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THE ROTARY CLUB of WHITBY

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The Rotary RIP

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Guests

Guests: Julie Hobson, guest of John Calderon.
Lesley Taafe, guest of Cathy Smith.
Joan Kingston, guest of Ray Richardson.
Brian Thompson, District Governor's
Representative, Whitby Sunrise.
Ajay Sinha, guest of Cathy Smith.

Upcoming Programs

November 15 – Michael Maloney, from the
Belleville Rotary Club, about the AMAROK
Society
November 22 – Monthly Business meeting
November 29 – World AIDS Day topic.
December 6 – Club's Annual General Meeting

Announcements

SNAP Advertising Program: Geno Diraddo
announced that our advertising and promotion
program in Snap Whitby has been approved for
12 months and there will be no financial liability
to the club. We will be working together with
the Whitby Sunrise Club on this project.
November 20 is the deadline for advertising, so
we must have the ads in to Geno by next
Tuesday, Nov. 15. Our first issue in December
will feature a Polio Eradication theme

Christmas Party: Cathy Smith passed around a
sign-up sheet for the annual Christmas Party
which will be held at the Smith home on the
evening of Dec. 9. There will be a catered dinner
at \$50 per person. Cathy said if you sign up and
later cannot attend, please let her know at least
three days before the event to get your money
back.

Membership: Cathy also reminded us that if
you did not submit a name of a potential new
member, you have to pay a 10 dollar fine or
write a 100-word essay on membership. Fines
should be turned over to Joe Murray and they
will go toward the membership program.

Green Gym Project: Neil Smith said he met
with the Town of Whitby and the town tendered
for the project to be completed by the end of
November. However, since there was so little
time available, the tender prices came in at twice
the budgeted amount. The Town has agreed to
retender for the project in January when prices
will be lower and more companies would have
time to do the project.

Construction would be in April, although the
engraving of bricks can begin in a couple of
weeks.

This project, in conjunction with the Sunrise
Rotary Club, will provide a brick pathway
through Heydenshore Park, with bricks inscribed
as memorials or advertising for your business.

About 15 per cent of the bricks have been sold
so far, said Neil, and we have to sell 150 bricks
by the end of November. Neil would like to see
three bricks per member.

Annual General Meeting: Mark December 6 on
your calendar for the Annual General Meeting.
The slate for the 2012-13 Board of Directors was
not quite ready for today, so it will be announced
next week, said President Mike.

~ *With Rotary, Peace is Possible* ~

A special honour for Des Newman: Ray Richardson announced that the Town of Whitby will name the inside of the Iroquois Park Recreational Complex after our member and past-president Des Newman.

In December 1965, Des was elected as the youngest mayor of the Town of Whitby at the age of 34. He retired as mayor in 1975.

Ray pointed out that Des was 20 years ahead of his time in politics and was one of the first entrepreneurs in Canada in the aerospace industry. Among his achievements are amalgamation of the Town and Township of Whitby in 1968, serving as president of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities in 1972, and being chairman of the management committee of Durham Regional Council in 1973.

Des stated that his 10 years as Whitby's mayor "were, without a doubt, the best years of my life." He noted that his council was able to establish a 30-year plan for Whitby, and paid tribute to the great town staff he had to back him up, particularly John Frost, who served the town as clerk-treasurer and administrator for 47 years.

Today Des is having lunch with Dr. Mofeed Michael, his planning director, "the most sensitive human being I met in my whole life." Dr. Michael planned the West Lynde subdivision and Michael Boulevard is named after him. Des also mentioned that the first town and township organizations to agree to amalgamation in 1968 were the cemetery boards.

Scholarship Program: President Mike told us that the application forms have been distributed to the town high schools.

Pink Mitts for Breast Cancer: President Mike urged members to promote this new program Mitts for Breast Cancer:

Brandon Lambert announced that the pink mitts for breast cancer will be sold at a table in the lobby of Iroquois Park every Saturday in December. He passed around a sign-up sheet and got all places filled with volunteer salespersons for 9 to 1 and 1 to 5 each Saturday.

Honours for our club from the District Conference: Our club received two honors at the recent District 7070 Conference - an award for **outstanding support of the Rotary Foundation** and a **Presidential Citation with Distinction**, the highest award a club can receive.

President Mike presented these awards to past-president Stephanie Fox-Comery and she received a round of applause for her good work last year. Also, last week, Stephanie's stone in the Presidents Walk in the Rotary Garden at the Library was installed.

