

Today's Speaker

J.P. Gladu, CEO, Canadian Council for Aboriginal Studies

Location

Upper Canada Room,
Fairmont Royal York Hotel



Jean Paul (JP) Gladu is currently the President and CEO of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB) based in Toronto. Anishinaabe from Thunder Bay, JP is a member of the Sand Point First Nation located on the eastern shores of Lake Nipigon.

Mr. Gladu has over two decades of experience in the natural resource sector.

His career path includes work with aboriginal communities and organizations, environmental non-government organizations, industry and governments from across Canada. He has produced a number of publications related to aboriginal issues including: forest certification, Native values collection, biofuel opportunities, First Nation community land use plans, criteria and indicators for sustainable forestry, and cedar product development.

With a passion for his community, his culture and traditions, Mr. Gladu brings the past, present and future to the table, moving corporate Canada and aboriginal business toward sustainable partnerships and shared economic prosperity. An experienced negotiator, JP led a number of business development projects in Northern Ontario.

JP completed a forestry technician diploma in 1993 and obtained an undergraduate degree in forestry from Northern Arizona University in 2000. He also holds an Executive MBA from Queens University.

My Experience at Lake Scugog Camp

- by Rafael Lopez

As a new Rotarian, from the very beginning I was encouraged to sign up for the Lake Scugog Camp weekend. I've been postponing it for quite some time. Finally, this year I had the opportunity to attend and from now on I plan to be one of the regulars!

I am a foodie, so one of the hooks for me was the hint I heard about GREAT FOOD. And it is very true! I have no words to describe the gourmet experience we received. However, there were other gems too. First, the opportunity to put into practice our motto "Service above Self." I was deeply impressed by the great impact our hard work has on the less privileged children that attend Lake Scugog Camp for a summer vacation. Second, it was a great experience to get to know my fellow Rotarians and Rotaractors in a setting other than Friday's lunch. We shared thoughts, experiences, stories, jokes and songs, and developed the beginning of closer relationships.

Looking at the Scugog weekend from a different angle, I can say the weekend ran like a well-oiled machine. Everything (schedule, crews, accommodations, etc.) was perfectly coordinated. In every activity I found great examples of leadership and teamwork. It created the perfect environment for hard work and some fun too. Camp Lake Scugog has been a great experience for me and it's a great example of what it means to be a Rotarian.

Postscript by Susan Howson

A special thank you to Russ Woodman of Woodman Wines and Spirits for donating the rum and gin and to Anna Koneva for the midnight pizza. And while Rafael was hard at work, George Richardson turned up for a special visit to check up on the Paint Cabin crew.

Next year 2015 Camp weekend will be May 22-24. Mark it in your calendars now so you won't miss out!



Paint crews refreshed many of the cabins, decks, and "stoops." Fine weather made the task much easier than last year.



Rotary members and Rotaractors hard at work building a bike barn to house more than 300 bicycles, all donated to the camp.



President Richard White with his "Presidential Eggs," a tradition on Sunday morning that the chefs prepare for all the work crews, not just for the President



Susan Howson, the energetic Camp Chair, with Harvey, head of the Paint Crew

D-DAY: 70 YEARS LATER

– by Past President Robert O'Brien, 1998-1999

Today, Friday, June 6, is the 70th Anniversary of D-Day. Seventy years ago this day 150,000 Allied troops mounted the largest military invasion in history, turning the tide of the Second World War and starting the process of liberating Nazi occupied Europe from one of the greatest scourges of evil ever known in the history of mankind. One of our very own Club members, well-known photographer Gilbert Milne, took astonishing first-hand photos from the landing craft and the beaches which were the first to be shown to the public after the D-Day and are now preserved by the Canadian government as part of the official record of those stirring times.

Seventy years later, General Richard Rohmer addressed our Club on May 2, 2014 and discussed the significance of D-Day leading to the end of the War on VE-Day May 7, 1945. Today as we meet at Rotary, General Rohmer together with 180 Canadian veterans return to Juno Beach and Normandy to commemorate this special anniversary. Sadly, the number of these courageous Canadians diminish each passing year and in the past year alone we have lost Past Presidents and veterans Don Carman, Murray Bosley and Raymond Bosley. But in honour of the 70th Anniversary of D Day today we think of the many Rotarians who served in World War II who are still members of our Club: John Austin, Bill Bahen, Elgin Coutts, John Gregory, George Richardson, Jack Robertson, Ted Shuter and Frank Strickland. To them we express our appreciation for their service 70 years ago and for their continued commitment to Rotary.



