

Rotary Club of Palgrave's Weekly Rotary Minute

By Janet Clark

At this time of the year, all 34,000 Rotary Clubs around the World conduct a Changeover ceremony.

They bring new leadership, new ideas, a new theme and renewed vitality to each club, district and internationally. Rotary International's new President John Germ has chosen Rotary Serving Humanity as his theme for 2016-17. Noting Rotary's unique ability to bring together committed professionals to achieve remarkable goals, Germ believes that "now is the time to capitalize on our success: as we complete the eradication of polio, and catapult Rotary forward to be an even greater force for good in the world." Rotary Club of Palgrave Changeover was held June 29 at the Caledon Estates Banquet Hall. Jim Firth passed over the official President Palgrave Rotary License Plate to incoming President Janet Clark. In keeping with the annual tradition, our new President announced the Club's goals for the upcoming year: Re-energize and grow the Club, prepare for the future through succession planning, and serve humanity by making big impacts.

The real power of Rotary is the men and women of the Rotary Club of Palgrave that embody "Service above Self" in all that they do, whether it is staffing Wines of the World, organizing the silent auction and gala or helping our youth, community and international projects such as Caledon Parent Child Centre, Camp Ooch Work Camp, Palgrave Christmas Tree Lighting, Terry Fox Run, Family Transition Place and Canada Day.

Venture out into the Caledon community and chances are you will bump into a member of Palgrave Rotary. Look for a dark blue T-Shirt with "Rotarian at Work" logo, a Rotarian hat, a Rotary apron or even the Chuck Wagon serving up food and refreshments at a local event. Look closer and I'm sure you'll feel the fellowship of smiling faces, hear laughter, and see helping hands as Rotary serves humanity here in Caledon and around the world.

In this our 35th year, please join us.

Please visit www.rotaryclubofpalgrave.com for more information on our Club and all the wonderful ways you could get involved

