

POD2 Report

July 27 2017

The July 27 club meeting was dedicated to Club Business. Jeff Harrison, Treasurer, provided a final financial report on the 2017 Canada Day RibFest. Revenues and expenses were both up slightly over 2016 resulting in a Net Profit of \$4,275.78, down \$643.00 from 2016. Uncertain weather and a very busy Canada 150 Day weekend were felt to have contributed to the modest decline. Jim Anastasiadis will be chairing a committee to begin deliberations on next year's event.

Regarding the 2018 Rotary International Convention being held in Toronto June 23-27 next year, John Ryall again encouraged members to register as soon as possible. The Registration fee of \$US335.00 will be increased as we get closer to the date. Members are also asked to sign up as volunteers. Both can be done on the website: www.rotary2018.org. The Board of Directors also approved a plan for the club to host 40 international visitors on Home Hospitality Evening, June 25. President Jim will provide details on the proposal at the next club meeting and call for a membership vote for final approval.

President Jim provided members with additional details on the TERC Golf Tournament taking place September 14. There will be additional activities around the course, more prizes and gifts, extra prizes attached to the 50/50 draw, and an improved silent auction and live auction. He encouraged all members to solicit sponsorships, which is the main source of our profits. Members should contact any business associates they know or any business with which their family may do business (car dealers, real estate agents, banks, hair stylists, dentists, garages etc.) and not to hesitate to sell Rotary and the good work it does. Also, promote how sponsoring our event is good for their business (getting advertising on the course and on our website). He also clarified that the discount for Early Bird sign-up applies only to 4-somes, not to individual registrations.

Michael Phelan encouraged members to sign-up for the Foundation Walk which takes place in Whitby on September 10 and to bring the family along. There is no charge but sponsorships are encouraged. He also encouraged attendance at the District Conference "Rotary Uncorked" which takes place at the White Oaks Conference Resort and Spa in Niagara-On-The-Lake November 3rd to the 5th. Details of both events can be found at: www.rotary7070.org/events/.