

March 12, 2012 Meeting Highlights

Announcements

☛ **Mary Margaret MacInnes** thanked everyone who helped with the Kiwanis Music Festival. It was great to share the excitement and enthusiasm of the students. The total amount raised from admission fees was \$12,908. Our club alone took in \$4,291. Joe Polito did a wonderful job featuring the Music Festival on our website.

\$ HAPPY/SAD DOLLARS \$

- John Dods is sad that Don Hughes was unable to attend the meeting today and wear his green sweater!

MEMBERS NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jane Rucchetto, March 29
Ted Scott, March 31
Marjorie Paradine, April 1
Brian Keogh, April 7
Fern Bedell, April 13

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jane & Gabe Rucchetto, March 29
Myra & Derek Jeffery, April 2

Special Celebration

Frank Sgarlata started the celebration with an Irish joke: "What do you call an Irishman that keeps bouncing off the walls? - Rick O'Shea!" Others contributed some very amusing limericks as well as original creations of welcome and odes to members. Prizes were given for best costumes and best limericks.

Bev Best, accompanied by **Pat Butler** on the piano, led a sing song of Irish tunes.

Barnaby Ross introduced **Verina Von Stritsky**, founder of the 360 Children's Choir. The choir was formed in 2011 to fill a need for a children's choir in West Toronto. The choir cultivates a passion for music and nurtures the joy of singing. The children perform high quality music from Canada and around the world. They sing in ten different languages and learn confidence and tolerance.

Conductor, **Anne Marie Page**, accompanied by pianist, **Mervin Fick**, led the children in a wide variety of beautifully performed songs.

Barnaby Ross presented the group with a donation from our club and encouraged them to thrive and grow.

Welcome Guests

Welcome to Mark Brewer and the Kiwanis Club of Brampton, who were well decked out in the green!

Community Service

One Can Make a Difference

In Memory of Ernie DuVernet

Ernie passed away at his retirement residence with his family present on Tuesday March 20, 2012. He was a dedicated Kiwanian since 1958 and served as president in 1967-68. He will be greatly missed.

Interclub News

RIVERDALE KIWANIS CLUB 90th Anniversary

May 12, 2012

6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Meet & Greet: 6- 7 p.m. • Dinner: 7-8 p.m.
Speeches, entertainment 8 – 9 p.m.)

Chester Village, 3555 Danforth Avenue at
Warden, Toronto, Ontario

\$45.00 per person
(includes dinner with wine)

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday March 26 • 12:15 p.m.
Heritage Trees, Edith George

Monday April 16 • 12:15 p.m.
Easter Meeting
"Through Transition with Grace"
Rev. Sheila Murray,
Royal York United Church

Monday April 23 • 7:00 p.m.
Board Meeting
Kingsway-Lambton United Church,
85 The Kingsway

Monday April 30 • 12:00 p.m.
St. Joseph's Health Centre Tour
New Mother and Child Facilities
30 The Queensway, Lunch at noon
at the hospital, followed by tour

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday April 11 • 12:00 noon
LUNCH IN HONOUR OF
DR. JOHN BUTTON
International Trustee,
& Past Gov., E.C.C.
& Candidate for International V.P.

The National Club, 303 Bay St.
(full luncheon, \$30) parking nearby

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