

## Today's Program

Shauneen Bruder, Executive Vice-President Operations  
– RBC Personal & Commercial Banking

## Topic

Pine River Institute, 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Host

Ron Crane,  
*past member of our club and president 1984-85*

## Location

Fairmont Royal York, Confederation 4&5



Mrs. Bruder is Executive Vice-President of Operations, Royal Bank of Canada, and is also a member of the Group Operating Committee charged with oversight of day-to-day management of RBC globally. Previous roles with RBC include EVP of Business and

Commercial Banking, COO of the Global Wealth Management division and President of RBC Centura Bank in North Carolina. Mrs. Bruder is a director of various RBC subsidiaries, including RCAP Leasing Inc. In addition, she is Chair of Pine River Institute, a Vice-Chair of the Shaw Festival Board of Governors, a Vice-Chair of the University of Guelph Board of Governors and a member of the President's Council for OCAD University. She serves as Honorary Consul for Luxembourg in Toronto. She has served as Chair of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and Chair of the Canadian American Business Council, and served on the Governor's Task Force on Innovation for the State of North Carolina and the Board of Directors of North Carolina Wesleyan College. Mrs. Bruder has a BA from the University of Guelph (1980) and was Gold Medallist of the Queen's University MBA class of 1984. She is a certified director (ICD.D) as a graduate of the Institute of Corporate Directors and past chair of the Ontario Chapter of the Institute. She is a recipient of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal and has been recognized three times by the Women's Executive Network as one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women. She is married with three children.



## PINE RIVER Institute

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Located near Shelburne, Ontario, Pine River Institute is a residential treatment centre and outdoor leadership experience for youth 13 to 19 struggling with addictive behaviours and often other mental health issues.

Pine River Institute offers adolescents and their families room for hope. The first and only program of its kind in Canada, Pine River uses a four-stage approach to treatment: wilderness, residence, transition and aftercare support. Combining therapy with a fully-accredited education program, Pine River reinforces the healthy life skills required for a successful future.

*"..You all care about and love the children back to wholeness...It is so painful to be separated from your child, but when you know how much they are being cared for, and you know where they were headed, they could not be in a better more loving place."*

*- Pine River Parent*

## Rotary International Awards

### Distinguished Indeed!

Rotarians in District 7070 can be very proud of the work we have done to make the world a better place. Rotary International has singled out two members for very special recognition.

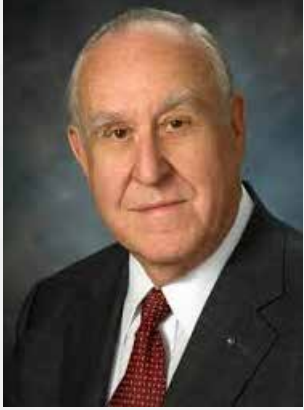


Bill Patchett has received RI's highest award, the Distinguished Service Award. A member of the Cobourg Rotary Club, Bill served as District Governor in 2006-07. He has been chair of the District Foundation annual giving committee and a tireless fundraiser for Rotary International and Polio Plus. Congratulations!



Ron Denham, a member of Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton, has received the Citation for Meritorious Service. He was our District Governor in 1993-94. He founded Wasrag –Water and Sanitation Rotary Action Group and is known throughout the Rotary world as Mr. Water. He frequently joins us at our Friday lunch. Well done Ron!

## John F. Germ, President, Rotary International



Looking back at the momentous 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, it is difficult to see what could have been contentious about the words of then President Arch C. Klumph: “It seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world.” Yet, at the time, support for the idea was far from unanimous. Some thought an endowment fund would create

more trouble than it was worth. But Klumph’s idea received the support it most needed in the form of an initial donation of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Mo.

Nearly 100 years later, we recognize Klumph’s idea as not only visionary, but revolutionary: It set in place the mechanism that allowed Rotary to become the vast force for “doing good in the world” that it is today.

