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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Anniversaries

Rotarian	Date
Peter & Sandra Boswall	05-28-1988
Bennett & Jean Carr	05-11-1957
James & Barbra Macnutt	05-10-1969
Richard & Joy Martin	05-11-1974
Ron & Donna Profit	05-18-1974
Jim & Lynn Travers	05-19-1984
John & Anne Cameron	06-02-1956

Rotary Service

Rotarian	Joined	Service
Ezeard, Ken	05-15-2006	4
Faulkner, David	05-27-1989	21
Gupta, Umesh	05-26-1989	21
Scales, John	05-13-1985	25
Scales, Gary	05-15-2006	4
Sear, Bob	05-13-1990	20

Rotarian Birthday

Crant, Paul	05-28
Livingstone, Don	05-31
MacKenzie, Ken	05-08
Macnutt, James	05-23
Norton, Peter	05-09
Thompson, David	05-31

**Remember the Rotary Foundation
and to renew vehicle registration.**

Montreal in Tune

Two renowned music festivals, Les FrancoFolies de Montréal and the Festival International de Jazz de Montréal, will bookend the 2010 RI Convention, 20-23 June, offering

Rotarians excellent reasons to get to the city early and stay late.



The first, Les Francos

(www.francofolies.com), is in its 22nd year and claims to be the world's largest francophone music festival. From 9 to 19 June, French-speaking artists from a dozen countries will perform at more than 250 shows – more than half of them free. The event takes place in a four-block area of downtown Montréal around the Complexe Desjardins and the Place des Arts.

Last year's performers included French blues/rock singer Anis, Montréal singer-songwriter Daniel Bélanger, Canadian singer Martha Wainwright (daughter of folk singers Loudon Wainwright III and Kate McGarrigle), Côte d'Ivoire reggae artist Tiken Jah Fakoly, Malian kora player Toumani Diabaté, Montréal indie rock band Malajube, and French singer Bernard Lavilliers.

After the convention, stick around for the jazz festival (www.montrealjazzfest.com), the world's largest, which runs from 25 June to 6 July. It will feature acts including Taj Mahal and the Fabulous Thunderbirds in a double bill; Laurie Anderson, Lou Reed, and John Zorn; George Benson with a tribute to Nat King Cole; sax player David Sanborn; and 450 free outdoor performances.

[Register for the 2010 RI Convention.](#)

April 12, 2010

Tom DeBlois acted as Chair with Dale Turner as Sgt at Arms collecting Happy Dollars. Ron Profit was song leader with Helen at the piano.

Secretary's Report: The draw for \$26 was won by Sandra MacKay. The jackpot stands at \$500. Attendance today of 50 with four makeup's and two scooters.

Pres Charlotte extended get well wishes to Tony Sosnkowski, Al Rodd and Wilson Ross. Reminders: District Conference is May 13-15 in Sydney and International Conference in Montreal in June (registration closes Mar 31st). We still need one or more volunteers to coordinate the visiting GSE team

Paul Mifsud reported on the Easter Seals Telethon totaling over \$174,000, Tim Horton School tour needs a volunteer for Apr 15th. Drop Zone scheduled for June 18th.

President Charlotte presented "Rotarian of the Month" to Lorne Moase. New member Hans Wan was introduced by his sponsor, Blake Doyle and inducted by President Charlotte. A Multiple PHF pin was presented by Charlotte to Dale Turner.

Chair Tom DeBlois – introduced Lt. Col. Glen Moriarity, Aide de Camp to Lt. Governor Barbara Hagerman. He spoke about April 9th being the anniversary of the battle of Vimy Ridge and acknowledged the memory of the WWI veterans. The last known survivor of WWI was Jack Babcock who passed away in February this year. John Babcock enlisted at the age of 15 by lying about his age. Percy Wilson who also joined at age 15 died at age 106 in 2007.

