



Club #85, founded Oct 2, 1913

October 12th 2010

Attendance: Herman Alves; John Bishop; Andy Dang-Duy; Bertrand de Cardillac; Mikkel Elsborg; Steve Sadler; Nemo Turner; Bob Velan; Drew Webster; Mike Zivic. Visiting Rotarian: ADG Claude LaLiberté. Guest Speaker: Mikkel Elsborg.

President Nemo opened the meeting with reference to the offer of The Rotary Foundation.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Rotary Foundation has developed a unique way to encourage Rotarians to support the Gates Challenge of \$200 Million Dollars.

World Polio Day is 24 October. For 18-24 October, in honor of World Polio Day, The Rotary Foundation is offering double Paul Harris Fellow recognition points for online only contributions of US\$100 or more. This is for online contributions only.

Bertrand de Cardillac introduced **Claude LaLiberté** of RC Longueuil-Rive -Sud. Claude is the Assistant District Governor responsible for our club and he was making an acquaintanceship visit.

Claude gave us an informative talk of his life as a Rotarian, first in a neighbouring district and then in ours. He lives in Sherbrooke and is a music programmer. He has been a Rotarian for 10 years, in the Sherbrooke Club for 7 years and then founding president of a new club in Sherbrooke. Recently he joined the Longueuil-Rive-Sud Club because most of his business time is spent in the Montreal area. He expressed a sincere desire to help us with different ideas and perspectives and to serve as our link with District 7040. His email address is rotaryclaudes@sympatico.ca

Classification talk: The guest speaker was new member **Mikkel Elsborg**. Mikkel delivered a thought-provoking classification talk. As a new-comer to Canada, he has been successful in developing a business as an entrepreneur in Montreal. However, because he does not come from a French-speaking country of origin, he is faced with counter-productive regulations. For instance, he must leave Quebec every 12 months, go over the border at Philipsburg, turn around and come back in. If he were from a French-speaking country, he would not have to do this. Being an entrepreneur is a problem here. His younger brother runs a business in New York and his parents are successful entrepreneurs in Denmark. Mikkel spoke of his hobby of hot-air ballooning and he has participated in the world championships. He likes to hunt. He is an engineer, and served in the Danish Marine Corps. He is



married and 35 years of age. The name of his company is Scandic Diesel Services Inc. and he is Managing Director. His mother is a Rotarian in Denmark so he knows about Rotary and he made it a point to find a suitable Rotary Club in Montreal as soon as possible.

Appreciation for a straight forward and informative talk was eloquently expressed by VP Bertrand who was soon joined at the podium by President Nemo.



Subsequently, the group was joined yet again, this time by ADG Claude LaLiberté and the four wise men pose for the camera.

President Nemo reminded all present that the Rotary Board would be meeting on October 20th. He hoped the meeting place would be the same as usual and would confirm. The time was set at 6pm. Should members have items they wished to have placed on the agenda, they should contact the secretary.

Next meeting: Oct 19th at 7.30 am
Location: The St. James Club
Speaker: **TBA**

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