General Richard Rohmer with President, Richard White and Past President, Robert O'Brien at the Rotary Club of Toronto luncheon meeting, May 2, 2014

Rotaract Mentorship Lunches

Today, June 6th and next Friday, June 13th, Neil Phillips, Past President, 2012-2013 and Cliff Johnson, Rotary Member since 2013, have invited all available Rotaractors to attend the Rotary Club of Toronto Friday lunch meetings as their guests. Whilst there will be a few Rotaractors spread throughout the meeting today, most will be attending lunch on the 13th of June.

In the spirit of mentorship, the purpose of inviting the Rotaractors to lunch is to see if we can match these young Rotarians-in-Waiting with members of our Club who are already established in careers or endeavours that the Rotaractors are entering or pursuing. So, if a Rotaractor is sitting at your table today, ask them questions, engage them in a dialogue about their dreams and dredge up a pearl of wisdom or two.

Next week tables will be categorized by profession and skills. Rotaractors and Rotarians will be asked to distribute themselves across the meeting room according to their chosen field or interest. Have fun with this and if it works out, we may just do it again. The best way to become a master of your field is to train another.

Inaugural Bike Rally Challenge Saturday, June 14th, 2014 In Support Of Lake Scugog

Rotary Club of Toronto, Friends
and Family,

Co-chairs, Geoffrey Johnson and Bill Morari invite you to join them in a BIKE RALLY on Saturday, June 14th. Participants will be riding from Rouge River to Lake Scugog Camp, a distance of a little over 60km. Riders will depart at 8:00 am from the Rouge Hill Go Station (north parking lot), and need from 3 to 5 hours to complete the distance depending upon fitness level. Funds raised will go to improve the facilities and more importantly help send underprivileged children, youth and mothers affected by poverty to camp. If you wish to participate, please complete the form sent out via Club Runner or contact Bill Morari (morari@thenationalclub.com). To sponsor a team or individual, please click link: Lake Scugog Camp Bike Rally.

<https://sna.etapestry.com/fundraiser/LakeScugogCamp/bikerally/>



RIBFEST Volunteers Needed

This year's Rib-Fest is still looking for
volunteers: June 28th to July 1st.

For EVERY HOUR someone volunteers to
work the entrance program, you generate
more than \$200 net funds to local charities
supported by Rotary. Last year, our efforts
brought in \$130,000 !!!!

Contact Shannon Lundquist ASAP at
Shannon.lundquist@accenture.com to
participate in this major Rotary event.



Arts For Children and Youth Centennial Project – by Brittany Turner

Arts for Children and Youth and its many students continue to reap the benefits of the new equipment for our Digital Arts Programs. The presence of high-quality digital media equipment provided through the Rotaract Clubs of Toronto and the University of Toronto's Centennial project has enabled us to diversify our artist roster, broaden the scope of our programming, and cater to more partner needs. It has also provided the youth participants with the tools to excel in digital art making and delve deeper into their learning. Thus far, programs including Music Production, Photography, and Digital Art Making have extensively used this equipment.

Prior to the Rotary Club of Toronto's \$50,000 grant, renting and borrowing equipment burdened AFCY, but now, with the resources at our fingertips, we can fully exercise this exciting and innovative side of our programming. The presence of state-of-the-art equipment has enhanced the quality of our digital art workshops and has received tremendous positive feedback from the participants involved. These programs give children and youth the opportunity to strengthen their technological skills and gain literacy in the digitally driven world we live in today. Skills including design, music, video, photography, camera work, computer skills, innovation, problem solving, divergent thinking, and critical thinking make up the broad knowledge that participants gain from digital-based education.

Notably, the Photo Booth has been a popular digital accessory that the Rotary Club of Toronto Centennial Project funding has provided us with. The photo booth has proven to be an extremely effective tool in engaging families at events and fostering an even greater sense of community, and has even acted as a revenue generation tool for AFCY. The equipment also gives us the opportunity to impact children, youth, and families outside of our immediate AFCY community as it is occasionally rented to other arts organizations where they use it to engage other youth populations and the public. Whether it be a full family photo, costumes and all, or a photo shoot of a group of friends, the photo booth brings people together and makes AFCY activities accessible to all ages.

Digital Art Programming is especially appealing to youth. Our Youth-Led Program Division has benefitted greatly from the popularity of these programs with the help of the equipment involved. These youth have the opportunity to engage more

creativity through the use of highly technical equipment. They are able to use the produced artwork towards their own successes by adding their achievements to personal portfolios and resumes. The professional quality artwork can improve their ability to obtain a job or achieve acceptance to educational art institutions. The feedback from program participants is unanimous in that they feel like professionals when using the digital equipment. It brings a higher standard to the programs and instills an even greater sense of pride among participants.

