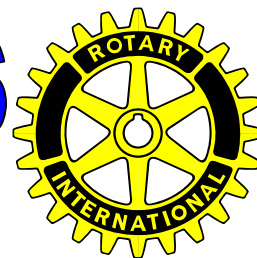




The Beacon News



The Rotary Club of Port Hope

News Bulletin for the Week of Sept 17, 2007

Club Assembly

ROTARIAN PROFILE



Peter Rossi joined the sales force of American Biltrite of Boston at their Canadian plant in Sherbrooke, PQ, on March 7, 1949. His responsibility covered the shoe repair shops in Western Ontario which he visited every 6 weeks until 1959 when he assumed responsibility for Eastern Ontario. In 1971 he became the Ontario Sales Manager and from that time on he created his own positions and eventually became Director of Sales and Marketing for all of Canada in 1972. The company had 5 manufacturing divisions, all in the rubber industry. Peter was in charge of 3 divisions in the shoe manufacturing field, shoe repair industry and originated the truck flap division in 1972. After 46 years with American Biltrite Peter retired to Port Britain where his family

had summered since 1955.

Peter joined Rotary in 1971 when he was introduced by Ron Agnew to the Willowdale Club. He transferred to the Port Hope Rotary in 1984. Since then Peter has presided in most positions on the Board until his TIA (stroke) in 1999. With his many years on the Club's Board Peter has observed and participated in most facets of Rotary. As a Rotarian for 36 years, Peter enjoys the weekly meetings and the variety of social activities that are part of the local organization. He exemplifies Rotary's motto of Service above Self as he has been involved in almost every facet of the club's affairs and is a ready volunteer when asked or necessary. Both he and his wife Doreen are Paul Harris Fellows a reflection of their mutual involvement in Rotary affairs.

CALL TO ORDER

President Ron called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and awarded the stress ball to Rotarian Doug for the great job he did in heading up the Rotary food booth at the Fall Fair.

Ron advised us that PP Peter had suffered a heart attack over

the week end and was in intensive care at the Hospital. However, he is recovering well and is expected to go home on Thursday

Ron next awarded Secretary Merve a perfect attendance award for the 2006/2007 Rotary year. He also presented new Rotarian Jude Smiley with her membership pin.

Pre Prandial Reports

PP Susan read out a thank you note from the "Swim for Independence" organization thanking the Club's for it's donation to them of \$500.00

Regarding the Rural/Urban Dinner, Ron reported that he and Rotarian Ben are talking to the powers that be in the rural group, who are hosting the dinner this year, about taking the Russian exchange group to the dinner on October 17. If that idea is OK with them, there will be no Monday night meeting on October 15.

Ron also announced that **we will start winter dress next week.**

GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

There were none.

DESSERT REPORTS



Rotarian Doug reported that, this year, general attendance at the Fair was down by 20% with the result that our food booth sales were down as well compared to last year but only by 6%. We were able to raise \$4900.00. Doug thanked Rotarian Andy for all his help and described Andy as the "driving force" behind this annual fund raiser.

Ron reported that the Board has, regretfully accepted Rhonda Cook's resignation. Rhonda, because of personal circumstances, felt that she could not find the time to do her share in Rotary. She did say that she hoped to rejoin the Club in the future. On a happier note, Ron advised that former Rotarian and Past President Hugh Parker has applied to rejoin the Club.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Just let's say that Aussies' are men of few words - nothing to report.

HAPPY/SAD BUCKS

Heeeees baaaaack..... Your scribe is happy to report that after an absence over the course of the latter part of the summer our beloved Sergeant at Arms has returned. Vicious and

groundless rumours have it that his absence can be attributed to the fact that he was attending a training camp run by the Gestapo but these are all lies. We know it was the Russian Secrete Police.



Rotarian Kelly - sad buck for PP Bruce who looked like a drowned rat while putting up the tent in that deluge on Friday night at the Fair.

Rotarian Trish - Happy buck for Rotarian Andy for the great job he did at the Fair booth

PP Ben - several happy bucks for Jaquie's successful walk in the province wide breast cancer fund raiser and for a relaxed week at their cottage and Arrowhone Pines resort in Algonquin.

Fined - PP Jan because she has been on TV and in the papers because of her role in the forthcoming Northumberland Hills Hospital Gala

President Ron - happy that his grandchild is doing well and for the great time he and Bonnie had at Stratford where they saw "Oklahoma".

Rotarian Diane - happy that PP Peter is OK.

Rotarian Sylvia - Happy buck for the job that both Andy and Doug did at the Fair.

Rotarian Andy - A buck in celebration of his anniversary. Secretary Merv - happy to see former Secretary Gary McWilliams at the Fair.

