

Rotaract Club of Toronto

Meeting Agenda - September 6, 2011

Welcome – Members, Guests + Speaker: Melissa Wells, Rotaractor “A Rotary Exchange Experience”
Meeting 5



General

- Coming up fast: East Africa Famine Fundraiser Sept 16!
- Lunch tickets
- Claudia, Rotaractor from Italy coming Sept 14 - Oct 15, looking for accommodation around Toronto General hospital
- Faiyyad Hosein

PROJECT UPDATES

1. Community Service- Neisley

- Update: Volunteer opportunity with AFCY - **Nuit Blanche on Oct 1**
 - 7pm to 7am - 3 - 4 hour volunteer time commitment @ Yonge/Dundas
 - Art making activities
- Update: **Trick or Eat Oct 31st for Daily Bread Food Bank @ high park**
 - Call for committee; sign up sheet
 - No bi-weekly meeting on Oct 31 at Duke of Devon
- Centennial project launch lunch with AFCY is on Sept 30. Chia, Kelly, Netila and Maria is attending and will provide update after.

2. International- Maria

- Update on Exchange Program or Twinning clubs
- Fundraisers
 - **East Africa Famine fundraiser** update: Sept 16th @ Proof Vodka Bar inside the Intercontinental in Yorkville on 220 Bloor St W.
 - Joint event with Mississauga club
 - \$15 advance tix/ \$20 at the door (tax receipt of \$7.50/\$10)
 - Online payment system will be available starting Sept 2.
 - Bring cash for 50/50 raffles – 2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10
 - Funds raised will be matched by RCT and Cdn gov to 4X
 - **Polio fundraiser committee** (Maria, Netila, Kelly, Andrea, Katie, Aislynn, Faiyyad)
 - Event will be Thursday November 10
 - Joint event with UoFT club

3. Club Service - Mark

- **ARGOS 50/50 raffle ticket sales** with Rotary Toronto
 - \$50 to club for each volunteer; Next event **Oct 1st**. Please contact Kevin Q at kevinquanto@gmail.com to volunteer - ck for write up
- **Networking event** in September – update
- **District 7070 conference Friday Oct 21 - 23** @ Blue Mountain resort, theme “Dare to Dream” - Melissa
 - \$125 - \$150 (member); \$175-\$200 (non-member) – includes registration, hotel (based on 4 per room), all meals! *final cost to be release by Sept 23
 - RSVP to Melissa mf.wells@hotmail.com by Sept 19 with \$100 non-refundable deposit (cheque to Rotaract Club of Toronto), please indicate if you need or can provide transportation.

4. Communications - Kelly

- Feedback on the new Wordpress page for our club - torontorotaract.wordpress.com and new facebook page

Rotaract Club of Toronto Meeting Agenda - September 6, 2011



- **PR committee update.**

- Rotaract Garage Sale on August 27 feedback. Thanks to all that have donated, baked and shopped! \$256.31 was raised!
- Katie: Guest Survey, Referral/bring-a-friend-to-a-meeting contest - officially begins September 19th. Prizes includes Friday luncheon to Rotary Club of Toronto at the Fairmont.

5. Treasurer – Andrei - away

- Annual membership due in October

6. Professional Development–Waruna

- update

7. Happy Dollar Time – any happy announcements? \$1 towards club fund.

Rotary News!

The world's first service club was the Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois, USA The club was formed 23 February 1905 by lawyer Paul P. Harris and three friends -a merchant, a coal dealer, and a mining engineer. Harris wished to recapture the friendly spirit he had felt among businesspeople in the small town where he had grown up. The name "Rotary" was derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among member's offices.

Rotaract News:

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) originated in Australia in 1959 as a festival of youth celebrating Queensland's centennial and a visit from British Princess Alexandra. Local Rotary districts continued the idea, and its popularity grew nationally and internationally. RYLA became an official RI program in 1971.

Carryover from last year:

- Habitat cheque, provide copy to RCT
- Trump AIDS Poker Walk – from Apr 30/11
 - Tally of total funds raised? Funds will be donated to Dignitas International

Upcoming events:

- Rotary Club of Toronto Skyline Fundraiser for Africa - Sept 8, @ Parlour 270 Adelaide St. W. \$25 advance/\$30 at door. Funds raise to go to shelterbox with matching grants.
- Foundation walk at Cobourg with executive training, September 11 at Ganaraska Forest Center, visit www.rotary7070.org if interested or talk to Andrea.
- Dinner info session on Bangkok 2012 held @ The National Club 5:30pm, Wednesday Sept 14 in preparation for the RI convention May 6 - 9, pre-convention May 4 - 5
 - Speaker from Thailand tourist board @6pm - \$10 dinner, cash bar extra
 - RSVP to Lorraine Nelson, lnelson@corpfinance.ca
- Next BoD meeting – September 18 @ Brassaii 1pm, reservation under Rotaract

Important Dates to Remember: Next 3 Regular Meetings: 6:30 PM+ Upcoming Speakers

Monday Sept 19 @ 6:30pm – Neil Hetherington, CEO Habitat for Humanity Toronto

Monday Oct 3 @ 6:30pm - Sandy Boucher, President of Rotary Club of Toronto

Monday Oct 17 @ 6:30pm - Anne Vaughan from Rotary Club of Parkdale-High Park and Rep from Redwood Shelter

