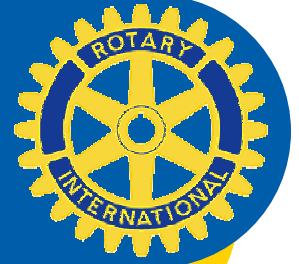


Toronto East Rotary Club



Proud Rotarians

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From Karen Somerville

POD 3 is responsible for the month of August. Before the lunch, Virginia asked the members present to consider two questions:

1. What are you really pleased about that we have done as a Club, this year or in the past?
2. What would you like to see the Club do in the future?

After the lunch, all the members present gave responses to these questions.



Jeff Rayman: Jeff was proud of the Ribfest. There were a number of challenges that had to be addressed and some dissension as to how to proceed but it turned out to be a rousing success. Everyone rose to the challenge. In terms of the future, he would like to have more of the same and more community involvement.

Art Belanger: Art referred to the 80's and 90's when the Club organized Caravan. He thought there was great fellowship and that it brought the Club together. He would like to do more things like that.

Andrew Lang: Andrew thought he knew what Rotary was about before he joined the Club but realized after joining that it has a much greater depth and a large range of interests. He felt that Rotarians need to blow their own horn more, in a humble way, to educate the community about Rotary.

Bob Wasson: Bob expressed his pleasure at the way Rotary can involve both business and social aspects of things. He thought that the Club should become more familiar with the community, both locally and internationally.

Matt Matthews: Matt indicated that the best move the Club made was moving to Whistler's. He looked forward to the Thursday lunches.

Ray White: Ray thought the Ribfest was a great day. He echoed what Jeff said about the Club overcoming adversity to bring the event to fruition. He thought that the Club needed to gain greater public awareness of what it can do for the community.

Steve Mastoras: Steve spoke about the Toronto Argo trip and how it involved this Club and the Toronto Twilight Club. He would like to see this event carry forward.

Aaron Harnett: Aaron spoke as a new member and about how he would like to find creative ways to feed the energy of the Club

Jack Embry: Jack spoke about the advantages that the Club gave him in order to kiss the 'girls'. He also has appreciated the move to Whistler's and the wonderful meals.

Jeff Harrison: Jeff has been a member since 1988 when he joined with Mike and Brian Smith. He spoke about starting the golf tournament and the success it has been in bringing in \$20-25,000 a year. He also thought the growth of the club in the last year has been tremendous.

Karen Somerville: Karen thought that last February's event, that supported international events, was a highlight. It allowed the Club to raise awareness about AIDS and microfinance and to raise funds for the international community. She would like to see a better balance in the funding of international and local community projects.

Proud Rotarians (cont.)

Mike Phelan: Mike indicated that some of the things of which he was the most proud were the small things, such as the barbeque at Fontbonne, the barbeque for some of the homeless men in the neighbourhood and the maintenance of the gardens at Fontbonne. He would like to see the Club carry on with this kind of activity.

Virginia O'Reilly: Virginia thought that it was great to see all the new members to the Club and that thanks was owed largely to a couple of people. Virginia thanked Steve. She thought it was important to find out about projects that needed to be done in the community and to work on them.

Before closing the meeting, Virginia shared some information about the Rotary Foundation.

Steve made an announcement about the district conference on October 23-24 and encouraged as many members as possible to attend.

Mike encouraged all members to complete the forms he had previously handed out and send in photos of members together with their spouses.

Rotarian of the Month - Ray White



TERC should celebrate its successes and Mike has initiated TERC Rotarian of the Month. He named **Ray White** as Rotarian of the Month for July, 2009 and presented Ray with a plaque.

"Ray has been a member of Toronto East for less than a year, but he has already made his mark. Ribfest was a new activity for our club, untried and untested, but Ray willingly stepped forward to chair the committee. New endeavours are often fraught with unforeseen circumstances, but fair to say no one expected a civic strike to close us down just before the event. Lots of last minute shuffling by Ray and his team and voila.. a wonderfully successful event! Thank you Ray for your tremendous leadership"

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Aug 1 Ray & Mary Floro-White
Aug 4 Mary Moore
Aug 12 Karen Somerville

Aug 1 Sabu Varghese
Aug 5 Elmar Moser
Aug 16 Jeff & Rita Rayman



Teenagers Needed



This is your chance to support youth in the community.

TERC has committed to sending 40 teenagers to the Rotary / Argo Service Above Self All-stars program. We are looking for young people of high school age who have leadership potential - school or community based. **Every member of Toronto East is encouraged to nominate 1 young person.**

The entire experience has been designed to give the *Rotary SAS All-Stars* participants an experience that they'll never forget. Throughout the day the youth will learn about Service Above Self, and how they can apply that in their own lives. To ensure the day is extra special the teens will be treated like VIPs, as they will be granted access to the stadium before the general public, taken on a behind the scenes tour, get to walk the sidelines, meet the athletes and then enjoy the game from the premium Rotary SAS All-star seats.

Before the game the participants will receive mentoring from Rotarians and Argos alumni who live Service Above Self everyday. The retired Argos are Adrion "Pee Wee" Smith and Orland Bowen founder of One Voice One Team

Please see Ray White with names of your candidates.

TERC Golf Tournament

Only six weeks to go

Why We Need Every Member to Participate

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

The Tasks for Every Member

1. Sell a Foursome:

We have 32 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 will be distributed in soft copy, if you would like hard copies in colour, please advise Bob Wasson.

This tournament is an 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 \$200. Then to make the deal even more attractive, we provide an income tax receipt (\$60 last year) if the greens fee is paid for personally. Great value for a great cause!