Sergeant-At-Arms

Sergeant Stephanie asked members to take out their cell phones and check the Rotary International Web Site to see how much the Rotary International raised in the recent "double your donation" days.

Birthdays: Joe Murray on November 10th and John Patte on November 14th.

Happy Bucks: Tim was happy that we are getting potential new members to our meetings and that Des Newman has been honored.

Marion Irwin reminded us that when Des first proposed Iroquois Park in 1971, people thought his pie-in-the sky idea was far-fetched and called it "**Desneyland**". "Now he has been vindicated", she said.

Marion also had a sad buck because 1981 exchange student Rhonda Lancaster and her husband were unable to attend our meeting. The family's busy week with host families had taken its toll particularly on their 19 year old son who has Asperger's Syndrome.

Joe Dale is going on vacation for two week.

Ray Richardson went to the Tattoo Rock Parlor and saw his son's musical group performing.

Cathy Smith reminded us that John Frost, whom Des mentioned, lived adjacent to the library and the old town arena was on the site of the liquor store.

Some people thought Iroquois Park was too far away from the centre of town, when it was proposed.

John Patte gave a dollar he found on the floor and Sophia Cal was happy that Jeff Callery will be singing his song "The Call" at her school's commencement.

Today's Program

President Mike introduced our own Joe Dale, who gave an outline of the history of services for people with disabilities. Mike said he had one untruth in his introduction and asked us to tell him what it was, at the next meeting.

Joe was in the business of providing services for the disabled from 1976 to 2008, but has found that after he retired and Valerie Wafer got him to head up our "Rotary at Work" program to hire the disabled, "it rejuvenated me personally. I learned more than in the 32 years previously."

Joe took as his theme the Bob Dylan song "The Times They Are A Changin'". He gave a history of how society has dealt with the disabled, starting in 1876 when the first "asylum for idiots" was opened in Orillia. This led to the establishment of 15 institutions that housed more than 10,000 people. In 2009, the last of these custodial centres in Ontario was closed. He also mentioned that when the centre in Orillia was closed, a mass grave for 3,000 "retarded" persons was found, with none of the graves marked.

A new era began in the 1950s when people wanted to keep disabled children at home. In 1953, the first community living associations were established as well as schools for retarded children. One of the first was Aldon School in Ajax.

The 1970s saw the establishment of group homes and sheltered workshops, and in 1970, Variety Village was established in Scarborough. School boards were told they had to provide education for all children, regardless of disabilities.

In 1976, Joe became manager of ARC Industries in Ajax. He pointed out that the 1970's still segregated disabled people and no one left the workshops. In the 1980s, the disabled began to be served in their homes, and in the 1990s they began to work in the community.

By the 2000s, families wanted to control their resources, and working in the community became the norm. He gave the example of Kelly, who has worked for 17 years for a lawyer. But he noted that a lot of communities are not ready to accept the disabled, even though 16 per cent of our population is disabled.

Joe describes 2010 as the beginning of an age of awareness, but there is still a long way to go. He spoke of accessibility being a new issue for the community and gave the example of Oshawa which provides a lot of support for the disabled at its community facilities. "We need to embrace diversity," he told the club. "We need to have a welcoming attitude."

WHITBY ROTARY THROUGH THE YEARS 10 YEARS AGO – November 6, 2001

- ☀ The club had 66 per cent attendance in October.
- ☀ Plans are being made for the first Christmas party for the clients of Challenging Directions, a workshop program of the Whitby Mental Health Centre.
- ☀ Ontario Minister of Finance and a member of our club, Jim Flaherty spoke at the 25th anniversary dinner of the Oshawa Parkwood Rotary Club.

25 YEARS AGO: NOVEMBER 4, 1986

- ☀ Henry Kortekaas gave an interesting talk on Easter Seals.
- ☀ George Fitzsimmons gave his classification talk on industrial marketing.

- Clayton MacKay ran the Rotary Foundation draw, with prizes donated by Dave Sorichetti and George Fitzsimmons.

