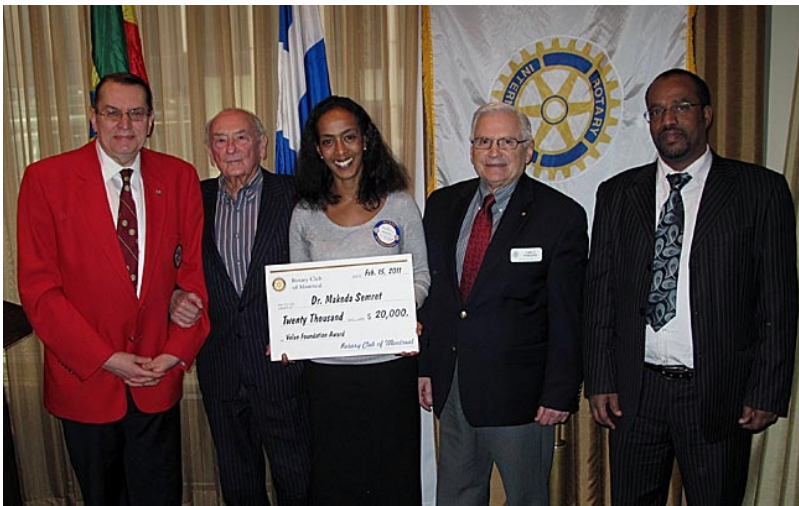


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At the Rotary Club of Montreal luncheon on Feb 15th, **Dr Makeda Semret**, MD FRCP received the **Velan Foundation** award for 2010 and a cheque for \$20,000. The award is in recognition of her ongoing work in training Ethiopian Health professionals in Infectious Diseases. In the photo, she is flanked (L-R) by Nemo Turner, A.K. Velan, Carlo Pugliese, Abdurahi Mohammed Ali, vice-consul general, Government of Ethiopia.

In her speech to 65 Rotarians and guests, Dr Semret said her work as co-ordinator involved mobilizing specialist physicians to volunteer in teaching missions as guest faculty of Addis Ababa University (AAU). They included Drs Libman, Brewer, Pickering and Lalonde from McGill, Dr Stanley Houston from U of Alberta, and faculty members

from John Hopkins and Emory Universities. The first cohort of trainees will complete their training and become qualified ID (Infectious Diseases) specialists in 2011. They will then join the ranks of faculty at AAU and provide high quality specialized health care. Together with international faculty from Canada and the US, they will also become trainers for future ID specialists.

President Nemo recognized the presence of District Governor **Katie Burke** and also **Sean Yaphe**, President of the McGill Rotaract Club and four of its members.

President Nemo also welcomed visiting Rotarian **Sati Khanna** from India.

Next Meeting:

Breakfast at 7.30am, February 22nd.
Speaker and topic: TBA

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