



## Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

### Cowbell

Date: April 18th, 2011

**Attendance:** *Wendy, Harley, Jason, Frank, Bruce, Paul, Robert Jr., Lou, Donna, Stewart, Robert L. & Rhoda*

**Absent:** *Barb, Peter, Bob B., April, Murray, Kim, Andrew, Bob K Sr. & Roger*

**GUEST SPEAKERS:** *Harold Dalling from Pals.*

**Other Guest:** *None*

**50/50:** Lou

**Rotary Minute:** Noted below is the schedule of who is doing the Rotary Minute during each meeting. Please be sure to mark you calendar. You can also find material on our web site [www.sussexrotary.org](http://www.sussexrotary.org) or on RI's [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or the Rotary magazine. If you are not able to attend on the meeting of your minute, please find a substitution for your slot.

### **Rotary Minutes**

2-May-11 April Caissie  
9-May-11 Barb Crowe  
16-May-11 Frank Derrah  
30-May-11 Stewart Duncan  
5-Jun-11 Donna Gilchrist  
13-Jun-11 Peter Haines  
20-Jun-11 Robert E. Kimball  
27-Jun-11 Robert J. Kimball

Noted below is the updated list of future guest speaker.

<b>May</b>	<b>2</b>	Pamela Harrison - Foundation - Paul Harris
<b>2011</b>	<b>9</b>	Sue Pitman - Sussex Committee for the Prevention of Family Violence
	<b>16</b>	Bob Black & Jeanette – presentation on their experience
	<b>23</b>	<b>Holiday</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b>



## **THE NEXT FEW MONTHS!!!!**

MAY	-	Pets & Sets	-	District Conference
	-	Camp Rotary Clean-Up	-	Coats for Kids
	-	District Youth Merit Awards	-	Committee Chairs & Members (New Year)
JUNE	-	District Conference	-	NONE
	-	International Conference	-	Purple Pinkie @ Balloon Fiesta
	-	Grad Bursaries		
	-	GSE		
	-	Flower Wheel		
	-	Budget		
	-	By-Laws		

### **Introducer & Thankers for April – May**

**\*\*\*Note; emails and contact phone #'s are on this list for the purpose of getting information for the introduction.**

#### **April Meetings;**

April 4<sup>th</sup>; Jason Thorne; Town of Sussex Recreation Department. 432.4573

Introducer; Wendy Osborne

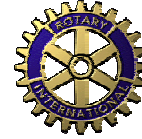
Thanker; Paul Macintosh

April 11th; Jim Balcomb & Frank Tenhave – Apache Canada (Company doing the extraction of our Shale Natural Gas)

email; balcomb@nbnet.nb.ca

Introducer; April Caissie

Thanker; Donna Gilchrist



April 18<sup>th</sup>; Wanda Steeves of Crosswinds. Phone # 432.7500

Introducer; Jason Sturgeon

Thanker; Peter Haines

April 25<sup>th</sup>...Easter Monday (No meeting .)

### **May Meetings**

May 2<sup>nd</sup>; Sue Pitman with Sussex Committee for the Prevention of Family Violence. Email; pitman\_malo@hotmail.com

Introducer; Bruce Northrup

Thanker; Stuart Duncan

May 9<sup>th</sup>; (tentative)... Local action group for the reduction of Poverty in Sussex.

Introducer; (TBD)

Thanker (TBD)

### **Rotary Minute - Missed.**

**Rhoda introduced our guest speaker from P.A.L.S. (Partnerships in Alternative Learning Strategies).**

**Harold has been in education for a while, he even taught gr. 9 at SRHS while Rhoda was in office. He said that grade 9 was an interesting way to start your teaching career. He came with short notice as he was a last minute substitute for Ronda but that didn't keep him from having a wonderful speech. He is very passionate about what he does and what Pals does for the students and community in general.**

**At Pals they try to be what the students need them to be. They have been operating for 17 years now and he feels that they have given teens & adults that didn't fit the mold a second chance to make something of themselves. Funding is available at Pals for students if they are self employed. Their method is an independent style of teaching with more one on one rather than standing up and teaching a whole class. They will have a class of up to 60 students and will have 3 teachers in the class to help them one on one if requested. Many of their students simply can't cope with the large number of people in the schools, with as many as 900 people in the high school alone. This can start as early as elementary. They concentrate on working with the student's strength and likes and then once they are comfortable they can expand. He said that the classes in Sussex are like big families. They take a different approach to the semesters as well; they are not like the other schools where they have two semesters and only have two times a year to start (September and January). They have several start and finish dates throughout the year and base some of the semesters simply on demand.**



**Funding has changed!! The partners all donated in the beginning but some of them have changed the way they fund the program. Many will only do a pay per client and that makes it difficult to plan or budget for the year to come. Wanda at Crosswinds asked him to come and see us. They are operating without funding for April, May & June and their expenses are \$20,000 a month. Crosswinds used to cover them and they recently advised them that they can't do it anymore. They actually had to remove their name from the Pals program as of April 1<sup>st</sup>. The province has approved a trade program for Pals so they are looking at expanding their operations and being an even bigger asset to the Sussex area.**

**Harold wanted to clear up any confusion with the "Pals" at Irving. P.A.L.S. was never registered and Irving has a Pals education program too but they are not affiliated in any way. The staff they have are broken up into two categories, education and social development. There are 5 in total, 3 education and 2 social development. Crosswinds oversees the social development & labor budget, property taxes, rent etc.**

**Harold said that he wanted to come in to drum up support and awareness.**

**Annual Dinner & Auction – Robert passed around preliminary numbers for the dinner and will do a full report @ the next business meeting. Robert has stepped down as the chair for the 2012 dinner and although the past two years have been very rewarding and a great learning experience he wants to let someone else have the experience / responsibilities. The spring is a very busy time for both work and family and he needs to be able to concentrate on those areas in the next year. Robert did volunteer for Pearson's to be the drop off location for the auction items again and could also take the position of prize captain if Paul is okay with giving up that position.**

**Flower Wheel – Frank has some quotes in and is waiting on a few more. We will be discussing the flower wheel at our next meeting.**

**Highway Cleanup – The spring highway clean-up is going to be on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. We are all meeting at the Gateway Mall Tim Horton's at 7:30 AM to be on the highway for 8:00. Frank and Robert will bring lots of bags & orange hats but you should bring a pair of gloves. The rain day is Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**Jeremy Erickson – Jeremy has been accepted as a new member and will be inducted shortly.**

**Stewart took care of the Rotary sign at Four-Corners for us and it will be temporarily removed for a facelift and we will be getting together to get the flower garden back up once it is ready.**

**Meeting Adjourned.**

**\*\*\* Please note that I have included our Rotary Club Calendar with this Cowbell. \*\*\***

**Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!**