**The Rotary Club of Toronto** 

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## **Today's Program**

Sandy Boucher

## Topic

Cybersecurity Risk -Do you know what to do?

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Geoffrey Johnson, a Scugog master chef

## Location

Imperial Room, Fairmont Royal York



Sandy Boucher is a seasoned investigator with 35 years of experience in both the public and private sectors. Starting his career with the Royal Hong Kong Police, where he worked for 12 ½ years attaining the rank of Superintendent, Sandy specialized in Asian organized crime, narcotics and money laundering investigations. During his time with the force, Sandy received many commendations for his

work with police forces around the globe.

Sandy came to Canada and the private sector in 1995. He is a specialist in fraud and corruption investigations, background due diligence enquiries, asset tracing and recovery, managing major investigations and security. Sandy now works on detecting and preventing fraud and corruption and divides his time between investigating such cases and advising organizations on how to prevent them from occurring. He has led and conducted a wide range of investigations including a number of high level corruption probes and has testified around the globe in both civil and criminal courts.

Since 2009, he was worked in the forensic group of Grant Thornton LLP where he heads the national investigative research, and anti-corruption practices. More recently Sandy has been managing and growing the firm's national cybersecurity practice and leading the breach response and investigations team.

## **President's Cocktails**

Mark Wednesday, April 17 in your calendar for a special evening at the National Club, 5:30 pm (no lunch that Friday). Our special guest will be Dr. David Urbach, speaking on "The healthcare system – current problems and innovative solutions". This is a great opportunity to bring a prospective member who may be hesitating about coming to a Friday lunch.

## **Rotary Reminiscences**

- by John Talman



Editor's Note. John Talman is a long time member of our club and, for many years, was a regular contributor to the Voice. At our Club Christmas party, John told me a few anecdotes from the past and I encouraged him to write them down.

In past issues of the Voice we frequently published some editorial content regarding things that went on in the city. One occurence in 1992 (the L.A. Rodney King era) was the "Yonge St. Riots", when looting, fires, smashing of windows, and pelting of police occurred. Some 30 people were arrested in the end, and some 37 police officers injured. It was widely reported and I wrote a piece in the Voice (social unrest might be a better term than 'riot'). Some of the newspaper reporting was exaggerated, but we got a letter from the Chief of Police, extolling the accuracy of the Voice report (as in the first line of 'the 4-way test') as compared to some of the press.

I wrote an article entitled "The Bridge on the River Quai" about a friend Walter Anderson, when he was captured by the Japanese in the Second World War and sent to Burma to serve as the doctor when they were building the railway. An author who was writing a book about Walter heard about the article and asked to use it in her book, Canadian Missionary POW On The Death Railway by Ann Louise Smith. Permission was granted and the Voice article appears in that book.

Pauline Hill became the first female member of our club in 1988 (as I recall, there were more objections about the banning of smoking at lunch tables than there were over women coming into the Club). Pauline Hill was a great member so I thought perhaps I could find some other great ladies for our Club. The first lady I proposed was Maye Musk, who became a member in 1993. Recently arrived from South Africa, she was a dietician-nutritionist and a model. Unfortunately she is no longer a member, but she can still be seen on TV as the model for Cover Girl cosmetics. I never met her three children, one of whom is Elon Musk, who went on to fame and fortune with his electric cars. The other son runs up-scale restaurants and the daughter is a documentary-maker. Maye was very proud of her children. As I recall, she took a job at the University of Toronto to help pay for their education. Good investment!

I also introduced Maeve O'Reilly in 1994. She was a Director of Adoption Services at Catholic Children's Aid of Metro Toronto. When my wife, a Protestant from Southern Ireland, came to Toronto she wound up with Maeve and another Catholic girl from Ireland as roommates. Protestants are a minority in Southern Ireland and my wife remembers riding her bike to school in County Cork and hearing calls of "Proddy Woddy" from those who recognized what school she was attending. Maeve's father owned O'Reilly's pub in downtown Dublin and I recall visiting this pub when Maeve was slinging beer. Not a bad place to spend an evening in Dublin especially when the price was right.

The things you do for Rotary may contribute more than you think and can always make life more worthwhile. Membership is important to our Club and we would love to hear your stories.

