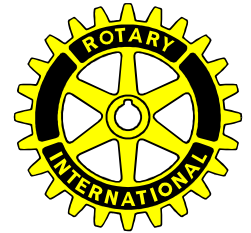


# The Beacon News



## The Rotary Club of Port Hope

**News Bulletin for the Week of June 7, 2010**

### Swedish Exchange Student Elin

#### COMMENCEMENT

Pres. Sylvia was in the chair for her final week as President at the home base at the K of C Hall. What a year it has been as Sylvia's enthusiasm led us through an exciting year.

#### Stress Ball

No stress ball distributed effectively meaning that Sylvia herself was the deserving recipient.

#### HEAD TABLE INTRODUCTION



Elin, our Rotary Exchange Student and Guest Speaker, Youth Exchange Director Ken and Scribe Bud

#### GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS



Jessie-Lynne Donaldson future outbound student to Denmark – July 31 and her mother.



Sunrise Exchange student Dannie.

Paul and Fay Lang and daughter Heidi – one of Elin's host families. Recent Paul Harris recipient.



Lisa and Scott Lang their daughter Cindy (family current outbound student Thomas).



Chair of Estival – Marielle Lambert – guest of Rotarian Kelly Morgan-Mackenzie. PP Mike Parker Cobourg,



Martha Henderson, Northumberland Sunrise



## DESSERT REPORTS

**Theatre Night 4<sup>th</sup> Line** - July 19. Showtime 6pm. Elderado Town. The development of Uranium by Two Port Hope Brothers. Can order your cold sandwiches through Sylvia. Sign up list. Those interested but not yet signed up – call Sylvia as soon as you read this Beacon.



**Estival** – July 30 and Aug. 1 weekend. Kickoff dinner June 12 at the Waddell. Looking for volunteers to make this another successful event for our community. Call 885-5122

**Directors' Meeting** – old board and new. Tuesday at Investors Group. Hope you had a good meeting.

**Happy's Car Wash** – month of June. \$1 of each car wash donation to Rotary.

**Foundation Survey** – PP Ken O'Neil circulated a questionnaire re foundation contributions. Please return to Ken yesterday.

**President's Night** – PP Jim Hunt invited all to attend Wil & Jennie Ryan's. This is getting to be a life commitment for these gracious hosts. Set up at 3pm. Bar opens 2:59. Starts at 5:30pm. Standard \$20 entry fee. Enjoy fantastic environment and more leisurely time with fellow Rotarians and their significant other.

### **Relay for Life**

Pres. Sylvia chaired this committee and thanked those

members who volunteered for this great community event.

It takes nothing but our time (service above self), but gives us great exposure to the community (directing traffic and unloading cars). Even the police obey our orders.

Several members of the Relay for Life committee expressed their gratitude for our continuous support in our fight against cancer.

Raised \$260,000 from 100 teams with corporate funds still coming in.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

There was none.

## HAPPY BUCKS & FINES

The economy must be in recovery particularly as some of the heavy hitters stepped in later in the festivities.



Sylvia got nailed for her faux pox in announcing that Marielle was from the Jazz Festival not Estival.

Sergeant Bruce Coleman paid a dollar claiming more in attendance from his street than any other. Retired Judge Joe refused to adjudicate.

Dave Watson for May 27<sup>th</sup> engagement of the Boston Pops.



Incoming DG Elect Bob Wallace re several rotary functions. Death of an aunt. Party among 3,000 antique car members in London.



Pres. Sylvia re successful Relay for Life.

Hugh Parker in acknowledging that difficult to get a lawyer to turn down the volume.



Plethora of birthdays and anniversaries costs their adjacent seating mates \$1:

Anniversaries:

Dick O'Toole June 7

Susan and Ted Rafuse June 9

Birthdays:

George Harvey June 10

Wilf Quigley June 12

Doug Burke June 13

George Harvey \$5 - best round of golf ever despite double boggy on 1. Feared his BD missed. Vegetables from garden in May.



Your scribe had a happy buck too but I couldn't afford the cumulative progression so I kept my mouth shut.