All together over 650,000 Canadians risked their lives in WWI. The first contingent sailed on Oct. 3rd, 1914. One of them was James Walker who had volunteered for the South African War in 1899. The first Canadian combat troops landed in France in Dec. of 1914. Over 4000 Islanders enlisted for duty as well as another 3000 who listed PEI as their place of birth... Six different battles resulted in battle honour for Canadian regiments. In the battle of Vimy Ridge Canadian troops suffered over 30,000 casualties with 3600 killed. They captured the ridge by noon on April 9th, 1917. Another soldier of distinction was Lt. Col. MacNaughton who commanded the artillery strategy. There are 42 names

of Islanders inscribed on the memorial at Vimy Ridge so we have much of which to be proud and thankful.

Co-Chair Gaie Orton thanked Lt. Col. Moriarity for his most informative address.

The meeting concluded with the singing of O' Canada.

April 19, 2010

Corrine Hendricken-Eldershaw was Chair with Edna Reid as Sgt at Arms collecting Happy Dollars. Song Leader: was Tom DeBlois with Helen at the piano.

Secretary's Report: The draw for \$25 was won by Craig Bradley. The jackpot stands at \$500. Attendance was 54 with one makeup and seven scooters.

President's Report: The May 3rd meeting will be at the Mackenzie theatre. David Faulkner and Ivan Morrison have agreed to host a delegate and attend the meeting respectively. Tom DeBlois promoted the Dinner Auction of June 11th. The Rotary Internet Auction is being extended to May 2nd because of late arrivals of a number of donated items. A motion to approve a 3 year "Pilot Project" for a part-time paid Admin. Assistant to the District Governor was presented at a proposed cost of \$3.75 per club member. It was passed by a vote of 35 to 4.

Chair Corrine Hendricken-Eldershaw – introduced Dr. Jackalina VanKampen to speak about various neurological diseases including Parkinson's, ALS and Alzheimer's.



Dr. Jackalina VanKampen speaker on "Neurological Diseases" shown with day's chair Corrine April 19, 2010.

Dr. VanKampen left Prince Edward Island to study at the Mayo Clinic and then came back to work for Neurodyne on the UPEI campus. She delivered an information filled talk on the subject of neurological diseases and their treatment. Neurological diseases tend to be progressive in nature and most patients don't present themselves to a physician until they are exhibiting symptoms such as trembling. At this point the disease has already progressed to a significant degree and earlier detection would be a definite asset.

Neurodyne is working on early detection and has a patent pending for an animal model based on administering cycad flour which contains neurotoxins. When fed to rodents they exhibit symptoms which approximate those of Parkinson's disease. ALS also attacks motor neurons and leads to muscle atrophy. When administered to mice the toxins cause symptoms similar to ALS.

Another model which simulates Parkinson's disease causes a reduction in dopamine release. When fed the cycad flour the rodents exhibit symptoms, unilateral at first and later bilateral. One of the areas being studied by Dr. VanKampen is the effect of Ginseng in slowing or stopping the progression of neurological degeneration. Ginseng Extract G115 appears to prevent the loss of dopamine neurons in rats. She is currently working on an ACOA grant to study the effect of Ginseng on Parkinson's disease. The rodent model shows a profound beneficial effect from the ingestion of Ginseng G115. She is also studying Alzheimer's disease using the mouse model in an attempt to slow its progression. One of her main points was that an animal scanning MRI would be highly beneficial to furthering the advance of biotechnology here on the

Island.

Co-Chair Margaret Somers thanked Dr. VanKampen and pointed out that all of us are affected either directly or indirectly by these neurological diseases.

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Meeting Schedule & Topics

May 3, Exchange student presentations
 May 10, Nutritious potatoes, Dr. Umesh Gupta
 May 17, Membership discussion
 May 24, No Meeting (Victoria Day)
 May 31, Aboriginal Development, Chief Darlene Bernard
 June 7, Tourism
 June 14, Strategic Plan
 June 21, TBA
 June 28, TBA

Local Meetings Club

Hillsborough-Charlottetown

Thu. 12:15 Rodd Royalty

Summerside

Tue. 07:15 Silver Fox Curling & Yacht Club

Montague

Wed. 12:15 Perrin's Marina Villa

Charlottetown Royalty

Wed. 07:15 Delta Prince Edward Hotel

Stratford

Wed. 17:45 Fox Meadow Golf Club

The 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?