



**Today's Meeting June 28, 1999**

**President's Handover, and Changing of the Guard**

**Song Leader:** Ron Profit

**Greeters:** Neil Buchanan, John MacInnis

**Next Meeting July 5, 1999**

**Marketing on the Internet**

**Speaker:** John Barrett, Vesey's Seeds.

**Song Leader:** Ron Profit

**President's Message**

This is the day. I want to take this opportunity to say a few thank you's. First to the Board of Directors. Many months the agenda was long, but it was handled efficiently because of the effort and work of the members of the board. It is a big commitment, given the fact contact has to be maintained with a number of committees, as well as the other board duties. Thanks also for the sense of humour, we had a good laugh at every meeting - usually at ourselves.

Thanks to Secretary Allan. A turn around time of overnight on the board minutes is just one example of the extent of his organization. He was always ready to help, and as they say a good Secretary can carry a bad President.

Thanks to the Committee Chairs. This is the real backbone of our club, and the real success of our club. The committees are so efficient many aspects of the work would carry on without the Board. Some committees demand a huge amount of time, and we should always be mindful of the commitment made by some Rotarians in taking on those duties.

This past year the Past-Presidents got together. What a wealth of information and Rotary commitment. They are a wonderful group and I thank them for their input.

I have to say again that I get a number of comments about how well our meetings run. The entire registration crew do an excellent job. Bud Whelan had most of the year's programs organized within the first few months. Sunday was not Sunday without a call from Sergeant At Arms, Mark Robertson. Many hours on their part is what it takes to ensure the system runs smoothly.

Special thanks to each of you. It is the Members who make the club. You make the committees work, you make the projects a success. Each of you are an important cog in that Rotary wheel. I thank each of you because it was a great experience to work with you.

**THOUGHTS**

Where would we be without rhetorical questions?

Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.

For some people, getting a degree is like getting an inoculation. They wind up with just enough education to make them immune from it for the rest of their lives.

We must be silent before we can listen. We must listen before we can learn. We must learn before we can prepare. We must prepare before we can serve. We must serve before we can lead.

**Bulletin Board**

**Birthdays**

**June 28** Patti Sue Lee

**June 29** Ken MacDonald

**June 29** Scott Ferris

*Many happy returns - Remember the Foundation, and don't forget to renew your drivers license.*

**Anniversaries**

**June 29** Kevin O'Brien & Ellie Reddin

**July 1** Allan and Charlotte MacLeod

**July 1** Craig and Kathie Sullis

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to all.*

**Notion of Motion From the Donations Committee**

The Board of Directors at their June 21 meeting authorized, subject to the approval of the Club, the following donations:

\$2,000 to Community and Family Service PEI (formerly Protestant Family Services Bureau) in support of their Counselling Resources for Seniors Program. Funds to come from the Auction Account.

\$27,750 to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Foundation in support of the Club's 1997 commitment of \$80,000 to the hospital's capital equipment campaign. This donation, when coupled with last year's contribution of \$18,250 reduces our outstanding contribution to \$34,000. Funds for this donation come from the Auction, Easter Seals and the Thanksgiving Flowers accounts.

The Board announces the approval of a donation of \$500 to the Old Protestant Burying Ground

Inc in support of the education component of the restoration of the historic burial ground on University Avenue. Funds to come from the Auction Account.

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In keeping with the requirement that any donation over \$500 be approved by the membership, notice is hereby given that the motion for these donations will be presented to the membership for vote on or after July 12, 1999.

This concludes Richard Veinot's time on the Board of Directors. A rather long run from a Directorship through the various role to President and Past-President. Thanks.

### **Resignations**

The Board announces with regret the resignation of Rotarians Frank MacDonald and Lou Pantry, effective immediately.:

### **Calendar Watch 1999**

**July 12** QEH Physical Medicine\*

**July 19** RI Foundation Presentation\*

\* *Rotary Club of Charlottetown Meetings*

### **Previous Meeting**

### **FRANK MACDONALD HONOURED**

Frank MacDonald was presented with a special plaque by President Moe. It recognizes the fact that Frank, who recently retired from the Club, had 42 years perfect attendance.