Joe James \$10 - grandson born 3 weeks premature. Kenneth Joseph Martin James. Finally got his name in the next generation.



Ben Currelly \$20 - adherence to family policy of no conception of children 9 months prior to the

crop planting season. Thus all crops now in the ground thanks to cooperative weather. Sad that commodity prices are down. Passed his flight and license test. Celebrated 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of kidney transplant. Jackie's little kidney is performing well thank you.



Leigh Facey-Crowther – enjoyed James Brown concert  
Linda Thompson – daughter's prom re Port Hope High School at Dalewood. Also commented on how lovely Elin looked that evening.



Kelly Morgan-Mackenzie – promoting Estival kickoff. Live act – Great fun. June 12 – The Recent Opening of the Waddell.



Elin glad to have enjoyed prom night and the planning of the last two months.



## GUEST SPEAKER

Elin our exchange student from Sweden was introduced by YE chair Ken O'Neil.



On this evening we were treated to a travelogue about Sweden according to the gospel of Elin.

Her English was terrific as she anticipated our interest in telling us the following info about her country:

**Statistical**

Northern section of Scandinavian country.  
2,700 km long – similar from Montreal to Moncton.  
Population of 9 million of which 90% reside in the south.  
Stockholm the capital is built on hundreds of islands and is effectively built on water.  
The weather is similar to our weather with similar seasons.



**History**

Vikings were prominent in their origin.  
Became a country in 1884.  
Remained neutral throughout both World Wars.  
Constitution consists of a Monarchy – current King since 1973.  
Princess getting married I summer of 2010.  
Have a Prime Minister.  
50% of the elected members are women.  
Belong to European Union but also retained their own currency.  
**Culture**  
Education including all books and university is free.

She was shocked to hear of post-secondary costs here in Canada and having to purchase supplies.

Health Care completely free including braces.

Most highly taxed country in the world. (what a surprise).

**Major Celebration**

Christmas on December 24<sup>th</sup>.

June 21<sup>st</sup> longest day of year (sunlight).

**Food**

Similar to ours.

Contrary to what we might think it is not a steady diet of Swedish meatballs.

Lots of fish and other healthy foods. I don't think McDonalds will use Elin in their promotions.

One of several items she liked here that they don't have is chocolate milk.

We should send them some brown jersey heifers.

**Economy**

Many of the major international firms are there.

IKEA of course.

60% relates to Chemical Engineering with employees in auto industry, chemicals and telecom.

Have changed from one of the poorest countries in 1950 to one of the richest nations today.

**Sports**

All the winter sports where we know all too well how successful they are. Also handball.

**Her City**

Population 40,000.

300 km north of Stockholm.

Many tourists.

**Family**

Father – CEO of marketing company.

Mother – is a consultant and author.

Sister is finishing grade 13.

Elin has 2 years to finish her grade 13.



She completed her most interesting presentation by highly recommending the YE program for anyone considering it and shared how she enjoyed meeting the people, learning the cultural differences and growing as a person.

Leigh Facey-Crowther in his own eloquent style thanked Elin for her wonderful presentation but also for the mark she is leaving on everyone who populated her life.

Indeed it would be difficult for Sweden or Rotary to have chosen a better ambassador.

She challenged all of us to contact her and she would show us around Sweden. After her travelogue, many will be more inclined to do so.

**50/50 Draw**

Won by Jamieson Ross.

**Spouse's Night Images**



Kitty and her beau for the night.



Marg keeps her spouse happy.



Winners of the local “So You Think You Can Dance Competition!”



He’ll be home one evening soon Cathy.

### Making a Cleopatra Style Prom Arrival



## FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Topic/Speaker	Location	Door	Scribe
June 14	President’s Night	Chez Ryan	Doug B, Jamieson	Ken
June 21	TBA	K of C	Dave, Dick	Jim
June 28	TBA	K of C	George, Anna	Rolly
July 5	Canada Day Holiday		TBA	TBA
July 12	TBA		TBA	TBA

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