



## Today's Program

Committee Reports

### Topic

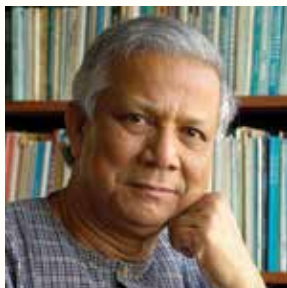
Environmental Service, Chair  
Alanna Scott  
Women's Initiatives, Chair  
Marcy Berg

### Location

Fairmont Royal York, Upper Canada  
Room

*Due to unforeseen circumstances our District Governor Jim Louttit cannot attend. He will be rescheduled later.*

Congratulations to the Program Committee for the following very special speakers. Mark your calendars now and share the information through your social networks.



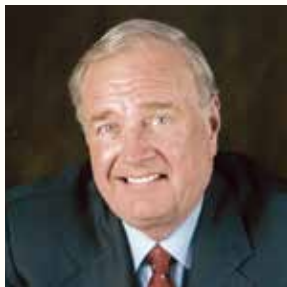
**September 30, 2016**

**Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus**  
Nobel Peace Prize Winner, 2006  
Founder, Grameen Bank, Bangladesh  
World Leader in Micro-Finance

**Location:** King Edward Hotel

**Cost:** for non-club members \$55

Members and guests must RSVP to [office@rotarytoronto.on.ca](mailto:office@rotarytoronto.on.ca)



**October 21, 2016**

**Right Honourable Paul Martin**  
Former Prime Minister of Canada  
Indigenous Education

**Location:** The National Club

**Cost:** for non-club members \$55

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Over the next few months we will be hearing from the chairs of our other philanthropic committees

**Community Service**, Karen Scott  
**Indigenous Service**, Carolyn Purden  
**International Service**, John Farrell  
**Scholarship Program**, Richard White  
**Senior Citizens' Service**, Mary Lach  
**Youth and Children's Service**, Brent Thomas

## District Walk A Huge Success – by Ross Amos



President Susan and 15 of her most ardent supporters attended the annual District "Presidents Walk" on Sunday. And what a great day it was. Our club members, along with about 350 Rotarians, friends, family and pets from District 7070 joined together to raise over \$125,000 for The Rotary Foundation. Participants made their way through the streets and parks of the beautiful municipality of Brighton on a 5 kilometre scavenger hunt, on a perfect, sparkling early fall day. The walk meandered through Brighton, highlighting some of the historical and public sights located throughout the town.

The Brighton Rotary Club organized the walk along with the assistance of other area clubs. This well-organized event started and ended at the community centre followed by a big lunch, a welcome from the Mayor, presentation of District awards and rousing comments from The District Governor.

After the event, RTC members were invited to join June and Alex Brown at their nearby country home, nestled in the hills around Grafton. Here everyone enjoyed the Browns' gracious hospitality and share lots of laughs and memories of the Club. It is rumoured some stayed "a lot" longer than others.

Another great day to remind all Rotarians why we are a member of The Rotary Club of Toronto.



Front: Susan Hunter, Pat Neuman, Lori Brazier, Mary Lach, Janet Amos, Tia Waddling. Back: Ross Amos, Hedley Hunter, Kevin Power

## Paddling down the Humber – by Bob Cartlidge

On Saturday morning, August 27, a number of adventurous Rotarians met for an unusual Fellowship and Entertainment Committee excursion – a two hour paddling trip along the Humber River from the Old Mill area on Bloor St. to Lake Ontario. Toronto Adventures provided a choice of canoes and kayaks. We put on our life jackets, grabbed paddles and went to launch our canoes. The sun was strong and we were glad to have hats, sunglasses, water and sunscreen.

Soon we were in the middle of the meandering Humber. The noise, rush and pressures of the city disappeared and we became aware of the range of wildlife including egrets, mallards and seagulls. The water was tranquil, the only waves from a large motorboat heading for the lake.

Eventually we saw Lake Ontario glistening in the distance and paddled past the high rise apartment towers, under the Gardiner Expressway and then up to the striking Humber Bay Arch pedestrian/cyclist bridge near the mouth of the Humber. Time to head back. Soon we encountered others from our group, posed for and took photos and shared highlights of detours and wildlife sightings.

Afterwards, the sensation of the trip was a feeling of satisfaction. We had accomplished our goal and seen one of Toronto's great rivers pouring into Lake Ontario from the best viewpoint – our own canoe. Now, I wonder...how difficult could a Nahanni River Canoeing Expedition really be?

Thanks to Kevin Power and the Fellowship Committee for organizing this outstanding event.



