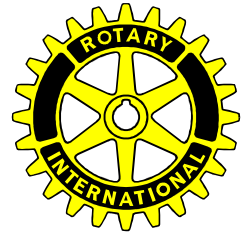




# The Beacon News



## The Rotary Club of Port Hope

**News Bulletin for the Week of September 27, 2010**

### Paul Portelli - Northumberland Community Futures Development

#### CALL TO ORDER

Incoming President Bruce chaired tonight's meeting in the absence of President John. Bruce called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

#### Stress Ball

The stress ball (A misnomer, gentle reader. It is not a ball at all but a plastic thingy that looks like a little man) was given to R Will for organizing the Foundation Walk. Bruce emphasized that the stress ball is to be shared with Past Presidents Paul and Sylvia who also were involved with the Walk. I can see the fur fly as they fight over it.



#### HEAD TABLE GUESTS

Bruce introduced the head table which consisted of our guest speaker Paul Portelli, Past President Hugh and Rotarian Doug.



#### GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

There was a guest and visiting Rotarian, I believe, from the Cobourg Club but you scribe failed to make a note of the identity of this individual. I beg, gentle readers, for your mercy and forgiveness.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Silent Cleve broke his usual tradition of "nothing to report" to say that he had received a thank you note from the Rolland family.



#### DESSERT REPORTS

PP Ben: The Rural Urban will take place on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of October. The Dinner will

start at 5:45 at Dalewood and it will cost you \$30.00.



Incoming President Bruce: Thanked all the members of our Club who made the effort to go to Alliston. The Cobourg Club won the Walk but we came in third. Bruce also confirmed that the Santa Clause Parade will take place on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### HAPPY BUCKS

Rotarian Bill (Lang) was our Sergeant at Arms for the night. I am pleased to report that he acquitted himself well as he pursued his duties with firmness and vigour. He seems to be a natural.



R Roger: Happy that he was able to contain water escaping from a burst pipe at home to one room.



PP Wilf - Sad . He intended to go on the Walk but he had to back out at the last minute.



PP Sylvia - Happy to see that Paul Portelli is with us tonight and that her mother celebrated her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday.



R Ken (Burgin) Sad. Was planning to go to the Walk in his new car but he forgot.



PP Paul (Tate) - Happy about

the Walk. Alliston is a very pretty and charming town.  
R George: Both happy and sad. Happy to have played five rounds of golf in seven days but his body is now sad that he did it.



PP Ben: Flew down with Jaquie to Chapel Hill North Carolina to visit relatives. His Cirrus performed wonderfully despite some rough weather but Jaquie slept and drooled for the entire trip.



Your scribe - Happy to report Ben's comments to Jaquie.



PP Ken - Happy about his trip to Newfoundland despite the washed out roads. caused by the recent hurricane.

Rotarian Joe - The Jazz Festival was a success and they will meet their budget. Sad because they were hoping top do a little better financially this year then

they did.



The Sergeant at arms commented that there were some Rotarians present who were neither happy nor sad and that, in his opinion, these fence sitters should be fined (This man has the stuff of a GREAT Sergeant at Arms.)

R Cleve - Is happy to wish all Blue Herons a full and rewarding life but that they enjoy it away from his pond. He is sad in that they ate ALL of his Koi.

PP Hugh - Happy to have won last week's golf tournament by one stroke.



**PROGRAM**

PP Hugh introduced our guest speaker. Paul is the Business Development Manager for the Northumberland Community Futures Development Corporation.

**Guest Speaker -**

The NCFDC is divided into twelve corporations situated mostly in eastern Ontario. Their mandate is to promote job creation and business development in the community

by means of lending funds to small business people and artists who are unable to qualify for a loan through regular channels. It is funded by the Federal Government but the Board of the local branch, at least, hope to become self funding as loans made are repaid.



Paul is the Business Development manager in charge of processing applications by various arts groups or individuals. A big part of his job is to keep contact with these groups and individuals.

Next month, will be October Arts Month which will feature a convention on business and art.. This is a collaborative effort between the NCFDC, local galleries and, of course, the artists themselves. On October 1, there will be a gala reception. The event will feature a number of local celebrities and a number of well known artists will speak on the topic of "art as a business". The event, will deal not only with the relationship between business and the visual arts but also with the performing arts. As of last week, there were 101 events

listed for Arts Month on the NCFDC web site

The relationship between arts and commerce in the community are not well understood but they exist. Arts Month promises to be an exciting event for Northumberland County - a celebration of culture in our community.

Paul went on to describe his job and his contact with the many people of the cultural community who live who live in Northumberland - artists, writers, musicians and actors and the added bonus of being able to work in this wonderful part of the Province with its charming towns and beautiful rolling hills.



In concluding his address, Paul repeated the fact that the opportunities to promote the arts in Northumberland are boundless notwithstanding the fact that there is not a clear understanding about the cultural community and its relationship with the business world. It will be his job to change this.

Our guest speaker was thanked by R Doug.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

## **50/50 DRAW**

Won by R. Ken ( Burgin)

## **APOLOGIA**

Your editor begs forgiveness for the tardiness of this week's issue of the Beacon.

He has changed his ISP which is proving to be an unmitigated disaster to date. Finally a direct link to the desktop is functioning but the change had disabled my wireless router through which the line was originally connected. Only by disconnecting the router from the cable and plugging the line directly into the desk top computer do I have internet service. The wireless issue is still being resolved for the laptop.

Isn't technology wonderful!?

**WEB SITE**

Please take a moment to visit  
the Port Hope Rotary web site.  
[www.porthoperotary.com](http://www.porthoperotary.com)


**FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE**

Date	Speaker	Location	Door Duty	Scribe
October 4	<b>DGE Bob Wallace – Our Club’s Responsibilities for the District Conference</b>	K of C	TBA	Jim Hunt
October 11	<b>Thanksgiving Day Holiday – No meeting</b>			
October 18	<b>Rural/Urban Dinner</b>	Dalewood	TBA	Bud Lynch

**COMING EVENTS****Monday, October 18**

**Rural Urban Night at Dalewood, Tickets: \$30**  
See Ben Currelly to reserve a seat.

**Friday, October 22 - Sunday, October 24****2010 District 7070 Conference in Niagara Falls**

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