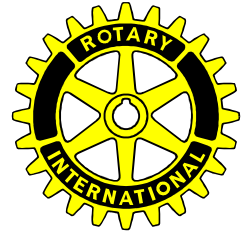


The Beacon News

The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of Mar 10, 2008



Blair McFadden & The Read Centre

After a weekend of snow, the sun shone brightly in the Knights of Columbus Hall when President Ron welcomed members and guests to our Mar. 10th meeting.



DESSERT REPORTS

A Land Mines Dinner in Belleville will be held on Mar. 29th. For more information contact President Ron.

The brain storming session last week resulted in a number of names being invited to a membership meeting to be held at Will and Jenny Ryan's on Apr. 7th.



Ken thanked everyone who donated and supported the Bowl-a-thon that he, Colene,

and Ron participated in and he distributed associated tax receipts.

Susan drew our attention to the "More Glam and Glitz" Fashion Show at the Palm on Mar. 27th. Proceeds from this event will be donated to the Northumberland Women's Shelter.



Program Chair, Cleve, thanked everyone who had suggested guest speakers and requested to email him with continuous suggestions.



Roger invited us to submit any names to him who might benefit from the H.B. Stevens Fund and told us about Zack Andrus and Tammy Kimberley's mother being helped through this fund. There will be a New Members Recognition Dinner on Tues. April 22 at the Sheraton Parkway North Toronto where RI President Wilf Wilkinson will be in attendance. Marg and Ted Lacey will be present at this dinner. Ted will be honoured as he will be celebrating 50 active years in Rotary in April.

Sylvia introduced her guest, Kevin Cotter, who two weeks prior rescued a club presentation when he supplied and delivered his power point projector.

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Merv's report this week contained a safety message to be careful with your snow blower and he also explained the history of an Australian bushranger, Ned Kelly!

HAPPY BUCKS

It was George's turn at Sgt-at-arms and the bucks came flying in starting with Ben finalizing his plans to holiday in Spain,



Bud suggesting we purchase a camera that would make us look younger, and Dick being charged with not mentioning George's name regarding the newspaper article on the Capitol Theatre's funds.

Ted Rafuse wondered if he could donate pesos and he is still trying to find out who used his snow blower to clean out his lane while he was away.

Jim Hunt made a donation for Betty's birthday and on behalf of global warming and Jim Gilmer mentioned global warming as well and the fact that his lane was not blown out when he returned from Cuba. Will reported that the ACO was looking for donated auction items for their event on Apr. 13th.

We heard more snow blowing experiences from Hugh-a belt falling off after he blew the

snow off the deck unto the sidewalk!



Ken had a sad buck for missing part of his door duty, but a happy one for Yvonne arriving at her trip destination.



President Ron mentioned the excellent ski conditions resulting from the snowfall.

GUEST SPEAKER



Doug Burke gave a thorough introduction of our guest speaker, Blair McFadden, from the Read Centre Northumberland. Blair has been an educator who taught all levels of education in Port Hope since 1969. After retiring he has been involved with Hospice Northumberland, the YMCA and he is also an accomplished musical performer.

Blair then proceeded to present statistics on adult literacy. He spoke of the struggle to make a living when one could not read and the effect on one's health as illnesses are less managed with this disability. It is very difficult to promote this centre because advertising in print does not reach people who cannot read. He spoke on the centre running "as a skeleton and on a shoestring". There is one student and one tutor on the board and the centre is composed of a secretary, director, and also the tutors. More tutors are required along with resources and supplies. The students themselves cannot be charged and the centre is funded through Employment Ontario and United Way with a budget of \$72,000. so it really does become a labour of love.

Ken thanked Blair for enlightening us on this program and mentioned that it was always nice to see an educator continue to educate and reminded us that world literacy was one of Rotary's major involvements.

CLOSING

President Ron reminded us that there would be no meeting on

Mon. Mar. 24th (Easter weekend), the Apr. 7th meeting will be at Will and Jenny Ryan's, to please give him names of potential new members for this meeting, and that a board meeting was to follow at Ken O'Neil's

The 50/50 draw was one by George Harvey who donated his winnings to the Read Centre. Door Duty Next week is Cleve and Wilf, Jim Hunt will scribe, and Roger will be the Sgt-at-Arms.

Would the appropriate Rotarian please forward information to the Beacon editor to complete the information on the Future Meeting Chart as it appears below.

WEB SITE

Please take a moment to visit the Port Hope Rotary web site.

www.porthoperotary.com

We will be adding new information all the time.

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The Four Way Test

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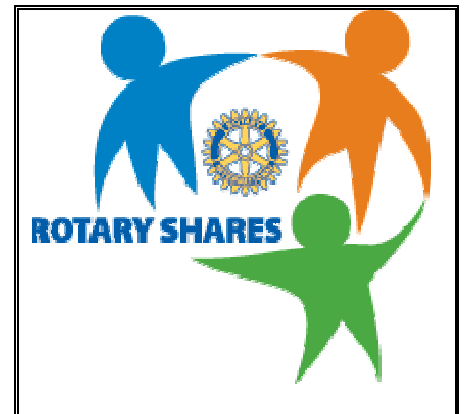
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Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and better

FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

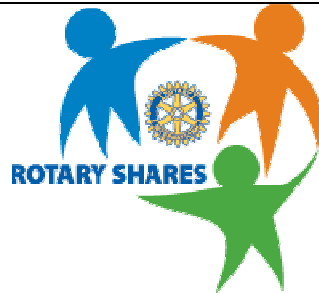
Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Beacon Scribe
Mar 17	Easter Monday & St. Patrick's Day – No Meeting			
Mar 24	TBA	KofC Hall	Cleve Pendock, Wilf Quigley	Jim
Mar 31	Club Assembly	KofC Hall	Dianne Pendock, Ted Rafuse	Trish
Apr 7	Membership Meeting	Will Ryan's Home	Susan Rafuse, Merv Richards	Sylvia
April 14		KofC Hall	Jameson Ross, Peter Rossi	Rolly
April 21		KofC Hall	Will Ryan, Paul Tait	
April 28		KofC Hall	Bob Wallace, Ben Currelly	
May 5		KofC Hall	Bud Lynch, Dick O'Toole	
May 12		KofC Hall		
May 19	Victoria Day – No Meeting			

Sergeant-at-Arms Schedule

Mar 17 Roger; Mar 24 Trish; March 31 George

Apr 7 – Roger

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