*open to all ages*



*Canoe or Kayak – your choice*

## Our Annual Golf day- August 18, 2016 – by Brigitte Bogar



On a beautiful August summer day, Rotarians gathered at The Richmond Hill Golf & Country Club for The Rotary Club of Toronto 68th Annual Golf Tournament with the proceeds going towards Young People's Theatre. After the barbeque lunch, the teams headed out on the 18-hole adventure, which for some was a first time ever attempt at golfing. This was followed by a special treat for the ladies this year, who enjoyed the spa facilities with whirlpool, wet and dry sauna as well as plenty of showers, which meant that several ladies missed the Cocktail Reception. But we all made it back to the dinner, silent auction and the prizes.



*President's team: Brigitte Bogar, Andrea Tirone, Susan Hunter and Sarah Larbi*



*Winning Team: Royce MacDonald, Dave Yarmoluk, Bill Morari and Len McGowan*

**REV UP ROTARY!**

Re-Ignite  
Re-Charge  
Re-Imagine

**7070 District Conference '16**

**October 21 & 22, 2016**

Choose Your Own Adventure activities: October 23

District Conferences are great opportunities to gather with Rotarians and learn about what various Clubs are doing, share stories – and have a fun time. This year's theme is REV UP ROTARY. Here's your chance to Re-Ignite, Re-Charge and Re-Imagine, with a series of TED-style talks. More details on the agenda, registration, and discount hotel registration can all be found here: <http://rotary7070conference.org/>

The Rotary Club of Toronto is also hosting a Hospitality Suite, to promote the 2017 District Conference, which our Club is hosting as a lead-in to the 2018 International Convention. Come say hi and show your support over drinks and late-night nibbles! (If you'd like to help, contact Neil Phillips at [nphillips@dgn-marketing.com](mailto:nphillips@dgn-marketing.com) or Shannon Lundquist at [slundquist@deloitte.ca](mailto:slundquist@deloitte.ca) )



**City Cider presented by Not Far From The Tree**  
 at Spadina Museum (285 Spadina Road)  
**Sunday, September 18th, 2016 from**  
**12 to 5 pm – rain or shine**  
 – by Kurt Kroesen



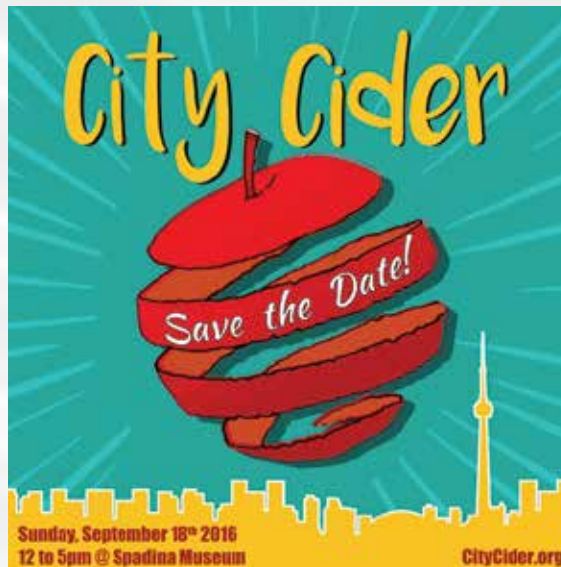
Not Far From The Tree (NFFTT) is a Toronto-based fruit picking project inspired by 3 things: the spirit of sharing, the desire to give back to our community, and a passion for environmentally sustainable living.

Approximately 1.5 million pounds of fruit are produced from Toronto’s urban canopy each year, and yet most of this goes unpicked. Not Far From The Tree sprang to life in 2008 as a bright and hopeful solution to this surplus of local fruit. Once the owner registers a tree, NFFTT volunteers will pick their fruit and divvy up the harvest 3 ways: between the owner, our volunteers, and local food banks, shelters and community kitchens.

The Rotary Club of Toronto has supported this organization by providing funds for training and the purchase of equipment with which to pick and transport fruit. The Environment Committee is asking for your further support by volunteering at the City Cider festival.

This September will mark the 5th Annual City Cider Festival, Toronto’s premier fruit harvest celebration and fundraiser for Not Far From the Tree. This event is NFFTT’s annual fundraiser and festival. They are currently recruiting up to 100 volunteers to help with this day and have many roles, including cider pressing, greeting attendees, children’s games etc. They are looking for volunteers to sign up for one of two shifts (9:30am - 2:30pm & 1pm - 6pm). Volunteers can come and play a role in helping and then enjoy the grounds and activities when they are done, or prior to, their shift. More info on the event can be found at [citycider.org](http://citycider.org)

If you are interested in becoming a part of the team, please fill out our registration form, and we will be in touch shortly to confirm details. We look forward to seeing you at City Cider!



