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Today's Program

The Honourable Michael Wilson, CAMH

Topic

Mental Health Matters: Investing in our Youngest Citizens

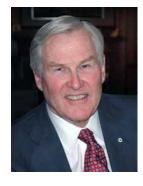
Host

Peter Love

Peter joined the club in 1990 and was our president in 2010-11. He has a private law practice and is active on our Foundation Board.

Location

The Fairmont Royal York Hotel, Imperial Room



Michael Wilson is the Chairman of Barclays Capital Canada Inc. building on 37 years experience in the investment business. Previously, Mr. Wilson was Canada's 22nd Ambassador to the United States of America from March 13, 2006 to October 9, 2009. Prior to taking up this position, Mr. Wilson was Chairman of UBS Canada, an operating division of UBS AG. Before joining UBS in July 2001, Mr. Wilson was responsible for RBC Financial Group's

Institutional Asset Management business and also served as a Vice Chairman of RBC Dominion Securities. Mr. Wilson was elected to the House of Commons in 1979. In September 1984, he was appointed Minister of Finance. In May 1991, he became Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade. During his tenure as a member of the Cabinet, Mr. Wilson had responsibility for the NAFTA negotiations and represented Canada at the G-7, IMF, World Bank, OECD, GATT and other international meetings. Prior to his career in public life, Mr. Wilson's career was in investment banking with various responsibilities in corporate, government and international finance. He was also Director of a number of companies including BP plc and Manulife Financial. Mr. Wilson is currently Chancellor of the University of Toronto and chairs the Governing Council of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and the Mental Health Commission of Canada. He has been active in a number of professional and community organizations, including Brain Canada, The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, the Canadian Cancer Society, the Canadian Council Biography May 2015 for Public-Private Partnerships and the Canadian Coalition for Good Governance. He has received a number of awards for his work in these fields, as well as from The Conference Board of Canada, The Public Policy Forum, The Rotman School of Business and The Canadian Club of Toronto. Mr. Wilson is a Companion of the Order of Canada and has honourary degrees from the University of Toronto, University of Calgary, York University, Trinity College at the University of Toronto and the Royal Military College of Canada. Mr. Wilson is married to Margie. They have two children and five grandchildren. He also finds time for golf and powder skiing.

Annual District Foundation Walk - September 20th – by Ross Amos, District Liaison Director



For 23 years now District 7070 has held a Walk to raise funds for The Rotary Foundation. These funds now go to fund grant requests from clubs in our District. As Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Toronto, we should

be there to support this great district fellowship event. SO WHY DON'T YOU JOIN US? I will be attending, representing President David. Pledge sheets will be on the tables at lunch. This year the walk is being held on Sunday, September 20, at Morningside Park, 390 Morningside Avenue, Toronto (between Ellesmere and Kingston Road), starting at the PAN AM SPORTS CENTRE. Breakfast and registration is from 8:30 to 9:45. Lunch and follow up activities are scheduled from 11:45 to 1:30. A long walk one winds through natural settings and include a tour of the PAN AM aquatic facility. The shorter one is wheelchair friendly providing a more relaxed experience through the park.

More information is available at www.rotary7070.org.

Rotarian: Historic Walking Tour of St. Lawrence Market/Old Town – by June Brown

The Fellowship and Entertainment Committee invite you, your friends, your spouse, your significant others to join us on a Historic Walking Tour of The Saint Lawrence Market and Toronto Old Town guided by the well known Toronto Historian Bruce Bell - http://brucebelltours.ca



Date: Saturday October 3rd, 2015

Time: 12:00 Noon until 2.00 PM, fellowship and

beer to follow:

Cost for the tour: \$20.00 cash per person payable to

June Brown on the day.

Meet at: Inside the Front Entrance of St. Lawrence

Market beside the cardboard RCMP.

We have limited spaces available so act now to reserve your spot on this most entertaining and educational tour.

Please respond to june_brown@rogers.com by the 25th of September.

See you there...



