

# Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

## Cowbell

Date: September 29, 2014

**Attendance:** Bob B., Bruce, Alaina. A, Rhoda, Lou, Shelley V, Kathy, Scott, Sandra, Donna, Robert L., Robert D.

**Regrets:** Robert K, Wendy, Bob T., Steven G., Harley.

**Guests:**

- Don Dow, Owner of Quality Home Care.
- Lorinda Porter, Owner Graysia Web Design.
- Dr. Daniel Comeau, Chiropractor, Sussex.

### Rotary Grace

### Toast to the Queen

Meeting Chairperson Lou McNamara. welcomed all members, and expressed regrets from members not attending. Robert Driscoll introduced and welcomed Lorinda and Don to our meeting. Sandra introduced and welcomed Dr. Danial Comeau to the Sussex Rotary Club.

**Rotary Minute:** Shelley V. speaks on a recent Canadian Rotary Magazine and the story of a "New Leaf". The article authored by Rod Thompson the Chairperson of Rotary Canada Advisory Board on membership. The article speaks on the top challenges of Rotary a couple of which are attracting younger members and the challenge of maintaining attendance at meetings.

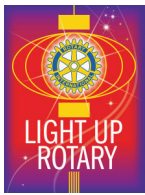
Chair Lou welcomes Bruce back to the meeting and offers congratulations on behalf of our members and guests on his election success.

**Guest speaker:** Mr. Brent Whalen, Regional Emergency Management Coordinator Regions 8 and 9, NBEMO / Public Safety.

Donna G. welcomes Brent Whalen to the Sussex Rotary Club as Regional Emergency Management Coordinator Regions 8 and 9, NBEMO / Public Safety.

Brent Whalen spoke on the process the Emergency Management Organization of the Province of New Brunswick.

- Province is structured around the 12 Regional Service Commissions in New Brunswick.
- Each coordinator responsible for one or two regions in the province with six (6) coordinators province wide.
- Primary responsibility is to insure the continuity of government.
- Assist in coordinating provincial emergency operations.



- Responsibilities in to four (4) areas; planning, operations, training and recovery.
- The four pillars of any emergency include; mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery,
- For everyone planning their personal response it is recommended be prepared for the first 72 hours of any emergency.

Robert D. thanked Brent for his interesting presentation and offered Brent a luggage tag as a token of our appreciation for his interesting talk.

### **Committee Reports:**

- ❖ **Correspondence:** Scott reports on this week's correspondence. An email was received from Tery MacDonald on his changes in contact information.
- ❖ **Membership:** Robert Driscoll hands out a number of the new membership development items received to each of the members in attendance.

President-elect Sandra Moon, and member sponsor presided over the induction ceremony of new member Alaina Alexander and presented Alaina with her membership pin and membership information package.

Each attending Rotarian and guests welcomed Alaina to the Sussex Rotary Club.

- ❖ **Highways Cleanup Fall 2014:** Bruce indicated the preliminary schedule for this year's fall Highway Cleanup is scheduled for the last Saturday in October. Details to follow as the scheduled cleanup date gets closer.

### **Happy / Sad Bucks**

**50/50:** Donna G.

**Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.**

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