**RI President**  
John Germ

**District Governor**  
Jim Louttit, Toronto Sunrise

**The Rotary Club of Toronto**  
**Club 55 – 1912**

**Officers:**  
 President: Susan Hunter  
 President-Elect: Pat Neuman  
 Vice President: Jeff Dobson  
 Treasurer: James McAuley

**Executive Director:**  
Carol Hutchinson

**Rotary Club of Toronto**  
**Charitable Foundation:**  
Peter Love, President

**Editor of the Week:**  
Maureen Bird

**Editor September 23, 2016:**  
John Andras

*What You Missed Reporter for September 16, 2016:*

**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**

**September**

- 23 Derek Burleton, VP and Chief Economist, TD Canada Trust
- 30 Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus, Peace Prize 2006

**October**

- 7 No meeting due to Thanksgiving
- 14 Andy Byford, CEO TTC
- 21 The Right Honourable Paul Martin, Indigenous Education
- 28 Truong Ta, Sanofi-Pasteur, World End Polio Day

**Events**

- September 23 Trevor Noah show
- October 4 R2R National Club
- October 21-23 District Conference

**Propose a Speaker – Contact**

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## Welcome To Our New Member, Arash Shahi



Arash Shahi is a Civil Engineer, both through blood and training. He is passionate about construction and spent 10 years at University of Waterloo, completing three degrees back to back in Civil Engineering. After completing his PhD in the field of Construction Management, Arash worked at Coreworx, a global leader in project information management solutions, as a senior product manager, before joining University of Toronto in 2014. Arash is a well published scholar with over 30 journal articles and conference papers,

and has presented his work on automated construction management in various national and international conferences. He is currently the research project manager at the Building Tall Research Centre at University of Toronto and works with owners, developers, and government agencies on issues related to tall building construction in Toronto. He also teaches at the university from time to time — an experience which he finds very rewarding.

In addition to his academic career, Arash has also been involved in real estate as an agent for over 11 years, and has received multiple national awards for his work. He has truly enjoyed his career in real estate, and continues to help his clients in the residential real estate market throughout

the Greater Toronto Area. Arash is also a licensed professional engineer (P.Eng), a member of Professional Engineers of Ontario, and a licensed project management professional (PMP).

When not working at the University or closing real estate deals, Arash enjoys travelling, skiing, and reading. He also plays squash and learning how to golf is on list of priorities! Arash is very excited to join The Rotary Club of Toronto and to have the opportunity to meet likeminded individuals, to provide service to both the local and international communities, and to be able to promote the Rotary values in our community.

## What You Missed September 9, 2016 – by Steve Wilkinson



Welcome Back to the National Club! Past President Richard White introduced five visiting Rotarians (including a banner exchange with the Rotary Club of Kolkata, India), five guests along with our special guest scholars who were at the head table. A new member introduction was celebrated. Kevin Power announced, on behalf of the Environment Committee, an upcoming Cider Pressing to be held at Spadina House. John Andras provided an animated invitation to join President Susan at the District Foundation Walk to be held in the picturesque town of Brighton on Sunday with proceeds supporting The Rotary Foundation (Canada).

It was a special day to celebrate the fifth annual awarding of The Rotary Club of Toronto's Scholarship Program. PP Richard White introduced the Scholarship Program and its mandate, which started as a Club Centennial project in 2012 and has now become a permanent committee. The 2016 recipient of a four-year scholarship Amna Majeed has just entered the Life Sciences Program at the University of Toronto – St. George Campus. Along with Amna at the head table were all of previous winners; 2012 Souleik Kheyre, 2013 Naresh Sritharan, 2014 John Chen and 2015 Poorva Patel. Each of the previous scholarship award winners were introduced and each gave us an update on the progress of their academic studies and many other accomplishments.

Our special guest speaker was the club's own member, Andrea Tirone. She was first introduced to the Family of Rotary 12 years ago when she attended Rotary Youth

Leadership Awards (RYLA) program. She then went on to become a member of the UofT Rotaract Club where she served in various local, district, and international leadership roles. In 2008-09 she was selected as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar to South Africa. In July 2015 she joined The Rotary Club of Toronto.

Andrea addressed the assembly and spoke of her memories and connections to Rotary through the last twelve years. She posed several questions and challenges; how do we better engage non-Rotarians and alumni into the family of Rotary, and how we can reach out to younger people? The key is to get more young people to engage in Rotary early and to build their passion. The larger problem is that people simply do not know what Rotary is and what we do. Andrea then drew the parallels from her own professional vocation as a therapist with the ideals of Rotary. She laid out the work of one prominent writer in her field, Miguel Ruiz and his work, "The Four Agreements – A Practical Guide to Personal Freedom". They are: 1) Be impeccable with your word; 2) Don't take anything personally; 3) Don't make assumptions; 4) Always do your best.

She drew the parallels with Rotary's Four Way Test penned by Herb Taylor more than 70 years ago.

Chris Snyder's ticket was drawn in the Ace of Clubs draw and he walked away with a lovely bottle of wine.

President Susan then concluded the meeting by encouraging us to enjoy the traditions of the Club and find our passion with Rotary.



Richard White, Winner Amna Majeed, Susan Hunter and mentor Sarah Hui.



Naresh Sritharan, Poorva Patel, Amna Majeed, Souleik Kheyre and John Chen




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