

TCA 25th Anniversary Dinner Friday, April 26, 2019



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A review of the Toronto Cornish Association's 25th Anniversary Celebration
Friday, April 26, 2019
The Faculty Club, 41 Willcocks St, Toronto, Ontario

James Dagg, TCA President,
welcomed all members and guests and



offered a toast of thanks to **John Tyacke**
for reviving the TCA in 1994. John was not
able to attend. However, he will receive a
full report and a souvenir booklet.



**John Tyacke, TCA Founder
and past president**

The Menu

Starter

lolla rosa salad
baby spinach, fresh berries, sunflower seeds,
& goat cheese, served with a raspberry
vinaigrette

Alec Bakery dinner rolls and fresh butter

Mains Choices

Filet of Beef roasted w/ English stilton butter
& mini roasted potatoes and vegetables

Baked Salmon w/ lemon chive butter sauce
& mini roasted potatoes and vegetables

Ravioli - grilled tomato & asiago cheese
topped with spinach, mushrooms & peppers
in a basil pesto sauce

Dessert

slice of celebration cake, fruit cocktail
& coffee or tea

The Faculty Club, 41 Willcocks St, Toronto, is to be commended for the great venue for our event and the superb dinners prepared by the chef and kitchen staff, and presented so expertly by the servers.



Many thanks, TCA 25th Anniversary Committee : Vice President Diane Buckell, Ann Burke, Ann Crichton-Harris, Barbara Gardner-Bray, Ann Tozer, Marion Stephens-Cockroft, who worked diligently to prepare the event, select a wonderful menu and put together an entertaining programme. Thanks also to those who came early and helped set up the reception table, the book of attendance, the map of Cornwall with 'where-ya-from' pins, and help people find their way to the bar and their tables.

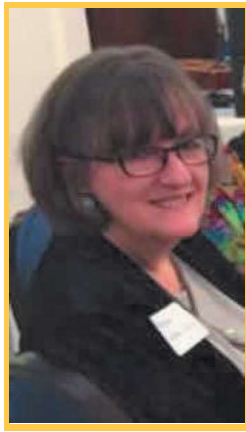
Decorations by **Ann Burke** perfectly captured the spirit of Cornwall with a lighthouse and clutch of blue hydrangeas on every table. Attendees were able to seat themselves by finding their named lighthouse according to the seating plan drawn up by Marion Stephens-Cockroft.

Ann Crichton-Harris presented a video clip of Two surprises: Two new people of Cornish descent both appropriately named Piran:

one discovering Cornish Pirate rugby team colours and one giving a shout for the TCA.



Happy 25th
Anniversary
Toronto
Cornish
Association



Our main speaker
the TCA's first President
(1994-1996)
Barbara Gardner-Bray

Barbara, co-editor of our two publications and current Membership Secretary, gave a very entertaining and informative talk:

**“The Toronto Cornish Association
1994 to 2019 – The first 25 Years”**

which she illustrated with a multitude of slides from years past and present.



Music of celebration by

**Heather Dale and
Ben Deschamps**

The well-known multi-instrumental Celtic folk duo, famous also for blues, jazz and world music, cheered and entertained the audience with original songs and a song based on an ancient Arthurian tale.



Many gifts from **Rodda & Son Ltd**, The Creamery, Scorrier, Redruth, Cornwall, and from **Sleeman Breweries**, Guelph, Ontario filled a prize table. The keepsakes were numbered and several happy TCA members and guests matched the prizes to a winning number on envelopes containing a souvenir booklet at their tables.



Dear Ann and all at the Toronto Cornish Association,

Many congratulations on 25th Anniversary Celebrations!

I cherish the memory of visiting you all, with my daughter Emily*, almost 7 years ago. Your welcome was exemplary and worthy of the best Cornish hospitality - thank you so much!

Well done for keeping the Cornish flag flying there, both literally and metaphorically. I trust you can keep it going for many years to come.

I hope you really enjoy your celebrations and enclosed items add to them a little.

All the very best,

Philip Rodda

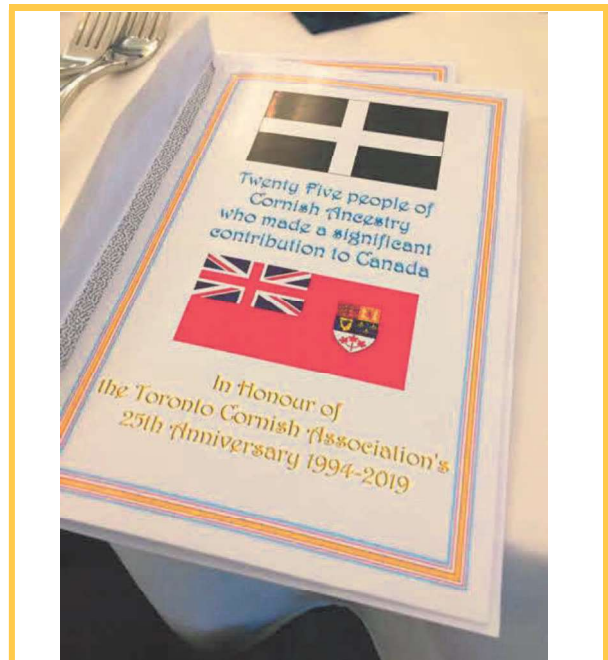
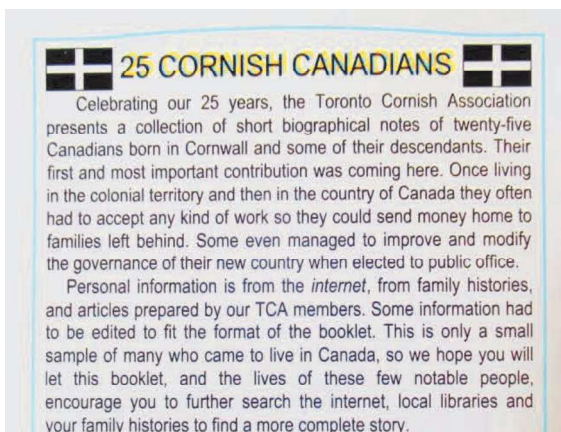


From Sleeman Breweries

A congratulation note was sent from John Sleeman and from Sue Keuhl, Community Relations Associate who sent several keepsakes and useful refreshment related items for the evening's prize table at the TCA's 25th.

Jim Dagg delivered a souvenir booklet to Mr Sleeman's office and will later in the year take one to Mr Rodda.

The souvenir booklet summarized the lives of twenty five people who came to Canada from Cornwall in past and present centuries and made a difference to the country and to the lives of others.



(Copies of the 25 Cornish Canadians Booklet may be made available at future events hosted by the TCA.)

Photos of some of the many who attended.
We all enjoyed catching up with each other.
More pics to come in the TCA Quarterly.



The 'where-ya-from' map.



We hope the lighthouse theme inspires the TCA to be a guiding light for all our dreams and memories of Cornwall.



The evening concluded with Heather and Ben leading the gathering in a rousing rendition of **Trelawney**, sung with gusto, a real **shout for Cornwall**.
Thank you all for celebrating the Toronto Cornish Association's 25th Anniversary!