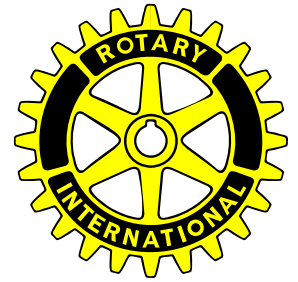




The Beacon News



The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of Jan 8, 2007

Compassion Net International

President Rolly opened the meeting at 6pm with an invitation to sing Rotary Grace followed by a toast to the Queen. Due to the recent break from Rotary during the holiday season, President Rolly, much to the disappointment of many, did not grant any Rotarian the stress ball at this meeting.

President Rolly announced that we had no guests or visiting Rotarians and he introduced Rotarians Ken Bell and Kelly Morgan-MacKenzie as his head table guests.

Rotary Business: President Rolly announced that the election of board members will take place at the next meeting and invited any nominations from the floor to come forward at the next meeting, or, a letter to secretary Merv would also suffice. The board of directors meeting scheduled for this Wednesday has been postponed to a future date, which will be announced.

A thank you card from Eve Burch was received, thanking

the club for their support during the passing of our long serving fellow Rotarian and Paul Harris Fellow, Austin Burch.

A card was received from Dave Adams, on behalf of a Northumberland Disability Organization, for the club's 200.00 donation towards the purchase of a special hockey sled.

DESSERT REPORTS



Ben Currelly asked how fellow Rotarian Bud Lynch is doing and the word is "much better". We miss you Bud and look forward to your return to the club and your friends.

Susan Rafuse and Ron Tuttle combined to promote the

spouses night meeting next week, which will feature a speech from a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. This



will be a good opportunity to invite potential Rotarians as well as guests and spouses. Please let Rotarian Susan Rafuse if you plan to invite someone, so she can plan for the evening.



Ron Tuttle announced that our Rotary Exchange student, Valentina, has joined the well-known musical

group, La Jeunesse, as a musical artist. Our club donated \$495.00 towards the rental of an instrument for her.

A special concert is planned for Feb 18 2007 at the Port Hope United Church and Valentia will be performing at that time.

Ron Tuttle, on behalf of Rotary Foundation spokesperson, Ken O'Neill, reminded members that the deadline to hand in their jam jar full of coins is Jan 15 2007. The estimated value of a full jar is \$65.00. Any and all contributions will be welcome.

Ben Currelly of the International Committee, asked us to support a project of the Toronto Leaside Rotary Club. For only \$5.00, a bookplate could be purchased. This is placed, with your name on it, in the front cover of an educational book for children in Bankoo Ghana.

Joyce Best asked us to support our club's Fund Raising Event called the "Bordello Night" on Friday Feb 16 2007 at the Best Western. Tickets are 60.00 each. It includes a very nice meal, live music, dancing, access to two psychics and perhaps gaming. The club needs to sell 150 tickets and hopes to sell 250 tickets.

Joyce also reminded the club about the annual Lobster Dinner night at the recreational center in Port

Hope. She thinks the date will be June 9 2007, but this is to be confirmed.



Sid Hatch gave thanks to the club and it's members, for the help given to the Salvation Army, who raise funds from the contributions to the "kettle". And also we helped deliver 75 hampers to needy families.

Will Ryan and Norm Culley will provide door Duty at the next meeting, with the bulletin editor being Ken O'Neill.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Merv announced make-ups from Bob Wallace and Dick O'Toole. Also we had a thank you card from Russell Mark and MJ whose baby is now 6 months old.

HAPPY BUCKS

Our sergeant this evening was Bruce Coleman who quickly announced that he had no coins with him. Our president Rolly, without missing a beat, and a fellow

lawyer, also sadly announced he had no coins this evening. Then, the third lawyer in the group, Jim Hunt, had all of us in anticipation, as we thought he would announce that he too did not have any coins tonight, but to our surprise, he dropped a loony in the pot to save the reputation of lawyers all around the world.