Fined - Your dedicated scribe. When he had the temerity to ask why he was being fined, he was told "Just for the hell of it"

PP Ken - Five dollars but he wouldn't tell us why he was so happy.

PP Bob - Happy to have won the Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.

PROGRAM

Club Assembly

As the tradition has it, this evening the speakers and discussions resulting involved matters that were of current concern to the Club.



PP Jan - Reported that she and Rotarian Ken (Bell) attended a Rotary conference in San Jose California on membership. There were over 600 attendees from Rotary Clubs all over the world. She was particularly impressed by a talk given at the conference by past RI President Rich King entitled "Who touched you and why you came to Rotary" Amongst the many good ideas that were presented was the idea of putting stickers

on the badges of new members thus identifying them as such. In this way, it would remind the older members to make an effort to be more cordial and helpful to them.



PP Bob - Bob spoke to us about the International conference in Salt Lake City earlier this year. Bob and PP Ken represented our Club . He praised the organizers for putting on such a great show considering the fact that they were a last minute venue. The Conference was supposed to have been in New Orleans but then Hurricane Katerina struck Bob, who has been to two other RI International Conventions, related that the size and the international character of Rotary is really brought home to you at these international annual gatherings. At Salt Lake, there were 16,000 attendees from all over the world, many dressed in their national dress.

Bob attended workshops that concentrated on membership and Ken attended those concentrating on youth. In closing, he advised that the 2008 Convention will be held in Los Angeles and he encouraged us to attend.

PP Ken spoke to us about the Foundation. He reminded us about the upcoming Presidents Walk being hosted by our sister

club, Northumberland sunrise. The itinerary for the walk was passed around but for those of you who were not at the meeting registration time is 9:00 to 10:30 am at TCS.

This year is a particularly auspicious year in Rotary for District 707. The two most important positions in Rotary, the Presidency and the Chair of the Foundation are headed by District 707 people, Wilf Wilkinson and Bob Scott respectively.



Ken would like that all of us in the Club pledge \$250.00 to the Foundation in recognition that both Wilf and Bob Scott are one of our very own. He suggested that if you can't pay the whole thing at once you could pledge installment payments of \$25.00 for ten months.

Ken reminded us that on October 13, the Russians are scheduled to arrive. They are five young working professionals. We have host families for four and he asked for someone to volunteer for the fifth.

Treasurer Ron - reviewed our Club's accounting procedures and passed around a set of guidelines for revenue and expense handling.

He pointed out that the significant change in this coming year is that each director will be given a specific budget and it will be entirely at his or her discretion on how the money is spent, so long as the spending is in budget.



President Ron and Rotarians Sylvia and Joyce spoke to us about planned fund raising events such as Casino Night in February and Lobster in May. Joyce feels that the silent auction at Lobster Night should be really pushed and upgraded and we should start NOW on looking around for auction items. Both Ron and Joyce expressed the view that it might be an idea to form an ad hoc sub-committee deal strictly with the Lobster Night silent auction.

In closing, President Ron reminded us that District Governor Lynda Ryder will be our guest speaker next week.

50/50 DRAW

Won by Kelly.

WEB SITE

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

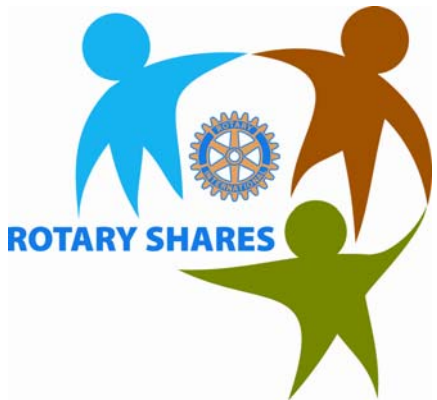
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We will be adding new information all the time.

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The Four Way Test

“Of the things we think, say and do:
Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and better
FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all
concerned?”



Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Bulletin Scribe
Sept 24	District Governor Linda Ryder	Palm	B. Coleman S. Rafuse	Rolly
Oct 1	500 Club Dinner	Best Western	Sid & Kitty Hatch	Bud
Oct. 8	Thanksgiving - No Meeting			
Oct 17	Rural Urban Nite – GSE team from Russia	Canton		Trish
Oct 22	Rhonda Cunningham & Pam Knott MRI info	Palm		Jim
Oct 29		Palm		Sylvia
Nov. 5		Palm		Trish
Nov. 12		Palm		Bud
Nov. 19		Palm		Rolly
Nov. 26		Palm		Sylvia
Dec. 3		Palm		Jim

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