

SKAL INTERNATIONAL TORONTO CLUB # 151



NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, February 28th, 2012
Interactive Dining and Wine tasting Event
George Brown College
Chef's House Restaurant
215 King Street East, Toronto
(Green P Parking located on Sherbourne south of Richmond)
6 P.M. Cocktail reception
7P.M. Culinary experience
Toronto, Ontario
(Member Host: Joanne Gellatly)

BULLETIN FOR JANUARY 24TH, 2012 MEETING

AGM and Dinner held at the Lambton Golf & Country Club, Etobicoke.
(AGM presentations are available on the Skal International Toronto website).

Past President Stuart opened the meeting and welcomed members along with their guests.

Members were asked to introduce their guest.

MEMBER	GUEST
Paul Foster	Lara Noack
	Pam DeHaan
	Rodrigo Esponda
Craig Marsh	Heather Laver
Suzanne Christie	Dan Prior
Sue Webb	Erin Oddleifson
Bill Mawhinney	Lois Mawhinney
Leslie Lorette	Chantal Gaudreau

The following life members were also acknowledged:

LIFE MEMBERS	
	John Kennedy
	Bill Mawhinney

Past President Stuart then gave the opening Skål toast and then thanked the outgoing Board for their help in 2011.

The Skalleague of the Year award was presented by Past President Stuart to Val Saunders for her dedication and hard work in developing and implementing both the Queensland Fundraiser that raised \$11,500 and the Silent Auction that raised \$2,000 for Sick Kids Hospital.

The formal transition of the Presidential chain then occurred and Past President Stuart presented the Skäl International Toronto Chain to incoming President Susan Webb. President Susan thanked Past President Stuart for his work in 2011 and presented Stuart with a plaque recognizing his service to the Skäl Toronto Club.

President Susan then outlined what she would like to accomplish in 2012. One of the key messages was to bring back the "Pride" in being a Skäl member - to wear your Skäl pin proudly and not just at Skäl meetings. Membership should be considered a privilege and we must strive at attracting members that contribute to the club and are the quality senior management levels that are outlined in our criteria for membership. Fund raising efforts for 2012 will be an ongoing activity and an exciting new program featuring year round sponsorship opportunities for our members will be announced soon. A Presidents Dinner will be held in May inviting our past Skäl Toronto presidents and we will encourage our "industry" non member Presidents to attend as well. The golf tournament will be held again in August and the successful and fun fund raising "Auction" event will take place in November. The Skäl Toronto Christmas Gala is planned for December and members' input will be requested to assure a successful event for 2012. The goal for this years' executive is to assure we plan events and meetings that encourage networking opportunities to "do business with friends". Susan encouraged Skäl Toronto members to consider attending the SICAN meeting in Bermuda as well as the International conference being held in Korea in October.

Susan introduced the 2012 Skäl Toronto Board & Committee's:

- President – Susan Webb
- Vice President – Wolf Paunic
- Treasurer – Dianne Jackson
- Secretary – Katrina Sagan
- SICAN Reps. – Tim Booth / Stuart Morcombe
- Executive Secretary & Treasurer – Mike Hannah

COMMITTEES:

- Membership – Craig Marsh, Scott Barker
- Twinning – Katrina Sagan
- Golf Committee – Scott Barker
- Special events/Fund raising – Val Saunders

Auditors:

Susan Edwards (returning) & David McClung

President Susan then asked Craig Marsh to come up and induct our newest member Jennifer Prendergast.

President Susan and Scott Barker then drew for the 50/50 winners: Vicky Zaltsman & Brian Robertson

Closing toast was performed by President Susan. President Susan adjourned the meeting.