In presenting the plaque Moe praised Frank for his community involvement and his dedication to Rotary. "42 years perfect attendance reflects more than regular participation at Rotary meeting, it represents a commitment to the ideals of Rotary and to our community service work. Frank was very active on many committees of this organization and over four decades gave a great deal to the community through this club. For that we are grateful."

He also praised Frank for perfect attendance. "Your professional career faced many time demands, but you still made the commitment to find the time to attend meetings or do a make up.

Forty years ago make-ups were more difficult to obtain given the fact there were fewer clubs.

### **ROTARIAN - LIVING HIS DREAM**

We probably all day dream about hitting the road and touring the world. Martin Clark is a Rotarian doing just that. He comes from Wellington, New Zealand and is on the Island visiting Secretary Allan McLeod as part of a multi-year world tour. (They hosted Allan when he was in New Zealand with the GSE team) The Clark's sold their business in New Zealand, bought a motor home in the United States, spent months touring most areas of the States and Canada, and will now be shipping the home to Europe and continuing the tour. They expect to be away for about three years. Martin says they wanted to pick the top ten highlights of the trip to date, but came up with 110. That list will get longer as the trip continues. Congratulations for "following your dream", and thanks for making our club part of your adventure.

### **CHEQUE PASSED OVER**

In one of his final acts as Chair of the Easter Seals Committee, Jim MacNutt presented the Club with a cheque for \$26,061. That is our share of the multi-club, province-wide, funding raising initiative. The cheque to the club is higher than the net proceeds received last year, and represents an outstanding effort on the part of the Easter Seals committee.

### **GENCHEFF DEATH**

President Moe noted the passing of Gary E. Gencheff, the son of Dr. Todor Gencheff for whom Camp Gencheff was named. In his youth Gary lived on the Island and received part of his education here. He was a regular visitor to the Island and a strong supporter of Camp Gencheff.

### **CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP**

The Board of Directors has granted exemption from attendance status to Gordon Tweedy, Don Livingston, and Foster Fisher. A Leave of Absence was granted to Dan Fenity until November/99.

### **NEWS FROM THE BOARD**

The Board has approved a donation of \$500 to the Old Protestant Cemetery. The groups is working to preserve and enhance the historical cemetery on University Avenue.

Our Club is considering joining with other service clubs in the placement of welcome signs to the City of Charlottetown. The project is being led by the Kiwanis.

### **REMINDER**

President Richard ask that you return the committee sign-up sheets as soon as possible.

### **CONFEDERATION CENTRE**

This is the 25th anniversary of the Confederation Centre and the Charlottetown Festival. It is also the 125th anniversary of Lucy Maud Montgomery. What more natural alliance than to have Montgomery recognized by the presentation of the Main Stage musical - Emily.

Curtis Barlow, CEO of the Centre, spoke of the many talented people involved in the development of Emily, labelling it a "creative team second to none."

Major productions, in areas such as New York, go through several years of development, extensive rehearsals, and two months of previews before officially opening. The performers in Emily had a month of 80 hour weeks, and two previews.

Curtis reminded us that we should be very proud of the Confederation Centre and the work it does. He also thanked the community for their support. 80% of the development funding comes from Atlantic Canada, 60% of that from the Island. He also stressed his efforts to ensure the Centre has a link to the community, reflected by the number of band days, weddings, and business functions held at the Centre. He also pointed out the Centre generates about \$25 million in the local economy, and is directly responsible for 300 jobs.

In closing he stated "Don't support us because you feel you have to, support us for the pride we generate, and the enjoyment and joy we bring to people's lives."

**Cash draw** - Harry Love picked up \$62. but came up with the eight of diamonds so the jackpot remains.

**Attendance** - 73.3%, 14 Scooters.

**Makeups to June 21** - Hal Bevan, Jack Cutcliffe, Jack O'Keefe.

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