

Today's Programme

Terry Fallis – Author and Media Expert

Topic

The Best Laid Plans

Location

Upper Canada Room, The Fairmont Royal York



Born and raised in Toronto, Terry Fallis worked as an assistant to Cabinet Ministers at Queen's Park and in Ottawa. He now is president of Thornley Fallis Communications, a public relations company.

Despite an engineering degree from McMaster

University, he was convinced that there was something missing in his life. In 2005 he found it. He finally wrote the novel that for years had been rattling around inside his head. He spent a year peddling the manuscript to agents and publishers but was greeted with a deafening silence. Undeterred, he podcast **The Best Laid Plans**, his debut satirical novel of Canadian politics, chapter-by-chapter, gathering rave reviews from legions of listeners in Canada and around the world. Encouraged by the response, he self-published the novel in September 2007.

In 2008 **The Best Laid Plans** won the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour. Encouraged by the success of this first novel, Terry has gone on to write another novel, **The High Road**.

Terry is the father of two teenagers, and he and his wife live in Toronto

It is summer time and summer is the time when we can take things a little less seriously. This will be a meeting you will find enjoyable both for yourself and a guest that you invite. Why not get pleasure from the good humour of one of Canada's creative and up-and-coming authors and lecturers.



Wednesday, July 18 2012, Official Rotary Day at the Toronto Argonauts game – by Pat Neuman

It was a warm and sultry night to see our new President conduct the official kick off for the game between the Toronto Argonauts and Winnipeg Blue Bombers.30 phenomenal yards and almost through the uprights..wow!! Almost a field goal...perhaps a budding new career??

Almost 100 Rotarians, family and friends were ushered onto the field through the official tunnel to welcome the players on the field, followed by Neil's amazing kick..of course, he was aided by advice from Noel Prefontaine, place kicker for the Argos and our very own Will Andras. Great yardage, Neil....Everyone was seated in special seats in Section 117 and enjoyed the fellowship and watching the Argos beat the Bombers – 25 – 22. What a game!

During the third quarter, President Neil and Centennial Scholarship Project Liaison, Nancy Schaefer, had the pleasure of joining Chris Rudge, Argonaut CEO and President on the field. They made the official presentation of The Rotary Club of Toronto and the

Toronto Argonauts Community Champion Scholarship to the winner, Souleik Kheyre who was introduced to the membership at our June 1, 2012 luncheon. Souleik comes from George Harvey Collegiate Institute and will be attending U of T in September to pursue her dream of sports journalism..she starts with "International Communications" study.

Our long time partnership with the Argonauts stems from our participation in the Argos 50/50 draws each game: as we administer the 50/50 draws, our logo is always posted on the Jumbotron and all sellers aprons have Rotary logo. People identify with Rotary each game as sellers are throughout the stadium selling tickets.

Our RCT Rotary logo received great exposure on the Jumbotron throughout the game. All proceeds for the 50/50 draw go to youth causes and groups chosen by the Argonauts and The Rotary Club of Toronto Youth and Children's Services Committee. Our partnership is just gets better every year!



30 Yard kick, great job Neil!



Congratulations Souleik Kheyre



THE ROTARY CLUB OF TORONTO CENTENNIAL LUNCHEON PRESENTS

ZACH PAIKIN

Friday August 24, 2012 at 12:15pm

The Time is Now for Young Leadership in Politics

Lunch is \$38, for tickets please contact Carol at the Rotary office.
416-363-0604



During the Centennial Year, the Rotary Club of Toronto will donate \$1,000,000 to local and international agencies. This lunch highlights the award of \$100,000 for the program initiative of Youth Employment Services YES "The Rotary Club of Toronto Center for Youth Empowerment: Job Camp"



The Rotary Club of Toronto 64th Annual

— Golf Tournament —

Join us on
Thursday August 23rd,
at
The Richmond Hill Golf Club

Please contact
Matthew Harrison,
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Proceeds to UforChange,
serving youth in St. James Town
Sponsors and donations needed



