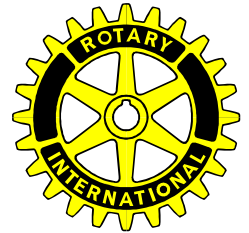




# The Beacon News

## The Rotary Club of Port Hope



**News Bulletin for the Week of January 25, 2010**

### Robin Long – Historic Port Hope Buildings

President Sylvia was joined at the head table by Past President Bud Lynch and guest speaker Robin Long.



Membership Information meeting at which time we may bring prospective members to learn a little more about Rotary.



### DESSERT REPORTS

### GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

These included Gord Sherwin from Cobourg Rotary and Martha Henderson from Sunrise Rotary.



Past President Ken O'Neill reports that host families are needed for the young professionals from India. The GSE Team will be here from April 7<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> inclusive. Also needed are drivers and people to make business contacts for them to visit and to accompany them.

Treasurer Paul Tait reported that including the \$1000.00 donated by the club we had raised \$7850.00 for the Shelter Boxes. Rotarian Kelly promptly volunteered \$ 200.00 bringing the total up and over the cost of eight Shelter Boxes. As Treasurer Paul will be visiting sunny climes for the next 2 months, future financial dealings will be done through President-Elect John Mowat.

February 15<sup>th</sup> is Family Day – no Rotary meeting.

Rotarian Paul Weber has invited the club to his home on Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. for a





Rotarian Linda reported that **AkzoNobel Wood Coatings Industrial Finishes at 155 Rose Glen Road North** will donate \$1000.00 towards Shelter Boxes through Port Hope Rotary.

Secretary Erin sent out an E-mail from Assistant Governor Gael Moore and Past District Governor Mike Phelan that said the following: Canadians are stepping up and have donated over 500 ShelterBoxes to date for Haiti relief; District 7070 has contributed 97 boxes to date.



District Governor Elect Bob went on line to donate where one can use a credit card and receive points.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** None this week

**HAPPY BUCKS**

No Happy Bucks tonight to make time for our speaker.

**PROGRAM**



Past President Bud introduced Robin Long as a member of a family that had a lot to do with the settling of Port Hope and that had been around a long time.



This was verified with the first photograph that Robin showed us of his grandfather in 1896 taken with his first camera. This was followed with a trip down Ridout and Walton beginning with the site of the present Winchester Arms which was at one time Gifford's Esso Station where the kids had a smoke while bicycles were repaired.



Going east to Bramley three of the four corners were once commercial. A modern home now stands on the site of the Throop family store.



The Broadbent grocery store where the kids went for candy and comic books is now the Uptown Variety store.



A large wagon which apparently was bright yellow was photographed with the horse and was their pride and joy. On the north side of Walton near the Police Station was Greenway's Butcher Shops where kids weren't welcome. As Robin said, it was just as well as there were lots of sharp things in there and Mrs. Greenway wasn't the nicest tempered lady!



There were lovely old photographs of the Victory Building, the original Furniture and funeral home where Ross's Funeral Home now stands, and the Wilson Car Company building with the double doors which are still there in the Indulgence Shop. Robin spoke of the fires which burned a lot of the original buildings, but in some cases the facades were saved permitting them to be rebuilt. In October 1972 there was a fire at the Evening Guide building which burned all night and when the water truck from Cobourg came around the corner full of water the crowd cheered. In 1974-75 the sewers were being replaced and during the job a worker pulled out a gas line with his backhoe with dire results! The explosion took the building down while a lady was taking a bath on the second floor. When the dust settled, there she was clinging on in the "altogether"!



There were photographs of the oldest building in 1861 where the Subway restaurant is and a photo taken in 1861 showing Walton street and the railway arch all decorated to commemorate a visit by Queen Victoria's Consort, the Prince of Wales This was the earliest photo in the collection.



Susan Dewhurst's store was shown when it had a Skylight and an open stairway. It looked completely different.

The pictures of more than one flood were very graphic with the raging Ganny! Robin remarked on the river being a dumping ground for literally everything at one time.



Rotarian Sid Hatch thanked Robin for the delightful presentation and remarked how it was a trip down memory lane for many members. For those of us who are relatively new to Port Hope, it was also of great interest.

Next week we will welcome Past President Ben's niece to speak about her experiences in Haiti.

### **50-50 WINNER**

Rotarian Jim Adamson

### **DOOR DUTY ON FEBRUARY 1**

Doug Burke and Dave Watson

### **SCRIBE ON FEBRUARY 1**

Jim Hunt

### **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.

## FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Scribe
February 1	<b>Experience of Haitian Earthquake Victim</b>	K of C	Doug, Dave W.	Jim Hunt
February 8	<b>Camp Enterprise – Leigh Facey-Crowther</b>	K of C	John M., Joyce	Rolly
February 15	<b>Family Day Holiday – No Meeting</b>			
February 22	<b>Kyle Sutton, Returned YE Student Spouse’s Night</b>	K of C	Dianne, Jim G.	Ken Burgin
March 1	<b>Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowling</b>	K of C	Roger, Ben	Rolly
March 8	<b>AIDS Fund Raiser – Belleville Rotary Club</b>	K of C	Jan, Erin	Dianne
March 15	<b>Club Assembly</b>	K of C	Merv, George	TBA
March 22	<b>Wrap Around Northumberland</b>	K of C	Ken B., Bud	Bud
March 29	<b>TBA</b>	K of C	TBA	Jim Hunt

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