



TORONTO EAST ROTARY CLUB

April 24 2007

ASSEMBLY - THURSDAY 26 2007

Thursday's luncheon is or could be important for you. It follows a dual Board meeting—outgoing members transfer portfolios to the incoming members. Then we're holding an assembly. It's your chance to hear what the past board has been doing and what the new proposes. It's your chance to voice what you think we should be doing.

🍷 PLEASE COME 🍷

And it will be time for those "team captains" to report on what we know will be a successful recruiting programme



*Fontbonne
Clean Up*

*May 5 at About
9:30am*

*Bring out your shovels, snippers,
hoes and join in the
merry-work-ment*

*Including
HOTDOGS
COKES*



Heather Clark

EINSTEIN AND NEWTON

Autism is heritable, and there are clues that the genes for autism are linked to those that confer a talent for grasping complex systems - anything from computer programs to musical techniques. Mathematicians, engineers and physicists, for instance, tend to have a relatively high rate of autism among their relatives. It is not surprising to hear suggestions that Newton and Einstein suffered from a form of autism, Aspergers syndrome. Symptoms of which include difficulties in having relationships and hard times communicating. And of expected course, obsessively attached to their interests

Isaac Newton seemed to have been a classic case. He rarely spoke, he'd forget to eat sometimes. He was notoriously a very confusing lecturer. So much so that his students would often not attend his classes. Unperturbed Newton would deliver his lecture to an empty room. After a nervous breakdown at the ripe young age of fifty, he died in depression. Einstein showed early symptoms repeating sentences over and over again. He too had difficulties with relationships and a confusing lecturer.

"It's Not Just in the Head"

An article in this month's magazine "Discover" highlighted significant discoveries about autism. Hitherto the assumption was that autism is a brain disorder and not treatable. Researchers have found that it affects the immune system as well. Genes and the environment react, either in the fetus or when the child is very young. It's the interaction that changes the cellular function all over the body. This would account for a larger frequency of digestive and immune problems seen in the afflicted children. These findings have led to treatments that have helped many autistic kids.

Researchers have found that a variant of the gene called MET doubles the risk of autism. It was a breakthrough because MET modulates the gut, nervous and immune systems. (see over)

AUTISM

"Johnny put down your pencil. Put the pencil in your pencil case. Now put the pencil case in your bag. Put on your coat. Now you can go home with your mother."

This is the process children suffering from Autism need to follow compared to the instruction, "It's time to go home now Johnny" given to non-autistic children. This essentially is how Heather Clark, director of the Geneva Centre for Autism described the way many if not all autistic children think.

In general, children with autism have problems in three crucial areas of development — social skills, language and behaviour. The most severe autism is marked by a complete inability to communicate or interact with other people. Autistic kids experience the world differently from the way non afflicted children do. Those differences make it hard for children with autism to communicate with others and react to things going on around them in the usual ways.

When someone smiles, for instance, a child without autism knows that the smiling person is happy or being friendly. Children with autism, however, have trouble connecting a person's gestures - such as a smile or frown - with the person's feelings. It's difficult, too, for children with autism to link words with their meanings. Imagine trying to talk with someone or learn from a teacher if you couldn't make sense of their words and gestures and couldn't come up with the right words to express your own thoughts!

Heather ended by seeking support for the Centre recognizing Rotary is called upon by so many organizations all in need of financial support.



One researcher likens the disorder to a hologram. She says that everything that fascinates her is in it.— epidemiology, toxicology, the philosophy of science, biochemistry, genetics, systems theory as well as the collapse of the medical system and failure of managed care.

Each child's path to autism, she says, is distinct but they may share common inflammatory abnormalities. For instance brain imaging revealed that white matter is larger in autistic children than non-autistic children and white matter is what carries impulses between neurons. This could cause lots of immunological problems for autistic children

The good news flowing from these studies is that some autistic children may be treatable with targeted nutritional intervention.

