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Today's Program

Newly minted District Governor Beth Selby

Topic

Beth's vision for 2019/20

Host

Patti Wright, *Assistant DG*

Location

National Club, 303 Bay Street

July 31st Evening Program

Mark Brown

Topic

Service through Social Finance

Host

Andrea Tirone, *International Service Chair*

Location

National Club, 303 Bay Street



Dr. Elizabeth Anne Selby, UE, OCT, BAsc, EdD

Beth became a Rotarian in 2004 when she joined the Rotary Club of Belleville. Upon retirement in July 2008 she transferred to The Rotary Club of Cobourg. She was President in 2015-2016 and is finishing six consecutive years on the Club's Board of Directors. She was the Assistant District Governor supporting the

Rotary Clubs of Bowmanville, Oshawa, and Oshawa-Parkwood, before becoming District Governor Elect. She was the co-recipient of the 2016 Les Faludy Leadership Award. Although relatively new to Rotary, her involvement began in 1993 when she and her husband were Counselors to an Inbound Youth Exchange student from Mexico. She refers to this experience as her 'Rotary Moment'...

Beth has almost thirty years experience in public education. She was a secondary school teacher, program consultant, secondary school vice-principal and principal, and superintendent of education. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Guelph and completed her three degrees in education at the University of Toronto. Her Doctor of Education degree was conferred in 2005. She was a Faculty Advisor with Nipissing University supervising Teacher Candidates in both the Concurrent and Consecutive Bachelor of Education programs and has also been a Supervisor of Teacher Interns with the University of New Brunswick.

Beth is very involved in her community of Cobourg, Ontario. In addition to being the immediate Past President of The Rotary Club of Cobourg, she is First Vice-Chair of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Board of Directors, and a member of the Northumberland YMCA Board of Directors.

Beth and her husband, Rotarian Barry Vail, live in Baltimore just north of Cobourg with their Miniature French Poodle, Clicquot. Son Jason and his three children live in St. Catharines, and son Matthew, his wife and their daughter live in Whitby.



Mark Brown

After completing his undergraduate at the University of Victoria, Mark decided to focus his career on the pursuit of solutions to the world's most important problems. He worked for Engineers Without Borders Canada (EWB) for a year and a half on the agriculture systems team in Ghana and Zambia. After observing a critical financing gap, he

co-founded Kulemela Investments, a first of its kind agricultural investment fund. The fund financed agricultural businesses with \$10,000-\$30,000 to increase the productivity of rice mills and poultry farms that offered markets to small scale farming households.

In 2015, Mark decided to fine tune his business skills to tackle social issues by pursuing a social impact-focused MBA at the University of Oxford's Saïd Business School. Mark's studies were supported with a Rotary Global Scholarship by Calgary Olympic Rotary Club (District 5360) in 2015-16 and he was hosted by the Rotary Club of Faringdon (District 1090).

Since graduating Mark has continued to work in social finance, mobilizing capital markets to address social and environmental issues. He worked as a non-partisan policy advisor at the Ministry of Economic Development's "Social Enterprise Unit" for two years and structured Ontario's first two social impact bonds. He is now consulting for the United Nations and developing an agricultural social impact bond in Zambia. He is also the co-founder of AgRI, an organization that supports farmers in the transition to more drought-resistant crops in the face of climate change.

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What You Missed July 19, 2019

- by Pauline Lyons

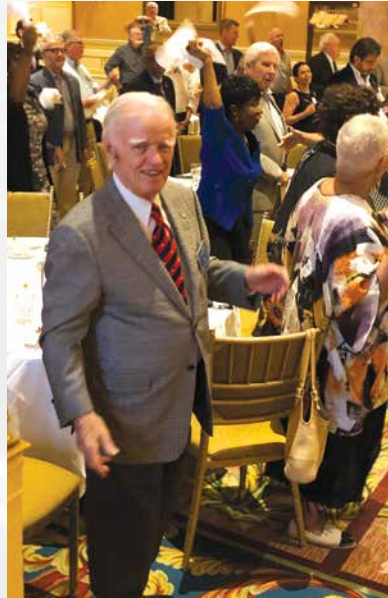


HOT HOT HOT!

The Imperial Room at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel is usually the setting for a formal, buttoned down luncheon. This day, for the price of a lunch ticket, Rotarians and guests were transported to the Caribbean. Rotarian Dauna Jones-Simmonds invited Wendy Jones and Pan Fantasy Steel Orchestra to shake things up a bit.

When President Kevin opened the lunch meeting with the announcement that that there would no head table and no speaker, we did not know what to expect but we soon found out that we would experience ninety minutes of exhilarating entertainment that far exceeded the cost of a lunch ticket. We started our meeting by singing the National Anthem to the accompaniment of the Steel Pan. As a native of Trinidad & Tobago where

the steel pan was invented, I have never done that, so I am certain it was also the first time for everyone in the Imperial Room. Wendy Jones, an accomplished professional musician, showed off her love for performing and bringing people together. Her boundless energy made her fascinating to watch. As we dined, she stirred our hearts with a marriage of gospel music and sign language. This was magnificent. Then she invited the packed room of Rotarians and guests, including the Honourable Jean Augustine, to stand up and join her on the dance floor. The familiar Caribbean hits “Hot Hot Hot” and “Dollar Wine” streamed through the speakers. Everyone joined in without hesitation. If you did not attend, you missed all of this plus the incredible dance skills of our club members including June Brown, Charles Dillingham and Jack Roberstson. We have the photos to prove it.



Jack Robertson grooves to the sounds of Hot Hot Hot



Wendy Jones and Pan Fantasy Steel Orchestra



“Hot Hot Hot” hit all the right notes



June Brown shows off her Caribbean dance skills



Rotarians have all the right moves

Upcoming Speakers & Events

July 2019

31 Evening meeting, Mark Brown, Service through Social Finance

August 2019

2 NO LUNCH Civic Holiday
9 Jeremiah Brown, former Olympian
16 Pierre-Henri Chuet, jet fighter pilot
23 Tim Speed, Canadian Warplane Museum
28 Evening Meeting
30 NO LUNCH Labour Day

Events

August 22 Rotary Annual Golf Tournament
Sept. 8 Foundation Walk, Humber College Lakeshore
Sept. 25 A Night of Sake
Oct 25-27 Rotary District Conference (Muskoka)

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August 9th -Randy Gunn

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