Rotary's Many
Charitable Activities.**

**Corporate Tables For 10 With
Corporate Recognition \$1,500**

Welcome to our Newest Member, Heather Gordon

BComm, Certified Relocation & Transition Specialist, Realtor



Born and raised in Toronto, Heather grew up in North York and then in the North Toronto area. She attended St. Clement's School and then studied Commerce

at Queen's University, completing an exchange year at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. During the ensuing years, Heather has held an eclectic mix of roles ranging from a marketing communications/event manager, Director at a not-for-profit direct mail and online fundraising data management and donation processing company, to a project and operations manager at an IT software implementation consultancy. Most recently, Heather works as a Downsizing and Estate Services Consultant, advising those who are downsizing or settling an estate on the most effective, efficient ways to manage selling the real estate and personal property, designing a personalized plan for them and then

executing on their plan to achieve their goals.

Heather has volunteered since she was 16, volunteering at hospitals, soup kitchens and for the Kingston Children's Aid Society as a student mentor. Since university, Heather volunteered for 7 years with the Junior League of Toronto where she worked on and managed the community work initiatives and seed grant program, chaired the committee that implemented a new organization-wide membership management database/web site solution, and ultimately sat on the Board.

Heather currently lives in the Beach neighbourhood of Toronto with her husband, Adam, and two daughters, Gwendolyn (1), and Abigail (3). In her free time she enjoys attending yoga class, golfing, playing baseball, cooking, travelling, and going for walks along the beach with her family. Heather is looking forward to reengaging with voluntarism with the Rotary Club of Toronto.

Better Late than never!

We are bringing back the Birthday Lists



Happy January Birthdays!

- 2 June Brown
- 4 Paul Truelove
- 8 John Lloyd
- 11 Tim Lang
- 14 Dauna Jones-Simmonds
- 16 Don Bell, Rohit Tamhane
- 18 Knud Westergaard
- 19 Binoy Luckoo
- 21 Richard White
- 23 Mumtaz Iqbal, Cijay Shah
- 27 Keshav Chandaria, Jeff Dobson
- 28 Doug Hughes

Happy February Birthdays!

- 1 Andrew Krawczyk
- 5 Graeme Imrie
- 7 Frank Garcea
- 8 Paul Westlake
- 11 Trevor Lenders
- 14 Sandy Boucher
- 15 David Libby
- 18 Chris Snyder
- 21 Glenn Davis
- 27 Michael Morgan, Suzanne Seaquist
- 28 Bill Morari

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Anny-Sandra Hamel

The Four-way test of the things we think, say, or do

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Upcoming Speakers & Events

March

- 03 Mitty Chang, The Future of Membership
- 10 Hazelle Palmer, CEO Sherbourne Health Centre
- 17 St. Patrick's Day, New Members Lunch
- 24 Mark Saunders, Chief of Police

Events

- March 30 Club Fundraiser, Steam Whistle
- March 2 Wine Night Series, The National Club. 6 PM
Armagnac Cognac Tasting
- March 15 President's Cocktails. 6 PM
The National Club
- March 18 Games Afternoon, Café de Melbourne
- March 30 Club Fundraiser, Steam Whistle
- April 12 President's Cocktails. 6 PM
The National Club
- May 4 en Ville Dinner
- May 26-28 Camp Scugog weekend

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What You Missed February 10, 2017

- by John Andras



We had a wonderful lunch at Bill's Place

Marc Trouyet, the Consul General of France in Ontario and Manitoba sent greetings on the 150th year of Canada and reminded assembled guests of the long history between France and Canada going back to the founding of settlements in Quebec City and Montreal and the voyages of discovery that led the way to what would become Canada. France was, he pointed out, one of Canada's founding countries and, as a result, there is a long and lasting bond of friendship and solidarity between our two countries. He mentioned the 100th anniversary of Vimy and the fact that the memorial site was ceded to Canada in appreciation of Canada's role in the First World War. Canada also played a major role in the liberation of France in World War 2.

The ties of history and friendship go beyond language and culture. There is vigorous trade and migration between our countries. Student Visas, Temporary Work Visas and Work/Education Exchange programs all enhance the relationship between our great nations.

For Canada's birthday year, The Consulate is sponsoring a wide variety of cultural events, including:

- Filming at the Borders: Migrating to Europe,
- Three Colors: Red,
- 150 Years of Stories: A European Book Club,
- I'm not your Negro by French/Haitian filmmaker Raoul Peck
- My French Film Festival.

A complete list of events, dates and locations can be found on The Consul's website.

Consul General Trouyet then opened the floor to questions. Cijay Shah, who will be travelling to Kenya to visit Ebenezer Children's Home, a project he and our club have long supported, asked a question about "The Jungle". The Jungle was a squatter's encampment in Calais of migrants, mostly from North Africa, wanting to get into Great Britain. Consul General Trouyet described how the encampment had no proper sanitation, water and housing and very little policing. The needs for the safety and health of the migrants could not be met. When it was closed down, migrants and migrant families were accommodated in proper shelters throughout Northern France.

The Ace of Clubs pot continues to grow, as Luba Rascheff walked away with a fine bottle of wine.

In-Kind Donations Heading North

- by John Andras



On Friday February 10, a major shipment of in-kind donations left Toronto for remote First Nations communities. This effort was in partnership between The Rotary Club of Etobicoke and Palgrave and HIP (Honouring Indigenous Peoples).

The Rotary Clubs were involved in a highly successful campaign to collect used hockey equipment. HIP collected donations targeted to meet requests from individual communities. Included in the Rotary donations was a visit by the Stanley Cup to Sandy Lake <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/thunder-bay/stanley-cup-sandy-lake-1.3970819>

Below is a list of the donations being shipped out:

Rotary Club Shipments

- 7 pallets - Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug
- 6 pallets - Kasabonika
- 2 pallets - Long Lake #58 FN
- 14 pallets - Kashechewan
- 1 pallet - Magnetawan First Nation

HIP Shipments

- 5 Pallets - Poplar Hill
- 1 Pallet - Gods Lake Archdiocese of Keewatin - Le Pas
- 10 pallets - Bearskin Lake
- 3 pallets - Neskantaga First Nations
- 2 pallets - Kasabonika First Nations
- 4 pallets - Long Lake #58 FN Band Office

Further collections are ongoing for Neskantaga, Attawapiskat and Moose Factory.



Crowd gathers in Sandy Lake to get close to the Stanley Cup. (Jackie Rae/Facebook)

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