

## Today's Program

Jim Louttit, Our District Governor

## Topic

His Vision for District 7070

## Host

Neil Phillips

## Location

Fairmont Royal York Hotel, Imperial Room



Jim Louttit became a Rotarian in early 2005 as a founding member and Second Vice-President of the Rotary Club of Lima Sunrise in District 4450. After leaving Peru in 2007 to return to Canada, he joined Toronto Sunrise in District 7070

serving as President in 2010-11 and is currently the Club's Foundation Director. He is also a member of the Paul Harris Society and a Major Donor.

His involvement at the District 7070 level includes past Chair of the Membership Committee, past Chair of the Microfinance Committee and he is also a member of the Long Range Planning Committee. At the international level, Jim is the Vice-Chair of the Rotarian Action Group Chairs Committee, past Chair and President of the Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development and its Advisory Board, member of the Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group and member of the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians.

Jim is the President of JVL Global Corp, a financial services consulting company specializing in microfinance after previously working for Scotiabank in their International Banking Division. His work with Scotiabank took him to Latin America for seven years where he had executive roles with the bank in El Salvador and Peru.

He is also active in several other organizations serving as President of the Toronto International Microfinance Summit, past President of the Peruvian-Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and Vice-President of MTCC No. 1170.

Jim's passions are his six grandchildren, two children, golf and microfinance.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations on the removal of Rudy Haddad's Red Stripe – recognizing the completion of a series of activities within the club.

*Past President Susan Howson removes the New Members Red Stripe from Rudy Haddad's badge.*

## Seniors Lunch, December 9<sup>th</sup>

A club tradition for 63 years, The Senior's Lunch needs your help.

- Donate a lunch ticket to the "Silver Box".
- Call either Don Brooks or Jack Robertson if you can be a driver or can help as a table host.
- Be a Rotary Singer-no experience/talent required!

For many shut-in seniors this is their main holiday celebration. Please join us and bring them the joy and spirit of the season.

## Toronto's oldest running Christmas Party for Children Celebrates it's 87<sup>th</sup> year on SUNDAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>

**Have you signed up yet to volunteer?** We're still looking for TABLE HOSTS. Sign-up sheets are on Friday lunch tables OR email **Dawn-Marie King** or **Lorraine Lloyd**.

**Table Hosts should report to SARAH LARBI by 10:45 a.m.**, Canadian Room, Fairmont Royal York. The party is over by 2 p.m. Wear comfy shoes, casual clothing & have a big breakfast beforehand.

Invited guests are from: **Easter Seals Ontario, CNIB, Bob Rumball Centre for the Deaf, Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital, Gilda's Club of Greater Toronto and Starlight Foundation.** We expect 650+ invited children and their families.

**Glenn Davis & Brigitte Bogar** will greet families with Christmas favourites. **Susan Howson** and her crew will stuff gift bags while **Mitra Goodarzi's** group works on helium balloons.

**June Brown, Anna Kerz & Goldie Spencer**, will be telling magical stories while **Dawn-Marie King** liaises with the invited groups and will help anyone, as needed.

**Barbara Thomson** coordinates Santa visits inside Santa's Hall while **Anny-Sandra Hamel** coordinates the outside line, along with many Rotarians help. We'll have **Jeff Dobson's & Trevor Lenders'** photography team on duty & **Annie Chu** looking after the District's 10 Exchange Students.

**Don Brooks** will direct our wonderful Rotaract volunteers & **Jayson Phelps** will coordinate our 'snowball' fight.

**Pat Neuman** will be placing costumed students & then directing press to **President Susan Hunter**.

**Paul Truelove** will emcee & **The Coppertones** returns.

Thank you to **Don Bell & Bill Empey** for obtaining donated gift bags items & to Carol her help and for tolerating the ever growing pile of items in the Rotary Office. Cash donations are still very welcome.

**A very special thank you to all our volunteers as this party would not be a success without the help from so many in our Club!**

**Lorraine Lloyd, Chair - Children's Christmas Party Committee**

## Rest in Peace

Former Member Tamara Levine passed away unexpectedly on Friday, November 18, 2016. A funeral service will be held at MOUNT PLEASANT VISITATION CENTRE, 375 Mount Pleasant Road, Toronto, on Friday, November 25, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

To honour Tamara donations may be made to the Levine Quadruplet Endowment (which funds the Levine Family Lectureship in Women and Mental Health), Women's College Hospital Foundation, [www.wchf.ca](http://www.wchf.ca).



## Upcoming Speakers & Events

### December 2016

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

### Events

- Nov 29 Whiskey Tasting at Feathers 7:00 pm
- Dec 6 Christmas Caroling 5:30 pm

### Editor of the Week

John Andras

### Editor December 2, 2016

Don Bell

### What You Missed Reporter for November 25, 2016

John Lloyd

### Propose a Speaker - Contact

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## Sweat Equity Trips and Rotary

Haiti – March 28 to April 8, 2017

Members of our club have participated in overseas work trips for over 20 years to Dominican Republic, Burkina Faso, Tanzania, Malawi and Cambodia.

Chris Snyder will be leading the team to work on buildings at two schools near Port au Prince with Emmanuel International. The work is rewarding and the experience like no other travel you have done. This is a Rotarian and friends event.



Port au Prince, Haiti

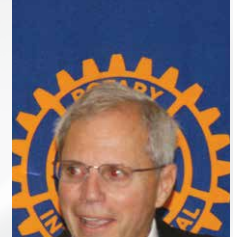
Speak to people like Paul Truelove, Brian and Joyce Westlake, Jack Robertson or Susan and Hedley Hunter, among others, about their experiences. Contact Chris at [snyder@eccgroup.ca](mailto:snyder@eccgroup.ca) or 905-990-1735 for more information.

## What You Missed November 18, 2016

-by John Andras



It was good to see our Past President Ron Crane at the Head Table. It was even nicer to have him introduce Shauneen Bruder, Executive Vice President of Operations, Personal and Commercial Banking and Chair of the Pine River Institute Foundation to celebrate 10 years of the Pine River Institute. Pine River Institute took seven years to go from concept to completion. Andrée Cazabon, following the production of Letters to a Street Child, articulated the need. There were only 10 treatment beds for adolescents facing addiction in Ontario. Many young people were sent to the US for treatment. Many more, who could not afford treatment, were lost. Ron Crane led a task force of club and community members, including Founding ED Karen Minden, to explore best practices and to make Andrée's dream a reality.



Past President Ron Crane introduces our guest speaker

Seventeen years from inception and ten years from implementation, the Pine River Institute uses a whole family approach utilizing wilderness experience, residential treatment, aftercare and follow-up to treat adolescents suffering from addiction. They use an abstinence model and have a remarkable 80% success rate treating young people who go on to finish high school, college and gain meaningful, long-term employment. As important, it means that 80% of graduates are not involved in drug and alcohol abuse and are not involved with police, hospitalized or worse. They have 10 years of empirical data on best practices.





Pine River Institute Foundation Chair Shauneen Bruder congratulates our club for making Pine River Institute possible.

Unfortunately, only 4% of the 114,000 Ontario students who are currently clinically addicted ever find treatment. The Pine River Institute has a waiting list of over 200. They hope to expand with a new 20 bed dormitory for female students and more beds for transitional support.

The Pine River Institute would never have happened without the dedication and persistence of members of The Rotary Club of Toronto. It stands as a testament to the power of Rotary to identify a community need, to develop a solution and see something wonderful evolve. All Rotarians in the room were rightly proud of their membership in this great club!

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