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September 22, 2005 Regular
Luncheon Meeting:

Guest Speaker: Dr. Paul Bates,
Dean Degroote School of Business,
McMaster University will be
speaking on a "New Look at
Leadership."

Attendance: Please make sure your
name was recorded as attended each
meeting you are present for.

Last Week's Meeting:

New Member Induction: The
Members are pleased to welcome
Judi Emerson.

Membership Dues: Membership
dues can now be paid quarterly (or
annually) by post dated cheque or
by Credit card. Please see the
attached form to be completed and
returned to Tammy as soon as
possible. There will be copies of the
new form available to those who do

not have accessibility at Thursday's meeting. (Quarterly
will be as follows: July 1st, October 1st, January 1st and
April 1st, with the July payment being debited as soon as
the paperwork is processed)

Rotary Club of Hamilton Katrina Relief Fund:

The board has discussed how we, as a club, might assist
financing with the disaster relief efforts to aid victims of
Hurricane Katrina. The International Service Committee is
investigating our options and will come back to the Club
Membership with some suggestions in the very near future.

Rick Broadfoot donations to the Sunshine Fund:

Donations continue to pour in. We will publish final
numbers once all is received.

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New Member Judi Emerson, introduced to
the Club by Dan Lawrie




Last week's guest speaker, Ti-Cats owner Bob Young.



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From our Scribe

They Married "Uniforms"

Passing a house on Bay street today brought memories of the weddings of two girls that took place in 1946 and in which your scribe was involved.

Both of the girls came from very affluent families. One had gone off to Bryn Mawr, a very exclusive girls' school outside of Philadelphia. She met a very handsome American Air Force officer, fell in love (?) and they decided to marry.

Your Scribe was asked to represent the locals as an usher at the wedding. It was a glorious affair. The night before, there was a smashing party at the bride's family's beautiful home. Your poor Scribe was out of his depth – a humble huckster with all the glamour girls from the U.S.A. The party was elegant with lots of champagne. Unfortunately, after a second glass, your Scribe got a terrible headache and went home.

Apparently the party went on for hours. All the wedding party, including the bride, were hung over. The wedding took place at 11:00 a.m. the next morning at The Cathedral of Christ The King. They were a sorry looking lot. The bride became sick and had to leave in the middle of the service for a few minutes.

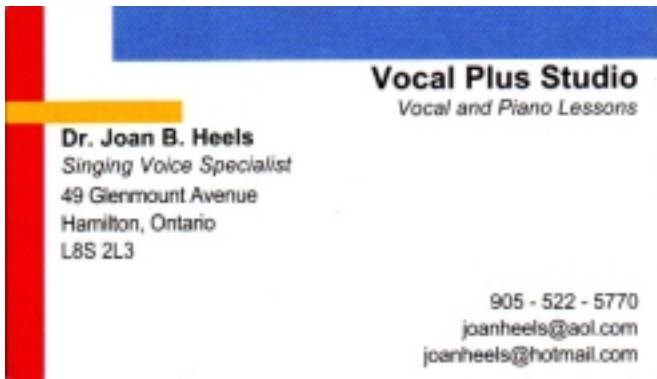
Once the groom left the Air Force Service and lost his uniform, he went back to a normal life in small town U.S.A. This didn't suit the bride. The marriage was dissolved.

My second friend also asked your Scribe to usher at old St. Joe's. Not quite as elaborate a wedding, but once again the humble Scribe was asked to represent the "people" at the great event. The groom was a Naval Officer originally from Britain. After discharge, he lost his uniform. The bride

didn't fancy being in Lancashire when her parents had a beautiful home and other properties in Fort Lauderdale. Poor Mr. England lost his bride who later married a successful whiz kid from Fort Lauderdale and lived happily ever after.

Love does take some strange turns. Thank God Mrs. Scribe is a local girl and married for looks, not a uniform – 50 years on September 21st.

Your Scribe



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Introducing our Youth Exchange Student

My name is Nathalie Eenkhoorn. I am from the Netherlands.

My host rotary club is Hengelo-Driene. My home city is Hengelo, which is in the east of the Netherlands, near the German border.

