



Club #85, founded Oct 2, 1913

May 17th 2011

Attendance: John Bishop; Andy Dang-Duy; Jacques Dénonmée; Gustel Fischer; Ken Mann; Nosa Mohammed; Carlo Pugliese; Steve Sadler; George Shalhoub; Udo Stundner; Nemo Turner; Bob Velan; Drew Webster; Henry Zalzal; Mike Zivic. **Guest:** Anne Stundner. **Visitor:** Rohan Crichton. **Public Speaking: Five Finalists, their support people and four Judges.**

President Nemo opened the meeting and introduced **Steve Sadler**, Master of Ceremonies of the day's program. Steve spoke to the history of the Public Speaking Contest, an annual event since 1939, and provided detail as to how we would be using our time in the next hour or so. The winner would receive a bursary of \$750 and his/her school would hold the Rotary Shield until next year. The runner-up would merit a bursary of \$500 and the three remaining Finalists, bursaries of \$200 each. To avoid penalty, each of the speakers had to observe a time limit of 5 minutes, plus or minus 30 seconds, and all complied.

Chosen randomly, the speaking order was as follows:

Jacqueline ROY, Westmount High School;
Octavia DANCU, Emmanuel Christian High School;
Adam RICHARD, Centennial Regional High School;
Aditya MITHANI, Selwyn House School;
Jacqueline BRETON, Chambly Academy.

At the conclusion of the speeches, Steve Sadler introduced the judges. Four in number, they were: **Debra Arbec**, Montreal news reporter and anchor; **Peter W. Hogan**, Royal Heraldry Society of Canada; **Nick Schultze**, member of the Royal Speakeasy Toastmasters Club; **Mark Shalhoub**, CJAD radio sports commentator. It was then time for the judges to leave the room to confer.

After the meal service, **Mark Shalhoub** reported the result of the judges' deliberations: 3rd place, **Octavia Dancu**; 2nd place, **Aditya Mithani**; 1st place, **Adam Richard**.

Steve Sadler turned the chair back to President Nemo who adjourned the meeting. Regrettably, before a photo showing all five contestants together could be taken, a second photo with fewer contestants was being set up in the far end of the meeting room. Readers of the Rotary Record have thereby been denied the pleasure of meeting **Jacqueline Roy** and **Jacqueline Breton** and these contestants are deprived of photographic evidence of their participation in the event. We apologize to them and also to the parents and teachers who came in support them. We promise to do better next time.



L - R in the photo: judge Mark SHALHOUB; judge Nick SCHULTZE; 2nd place winner Aditye MITHANI; Master of Ceremonies Steve SADLER; The Rotary Shield; 1st place winner Adam RICHARD; 3rd place winner Octavia DANCU; judge Peter HOGAN; judge Debra ARBEC.



At the May 3rd meeting of the club, **Scott LANG** was inducted into the Rotary Club of Montreal as an honorary member and presented with a certificate to that effect by President Nemo. Scott is a recent graduate of the Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program.

Foundation of Greater Montreal: At the club meeting of April 26th, Udo Stundner spoke about the FofGM and said it was not able to pay grants for 2010 because of the inadequate return from investments. At 6.7% the return nevertheless compared acceptably to the performance of prudent portfolios.

Next meeting: May 24th at 7.30 am
Speaker: TBA
Topic: Induction of new members

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