## Camp Scugog...Heads Up. 'The Food Awaits!

In a few weeks, the Camp Scugog chefs will be meeting to plan this year's exotic menu for all you Camp workers. Think "The National Club meets En Ville". Watch this space for further details.

MEMBERS ONLY – sign up online under events.



Our bakery chefs Catherine Lloyd and Don Bell with goodies!

# **Upcoming** Speakers & Events

## **March 2019**

Stephan Dani, Running the Gobi Desert Rahul Bhardwaj, Corporate Governance

### April 2019

- Gemma Sheehan, Girls Who Fight
- **Environmental Day**
- Good Friday, NO MEETING John Millar, Water First

## **EVENTS**

March 21 March 24 March 28 April 17 April 27 May 24-26

**R2R National Club District Curling Event** Steam Whistle Fundraiser President's Cocktails 5:30 District Walk for AIDS Camp Scugog weekend

**Editor of the week** Don Bell

Editor for March 22, 2019 John Andras

What You Missed Reporter for March 15th

**Propose a Speaker – Contact** Bert Steenburgh, Chair BSteenburgh@oxfordproperties.com Tel: 416-868-3673

Submit an article to the Voice Newsletter therotaryvoice@gmail.com

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# **LET'S BE PERSONAL**

March 15th - Jane FitzGerald March 23rd - Ed Ryder

## What You Missed March 8th, 2019

- by Takako Ito



The club celebrated the International Women's Day with a huge turnout of participants, especially women, at the National Club. According to Past

President and The National Club Executive Director, Bill Morari, about 130 people showed up and it was a full house!

One visiting Rotarian and a large number of guests were welcomed by President Jeff. Distributed on each table was a list of guests, which included a city councillor, representatives of various organizations related to today's keynote speech, law enforcement officers, US consulate staff etc.

Jane FitzGerald introduced the guest speaker Ms. Barbara Gosse, C.E.O. of Canadian Centre to End Human Trafficking. Her speech and the subsequent lively Q&As revealed the shocking reality of human trafficking in Canada: It is not a problem of far away from us but it takes place just five minutes' away from where we are. Massage parlours, hotels, condominiums and Air B&B are often used as a venue for the "modern day slavery" of human trafficking victims. 90% of human trafficking victims in Canada were born in Canada, and there is a "human trafficking corridor" stretching from Nova Scotia across the country to the West Coast. Last year, Toronto Police dealt with 60 victims, 57% of which was under 18 years old. OPP found a victim as young as 11 years old... The lack of national data on this issue makes it difficult to grasp the whole picture of what is really happening.

The traffickers take advantage of vulnerability of young women and girls (and sometimes boys) to gain their trust, then control or even threaten them. It takes up to 2 weeks but sometimes just 48 hours to gain the control of victim. Those

foreign workers who were recruited abroad and offered a job are deceived and often threatened and abused by traffickers, many of whom have language difficulties and not able to ask for help.

The best defense for human trafficking is education, and kitchen table talk to the children is one thing recommended for the parents. As well, if you encounter any suspicious situation, do inform the police. It is encouraging that the National Hotline on this issue will be open on May 28.

Partnership with and donation for helping organization for the victims and survivors are also of great importance, and Ms. Gosse appreciated our Club's support for the Safe House through Covenant House for the trafficking victims, which was done by Women's Initiative Committee a few years. To thank her speech, our club's donation was made under her name for 416 Community Support for Women.

President Jeff closed the meeting by encouraging everyone to think about some women who inspired his/her life. No "Let's Be Personal", no "50-50 Draw" today, but Happy International Women's Day!



Host Jane FitzGerald, speaker Barb Gosse and President Jeff Dobson

# YOU'RE INVITED The Rotary Club of Toronto's Annual Fundraiser at THE STEAM WHISTLE BREWERY Thursday, March 28<sup>™</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 pm The Steam Whistle Brewery 285 Bremner Blvd. (SOUTH EAST OF THE ROGERS CENTRE GREAT FOOD, GAMES & PRIZES! ADMISSION IS ONLY \$150 AND INCLUDES DINNER!



**A Future Rotarian?** 

Greet Nana Susan Howson and Charlie... a new granddaughter!

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