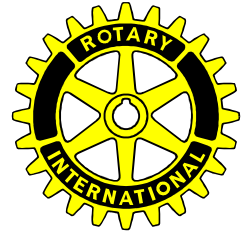


The Beacon News

The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of May 12, 2008



Coline Beaudry – Rotary Exchange Student

WELCOME

On Monday May 12th, President Ron welcomed a large group of members, guests and spouses to our meeting and asked those gathered to recite the Rotary Prayer and to toast the Queen. He then proceeded to introduce the head table – Paul Weber, Coline Baudry, Kyle Sutton, our next year's out-bound exchange student, Erin Brown, and Andrew Haynes.



Coline's host families, Jen and Jeff Wakeley and son Robert and Sandra and Grant Jeffs, were also introduced. Coline's third host family, Rob and Jan Boycott were unable to attend due to a trip to Iceland.



The stress ball was awarded to Bruce Coleman who led the junior achievement team and who responded by thanking his five member team for their time and for contributing to a very successful day at Dr. D S Hawkins Senior Public School.

Bill Lang became our newest Rotary member as President Ron presented him with his pin and welcomed him to our club on behalf of all our members.



DESSERT REPORTS

Rotarian Ken O'Neill described the Rotary Foundation Dinner to be held June 2nd at Dalewood. The club will be celebrating Ted Lacey's fiftieth anniversary as a Rotary member. Please advise Ken if you and your partner will be able to attend this very special evening.

President Ron also invited us to attend a Rotary Day at the Rogers Centre on Sat. May 24 at 1 p.m. when the Toronto Blue Jays will host the Kansas City Royals. Tickets are \$40. and may be ordered from Lars Henriksson by emailing lars@norditrade.com or fax 416-489-4168.

President Ron also mentioned the Burma disaster and described the Shelter Boxes which contain survival items at a cost of \$1200 each. The Rotary Club of Ladysmith B.C. co-ordinates the distribution of Shelter Boxes for all of Canada. Our Board will be discussing this charity in more detail at their meeting to follow.

The conveners of "Estival", Port Hope's Civic Holiday weekend festival, have asked for our Rotary Club to be involved in various aspects of the weekend. One suggestion is to prepare and serve the Sunday morning breakfast featuring Northumberland County products. We could also be

included in the parade, organize parking, or make a monetary contribution. Approximately 3000 people are anticipated to attend the events of the weekend. Some questions and comments were received from the members and the board will discuss these requests in more detail at their meeting to follow.

Sandra Jeffs was asked to share some feedback from her daughter Erin who is our out-bound student living in Finland this year. Sandra and her husband Grant visited Erin the third week in April and Sandra reported that Erin is learning the language and making many new friends. Erin will be visiting eight countries in twenty-one days on her European trip at the end of her school year and in the meantime, she is having a great time.

HAPPY BUCKS

First thing on Sergeant-at-arms Dick's list was the singing of happy birthday to our two birthday members and of course the second thought was to collect a happy buck from everyone at the very long table.

Merv was happy to learn that the aprons required for the huge numbers attending the Probus Spring Fling were stored securely with Sid Hatch.

Jim Gilmer had two sad bucks – one was for Robert Wakeley not wearing his Home Hardware shirt and the other for requesting more assistance with the marshalling for the "Relay for Life" event at St. Mary's School in Cobourg on Fri. June 6th. Jim is still looking for volunteers for both shifts -2 to 5 p.m. and from 4:30 to 7:30p.m. Please contact Jim to add your name to his list.

Bud Lynch was happy to tell an hilarious story while Bill Lang was happy to survive his background check!



Joyce contributed a happy buck to encourage everyone to sell tickets to the Lobster Dinner and Silent Auction on Fri. May 30th. This is our major fundraiser and to make it such, the evening needs to be sold out. The silent auction committee is working hard to obtain donations, but again it takes all hands to make a successful event.

Paul Tait also deposited a loonie in support of the Lobster Dinner & Silent Auction and Paul Weber dropped a coin with one more reference to background checks!

PROGRAM

In Rotarian Ken's introduction of our exchange student Coline, he mentioned the stories about school and himself that Coline had heard before her arrival in Port Hope and teased Coline about learning to attend three out of four school classes. Coline then very confidently presented a power point presentation which showed where she had lived in France and included many facts about her country. France is smaller than Ontario and is part of the European Economic Union which uses the Euro monetary system.

Coline first lived north of Paris on the French/Belgium border in a town called Pas-de-Calais, Department Nord but later moved to about a 40 minute drive south of Paris to Clemine, Department of Essome. From her pictures, it is a beautiful old town with churches, castle ruins, a city hall and train station surrounded by forests and wetlands. Coline described her school day and the choices of curriculum in various grades. French students have a longer school day, but more weeks of holidays throughout the year. When she returns, she will attend a public university and study English Civilization.



