

## Today's Program

Mitty Chang, Creative Director and Founder, Candeavor

## Topic

The Future of Membership - Making clubs more open to young professionals

## Host

Neil Phillips, District Governor Elect

## Location

The National Club, 303 Bay Street



Mitty Chang is the Creative Director and Founder of Candeavor, a digital marketing and design agency based in the San Francisco bay area. As a millennial, Mitty grew up during the internet high tech boom at the turn of the century. His entrepreneurial spirit started young.

Mitty built his first website while in the fourth grade, and began his first business as a freelance web designer while in the seventh grade. Over 15 years later, Mitty continues designing and developing websites professionally, while giving back to his community through Rotary. Mitty joined the Rotary family 13 years ago as an Interactor. He later graduated into Rotaract and chartered two Rotaract Clubs -- one at the University of California, Davis and one in his hometown of Fremont, California. For 8 years, Mitty helped build Rotaract-- serving a variety of positions from Rotaract Club President to Rotaract District Governor. He has spoken to Rotarians and Rotaractors in Canada, Portugal, Thailand, Australia, Brazil, Korea and through the USA on Rotaract and attracting young professionals into Rotary. A food lover and an avid traveler, Mitty is currently president of the Rotary eClub of Silicon Valley. Mitty is also Founder and Chair of Big West Rotaract MDIO's Board of Trustees. Big West Rotaract is in the Rotary Zone 25/26 leadership organization for Rotaract, training Rotaract clubs on the west coast of the USA. Mitty is also a member of the Rotary International Rotaract and Interact Committee, and is the Chair of the 2017 Rotaract Preconvention and Rotaract Host Organizing Committee in Atlanta, Georgia this June.

## Alex Botrie - Joining Rotary Today...



Pat Neuman welcomes new member Alex Botrie along with his sponsor John Andras.

Alex was born and raised in Toronto. He received his BSc in chemistry from the University of Western Ontario in London and his MSc from the University of Victoria. Returning East to Montreal, he began work as a Research Chemist. In 1973, Alex then started Chemque, which addressed a need in the industry to manufacture adhesives and specialty

sealants. His first customer was Bell Canada! In 1982 Alex moved his company to Toronto, where he started a profit sharing programme because he believed it was important for all employees to share in the success of the firm. Chemque grew rapidly into a successful adhesive manufacturer, with plants in Canada and the U.S. with sales throughout the world. Chemque was sold in 2014. Alex considers himself to be very fortunate. Like his fellow Rotarians, he feels it's important to help those less fortunate as "there, but for the grace of God, go I." Over the years, Alex has been involved in a number of charitable projects, such as, currently, Plan Canada, Doctors Without Borders and the Ontario SPCA. Joining Rotary will provide Alex with the opportunity to meet and work with many nice, talented people with similar charitable interests.

## Giving Up Her Red Stripe - Mitra Goodarzi



Harvey Sullivan with Mitra and Pat.

Mitra joined the Rotary Club of Toronto on January 21, 2016. She has been very active as a new member. She is a member of the Attendance Committee as a greeter and fits in beautifully with Harvey and his boys. She has conducted Ace of Clubs Draw ticket sales, participated at the Head Table as both Sergeant at

Arms and Assistant Sergeant at

Arms. She is up to date on Club Runner and can edit her own profile. She attended the New Members President's Reception, Fellowship and Entertainment and Philanthropic events, and R2R. She has volunteered for the RibFest Fundraiser, Children's Christmas Party, and Camp Scugog. Mitra is planning to continue with the Attendance Committee as a greeter and to assist where needed at Rotary events and activities.

## Camp Scugog May 26-28, 2017

Registration will open on Carol's return from her holidays – playing volleyball. In the meantime, for those of you who haven't attended, check with those who never miss. This weekend is a highlight of our Rotary year. Mark your calendars now.