30 YEARS AGO; NOVEMBER 3, 1981

- There was no RIP for this week

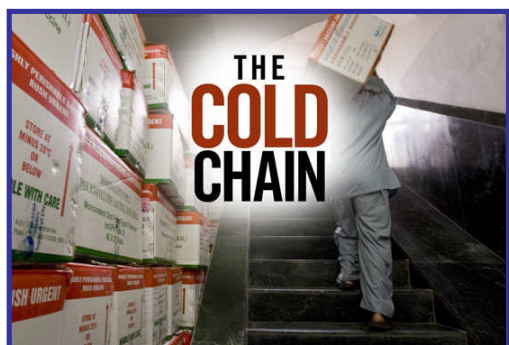
Words of our Founder

Rotary has not grown by virtue of the fact that a suitable formula had been devised; it has become worldwide in its influence because of the untiring effort to extend it.

My Road to Rotary

Rotary Information

See How Vaccines Reach Remote Locations Through the Cold Chain



When Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985, the “plus” signaled the belief that the polio eradication effort would increase immunizations against five other diseases prevalent in children: measles, tuberculosis, diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus. As time went on, the list of benefits grew.

Polio immunization campaigns created an avenue for other lifesaving health interventions, such as the distribution of vitamin A supplements. New equipment for transporting and storing vaccines made it easier to combat infectious diseases in developing areas.

The enormous network of laboratories and health clinics charged with identifying new cases of polio began to monitor the spread of other viruses as well. And the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which Rotary helped create, rose to international prominence as a model for public-private partnerships to address world health issues.

The “plus” in PolioPlus means that Rotarians are doing more than stopping the spread of polio in the last four countries in which it is endemic; they also are building a legacy of infrastructure and partnerships that will support the fight against infectious disease long after polio is gone.

THE COLD CHAIN

Transporting vaccines to developing areas is no easy task. From the time they leave the manufacturer until they reach recipients, vaccines must be kept between 2 and 8 degrees Celsius (though some may be frozen at -15 to -25 degrees). Variances of even a few degrees could spoil an entire shipment, leaving children without the protection they need.

The “cold chain” created to distribute polio vaccine has been used to transport other vaccines, such as measles, tetanus, and diphtheria. An estimated one-third of the cold chain capacity in sub-Saharan Africa was implemented to support polio eradication.

On the Lighter Side

A man goes to a shrink and says, 'Doctor, my wife is unfaithful to me. Every evening, she goes to Larry's bar and picks up men. In fact, she sleeps with anybody who asks her! I'm going crazy. What do you think I should do?' 'Relax,' says the Doctor, 'take a deep breath and calm down.'

Now, tell me, exactly where is Larry's bar?'

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Three friends from the local congregation were asked, 'When you're in your casket, and friends and congregation members are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?'

Artie said: ' I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader, and a great family man.'

Eugene commented: 'I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people's lives.'

Al said: 'I'd like them to say, 'Look, he's moving!'

HEADLINES

The source of these states that "These are 100% honest-to-goodness headlines"

TYPHONE RIPS THROUGH CEMETARY; HUNDREDS DEAD

UTAH GIRLS DOES WELL IN DOG SHOW

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS CUT IN HALF

LEGISLATORS TAX BRAINS TO CUT DEFICIT

FIRE OFFICIALS GRILLED OVER KEROSENE HEATERS

WOMAN IMPROVING AFTER FATAL CRASH

ADVICE

ALWAYS OBEY YOUR SUPERIORS, IF YOU HAVE ANY - Mark Twain

WISE MEN DON'T NEED ADVICE. FOOLS DON'T TAKE IT - Benjamin Franklin

I ALWAYS ADVISE NEVER TO GIVE ADVICE - P.G. WODEHOUSE

WHY

IF ALL OF THE WORLD IS A STAGE, WHERE IS THE AUDIENCE SITTING?

WHY IS THE ALPHABET IN THAT ORDER? IS IT BECAUSE OF THE SONG?

WOULD A FLY WITHOUT WINGS BE A "WALK"?

IF YOU WRITE A BOOK ABOUT FAILURE AND IT DOESN'T SELL, IS IT A SUCCESS?

IF A FUNERAL PROCESSION IS AT NIGHT, DO FOLKS DRIVE WITH THEIR LIGHTS OFF?

IF MOST CAR ACCIDENTS OCCUR WITHIN FIVE MILES FROM HOME, WHY DOESN'T EVERYONE JUST MOVE 10 MILES AWAY?

IF BANKERS CAN COUNT, HOW COME THEY HAVE EIGHT WINDOWS AND ONLY FOUR TELLERS?



"So you dyed your hair and it turned green. You can't spend the rest of your life in the bathroom."

