

Toronto East Rotary Club

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January 17th Program



Thursday's speaker was Michael Leung (not "Long" as Matt spelled it) former member of TERC from '84 to '88. He intends to rejoin next year when he becomes semi-retired.

Partner in Michael and Michael Auto Body on Eastern Ave. spoke about the collision and car insurance industry. Emphasized the importance of using a reputable body shop as "chasers" (tow truck drivers) in cahoots with bad body shops steer people in accidents to these shops. They then do only superficial repairs to the vehicle and kick back 20% of the repair bill to the tow truck driver. Margins are such in the collision industry that the 20% comes out of your repair by cutting corners.

About 25% of vehicles are now written off as they are not economically repairable due to expensive air bags and parts. This % is growing every year and the industry is shrinking as a result. Cost of setting up a collision business now means about \$300 - \$500M in equipment alone. Michael mentioned when he got in the business you only needed a chain and a big oak tree!

Jim H (club reporter)

No Sweetheart Required

Steve Mastoras has planned an exciting night out at Whistler's on Saturday February 16, 2008. For a cost per person of \$50, you will receive dinner, a show (details attached), and a charitable receipt for \$15.

Steve has offered this as a "Toronto East Rotary" event, so invite your friends and family as the room can accommodate approximately 100 people (or more if required).

This would be an excellent fundraiser for the club, but also would promote great fellowship.

So get your "promotion hat" on, and start selling tickets.

Please let me know if you will be able to attend, and the number of your guests as soon as possible.

Jeff Harrison

PODS

When a POD is responsible for a month's program, they will:

- ⇒ Arrange & book speakers
- ⇒ Communicate with the speaker regarding audio visual requirements and arrange for same.
- ⇒ Provide an member who will informally introduce the speaker to all the members of the club.
- ⇒ Set-up and strike the club regalia in the meeting room
- ⇒ Set the agenda for the day and provide the chair with a copy.
- ⇒ Provide a greeter for guests and visiting Rotarians
- ⇒ Provide an attendance taker and incorporate attendance in the weekly bulletin report.
- ⇒ Select and deliver the Invocation
- ⇒ Provide someone to introduce and thank the speaker
- ⇒ Supply a draw prize or conduct the 50-50 draw.
- ⇒ Provide a few moments of Rotary knowledge at each meeting
- ⇒ Write some bulletin content and provide it to the bulletin editor for publishing.
- ⇒ Ensure that photos are taken of all club functions
- ⇒ Provide reports and/or announcements about TERC activity for the District & Club websites.
- ⇒ Perform other duties as they may deem necessary.

During their month with an official club or District event, the POD will be responsible for the operation of that event i.e. Night of a Thousand Dinners, Casseroles, Fontebonne cleanup.

In months without official events, the POD may elect to run a social.
i.e. Bowling night, billiards night, football game, barbeque etc

The POD may consider setting a meeting theme for any given Thursday.
i.e. Hawaiian day, Stanley Cup day, kids day, wacky tie day

A suggested arrangement of members is as follows. We will discuss any required shifting of team members at our Dec 13th luncheon.

Pod 1 January 08	Pod 2 February 08	Pod 3 March 08	Pod 4 April 08
Jim Hawtin	Jeff Harrison	Virginia O'Reilly	Rod Roblin
Jack Embrey	Art Belanger	Doug Budden	Bill Phelan
Steve Mastoras	Glenda Davis	Elmar Moser	Trevor Hitner
Oona Cass	Howard Elliott	Matt Matthews	Pat McKeough
Mike Phelan	Brian Smith	Sabu Varghese	Mike Mead
Tony Matthews	Carol Ryan	Tom Andrews	Alex Munroe

Join the Stars at the 2008 Los Angeles Rotary International Convention!



Stars of the philanthropic world

Stephen Lewis, former UN special envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa from 2001 to 2006, is currently the co-director of AIDS-Free World Foundation, a new international AIDS advocacy organization. As keynote speaker on Wednesday, June 18, he will share with Rotarians at the convention both the scourge and then hope for a world released from the trauma of AIDS.

Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General of the World Health Organization will make a presentation during the plenary session on Tuesday, June 17. She will share with us the future steps to eliminate polio once and for all time. Rotary's part in this effort is critical as from the first we have been a major partner with WHO, UNICEF, and CDC.

Star of the entertainment world

Natalie Cole, eight-time Grammy Award winner, will perform at the Convention on Saturday evening at the new Nokia Theatre L.A. Live as part of the "California Experience." She is the daughter of the legendary Nat 'King' Cole and a major entertainer in her own right.

Register early and save. The deadline for early registration is December 15, 2007. You may register on-line at <https://riweb.rotaryintl.org/> 67 Members of District 7070 have registered to date

Northern Lights Brunch

You are invited to join us during the 2008 Rotary International Convention for the annual Northern Lights Brunch. Online registrations are now being taken.

Meet, mix and mingle with your Rotary friends from Zone 22 including our own RI President Wilf Wilkinson, President Elect DK Lee, Foundation Chair Bob Scott and RI Director Monty Audenart. The brunch will be held in conjunction with the Rotary International Convention in Los Angeles on June 15, 2008 at 10 AM. *This has always been a popular, sold-out event so register online now by clicking the link on this page.*

BRUNCH FEE

CDN \$40 thru May 15, 2008
CDN \$45 after May 15, 2008

Board of Director Meeting

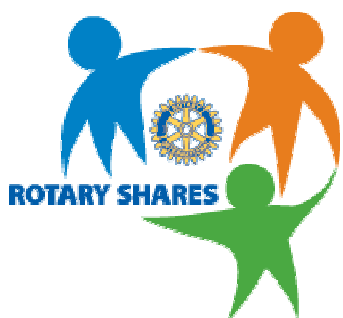
Current & future board of directors will meet immediately after the luncheon on Jan 24th.

A fellow I know once sent ten different puns to friends with the hope that at least one of them would make someone laugh. Unfortunately, no pun in ten did.



District Conference

Toronto East will host the District Conference at Deerhurst Resort, Oct 24-26, 2008. To pre-register please contact Virginia. The conference cost is \$295 per person. Reservations for rooms can be completed at this time by contacting Deerhurst directly.



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www.toronto-east-rotary.org

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MISSION

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty.

January Celebrations

1	Tony Mazza
5	Virginia O'Reilly
14	Art & Dawn Belanger
15	Bill Phelan
17	Mike & Tammy Mead
19	Trevor Hitner
20	Carol Ryan

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Toronto East President:
Rod Roblin

Past Presidents:

1964 Bill Phelan (PHF)	1965 Bill Phelan (PHF)
1966 John Lytle (d)	1967 Walter Kohlmeier (d)
1968 Geo. McCracken (d)	1969 Harold Black
1970 Bob Russell	1971 Ed Hearn (PHF) (d)
1972 Archie Allen (d)	1973 Kevin McCullagh
1974 Ken Steele (d)	1975 Jack Webb
1976 Herb Smith (d)	1977 Herb Bond
1978 Dave Huehn (d) (PHF)	1979 Alex 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 Lytle/Sam Campbell (d)	1987 Michael Mead (PHF)
1988 Tom Andrews	1989 Bill Phelan (PHF)
1990 Mike Phelan (PHF)	1991 Hugh Frazer (PHF)
1992 Alan Seymour (PHF)	1993 Brian Smith (PHF)
1994 Frank Dal Ferro	1995 Bruce Knight (PHF)
1996 Jeff Harrison (PHF)	1997 John Ryall
1998 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 (PHF)
2006 Tom Andrews	

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