Upcoming Speakers & Events

July 2012

27 Terry Fallis, Author

August 2012

- 3 No meeting (Civic Holiday Weekend)
- 10 Musical Jazz Event
- 17 Rev Marili Moore, Anglican Priest
- 24 **Major Centennial Speaker, Zach Paikin,**
Political Activist
Centennial Project: "The Rotary Club of
Toronto Centre for Youth Empowerment;
Job Camp.
Youth and Children's Services YES
- 31 No meeting (Labour Day Weekend)

Propose a Speaker

Peter Simmie, Chair

Programme Committee

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Editor of the Week

Massood Mashadi

Editor Next Week (August 10th)

Dina Rashid

What you Missed July 20, 2012

– by Bert Steenburgh



President Neil's second full meeting in the chair started-off with a great rendition of our Head Table march-in music played by our own Knud Westergaard. Knud's music sure brightens-up our meeting!

President Neil introduced our Head Table which included none-other than the effervescent Harvey Sullivan who apparently chairs a wine tasting committee – I have never seen that committee advertised as a potential avenue of service. Must be in the fine print in the roster.

Our Head table also included 57 year member Walter Thompson, who continues to set the example of a fully engaged member of the club, and, our newest member Hedley Hunter. Great to have both of them gracing our Head Table.

Geoffrey Johnson was out of control as usual and much of what he said and did cannot be written in this family-friendly missive. He did manage, nonetheless, to adequately welcome our visiting Rotarians and guests including Rotarians from far (Austria) and near (Whitby & Richmond Hill).

Paul Westlake conducted the "Early Bird" draw for the Golf Tournament which takes

place on August 23rd at the Richmond Hill Golf & Country Club. John Whincup won a round of golf with Ross Amos at the Mississauga Golf & Country Club. President Neil showed astounding Presidential form when he announced a future bylaw vote about something nobody in the room understood. Reminded me of what I see on that Parliamentary channel. That boy has a future in politics!

Our guest speaker Rotary District 7070 Governor Ted Koziel provided an informative presentation about the myriad of activities around the district. He encouraged us to think outside the box to help keep Rotary relevant. He also challenged us with the charge to become actively involved in Rotary's local, District and world-wide community work in spite of our busy-ness. Ted reminded us that people in need whom we serve cannot wait until we have free-time to help them.

Ted presented our Club with a commemorative 100 year plaque from Rotary International. The Ace of Clubs draw was won by our visiting Rotarian from Austria – alas, the card he drew only landed him a bottle of wine. Speaking of the Ace of Clubs draw, apparently the pot has shrunk since last week in spite of nobody having won the draw. I would suggest an audit of Harvey Sullivan's wine committee!

Another great day at Rotary.

Board News: Notice of Bylaw Amendment

Now for some official business, The Club Board would like to give you notice that at our Wednesday Club Board of Director's meeting held on July 18, 2012, the Board approved a new Bylaw # XIX, regarding the Treasurer's position on the Board. Harold Fisher the current Treasurer has resigned as Treasurer on the Board after many years of service and a new Treasurer must be appointed.

Pursuant to Section 17.01 of Bylaw XVII, this bylaw may be amended by a bylaw passed by the Directors and confirmed by the members. Bylaw # XVII section 3.01 (Board of Directors) and Section 4.01 and 4.02 (Election of Directors and Officers) was amended by this proposed new Bylaw XIX.

Copies of the new Bylaw XIX and old Bylaw # XVII are available in the Rotary office and this is the required notice in the Voice stating that a bylaw amendment is pending. At the August 10, 2012 Friday lunch meeting you (as members) will be asked to consider this bylaw and to vote on it.

We feel this change more accurately reflects today's membership, and will allow more flexibility in seeking out qualified individuals for the position of Treasurer.

President Neil Phillips

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