Hengelo has a population of 80.000 and is in the province of Overijssel. The region where I live is called Twente.



Hengelo is known all over the Netherlands for the Fanny Blankers Koen Stadion where many a track and field world record is set during the annual Thales FBK Games.

Because of its central location, and industrial History, Hengelo has many global companies like Thales, Akzo Nobel, Siemens Demag, Delaval, Stork Plastic Machinery and Eaton Holec.

Now I will tell you something about myself!

I'm 16 years old and I just finished high school. The Dutch school system is very different from yours, so difficult to explain! After this year, I will either go to a College of Fashion Design or become a Childcare worker. I don't know yet... But I have still this year to decide!

I have 2 brothers, Daan (20) and Joost (9) and 1 sister, Stefanie (19), who all live at home.

My father is a Doctor and my mother is a volunteer with the National Child and Hospital Association, an organization that helps families with children who are, or have recently been, in hospital.

My hobbies are playing soccer and I like skiing and snowboarding. My free time I spend with my friends and sometimes we go shopping or watch movies. I also worked this summer in a fashion store.

I'm very interested in meeting people my age living here in Canada and I also want to experience the differences between life in Canada and the Netherlands.

I am looking forward to the best year of my life so far!

**Special Message to members from
Keith McIntyre**

Here is the list of perfect attendance achieved by members for the past year 2004-2005, ending June 30, 2005, that has been compiled with the help of office volunteers.

There may be some errors or omissions due to the gap in office administration that occurred over the summer. We need your help to insure the list is correct.

Please review the list and let the office know asap if you have been striving to achieve perfect attendance and believe your name should be on the list. Similarly, your name may have been inadvertently added to the list and should be removed....remember...the 4 Way Test applies here!!!

Attendance credit for perfect attendance recording is restricted to regular luncheon meetings attended at our club or makeup meetings attended at another club within the allowable spread of 14 days of the missed meeting at our club.

LIST of PERFECT ATTENDANCE ACHIEVED

1 year

Dave Buckley
Bill Filer
Paul Gibel
George Guest
Ned Lauder
Bob Leek
Bodo Luehmann
Mark Mindorff
Ron Tomblin

7 years

Joan Heels
Ginny Mattuzzi

10 years

John Michaluk

15 years

Cuppy Katz

19 years

Bruno Bragoli
Hector Montgomery

2 years

Jim Campbell
Bill Lister
Pearl Wolfe

21 years

Allan Wright

4 years

John Clinton

27 years

Larry Woods

Presentation of pins is scheduled for September 29 so mark this important date in your calendar. For those receiving multi-year attendance recognition, please bring your former pin to the ceremony and exchange it to receive a new one!

Inner City Schools

We need volunteers. The program of "reading buddies" started at Robert Land School, and was extremely successful. With the closure of Robert Land, our Inner City Schools committee worked to adapt the program to a new school, Sanford, where the Robert Land School children were placed. This year, we were asked to expand the program to include Bennetto School as well.

Rotary volunteers work in the classroom, with the primary grades 1 through 3, one hour a week. We have 10 volunteers at present, and need 12 more to cover all the classes at both schools. The need for volunteers at Sanford may be greater than that at Bennetto as Sanford appears to have fewer volunteers at present.

Please contact Mike Orlander if you would like to take on this rewarding project. Let him know which day of the week you are available, and if you have a preference for either school. The schools would like to start as early in October as possible.

The Collected Works of Your Scribe

Books are available for sale at each meeting, \$10 each. Most of the cost of producing the book was donated by Rotarians and by Hellingman Communications and St. Leonards Society. Sale of these books is a fund raising project for the Sunshine Fund.



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Rotary Calendar of Events.

- 22-Sep Dr. Paul Bates New Look at Leadership
- 29-Sep Dr. Jack Gaudie The Future of Genetics
- 6-Oct District Governor Art Wing
- 13-Oct **Darrell Skidmore** United Way
- 20-Oct Donna Cripps, St. Peter's:
Changes in Long Term Care
- 3-Nov Hits of the Blitz -
Remembrance Day Program

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