Toronto East Rotary Foundation Golf Tournament

Thursday September 20, 2007

Tom Andrews

WHY WE NEED YOU

This tournament will raise \$25-\$30,000, a large portion of our annual budget. It also provides an opportunity for every member to be involved in the important work of our club. With your commitment we take on new projects, we feed more of the hungry, we fix more wheelchairs and we make the community a better place – we take on the projects that you deem important.

THE TASKS ARE FOR EVERY TORONTO EAST ROTARIAN

1 We have 27 members and we must sell 36 foursomes—144 golfers. The committee will sell the additional groups, but a foursome is required from every member to ensure success. Registration forms, personalized with your contact information are included in with this email. I will be pleased to print hard copies for you if you let me know how many you need.

This tournament provides excellent value: The entrance fee of \$175 provides participants with greens fees, cart, lunch, dinner, club house facilities and a gift package. Those items are valued at a minimum of \$190. Then to make the deal even more attractive, we provide an income tax receipt (\$60 last year). Great value for a great cause!

2 SELL A SPONSORSHIP:

Over 50% of our net profit comes from sponsorship income. Sponsorships make the tournament a success!

Split sponsorships are available. Why not take advantage of one of the following programs.

Dinner Sponsor \$5,000 — includes four complimentary green fees, recognition at the dinner reception, & signage in the banquet area

Luncheon Sponsor — \$2,500 includes two complimentary green fees, signage in the luncheon area , certificate of appreciation

Bag Tag Sponsor — \$2,000 includes two complimentary greens fees, corporate recognition on all bag tags, certificate of appreciation

Cart Sponsor — \$1,600 includes two complimentary greens fees, corporate recognition on all carts, certificate of appreciation

Hole / Tee Sponsor — \$300 each sign recognition as sponsored at hole, certificate of appreciation

3 OBTAIN PRIZE AND AUCTION ITEMS.

Approximately 30% of our net profit comes from the live and silent auctions. The only way we can increase our income is to obtain additional items, items that sell for bigger dollars.

WHO SHOULD YOU ASK?

- Vendors who sell to your company.
- Friends and neighbours who may own or manage a corporation
- Your favourite restaurant or pub - restaurant vouchers are always popular.
- Local merchants you deal with - items that are not golf-related are especially welcome.

4 Join the Committee

If you are interested please contact me as soon as possible. There are many tasks to be completed and we welcome your participation and input.

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PAST PRESIDENTS

YEAR	NAME & DESIGNATION	YEAR	NAME & DESIGNATION
1964	Bill Phelan (PHF)	1967	Bill Phelan (PHF)
1966	John Lytle	1967	Walter Kohlmeier (d)
1968	George McCracken	1969	Harold Black
1970	Harold Black	1971	Ed Hearn (d)
1972	Archie Allen (d)	1973	Kevin McCullagh
1974	Ken Steele (d)	1975	Jack Webb
1976	Herb Smith (d)	1977	Herb Bond
1978	David Huehn (d)	1979	Aklex Findlay (PHF)
1980	Keith Hutchinson	1981	John Carrie (PHF)
1982	Jack Embrey (PHF)	1983	Stan Bradshaw (d)
1984	Ken Hutchinson	1985	Chuck Noguchi (PHF) (d)
1986	Wes Lyle/Sam Campbell (d)	1987	Michael Mead (PHF)
1988	Tom Andrews	1989	Bill Phelan (PHF)
1990	Mike Phelan (PHF)	1991	Hugh Fraser (PHF)
1992	Alan Seymour (PHF)	1993	Brian Smith (PHF)
1994	Frank Del Ferro	1995	Bruce Knight
1996	Jeff Harrison (PHF)	1997	John Ryall
1988	Alex Munroe (PHF)	1999	Bob Woolner
2000	Art Belanger (PHF)	2001	Virginia O'Reilly (PHF)
2002	James Hawtin (PHF)	2003	Elmar Moser
2004	Maureen Barrey	2005	Doug Budden (PHE)

OFFICERS

BOARD RESPONSIBILITY	CURRENT	FUTURE
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❧ THE FOUR WAY TEST ❧

IS IT THE TRUTH?

IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?