What about the non-golfers? Think of sunshine, blue skies, lots of green grass, trees and shrubbery. That's what you find on a golf course. We play a scramble format (everyone plays a shot, choose the best and play your next shot from there - only one score per foursome) so there's no pressure to excel. This is meant to be an enjoyable day!



2. Sell a Sponsorship:

Over **50%** of our net profit comes from sponsorship income. Sponsorships make the tournament a success! Split sponsorships are available and Bob will distribute a sponsorship package to every member starting tomorrow.

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.

Anyone with access to sports tickets who is willing to donate them.

Join the Committee

If you are interested please contact Bob Wasson as soon as possible. There are many tasks and we welcome your participation and input.

Group Study Exchange

The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers.

Toronto East has been asked to become one of the five host clubs for the incoming GSE team from India.

Who: 4 young people (age 25-40 years) and 1 Rotarian team leader

When: late March or early April

How Long: 5-6 days

What: We need a minimum of 5 members who are prepared to offer room & board for the incoming team members - access to laundry facilities, daily breakfast, access to internet, travel to and from host club events. We must also arrange a 1 day vocational visit for each team member. We must arrange a social schedule for the incoming team

Day in a Life

The first "Day in a Life" of Rotary will take place on 10 October 2009 and your assistance with this effort will be greatly appreciated.

On 10 October 2009, Rotarians worldwide will take photos of club members in action. The Rotarian magazine is looking for a wide variety of photographs that showcase all aspects of Rotary life.

Get your club members together, and get creative. Shoot photos of Rotarians digging wells or planting trees, raising funds to eradicate polio or educate children, building parks or painting schools, leading a Group Study Exchange team or hosting a Rotary Youth Exchange student, playing golf or piloting an airplane with a Rotary Fellowship, networking at a local pub or baseball game, or attending a Rotary club meeting in a familiar place or an unusual location. The Rotarian is also interested in photos of or by Interactors, Rotaractors, alumni, and other members of the family of Rotary.

Please e-mail up to three high-resolution photos to rotarian@rotary.org.

All photos must be taken on 10 October and submitted by 17 October. Be sure to specify who's in the photo, what they're doing, where they are, what time the photo was taken, and who took it.



Club Anniversary

On August 13, 2009 Jack Embrey (aka the kissing bandit) celebrated 31 years as a member of Toronto East. Jack was President of the club in 1982/83 and is a Paul Harris Fellow

Thanks for 31
years of service!

Brian Smith in Stilettoes

The "White Ribbon Campaign" is raising funds through a unique way to reflect upon the issue of violence against women. Brian invites all members to sponsor him in the **Walk a Mile in Her Shoes** event.

Thursday October 1st, 2009 12:00pm to 2:00pm
Nathan Phillips Square www.WalkAMileToronto.org

Brian Smith

Phone: 416 645-6000 ext. 4000



Rotary Foundation Seminar

District Foundation Chair Mike Cooksey has set **Tuesday, September 8th** for the District 7070 Rotary Foundation seminar.

It will be held from 6 pm to 9 pm at the Radisson Hotel, 55 Hallcrown Place - Hwy.401 and Victoria Park. Buffet dinner will be served at 6 pm and there is no charge to you or our club.

The agenda will cover all aspects of Rotary Foundation such as PolioPlus, the Annual Programs Fund, the Permanent Fund and the programs these support.

Presenters will include Past Rotary Foundation Chair Dr. Bob Scott, District Rotary Foundation Chair Mike Cooksey, PDG Bill Patchett and PDG Richard Clarke.

To register, please advise Mike Phelan.

The Club Calendar

- Aug 13** **Jodie Guillemette**
Living in a Kenyan Orphanage
- Sept 24** **Toronto East Golf Tournament**
Sleepy Hollow Golf Course
- Oct 3** **Toronto East @ the Argos**
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As you may know, there is an excellent YouTube video with RI President John Kenny inviting all Rotarians to the convention and showing the highlights of Montreal. Please take a moment to have a look at it

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nJT-a8R3oUg>.



RI & D7070 Calendar

- Sept 8** **District 7070 Rotary Foundation Seminar 6 pm - 9 pm**
Radisson Hotel,
55 Hallcrown Place
- Sept 27** **District 7070 Rotary Foundation Challenge Walk**
CFB Trenton - full tour of the base
- Oct 16-19** **District Conference - Blue Mountain Collingwood**
Details at www.rotary7070.org

Rotary 101

Humanitarian Grants Cadre of Technical Advisers
The Humanitarian Grants Cadre of Technical Advisers is a registry of Rotarians willing to provide technical expertise to The Rotary Foundation and to Rotarians developing and implementing projects worldwide through Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) and Matching Grants.

Cadre members volunteer to serve as technical reviewers and site monitors for projects in the following fields:

- Agriculture and food production
- Education and literacy
- Financial auditing
- Health
- Low-cost shelter
- Small businesses and revolving loans
- Water, sanitation, and environment

Technical reviewers write a review of the project but do not travel to the site. Site monitors conduct on-site project visits in Rotary districts other than their own, in areas where they are familiar with the language and culture of the assignment. Site visits generally last two to three days, and written reports are due within two weeks of the visit.

The Rotary Foundation provides cadre members with a per diem allowance and covers the cost of the lowest round-trip airfare through Rotary International Travel Service.

Rotarians with expertise in one of the fields above are encouraged to register. The cadre is particularly in need of French, Portuguese, and Spanish speakers.

A team of cadre technical coordinators help recruit the cadre and serve as experts in each of the seven fields. For more information, e-mail cadre coordinator emily.sharp@rotary.org or call 847-866-3357 or sign up for the cadre using the registration form . www.rotary.org/Rldocuments/en_pdf/hg_cadre_registration_form_en.pdf