



Club #85, founded 1913

December 8<sup>th</sup> 2009

**Attendance:** Jean-Marc Allard, Herman Alves, John Bishop, Bertrand de Cardaillac, C zar Dragutan, Steve Sadler, Barry Schmidt, George Shalhoub, Nemo Turner, Bob Velan, Drew Webster. New member: Mike Zivic. Rotarian visitor: Auli Kankkunen. Guest speaker: Major Grant Willen Effer.



**President Nemo** introduced another new member to the club, the second in as many weeks. He is **Mike Zivic**, vp International Sales, Velan Inc. Mike is a graduate engineer of the University of Belgrade and a former member of this club.

**The President** informed members that **Carlo Pugliese** was having a cataract operation and therefore unable to attend this morning. Members expressed wishes for a speedy recovery. **President Nemo** then took it upon himself to do the weekly joke. "Sign in the optometrist's office reads – if you can't see what you are looking for, you are in the right place."

**Salvation Army Kettle:** **John Bishop** informed members that we had sufficient volunteers to "man" the kettle until 3pm on Dec 9<sup>th</sup> in front of The Bay. Bob Velan said he would make a donation of \$200.



After six years with us as an adopted member, **Auli Kankkunen** is leaving Montreal to return to Finland and her home club of

Helsinki-airport. She has enriched us with her positive attitude to life and her active participation in this club's activities. **President Nemo** wished her "Bon Voyage" on behalf of us all.



**President Nemo** pins the medal of merit on **George Shalhoub**, distinguished member of this club for the past 44 years. George was Nemo's original sponsor when the club met at the Ch teau Champlain hotel.

**Guest speaker: Major Grant Willen Effer** of the Salvation Army is a fourth generation Salvationist and an MBA from the University of Ottawa. He spoke of experience in Singapore in 1999 and more recently in Ottawa as part of a Federal Government task force to combat human trafficking. Bait and Switch artists populate the streets with people who have been taken advantage of and who are unable to do anything about it. His work is known by the name of Ministry 614. Our speaker was thanked by **Jean-Marc Allard**.



**New Member:** It is rare in the history of a Rotary Club that a guest speaker is thanked officially by one Rotarian and then welcomed into the club by the President. **President Nemo** welcomes **Major Grant Willen Effer** into the club as the newest member.



**Welfare Fund:** To qualify for a receipt for income tax purposes for the 2009 calendar year, be sure to give your cheque to **Treasurer Steve Sadler** or **Welfare Fund Chair Carlo Pugliese** before the end of December

**Next Meetings:**  
Dec 15 at 12.30:

The Velan Award  
The Mtl West Operatic Society

Dec 22 at 07.30:

Jacques Duchesneau  
"Airport Security"

Dec 29:

The meeting is CANCELLED