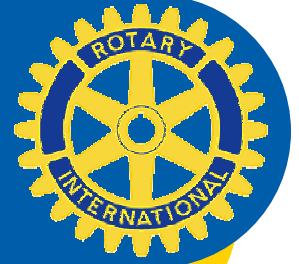


Toronto East Rotary Club



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Club News



This week's meeting notes were emailed to me from Guy Smiley

Invocation: Rex Colbourne
Toasts: Jack Embrey

President Phelan announced Alex Munroe's imminent retirement, and the free beers on May 4, 2010 for all Toronto East Rotarians. General approval noted.

Announcement of Ambassador Scholarship nominations open to members of the Club. The program is open to students hoping study abroad (not including the US) in a post grad program. Value \$25,000 USD. 25 Applicant's per year. Our club has nominated 4 successful scholars in the last few years.

Announcement of the Peace and Conflict Resolution Scholarship. Students interested in completing a Master's Degree in this area can apply through our club.

Two members having their birthdays, including Paul Stapleton and Andrew Lang. Both gentlemen eagerly paid to avoid Matt from singing. General approval noted.

Jack Embrey introduced and inducted our three new members:

Michelle Lydon, sponsored by Aaron Harnett;

Armando Calderon, sponsored by Mike Phelan;

Andrew James, sponsored by Steve Mastoras

Jack Embrey explained the opportunities and responsibilities of membership and presented plaques and pins, with name tags to follow.



Bob Wasson canvassed the membership regarding a possible social event, a car rally. Plans in motion to travel to member Aaron Harnett's farm north of Toronto, for a barbecue and day in the country.

Steve Mastoras introduced guest speaker Willie on behalf of the Phillip Aziz Center: Youth Hospice project.

The Phillip Aziz Center, a residential hospice in operation in the GTA, provides respite and ongoing support for patients at end-of life. The Center is in the fund-raising stage for a residential home which will provide 6 beds for children with terminal conditions. The hospice is planned for the Don Jail Governor's House, located at Broadview and Gerrard, and will be the first of it's kind in Ontario. The project has the support of the City of

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Toronto and the Hospital for Sick Kids. Funding assistance and support from our members is urgently required.

Jack Embrey thanked the guest, and presented a token of the clubs appreciation for her time and effort.

Mike Phelan announced happy news: that his father Bill is improving and hopes to be able to attend our next meeting.



Last week's Rossi luncheon was a great success, and the raffle for the Art in the City Project raised \$830. Thank you to Adam McInnis and Jacqueline Thompson for their efforts in organizing this successful fund raiser. Having worked through lunch, our organizers were thankful for much needed assistance from Ray & Matt in separating tickets.

Thank you to Steve Mastoras for his wonderful organization of last week's event. It was a wonderful turn out that raises our profile in the community and raised additional funds for the club coffers.



Virginia O'Reilly reminded members about the Rotary Youth Leadership College, open to any youth, including member's direct relatives, between ages 19-23. It takes place at Loyalist College in Belleville in May. The club has reserved a placement for the week so please nominate a worthy individual.

The meeting concluded with the singing of our National anthem.

Calling potential RYLA applicants!

RYLA Rotary Youth leadership Award:

To attend a leadership seminar led by a professional leadership consultant

Candidates: age 19 to 22, who are attending community college, university or are employed full-time are most suited to the program

Held at Loyalist College in Belleville (transportation to and from Toronto provided)

Sunday, May 16th to Friday, May 21st

We (TERC) have committed the resources (\$850) for one attendee, and we need to find that person.

Open to relatives of Rotarians, as well as neighbours, friends, even colleagues (of the right age!)

Please help us find a candidate for this very worthwhile award.

Virginia O'Reilly

Tree Planting

Thursday April 29th.

Behind Todmorden Mills. This Toronto East program started in 1991 and we have been planting indigenous shrubs and trees in the Don Valley ever since. The planting is done by school kids, but members of the club are encouraged to attend to participate or offer moral support. Jim Hawtin has organized this activity for many years and will provide updates in the coming weeks.



March Birthdays

1 Jacqueline Thompson
7 Craig Logue
13 Paul Stapleton
18 Andrew Lang
19 22 Alex Munroe
23 Adam McInnis



March Anniversaries

7 Rod & Janet Roblin

Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award

The Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award recognizes a Rotarian, Rotary Club or a friend of Rotary who in the judgment of the District Governor, has made a significant contribution to defending, preserving, nurturing, and promoting a culture of peace and non-violence.

Toronto East Rotarians are encouraged to nominate worthy candidates. Please submit to Secretary Virginia by May 1st.

Rotary Peace Fellowship

Applications are being sought for the 2011-2013 Rotary Peace Fellowship program at one of the 6 Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution. The application and a list of suggestions on where suitable applicants may be found is available on the district website

<http://www.rotary7070.org/news.php?show=news&nid=404>

All applications are sent to Lynn Bird, District 7070 Chair for the Rotary Peace Programs, klbird@hotmail.com by May 1st.

King Tut Polio Fundraiser

Over 180 Rotarians and friends enjoyed an evening at the AGO on February 3rd, and raised nearly \$800 for Polio eradication, at the same time!

The Rotarian 's 2010 photo contest is underway!

If you have a compelling shot -- from a fundraiser, international project, the RI Convention, or local club event -- enter it for a chance to be featured in the June issue and to win the grand prize: a digital camera. The deadline for submitting photos is 31 March.

Enter up to three photos that illustrate the spirit of Rotary for your chance to win.

More than 85 million children to be immunized against polio in 19 countries

More than 85 million children under age five will be immunized against polio in 19 countries across West and Central Africa in a massive example of cross-border cooperation aimed at stopping a year-long polio epidemic.

Nine of the countries -- Burkina Faso, Cameroun, Chad, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal, and Sierra Leone -- are considered to have active outbreaks of polio (i.e., cases within the last six months).

The campaign kicked off on 6 March in these countries as well as in Benin, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, and Nigeria. Cote d'Ivoire, Niger, and Togo will join at a later date due to political transitions or elections. This complex logistical operation is largely made possible by US\$30 million in funding released by Rotary International.