This camp services some of the most needy of the GTA. One of their highlights is Dress-up. So collect those fancy things you will never wear, that shirt your wife hates, fancy shoes, and especially NAIL POLISH! Clean out those drawers now and bring to the office – or just to camp in May. The kids will love you for it!



Grownups like dress-up too!

## Upcoming Speakers & Events

### March 2017

- 10 Hazelle Palmer, CEO Sherbourne Health Centre
- 17 St. Patrick's Day, New Members Lunch
- 24 Mark Saunders, Chief of Police
- 31 Ted Barris, 100th Anniversary of Vimy Ridge

### April 2017

- 7 Bob Rae, former MPP, Ontario Premier and MP
- 21 David Miller, CEO, WWF, Earth Day
- 28 Hugh Segal, Master of Massey College

### Events

- 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 24, 2017

- by Anny-Sandra Hamel



President-Elect Pat Neuman chaired the meeting today. After a warm welcome to our visiting Rotarians and guests, Jack Fleming, Chair of the 2017 Rotary Ribfest, took to the podium to remind us of the upcoming Ribfest which coincides this year with the 150th celebrations of Canada. In 17 years the Etobicoke and Toronto clubs have raised over 3 million dollars for the community. With a budget of \$500,000 and 450 volunteers needed, the emphasis of the message today was to reach out for potential sponsors. Alex Botrie was welcomed as our club newest member and Mitra Goodarzi had her red stripe removed. Congratulations!

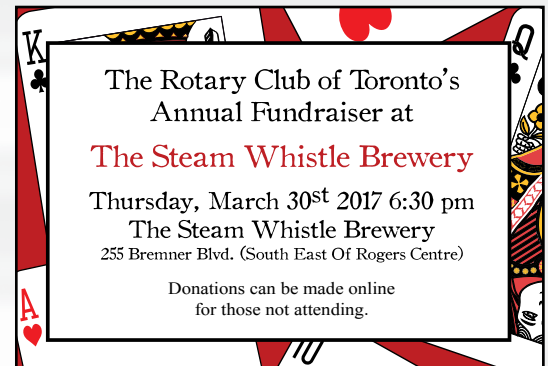
Carolyn Purden introduced our guest speaker Kenn Richard who started his presentation by showing two pictures. One was of a young aboriginal girl on a tricycle, taken by Kenn himself for the mother of the girl before she was shipped away, never to be seen again. This was a typical experience in the 60s as many young native children of Manitoba and Northern Ontario were placed for adoption. Kenn shared the stories of some of those adopted Anishinaabe and Cree who were raised in the UK, USA or even closer in Toronto, who have been traumatized by the separation from their family and communities. Losing their cultural identity resulted in many dealing with psychological issues and too often ending in the justice system. At the same time, it has been devastating for some adopting parents to see their adopted children losing their way without being able to help them.

Indigenous people represent 20% of the total homeless population in Toronto when its community is less than 2%. Yet Canadian philanthropy directs only 3% of their resources to indigenous people. There is still a need for better relations, better partnerships and conversations with the private sector and clubs like ours that can help make a difference. Ninosh, a program named after Kenn's mother and one of many offered by the Native Child and Family Services of Toronto, provides a support system and parenting skills to new mothers. With Toronto having the largest indigenous community in Ontario and the third largest in the country it is easy to understand why there are such pressing needs. Kenn ended his presentation with the message from Cree Elder, Andrew Wesley: Children aspire to Love, Joy, Peace and Purpose.

There was no Ace of Clubs draw this week.

### Many Happy Returns in March!

- 3 Winz Casagrande, Jackie Davies
- 9 Ross Amos
- 10 Annie Chu
- 12 Bill Hepburn
- 14 Geoffrey Johnson
- 15 John Gregory
- 16 Eardley Samuels
- 22 John Talman
- 25 James Macdonald
- 31 John Fortney, Prince Kumar



The Rotary Club of Toronto's  
Annual Fundraiser at

**The Steam Whistle Brewery**

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

Donations can be made online  
for those not attending.

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