



Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

Our new website - www.sussexrotary.org

Club #6355

District #7810

COWBELL

March 5, 2007

March is Literacy Month

Attendance: Harley, Donna, Bob K, Keri, Robert L, Peter, Andrew

Absent: Dana, Frank D, Lou, Haley, Bob B, Dan, Frank S, Kim C, Murray

Regrets: Roger, Sharon, Don D, Kim P, Tom

Guests: Rotarian Virginia Stites (RC of Hampton)

Member News

If you still have Wednesday's Telegraph Journal, take a look at page C5 for an excellent article featuring Haley.

Happy Birthday to Kim C on March 12th, and Happy Anniversary to Kim & Frank D on March 17th.

If you know any "Member News" please pass it on to Keri.

Guest Speaker

Today's guest speaker Virginia Stites gave a really interesting presentation about her experiences volunteering with Habitat for Humanity (HFH) in El Salvador recently. HFH has been active in El Salvador since 1992 and to date has built more than 4,000 homes in the country. Unfortunately the waiting list for acceptable housing is more than 720,000 people. Through this program, families must work on the building of the house they will receive, and must also pay a regular mortgage payment of approximately \$45 per month for 10 years. The cost to construct a home is approximately \$4500-\$4700 USD. They are very small (only 450 square feet and 2 bedrooms) but they are safe, comfortable and well built. Virginia spoke of this as a life-altering experience and the Rotary Club of Hampton is in the process of putting together a team to build a home in this country. If anyone in our Club is interested in being part of this, Virginia encouraged us to contact her. There are also opportunities to support this project financially or through donations of materials and supplies.

District Curling Bonspiel

LAST CALL FOR INTERESTED CURLERS! - Looks like we may have enough interest to enter several teams in this event – but there is room for more if you are interested. The bonspiel is Friday evening and Saturday – March 16 & 17 in Fredericton. So far Frank & Audrey Skaling, Kim & Mark Pearson and Keri Walker and Paul Marr have confirmed but several other members are checking their schedules. This is not only for good curlers (as anyone who has seen any of the current volunteers curl can attest to!) and you don't have to enter as a couple. Let Kim know this week if possible if you are interested so we can send in our registration to the host Club.

Easter Seals

Last year we raised extra money for Easter Seals by placing collection jugs in local businesses. We each looked after delivering 5 or 6 jugs to local businesses. Harley will bring these with him to next week's meeting so we can distribute them again this year. All funds go to helping local children attend Camp Rotary.

Meals on Wheels

Harley is concerned that we do not have enough members who are available to support this service. The commitment is minimal – less than 1 hour every six or eight weeks to deliver meals to 4 or 5 seniors. Please consider whether you can make yourself available for this worthwhile service.

March Trip Draw Winners

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| Trip | Marion Brown | Penobsquis | ticket 485 | sold by Harley |
| \$500 | Cheryl Currie | Wards Creek | ticket 449 | sold by Don N |
| \$200 | Joseph MacKinnon | Sussex | ticket 212 | sold by Bob K |
| \$150 | George Moore | Apohaqui | ticket 242 | sold by Murray |
| \$100 | Allison J Forsythe | Sussex | ticket 279 | sold by Frank S |

50/50 was lost by Tom.

Upcoming Events

Mon March 12th – 12:15 pm – All Seasons Inn – Community Pool project discussion

March 16 & 17 – District Curling Bonspiel in Fredericton

Mon March 19th – 12:15 pm – All Seasons Inn – Wanda Steeves – Crosswinds

Mon March 26th – 12:15 pm – All Season Inn – Business Meeting

Mon April 2nd – 12:15 pm – All Season Inn – Capt. Al Soppitt, President & CEO of the Saint John Port Authority

Mon April 9th – 12:15 pm – No Meeting due to Easter Monday

Mon April 16th – 12:15 pm – All Season Inn – Trisha Mersereau, Executive Director Sussex Vale Transition House

Mon April 23rd – 12:15 pm – All Season Inn – Guest Speaker TBA – Penobsquis Water

June 1, 2, 3 2007 – **District Conference in Oromocto**

June 6, 7, 8 – Meals on Wheels

Rotary at a Glance

32,596 Rotary Clubs, 1,221,812 Rotarians worldwide, 168 Rotary countries

For other interesting information check out the following web sites:

Rotary International www.rotary.org

Rotary District 7810 www.ridist7810.com

Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

Rotary Club of Sussex Membership List

Mem. No.

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|---------|---------------|-----------|
| 6478858 | Albert | Roger |
| 6434857 | Armstrong | Sharon |
| 6115294 | Bettle | Haley |
| 1442333 | Black | Bob |
| 6103507 | Black | Dana |
| 6403690 | *Carr | Ralph |
| 6157619 | Cummings | Kimberley |
| 6478856 | Derrah | Frank |
| 5816876 | Dobbin | Don |
| 718998 | *Fawcett | Robert |
| 719008 | Geldart | Harley |
| 5763993 | Gilchrist | Donna |
| 719010 | Haines | Peter |
| 854668 | Kimball | Robert |
| 6616928 | Mallaghan | Dan |
| 718989 | McGibbon | Murray |
| 6103509 | McNamara | Louis |
| 1033562 | **Nancekivell | Don |
| 6103510 | Palmer | Andrew |
| 5958148 | Pearson | Kim |
| 719000 | *Randall | Gerald |
| 2182053 | Skaling | Frank |
| 719003 | Snowden | Tom |
| 2322924 | Walker | Keri |
| | Lockhart | Robert |

*Honourary Members

** Leave of Absence 2006-2007 Rotary Year

2006-2007 Committees

Coats for Kids - Peter Haines, Bob Black, Andrew Palmer

Christmas Boxes - Murray McGibbon, Bob Black & Gerry Randall

Trip Draw Tickets - Robert Lockhart, Donna Gilchrist & Keri Walker

Charter night - Tom Snowden, Michelanne Lewis, Haley Bettle

Membership - Committee Chair – Kim Cummings Co-Chair – Andrew Palmer, Sharon Armstrong

Club Administration - Weekly programs – Donna Gilchrist & Roger Albert

Youth Exchange - Kim Pearson, Frank Derrah & Dana Black

Public Relations - Committee Chair – Lou McNamara