Coline also showed us pictures of her older and younger brothers, her mother who is a kindergarten teacher and her dad who works at an outlet similar to Home Depot.

She did an excellent job in sharing with us why she wanted to become an exchange student which included her desire to travel and to become bilingual. In high school in France, she had met other exchange students and when she was in grade 11 in 2006, she sent her first letter of introduction to her local Rotary Club. On April 25th, 2007, she received her first email from President Ron welcoming her as our 2007-2008 incoming exchange student. As a result of this year, she has met students from all over the world-students who are experiencing a similar year away from home and sharing in a new culture. She has had so many wonderful experiences. She is going to miss Tim Hortons, but not the snow of the past winter! Coline's presentation was a wonderful example of just how bilingual she is and Rotarian Erin Brown thanked Coline for her excellent presentation and expressed that there are many fond memories shared by our club too.

CLOSING

President Ron reminded members that there is no meeting next week as May 19th is a holiday Monday and that there are a number of spouses nights coming up. June 2nd our partners are invited to Dalewood for the Foundation evening and on June 9th our meeting is heading to near Warkworth to the Oak Hills Winery for dinner and some wine tasting.

50/50 DRAW

The 50/50 draw was won by Sandra Burke. Congratulations! Have a great holiday weekend – a great opportunity to sell Lobster Dinner & Silent Auction tickets!

Shelter Boxes for Disaster Relief in Myanmar (Burma)

Each Shelter box costs \$1200 Canadian and consists of a tent for ten people plus sleeping bags, collapsible water containers and purification tablets, cooking pots, tools, dishes and eating utensils, mosquito nets, and a multi-fuel stove. Founded in 2000 by Tom Henderson of the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard, England, this non-profit organization has quickly won support from Rotary Clubs around the world. Already, 224 Shelter boxes have been sent from the United Arab Emirate storehouse, 220 from the Australian storehouse and 400 are on their way from England. A four person Shelter Box Response Team is in Burma. Leilei Thein, the daughter-in-law of General Aung-San, contacted Shelter Box directly to offer support and a clear passage to Myanmar. The Canadian branch is managed by the Rotary Club of Ladysmith, British Columbia. Locally, President Blake Jones of Cobourg asked Dr. Bob Scott how his club could help, and Bob recommended Shelter Boxes. Blake has been researching this group and District 7070 supports the Shelter Box program.

At the Board Meeting on May 12, it was decided that we need to delay any major expenditures such

as this until after our Lobster Dinner and Auction on May 30. If club members wish to make a personal donation to this charity, you can contribute on their web site, www.shelterbox.ca, or by mailing a cheque to: Shelter Box Canada, 1128 4th Avenue, Box 399, Ladysmith, British Columbia, V9G 1A3. Individual donations are tax deductible, and a tax receipt will be issued.

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.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PORT HOPE

The Four Way Test

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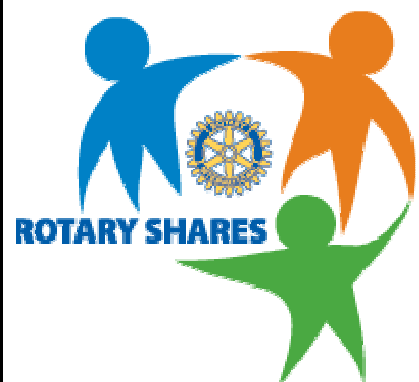
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Is it FAIR to all concerned?

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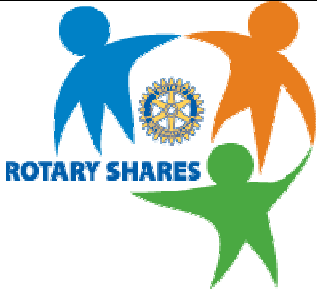
FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?”



FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Scribe
May 19	Victoria Day – No Meeting			
May 26	Judge Allan Ingram – Sleeping Children	KofC Hall	Jan Boycott, Erin Brown	Rolly
June 2	Ted Lacey – Foundation Dinner – Spouse’s Night	Dalewood G&C Club	Doug Burke, Bruce Coleman	Bud
June 9	Oak Heights Winery – Spouse’s Night & BBQ	OH Winery		Trish
June 16	Aldo D’Agostino – Vision 2000	KofC Hall	Ron Coleman, Rolly Della Rosa	Jim
June 23	President’s Night – Spouse’s Night	Will & Jenny Ryan’s		Sylvia
June 30	Canada Day Weekend – No Meeting			
July 7	Jordan Oxley – Sunbay Energy	KofC Hall	Jim Gilmer, George Harvey	Rolly
July 14	Sheila Burns – Primrose Donkey Sanctuary	KofC Hall	Andrew Haynes, Jim Hunt	Trish
July 21	Ron Agnew Golf Tournament	?	George Harvey, Roger Ingram	?

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