

Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: October 28, 2013

Attendance: Wendy, Harley, Robert K, Sandra, Rhoda, Robert L, Donna, Bob T, Scott, Robert D, Shawn.

Regrets: Terri, Rick, Matt, Bruce, Bob B, Andrew, Lou, Peter.

Rotary Grace

Toast to the Queen

Meeting Chairperson Bob T. welcomed all members to the meeting and welcomed speaker Roger Albert and Robert D. introduced Sgt. Dale organ, NCO RCMP Sussex Post.

Rotary Minute: Robert L.

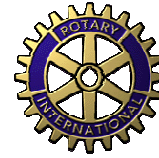
Robert passed around a copy of the June 07, 2013 edition of the Telegraph Journal for each member and guests to see if they could recognize anything of Rotary significance on the June 7, 2013 newspaper page.

Guest Speakers: *Roger Albert, recent visit to Kenya Africa, by Free the Children;*

Wendy introduced Roger Albert to the Sussex Rotary Club. Roger is a long time Rotarian, human Resources Manager for PotashCorp NB and a 31 year veteran to the company. He has a legacy in Rotary as his daughter is now a member.

Roger indicated he was proud to have the opportunity to be able to participate in the Kenya visit. A 37 member delegation traveled from all over North American with two people traveling from New Brunswick.

- ❖ All delegates travel separate ways and met in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ Once in theater they traveled by Land Rover vehicles.
- ❖ Wildlife everywhere.
- ❖ Lack of clean potable water was obvious.
- ❖ Carrying a daily supply of 20 liters for over 1 kilometer was a heavy daily task.
- ❖ Their group stayed in a one cottage and tent type complex.
- ❖ PotashCorp was involved due to the agricultural aspects of the trip / visit.
 - Modern techniques in farming was evident in Kenya.
 - Well educated locals developing theand supervising the farming effort.
 - Use of irrigation systems was evident.



- ❖ Roger indicated one sign locally posted said it all; “Empowering the youth to change the world”
- ❖ Free the Children is actively involved in the building of schools, libraries, and health care facilities.
- ❖ All locals were passionate about schools and learning and they are extremely interested in technology.
- ❖ Roger indicated it is called “Free the Children”, but it is all about supplying the basic needs to exist.
- ❖ Free the Children started in Canada in 1995 by Human Rights Activist Craig Kielburger. Craig will be speaking in Sussex on November 16th.

Sandra thanks Roger for his interesting presentation on his visit to Kenya and the good work Free the Children undertakes.

Reports:

- ❖ **Success Seminar Moncton New Brunswick:** Sandra provided the club with the topics discussed at this past weekend’s seminar. Sandra noted the following themes of the talk:
 - Rotary form the top down.
 - Growing membership.
 - Refining the Rotary Message.
 - New Logo launch, refreshed and rebranded.
- ❖ **Reminders:**
 - Success seminar upcoming this Saturday. Anyone interested lease contact Sandra.
 - Kindness, Random Act is on November 1st this year. A great way to show you care.
- ❖ **Highway Clean-up:** Three kilometers remain available for clean-up, Coming into Sussex kilometer 188 to 189, kilometer 189 to 190 and kilometer 191 to 192 are available for volunteers. If you are able help to complete the clean-up of the remaining highway please contact Bruce with the kilometerage to be completed.

Happy/Sad Bucks

50/50: Robert L.

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15pm.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!