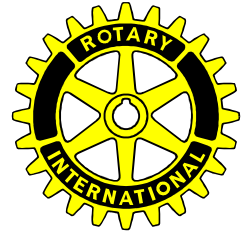


# The Beacon News

The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of Dec 17, 2007



## Christmas Fete

### OPENING REMARKS

President Ron, assisted by Santa Claus, gave a hearty welcome to all those in attendance at the first annual Dianne Pendock Christmas Bash at Dalewood.

The handing out of roses by Santa gave a promise of greater things including all the thrills, chills, and spills of a circus. The thrills were provided by the members and the remarkable music duo of Lee Batchelor and Bob Trennum, and punctuated by Rotarian Rob Boycott's first public sax solo.



The chills were provided by Rotarian Will and Rotarian Bruce who gave chillingly authentic transgender performances in the Cinderella production. The spills were provided by various members in their cavalier approach to vessels containing

different forms of imbibulation as well as our treasurer and spouse Betty's rendition of the "down-under" rumba.

### SEWSOSUE

In a particularly culturally sensitive skit, Pedro and Santa engaged in brisk repartee reminiscent of Mel Blanc and Jack Benny. Santa's pointed cross-examination of Pedro provided us with the following: Pedro was a pretty good boy all year and he has a sister named Sue who is a seamstress, and she has a brother who is a magician. Sue participates in the acts but something went awry and she hired her other brother, Sid, to commence legal proceedings against Sal. Clearly Santa was able to get to the bottom of this very difficult situation in spite of some obvious language barriers.



### THE DINNER

The Christmas dinner we had was excellent and was punctuated throughout with songs, skits and dancing. Our members are a nimble and a musical lot and the terpsichorean talent of President Ron and spouse Bonnie were justly recognized. There were many other gamers, however, who tripped the light fantastic in the literal sense.

### CINDERELLA



We were blessed with a fine rendition, highly dramatic and in full costume, of the classic Cinderella (the operatic version is known as *Cenorentola* and goes on for about two and a half hours). The version presented to

us was more in line with the Cole's Notes edition. Our exchange student, Colline, was spectacular as the main character notwithstanding a rather suspect although kindly fairy godmother.



Doreen Rossi gave a wonderfully animated performance and was a fine counterfoil to her theatrical sibling, Rotarian Will, whose performance as one of the "sisty-uglers" was so convincing that he would make a freight train take a dirt road. Past president Jan was a fine-looking stepmother, and



Rotarian Ken O'Neil was a somewhat astonishing and astonished-looking prince and certainly provided an acting challenge to Cinderella, Colline. Everybody enjoyed the exercise in fantasy and gave the performance two thumbs-up.

## PRIZE WINNERS

Winners of the draw, Cathy on castanets, Dorothy on maracas,

Kitty, Merle, Myrtle and Linda also playing maracas, and with Diane on the triangle, they paraded around the room to earn their gifts.

## CAROLS

We were led in carols by Dianne Pendock, together with Lee and Bob, and we all sang lustily and heartily as befits the Christmas season.



## DENOUEMENT

After several more bouts of dancing, the Christmas party wound down with President Ron thanking everybody for all the good-natured participation and in particular extending our thanks to Dianne Pendock for a most excellent Christmas Party adventure.

See you all in the new year.  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## REMINDER OF MEETING VENUE

A reminder to all Port Hope Rotarians that the club will, as of January 7, 2008, meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall adjacent to the Town Hall Park. Meeting time remains the same.

## 500 Club Tickets

A reminder that 500 Club tickets are still available and they make a great new year's gift for family members, friends or staff. Tickets are \$50 and members have an opportunity to win a monthly draw and can be assured that these funds benefit our local Rotary activities. Please contact Doug Burke at 905-885-8765 for more information.

## Special Thanks

To Jeff Wakely for providing all the photographs used in this issue of The Beacon.

## WEB SITE

Please take a moment to visit the Port Hope Rotary web site.

[www.porthoperotary.com](http://www.porthoperotary.com)

We will be adding new information all the time.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF PORT HOPE

The Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say and do:  
Is it the TRUTH?  
Is it FAIR to all concerned?  
Will it build GOODWILL and better

FRIENDSHIPS?  
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



# Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Bulletin Scribe
Jan 7	TBA or Cleve Pendock Classification	KofC Hall	Joyce Best, Sylvia Binkley	
Jan 14	Exchange Student Address - Pending	KofC Hall	Jan Boycott, Doug Burke	
Jan 21	PHBIA – Kelly Morgan-Mackenzie	KofC Hall	Bruce & Ron Coleman	
Jan 28	Alzheimer's Awareness - Pending	KofC Hall	Rolly Dalla Rosa, Jim Gilmer	
Feb 4	TBA	KofC Hall	George Harvey, Sid Hatch	
Feb 11	TBA	KofC Hall	Andrew Haynes, Jim Hunt	
Feb 18	TBA	KofC Hall	Roger Ingram, Joe James	
Feb 25	TBA	KofC Hall	Trish Kulik, Ted Lacey	

## Sergeant-at-Arms Schedule

Following Rotarians during Rotarian Dick O'Toole's southern sojourn will be Sergeant-at-Arms: **George Harvey** (905-885-0041) **Trish Kulik** (905-372-8976) and **Roger Ingram** (905-885-5724)

Jan 7 – Trish; Jan 14 – George; Jan 21 – Roger; Jan 28- Trish

Feb 4 – Roger; Feb 14 – George; Feb 18 – George; Feb 25- Roger

Mar 3 – Trish; Mar 10; George; Mar 17 Roger; Mar 24 Trish; March 31 George

Apr 7 – Roger

## Door Duty Roster

Mar	3	Morgan-Mackenzie, Kelly, Mowat, John	10	O'Neill, Ken, Parker, Hugh
	17	Pendock, Cleve, Quigley, Wilf	24	Pendock, Dianne. Rafuse, Ted
	31	Rafuse, Susan, Richards, Merv		
Apr	7	Ross, Jamieson, Rossi, Peter	4	Ryan, Will, Tait, Paul
	21	Wallace, Bob, Currelly, Ben	28	Lynch, Bud, O'Toole, Dick

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