In many ways, our Rotary Foundation is the foundation of Rotary as we know it. It has created a mechanism for

cooperation and partnership among clubs and between Rotary and other organizations; it has enabled us to be ever more ambitious in our work and to reach for goals of historic proportions, such as the eradication of polio. It is impossible to quantify the good that has been done over the last century as a result of The Rotary Foundation. All we can know for sure is that Arch Klumph, if he could see it, would be proud.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our international convention in Atlanta: the city where our Foundation was born. I hope a record number of Rotarians will be there to celebrate the centennial of our Foundation. In the meantime, there are plenty of other ways to celebrate! I encourage you to read more about the Foundation centennial at [www.centennial.rotary.org](http://www.centennial.rotary.org). There, you’ll learn about the history of our Foundation and find ideas for events and projects in your clubs and your community.

One of the most important ways we are celebrating the Foundation centennial is with a fundraising goal of \$300 million. Your gift to your Foundation is the best way of ensuring a strong second century for Rotarians Doing Good in the World and for *Rotary Serving Humanity*.

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## Message from President Susan



It’s already November! We’ve had a great lineup of speakers recently - thanks to the Program Committee and Mario Voltolina, Committee Chair and our most recent Club Builder award recipient.

Last week, we had our Special Remembrance Day lunch and it was a sincere honour for me to acknowledge members of our Club who have bravely served

and sacrificed for this country including John Austin, Jim Bell, Elgin Coutts, George Richardson, John Gregory, Frank Strickland and Saleem Kassum. The special invocation was eloquently delivered by Jack Robertson who remains the epitome of a gentleman in my eyes.

If you haven’t been to lunch recently, you may have missed the new version of the ‘News from Spragge’. Like many members, I really enjoyed this beloved feature of our lunches. John Spragge would regale us with news and events told in his characteristically unique style. Neil agreed to bravely take on this challenge after much coaxing on my part, and I think he did a great job.. I’m sure John was listening from the heavens and smiled with delight. Watch for more of ‘The Phillips Report’.

And how lucky we are to have Glenn Davis and Brigitte Bogar serenade us at every lunch? It’s easy to take the beautiful music they play for granted but do let them know how much you appreciate and enjoy what they do for us each week. Their recent rendition of ‘Hallelujah’ was a wonderful tribute to Leonard Cohen.

Earlier this month, Jeff Dobson organized the Club Assembly focused on the theme of communication. Liz Simmie and Marcy Berg patiently walked us through our Facebook page, the new RCT company page on LinkedIn, and yes, even Twitter! Talk to them if you want to become more social media savvy – and don’t forget to “Like” and “Share” our content.

Congratulations go out to John Fortney and Ross Amos. Both were recently honoured for their extensive philanthropic work. John was prominently featured in a new Yorkville publication for his 25 year real estate career and his long-standing support of charitable organizations including Princess Margaret Hospital and Rotary. An-other tidbit about John – he was a recipient of The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. Ross was recognized by the New Haven Learning Centre for his long-standing support of their programs. Great examples of Service above Self in action.



## Children's Christmas Party Donations



Our annual Christmas party for disabled children is taking place on December 11th. At the present time it looks as if we are going to be approximately \$3500 over our budget. We would therefore appreciate very much any donations that the membership would like to make towards the party. Cheques should be made out to the Rotary Club of Toronto, identifying the party as the recipient. Or, you can simply call the office and asked them to put it on your credit card or donate online. Santa's not fussy... just needy!!

## Treat a Senior to Lunch, December 9<sup>th</sup>

The Seniors Christmas party has been a fixture of our club for at least 63 years. Please donate a lunch ticket to help defray the cost of this gala event on December 9th, 2016. For many seniors, it is their one big day out of the year. Watch for chair Mary Lach and her "Silver Box!" Please be generous. In addition, Don Brooks is coordinating volunteers and Jack Robertson will be finding drivers. Let them know if you can assist on the day. Thanks!

## Out of the Cold! Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

This Christmas help bring hundreds "Out of the Cold." The Annual Members' Christmas Luncheon to be held on Friday, December 16th will be a joyous, celebratory affair; and, this year we want to spread that joy across the city to those who need it most. The raffle will raise funds which will be donated to the Metropolitan United Church's "Out of the Cold" program. With over fifty volunteers, this program has been providing hot meals every week throughout the winter for over twenty years. The homeless, disadvantaged, troubled and needy all have a place to go and enjoy a hot meal during what can often be a cold and lonely Canadian winter. To reach our goal of providing funding for hundreds of meals, we need your help in the form of valuable items for our raffle. Please take a moment and consider what you can contribute in terms of products or services that Rotarians will purchase raffle tickets for. In addition, we are planning a silent auction to raise funds for our annual Special Needs Children's Christmas party. Your prize donation of a trip, fashions, sporting tickets or any other high ticket items will assure that your guests and Rotarians will have fun bidding. Thank you for considering this request. Thank you for caring. And Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, or best of the holidays for whatever way you celebrate this season of joy and giving. Please contact me at [jcdavies@sympatico.ca](mailto:jcdavies@sympatico.ca) or 416.704.0672 and let me know what you can contribute. All cash donations will get a full tax receipt.

