



Today's Program

Ross Amos

Topic

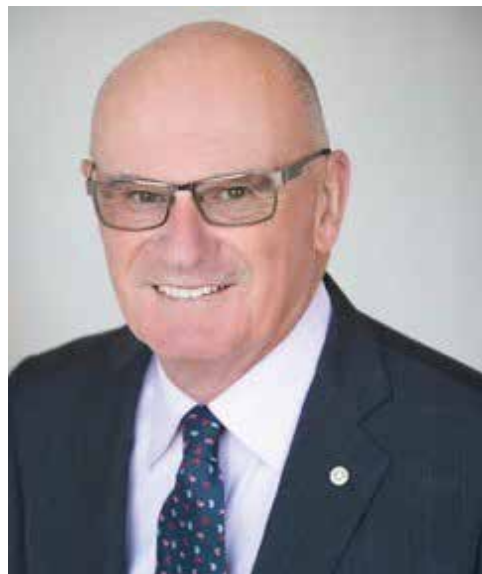
Corporate Governance...The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly™

Host

Alex Brown

Location

The Fairmont Royal York, Upper Canada Room, 18th Floor



Ross Amos is currently Chair of the Board of Centurion REIT, and is a board member of a number of private Canadian companies. As well as his Rotary activities he is an active board member of New Haven school for autistic children and its related foundation. He had been a board member on a number of publically listed companies, private companies, and non-profit organizations.

In his directorship career he has chaired independent committees representing investors in management buyouts, share swap proposals and conflict of interest reviews. During his business career he has been CFO of a publically listed real estate development company, the General Partner of a chain of 65 hotels, and the Canadian President of a real estate investment company.

Ross holds an HBA from Ivey Business School, an MBA from Schulich, and received an ICD.D designation from Rotman School of Business at U of T and the Institute of Corporate Directors. He has also lectured at Rotman.

A long-time member of the Rotary Club of Toronto, Ross is currently in his second term as a director. He has also served as a director of The Rotary Club of Toronto Foundation, on the Executive committee and has chaired most committees over the years as a Rotarian.

Black Canadian Women

– by Susan Hunter



Congratulations to Dauna Jones-Simmonds who is one of the co-authors of a new book, '100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women,' which was launched at a celebratory gala on June 16th and is now available on Amazon. With co-authors Dr. Jean Augustine and Dr. Denise O'Neil Green, Dauna spent over 16 months researching and documenting the Black Canadian women from across the country who have made significant contributions in government, healthcare, legal and education sectors.



The gala was a great success with over 700 in attendance including John and Lorraine Lloyd, Alex and June Brown, Pat Neuman, Hedley and Susan Hunter. The Honourable, Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario was the special guest speaker and a special message was provided by Madame Sophie Grégoire Trudeau. The keynote speaker was Montreal-born Madame Justice Micheline Rawlins who provided words of inspiration to the people in attendance.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

In what is likely the earliest date-saving notice you will ever see – and which no doubt most will ignore – now's the time to block off Saturday, November 4th, 2017. Why, you ask? What Rotary event could possibly be planned so far in advance? Well, that year RCT are lead hosts of the District Conference. Shannon Lundquist is conference Chair, and the committee is already developing some fun ideas. So there you have it – the most ample notice ever. Grab your iPhones and BlackBerrys now.



Come and join your friends at Rotary for a fabulous day of golf, sun and a great time!

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Richmond Hill Golf Club
8755 Bathurst Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario.

Hot Time Summer in the City

– by Lorna Johnson



For the second year in a row, those Rotarians and friends that found themselves in the city came together for a casual Asian dinner and great conversation at TCJ Restaurant in the up-and-coming Garden District. With the expansion of the Downtown Business Improvement Area east of Yonge Street, TCJ will now be part of the vibrant Yonge Street BIA as development continues in the east end of Toronto.

The FnE host arrived at 6:30 PM to find a number of Rotarians already chatting away. The extensive choices meant that sushi was enjoyed by some, Pad Thai tasted by others, and General Tsao's chicken by even others. Stories were exchanged and we agreed to meet, same place, same time, next year. Perhaps we may even have a "Welcome back" dinner for the cottage goers, later in the fall!

Upcoming Speakers & Events

July 2016

29 No meeting – Civic Holiday

August

- 5 Stephanie Christensen, ShelterBox Canada
- 12 Rooftop Picnic, The National Club
- 19 Royal Canadian Yacht Club picnic
- 26 John Lawrence, Clean Water for Living

Events

August 18 - Golf at Richmond Hill

Editor of the Week

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What You Missed July 15, 2016

– by Stephen Wilkinson



Last week we journeyed to the National Club dining room to be greeted by the new President for this Rotary year, Susan Hunter. After the customary greeting, invocation, National Anthem and Loyal Toast, the assembled crowd waited in anticipation to hear President Susan's inaugural address. That would have to wait as the assembled crowd enjoyed a musical serenade and tribute from the club's troubadours to President Susan.

After the introduction of the head table by President Susan, Jack Robertson, Past President, came to the podium to introduce; two visiting Rotarians, one from the Burlington North and the other from Beaumont Texas, six Rotaractors and six guests. President Susan then officially welcomed all the visitors in the tradition of the club.

Mat Harrison reminded all club members of the upcoming 68th annual charity golf tournament to be held August 18th. The winner of the early bird prize draw was Peter Simmie, who will be enjoying a free round of golf with Ross Amos at the Mississauga Club.

President Susan then rose to deliver her inaugural Presidential Address and started by stating that her father had been a Rotarian and that she is greatly honoured to serve as Club President. Her father kindly has provided her with a collection of jokes and anecdotes for her to use this year. She then proceeded to tell of her preparations for this year and that she had found a letter from previous President-elect Des Bethell. That message has impressed her particularly with its passion and eloquence. She described how that message made her feel and encouraged her as a new director. She felt welcome and engaged in the club. Recently



Our new President, Susan Hunter shares her vision for the year ahead



For the second week in a row, Harold Hetherington has the winning ticket

membership numbers have become stagnant and retention of new members is a concern. We must get better information and data to address these issues.

President Susan's theme message for the year is to "Honour our past, and let's build for our future". This year the challenges that the club will address are to:

- Build on and execute on the current five year Strategic Plan
- Look at the current committee structure and its effectiveness
- Examine club meetings and attendance in light of the recent new freedoms provided to clubs during the April 2015 RI Council on Legislation




Brigitte Bogar serenades President Susan, accompanied by Glenn Davis

Now is the time to build a stronger club and to build it on our past strengths and legacy of service.

The Ace of Clubs Draw – Harold Hetherington's number was drawn for the second week in a row but he went home with the consolation prize of a bottle of wine after he drew the 8 of Diamonds.

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