Secretary Merv was quite enthusiastic to announce that Australia had won "the ashes" from England, otherwise known as the world championship for cricket. To which, George Harvey, an Englishman, was sad that Austailia had white washed the Englishmen.

Our birthday boys were Jim Adamson, Ted Harp, Ted Lacey, Bud Lynch and Jim Gilmer, capricorns all. Those at their tables paid the price.

Jan Boycott was happy for her vacation in Santa Barbara.

Paul Tait was happy, Sid Hatch was happier and Ben Currelly was the happiest of all, but Ben could not remember why he was happy, so he will get back to us on this.

Ken Bell was happy for a trip to California and he looks forward to his involvement with "Desperate Housewives", the kind that will be performing at the Capital Theatre soon.

Ted Rafuse was happy to spend New Year's Eve with his grandchild.

Sylvia Binkley was happy to announce the engagement of her son Ryan to Kiley Adams.

Ron Tuttle was unhappy about the lack of snow for ski purposes.

UPDATE

The Rotary Club of Port Hope recently purchased five Literacy and Character Education kits for local schools. By using the "WHO IS NOBODY?" program, each student in the class researches and then conducts a community service project. As the students report back to the class, they attach a symbol to help the NOBODY doll become SOMEBODY.

The attached photograph was taken at the workshop for teachers on December 1 presented by Kelly Clark, Program Director for WHO IS NOBODY.



From left to right, the people in the photo are:

Cheryl Langille, Teacher, Central P. S., Heather Halls, Teacher, Beatrice Strong P. S., Janice Gregg, Teacher, Beatrice Strong P. S., Kelly Clark, Program Director for WHO IS NOBODY, Karen

Vandermeer, Principal, Beatrice Strong P. S., Ron Tuttle, Rotary Club of Port Hope, Allison Ellwood, Teacher, North Hope P. S. and Julie Gilbert, Teacher, North Hope P. S.

PROGRAM



Ken Bell introduced Kelly Morgan-MacKenzie, of Sound Hearing Solutions, who told us of her recent trip to China, on behalf of Compassion Net International, a Christian Based group, dedicated to helping children with hearing problems.



Kelly estimates that there are at least 4000 children under age 10 with hearing problems in China, mostly due to the heavy use of anti-biotics in China.

On a worldwide basis, she estimates 2% of the world's children need hearing aids and only about 40% actually go to school.

This past November, Kelly, and her group, treated 141 children in 4 days, by providing hearing aids. The group's goal is to treat 300 Fujian children in 2007 and they want to set up a school as well.

In closing, Kelly suggested that Rotary in general, and our club specifically, could assist with this problem in the future.



Rotarian Norm Culley thanked Kelly for her very informative talk.

The meeting was closed with the singing of Oh Canada following the winning of the 50/50 draw by Kelly herself.

Yours in Rotary: Ted Harp

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site.

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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 15	Graham Smith, returning exchange student, Spouse's night	Dalewood	Will Ryan Norm Culley	Ken O'Neill
Jan 22	Kevin Brady – Pig Farming	Palm	Jim Gilmer Peter Rossi	Trish Kulik
Jan 29	Joanne Ashley/Ray Richardson RADAR- AIDS in Africa	Dalewood	Ted Harp Jamieson Ross	Sylvia Binkley
Feb 5			George Harvey Merv Richards	Bud Lynch
Feb 12			Sid Hatch Susan Rafuse	Ted Harp
Feb 19			Ted Rafuse Andrew Haynes	Trish Kulik
Feb 26			Ben Currelly Ken O'Neill	Ken O'Neill
Mar 5			Jan Boycott Bud Lynch	Sylvia Binkley
Mar 12			John Mowat Ted Lacey	Ted Harp
Mar 19			Trish Kulik Jim Hunt	Trish Kulik
Mar 26			Roger Ingram Ken Bell	Bud Lynch

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