One of our most seasoned youth artists and AFCY digital equipment users, Fitzroy Facey said "First and foremost, thank you Rotary and Rotaract Clubs for contributing to the development of our youth and youth artists. Your generous donations have allowed the youth that I have worked with to realize their potential and most importantly to take a step to fulfilling these potentials." One of our other talented youth, Jordan Lewis, facilitated a Sound Recording Program for youth between the ages of 13 and 19 at the Humber Boulevard Boys and Girls Club. This program was made possible by the sound production and recording equipment we can now provide these youth with to fully succeed in their art making. Digital Art Making programs are certainly something that both youth and child participants can relate to and get excited about.

The project has had very successful outcomes. AFCY has engaged 629 children and youth to date using the Rotary/Rotaract equipment at our outreach programs. An additional 4,856 children, youth and adults have been involved with the equipment at special events where AFCY has brought the photo booth. This latter group has included the National Youth Arts Week Launch at AGO, Big Bam Boom, HarbourKIDS Family Skating Weekend at Harbourfront Centre, David Bowie Family Sunday at AGO, SKETCH open house at Artscape YoungPlace and the Rotary Club of Toronto Children's Christmas Party. The equipment will continue to be used well in to the future to benefit many.



The AFYC program services children and youth of all ages

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Upcoming Speakers & Events

June 2014

- 13 John Tory, Candidate for Mayor of Toronto
- 20 Youth Day – Youth Civic Leadership Awards
- 27 No Lunch – Canada Day Long Weekend

July 2014

- 4 Changeover Meeting, National Club
- 11 Steve Smith - Throne Speech
- 18 Brian Thompson – Rotary 7070 District Governor

Events

June 28 - July 1 RibFest

Propose a Speaker

Peter Simmie, Chair

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What You Missed, May 30th, 2014

– by Joyce Westlake



Our meeting was held at The National Club and the dining room was filled to capacity. As always, the luncheon was delicious. The monitor, Sylvia Milne, introduced 6 visiting Rotarians and 9 guests, including three special guests from the Toronto Argos.

President Richard White commented on what a good and productive time was had by all of the members and Rotaractors who attended the Lake Scugog Camp weekend. True to form the chefs kept the workers well and truly fed. A thank you was given to all who attended and especially to Susan Howson as Camp chair for her hard work and fine organization.

Past President Neil Phillips spoke to us about the group of forty Rotaractors who will be looking for pairing with those in industry. He and Cliff Johnson have worked with our Rotaract Clubs for two “mentorship” lunches, June 6 and

13. Rotaractors are invited to come to the Friday lunch meetings, lunch paid for, and sit with professionals.

Nancy Shaefer, Chair of the Centennial Scholarship Committee, told us about The Rotary Club of Toronto Community Champion Scholarship, which is awarded in conjunction with the Toronto Argos who aid in the publicity and selection process. This fully-paid four year scholarship at a Toronto based University was founded as one of the Club’s Centennial Projects. Each of the past winners, Souleik Khyre and Naresh Sritharan, and current winner John Chen expressed their deep gratitude for the life changing opportunity that the scholarship has provided to them. They are all very high achievers academically and very much involved in their communities. On August 12th, Rotarians will be attending the Argos game and Steven Smith will take the opening kick-off. All are urged to attend.

Lawrence Foerster introduced the speaker, Usha Srinivasan, Vice President, Learning and Insights at MaRS. An impressive professional with a long list of qualifications and accomplishments, Ms. Srinivasan presented the facts of Canada’s position in innovation and technology. Despite Canada’s quality higher education, we lag behind other nations in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) research and options for graduates. Women and minorities are underrepresented in these fields. Having said that, Ms. Srinivasan went on to provide many examples of exciting new Canadian entrepreneurs that have achieved commercial success through their MaRS participation.

The meeting was closed following the 50/50 Draw. The pot held \$3694 and Paul Trulove held the ticket with the lucky number. HE DREW THE ACE OF CLUBS AND WON THE POT! Much applause erupted for a most deserving winner - one of our Camp Scugog chefs.

Errata

In the May 30th Voice issue the The Rotary Club of Toronto/ Argos Scholarship winners were incorrectly labeled as first, second and third place. In fact, they were first, second and third winners of the scholarship that was started three years ago.

Also, the name of the winner in the second year, 2013 is Naresh Sritharan.

The Voice team regrets these errors.



President Richard White introduces past and present winners of the The Rotary Club of Toronto Community Champion Scholarship



Winners of the The Rotary Club of Toronto Community Champion Scholarship and their proud families



This year’s winner, John Chen, expresses his appreciation with an inspiring speech



Past and current scholarship winners, Souleik Khyre, John Chen and Naresh Schol



Nancy Shaefer, Chair of the Centennial Scholarship Committee addressing the lunch meeting

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