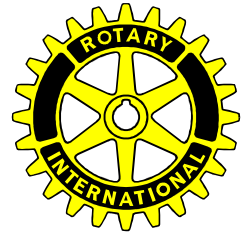




# The Beacon News



## The Rotary Club of Port Hope

**News Bulletin for the Week of Mar 16, 2009**

### Club Assembly

President Jim called the meeting to order promptly at 6 o'clock. As this was a General Assembly night, R. Roger kept him company at the head table. The stress "thingy" was not awarded tonight.

#### GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS

Gail Moore

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Merv said we would have to forgo his usual report! We'll find out why later!

#### St. Patrick's Day Fare



#### By our Green Inspired Chef



#### DESSERT REPORTS

R. Susan reminded us that tickets can be purchased for "Glitz & Glam", the Rotary sponsored fashion show to take place at the Palm Restaurant on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Lunch 12 noon - \$30; Dinner at 6 P.M. - \$40. This is a worthwhile fund raiser with monies going to "Zak's Dream".

R. Erin announced that Bruce Coleman would like to know who would like a second game of bowling for an extra \$4 at Northumberland Lanes on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 o'clock. P. Jim remarked it's good for our backs (I don't think so!). This

will be a regular meeting night and is in aid of Big Brothers, Big Sisters.



R. Ken reminded us of the Foundation Dinner next Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6 P.M. at Dalewood. This is a spouse night and the \$25 dinner ticket is to be collected at the door. Aldo D'agostino and Elizabeth Stewart will be the recipients of this year's Paul Harris award.



SaA Roger announced our birthday people - Erin, Ben and Hugh. Somehow we missed the singing of Happy Birthday and it was suggested we do it next week. Erin wouldn't mind if we forgot it altogether!

## HAPPY BUCKS

Secretary Merv announced the birth of a third grand child, a son, Oliver Cook born to Kevin and Jane. Hence a lack of sleep and no time for a report!



R. Dianne for a great time had by her and Cleve at the "Sweet Water Country Music Concert" at Victoria Hall and for an appreciation for life in Northumberland where there is so much to see and do.



Will Ryan - anticipating a trip to London and Sri Lanka. Rotarians Cleve and Dave almost got caught for switching name tags but they caught it and passed the buck to Kelly Morgan-Mackenzie who was on door duty.

R. Kelly for having someone else set up the door for her.



R. Dave for his trip to the Art Gallery and the two games played at a bonspiel.



Our guest, Gail Moore. A happy buck for Bob Wallace's election to District Governor and another for not wearing green - it's not her colour.



R. Bill King for his one month in Florida.



R. Sylvia for having her mom home from hospital after recovering from a broken hip.



P. Jim reminded us to please find a replacement if we are unable to attend the night we're on door duty as it leaves only one person to look after all the duties. He thanked Ulan for stepping in and helping like a good Rotarian.



P. Jim also welcomed Rotarians Bill and Andy back.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Ron Coleman reminded us that we're here to approve the Constitution and By-Laws. They will be posted on the website and were handed out in January. Hugh thanked Ron for all his good work.



Sylvia attended a Presidents in Training session and came away with some new (to her) information concerning the Pod System.

This consists of several teams with a chair for each. They would be in charge of assigning duties to each of their teams in turn. This way everyone would get a chance to take part during the year in door duties, scribing, etc. Brighton and many other clubs have been using this scheme successfully. It would involve considerable organization and perhaps the use of a spreadsheet.

Some concerns were voiced: Would this involve even more work and how would it survive all the absenteeism? This has to be given some thought before it is implemented.

Sylvia also announced a general assembly on Saturday, April

18<sup>th</sup> which is open to all members and a great way to meet others.

On Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> the Olympic Torch will pass through Port Hope. The Town is looking for someone to sit on a committee to plan events for Port Hope on that day. Speak to Sylvia if you are interested.

R. Roger gave us a report on the various projects that the club has supported during the last year, such as Senior Citizens, Habitat for Humanity, The Walkway, Keystone House, Primrose Donkey Farm, and Youth Leadership Awards. We're also looking at literacy programs for the future.

There is also the fireplace at the Ganaraska Forest Centre in which R. Will is involved in the design and will have our name on it. The opening gala is on September 26<sup>th</sup> and tickets will be at a premium.

The W.B. Stevens Fund is looking for a youth with a disability to sponsor.

P. Jim quoted some poetry about a donkey after the Primrose Donkey Sanctuary was mentioned. He seems to have a bit of prose handy to suit many occasions. How does he do it?

R. Kelly Morgan-MacKenzie announced that the PHBIA was approached by the Town to share \$35,000 along with Rotary for Zak's Dream. If this can be raised, we could see the park realized by 2010.

P. Jim thanked Roger for going through the list of projects.

Roger announced that a certain lady and her daughter who received the club's help would like to come and thank us in

person. This was received positively.

## 50/50 DRAW

R. Erin won two weeks in a row but she says she never wins anything!

Next week: Door duty- Bill King and Trish Kulik; Scribe - Bud Lynch.

## MEMORY JOG

Foundation/ Paul Harris Fellowship dinner at Dalewood G&CC  
Social 6-7  
Dinner 7

## 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:

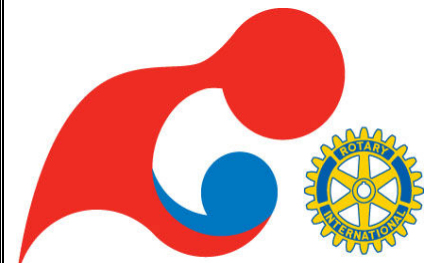
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Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and better

FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



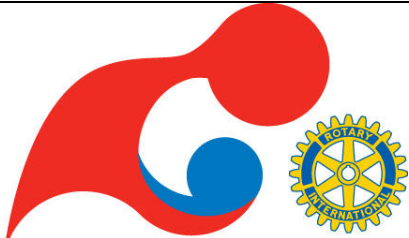
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## FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Scribe
Mar 23	Foundation Night Dinner - Spouse's Night	Dalewood	B. King, T. Kulik	Bud
Mar 30	Bowling for Big Brothers & Big Sisters	N'land Lanes	H. Parker, P. Weber	Rolly

### Sergeant-at Arms Duty Roster:

Mar 16 - ?, Mar 23 – Roger, Mar 30 Bruce: Apr 07 – George

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	<p><b>President</b> Jim Hunt <b>Secretary</b> Merv Richards</p>	<p><b>Vice-President Elect</b> Sylvia Binkley <b>Treasurer</b> Ron Coleman</p>
<p><b>Directors</b></p>	<p><b>Club Service</b> Doug Burke <b>Community Service</b> Roger Ingram</p>	<p><b>World Service</b> Ken O'Neill <b>Fund Raising</b> Jamieson Ross, Sylvia Binkley</p>