



Club #85, founded 1913

July 28 and Aug 4, 2009

**Attendance July 28:** Cezar Dragutan, Carlo Pugliese, Steve Sadler, Barry Schmidt, Udo Stundner, Bob Velan, Drew Webster. Guest speaker: Arnold Lawrence, DG-7040, official visit to our club.

**Attendance Aug 4:** Herman Alves, John Bishop, Bertrand de Cardaillac, Cezar Dragutan, Carlo Pugliese, Steve Sadler, Barry Schmidt, George Shalhoub, Udo Stundner, Nemo Turner, Bob Velan, Drew Webster. Visiting Rotarian: Auli Kankkunen. Honorary Rotarian: Manon Lafleur. Guest speaker: Cpt. Robert Frank.

**July 28:** In the absence of President Nemo, the meeting was chaired by **Carlo Pugliese** who conveyed the apologies of our President. He had to take his 88 year old mother to the hospital during the night after a fall. He very much regretted not being able to welcome our District Governor in person on the occasion of his official visit.

The DG spoke of the International Convention next June. It requires many volunteers and represents a great opportunity to recruit new members.

He would like to see our club apply for a Presidential Citation. These will be awarded at the District Conference in Kingston, Oct 17 and 18. The DG spoke of the criteria, one of which is an increase in membership of one member. (I am unable to locate the other criteria on the district website.)

Public Relations are important. "I was a teacher. What interested me was all the stuff Rotary did for the young people."



DG Arnold was thanked by **Cezar Dragutan** and given the banner of our club. The DG expressed the desire to be invited back for another visit.

**Aug 4: President Nemo** displayed a membership development pamphlet entitled "How can you have 1.2 million friends?". It was well received.

**Herman Alves** introduced the speakers' committee consisting of himself, Pres. Nemo and Udo Stundner. Next week the speakers will be from the "Apathy is Boring" society.

**Udo Stundner** spoke of a recent meeting with former member Josh Ronn. Josh gave him a cheque for \$250 for the Welfare Fund.

**Carlo Pugliese** took possession of our club's insurance certificate received in the mail from the DG. He also processed several requests for funds as follows: Bertrand took Longueuil Rotary for G8 attendance; Udo took Maison LeParcours and Fondation des aveugles de Québec. Drew took Teasdale Centre request for a railing in home of someone with polio syndrome. Motion was made, seconded and carried to send \$500 to Lansdowne Tutoring Centre. A request from Mariners House for toiletries was noted and an appeal for funds from a Saskatoon drinking water foundation was turned down.

President Nemo presented a Certificate of Appreciation and a Medal of Merit to Drew Webster in recognition of 44 years of membership in the club.

**Guest speaker:** Captain Robert Frank, a Reserve Force public affairs officer for Headquarters 1 Canadian Air division joined the Canadian Forces in 1976. He devoted more than a decade-and-a-half of his Air Force career to advancing the public profile of tactical aviation, which culminated in his appointment as group public affairs officer for 10 Tactical Air Group (10 TAG, later 1 Wing) in 1996.



During the past four years, Capt. Frank has serviced twice in Afghanistan: at Camp Julien in Kabul in 2005 and at Kandahar Air field in 2006. He showed a selection of slides taken from the Image Gallery, Afghanistan, [www.airforce.forces.gc.ca](http://www.airforce.forces.gc.ca) and followed up with a selection of his own slides. He was introduced by Barry Schmidt and thanked by George Shalhoub. Unfortunately, we ran out of time in a very interesting question period.

**Next Meetings:** **August 11<sup>th</sup>** : Breakfast at the St. James Club. Speakers from "Apathy is Boring".