

September 27, 2010 Meeting Highlights

Announcements

☛ **Bill Stuart** reported on the **EC&C Convention** in St. John, New Brunswick. It was excellent, with focus on education, growth & membership retention. The reorganization of the EC&C, included a new position of Trustee, who will deal with finance, by laws & policies of each region. Bill presented the "Keeping Our Promise" banner to Frank Sgarlata for our generous support of children's projects.

☛ **The Dugas'** have two cases of 500 mls. of **maple syrup**. The rest will be distributed among other members.

☛ **New Club Photos** for our Roster 2010-11 will be taken by **Bev Best** after our meeting on **October 25th**.

☛ The Board established that our annual **Club Fee** will set at a lower level of \$150 for 2010-2011, following a report by Treasurer **Ted Scott**.

MEMBERS NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Gabe Rucchetto, September 29
Evelyn Ko, October 1
John Bedelle, October 5
Joyce Stevens, October 9
Jim Paradine, October 10
Clarke Mills, October 10

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Helen & Bob Loveys, September 27
Danielle & Buddy Herold, October 7

Special Guest

Lt. Gov. Mark Brewer inducted the new Board for 2010/11. Please see back of bulletin for new listing.

Gillian Dugas introduced **Beverly Berger**, spokesperson for Dog Guides Canada (DGC) and her guide dog partner, Jasper. Beverly explained how service dogs are trained and employed. Dogs are trained to help with vision and hearing impairment as well as seizure response, Autism assistance, and other special skills. The harness that the dog wears is a signal that the dog is at work. Beverly was thrilled when she got her first guide dog - it has given her freedom, independence and mobility. There is no government funding to train guide dogs. The DGC Foundation holds an annual walk in High Park each May, raising, \$850,000 in 2009. **Frank Sgarlata** thanked Beverly for an entertaining and informative presentation and gave her a donation of \$500 on behalf of the club.

\$ HAPPY/SAD DOLLARS \$

- Harold Shipp gave sincere thanks for the outstanding luncheon in his honour.
- Frank Sgarlata thanked everyone for the cards and calls of sympathy after the death of his mother.

Welcome Guests

Lt. Gov. Mark Brewer, Bill Lejbjuk,
and Ed Gingo

Community Service

One Can Make a Difference

DONATE TO BASKETEERS

Support for women in shelters to help in their new life as they move from the shelter. The baskets are filled with new or gently used items such as kitchenware, personal items and cleaning products.

All items welcome – large or small
Contact **Gillian Dugas** at 416- 243-2151 to donate. The Baskets will be delivered to the Salvation Army Hall in mid November.

DIVISION NEWS

DIVISIONAL CAUCUS MEETING

Saturday, October 23rd
at the Boulevard Club at 8:30 to 12:00.

GOVERNOR PAUL TOUSSAINT'S VISIT
December 5th to December 7th
Division Visit

BLOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thursday, October 28th

Tuesday, December 28th

Please call Andre and Gillian Dugas to sign up for a morning or afternoon shift.
416-243-2151

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday October 4 • 12:15 p.m.
Expedia
Bill Lejbjuk, Cruise and Vacation Specialist

Monday October 18 • 7:00 p.m.
Board Meeting
Weston Golf & Country Club

October 25 • 12:15 p.m.
Vancouver Winter Olympics
Bruce Burns
Club Photos: Bev Best

Monday November 8
War Time Occupation of Holland
Betty Forester

Monday November 15 • 7:00 p.m.
Board Meeting
Weston Golf & Country Club

Monday November 22 • 12:15 p.m.
4H Club

"The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue."
Anonymous

"We give dogs time we can spare, space we can spare and love we can spare. And in return, dogs give us their all."
M. Facklam