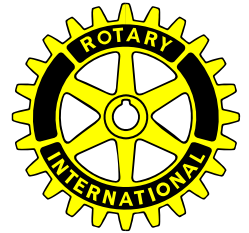




German Group Study Exchange 2008



The Group Study Exchange Program involves young professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who have pursued their professional endeavors for a period of at least two years. Ken informed us that in June of 2008 we from District 7070 would send a team back to Germany. He touted the program as providing not only an opportunity to the individual to learn about his or her profession in the other nation, but also to become acquainted with the culture of the other nation and its people. The Rotary Club of Port Hope has in the past involved Russia, Malaysia, Singapore and Turkey among others.

The club welcomed our charming and well-informed guests from Germany who are here through the Group Study Exchange, with a large turnout of members, spouses, and guests.



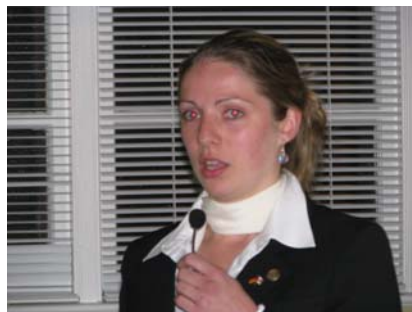
Rotarian Ken O'Neil introduced Team GSC D 1830 from the Stuttgart area of Germany and thanked the Rotarian members responsible for helping with this visit and the families who were hosting our guests. R. Ken

explained that these young people were professionals in business for at least two years and were between the ages of 25 and 30-something years.



The team leader Bernhard Gailing was introduced and remarked how they were overwhelmed with the welcome and kindness of everyone. He spoke with quite a degree of humour and sincerity. A video was presented depicting the incredible scenery of their area, including castles on the mountaintops, then pictures of sports, car manufacturers, architecture and the foods typical of Germany.

Julia Skrypski



Each member spoke and gave a little of their background and were assigned a topic to discuss and compare with our area,

including culture, geography, politics, economy, and population, all enhanced with a video presentation.



Katja Ginnel



Johannes Goebel



Nina Maier

Leader Bernhard Gailing summed up the presentation with more thanks and remarked on our very effective fund raising, which he would hold up as an example to the people at home. What an attractive and articulate group in our language.