Jackie Davies, Chair, Members' Christmas Luncheon

**RI President**  
John Germ

**District Governor**  
Jim Louttit, Toronto Sunrise

## The Rotary Club of Toronto Club 55 – 1912

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**What You Missed Reporter for November 18, 2016:**  
John Andras

## 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

### November 2016

25 Mark Saunders, Toronto Chief of Police

### December 2016

- 2 Patricia Keeney, Author
- 9 Seniors' Christmas Lunch
- 11 Annual Children's Christmas Party
- 16 Club Christmas Lunch

### Events

November 29 - Whiskey Tasting at Feathers 7:00 pm  
December 6 - Christmas Caroling 5:30 pm

### Propose a Speaker – Contact

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## What You Missed- Remembrance Day Nov. 11th, 2016

– by Elizabeth Simmie



The club convened at the National Club to host a thoughtful and educational Remembrance Day celebration. Jack Robertson, Pilot Officer of the Royal Canadian Air Force, delivered the invocation and remembrance of those who have served our country. The beautiful sounds of Paul Taylor's trumpet played the Last Post, which was followed by two minutes of silence. President Susan honoured our own members who fought to defend our country as mentioned in her message. Thanks to Peter Naylor a publication called Memories features profiles on many of these members and others who have served in World War II and the Korean War. Following lunch, Don Bell introduced visiting Rotarians and guests, including three current members of the Canadian Military, guests of John Fortney.

Alex Brown introduced the guest speakers, Richard Lautens and Katie Daubs, reporters from the Toronto Star. He also mentioned that he had seen their presentation before and knew it would be perfect for Rotary. Richard and Katie started by giving us the background on their talk, Walking

the Western Front. The two journalists had embarked on a two-month journey to walk the Canadian front of the First World War, carrying all their own equipment. The two spent months preparing with historians and also doing research to map the path and uncover important stories which they might encounter along the way. They began their trip at one of the British Training camps in the UK to focus on those who died before they had left for the Front. Taking the ferry across to Belgium, Katie and Richard then began their 600km walk, with the help of an iPhone for navigation. One of the first few sights they saw in Belgium was of piles of old shells found in the fields. In fact, there are still a number of areas closed off because of munitions buried underground. Katie and Richard were quite surprised at how helpful everyone was who they met along the trip – whether providing direction, help or background information on one of their stories; indeed, they were happily embraced by both French and Belgian people. They visited village celebrations, local bars, private homes and monuments throughout their trip, walking from town to town. Their goal was to file a story every day about what

they learned and whom they had met on the walk. One of their particular goals was to find the gravestone of George Price, the final soldier to be killed before the armistice—five minutes before the end at 11:00am. His story is so important to local history that a local woman, whom Katie and Richard had met, possessed in her living room a photo of George Price and, she said, that George was killed on her property. As Richard and Katie readied to go home, they concluded that they had been able to gain amazing insight into the history of those who fought on the Western Front.

They have a special page on the Toronto Star website with their story:  
<https://goo.gl/HkyKQj>

As a special thanks the speakers were honoured with a donation to the Canadian Landmine Foundation. Two Ace of Clubs prizes were drawn. Jackie Davies won the tickets to Beaujolais, a Rotary Etobicoke Fundraiser, and Brigiite Bogar won the wine. The pot grows while we continue to help our Philanthropic committee activities.



### We will be Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of The Rotary Foundation at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, June 10-14, 2017

Join us for a wonderful opportunity to see Rotary in action worldwide. Go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) to enrol. Check with Mary Lach, [mlach@sunsations.com](mailto:mlach@sunsations.com) for availability of rooms and flights.

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