Be a gift to the world

What You Missed September 11, 2015

by Jeff Dobson



A cooler fall breeze brought many Rotarians to this September lunch: extra tables had to be set at the

back. President David welcomed all at the head table with the possible exception of Steve Smith most recently dubbed "Past President." It's a rare occurrence when a current president passes the microphone to his or her immediate predecessor. Thankfully, civility remained the watchword. In his inaugural role as Monitor Past-President Steve announced ten visiting Rotarians and Rotaractors (including this author's own son Chris) as well as nine other guests; all of whom were warmly welcomed by President David.

On behalf of Rohit, the event organizer, President David reported that the SIGNs dinner event went very well last night and was well received by all in attendance. June Brown took the podium to announce the next Fellowship event, a walking tour of St. Lawrence Market by Bruce Bell. It will take place Saturday October 3. Charge is \$20 and the space is limited to 20 people. You can warm up at the District Foundation Walk on Sunday September 20th where Ross Amos will represent President David and encouraged all members to attend and see some of the Pan Am buildings to be included in the tour.

Next, Stephanie, a representative from Shelterbox Canada thanked us for our continued support as the world's largest single contributor and updated us on the work they have been doing for the past four years to help those displaced due to the Syrian Crisis. The President of the Rotary Club of Etobicoke, along with other members, was happy to present our club with a cheque for \$46,500 representing our contribution to this year's Ribfest which took place over the July long weekend. Numbers were lower this year mainly due to torrential rain that weekend that reduced the number in attendance but not the spirit. A favorite duty of every President is introducing a new member. Today, President David introduced Trevor Lenders to our fold. Trevor brings a variety of skills and experience to our Club.

Winz Casagrande introduced our guest speaker, Hon. John Godfrey who came to speak about climate change. Winz came to know and respect Mr. Godfrey, as did this author, from his immediately previous position as Headmaster of The Toronto French School (TFS). He was no stranger to other Rotarians in the room, including: Ken Andras, a high-school chum, John Whincup, who worked with TFS, Brian Porter, a fellow school principal, as well as Winz and me. He is now advising the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change here in Ontario. He eloquently expressed how climate change is a prime example of a long-term, invisible, and insidious way that mankind will kill itself. It will take a "Churchill moment" when things get bad enough to motivate enough of us to do something about it. Mr. Godfrey doesn't know what or when that moment will be but hopes it is soon. Like so many other important issues in society that are political in nature, the 'Churchill moment' will likely come late. People must have enough fear to be motivated but not so much that they are paralyzed. He suggested that there are three steps involved in this process. First, we must mitigate. That is, stop doing more damage. Ontario gets some kudos for achieving some emission reduction targets but the difficult work still lies ahead. Secondly, we need to adapt. Climate events have already caused billions of dollars in damage and impacted thousands of lives. We need to learn how to deal with, survive, and even thrive, the future climate events which will likely be more frequent and more serious. And thirdly, we must embrace the economic opportunity. Doing the 'right thing' does not have to be just a cost to

society. There are tremendous opportunities for us to innovate and implement new ideas and new technologies that will help our economy while addressing the first two steps of mitigation and adaptation. His words were well received. Numerous Rotarians sought to establish a connection with John after the lunch to open a dialogue that could lead to Rotary initiatives. Ken Andras had the winning ticket but his six-of-hearts left \$3,284 in the pot.



Etobicoke Rotarians Hugh Williams, Jack Fleming and Greg Dobson with Pat Neuman, David Hetherington and Steve Smith

Upcoming eakers & Events

September 2015

Dr Shannon Meadows, Infectious Diseases (animal to human)

October 2015

Dr. Carolyn Harris, 800th Anniversary Magna Carta

No Meeting due to Thanksgiving Holiday Prof Nelson Wiseman

Editor of the Week

Editor September 25, 2015 Karen Scott

What You Missed Reporter for September 18

Propose a Speaker – Contact Alex Brown, Chair jandabrown@rogers.com

Submit an article to the Voice Newsletter voice@rotarytoronto.on.ca

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