

# ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER GRAND RIVER



## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*We are community leaders who provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations & help build good will & peace in our community and internationally.  
Our focus is making a difference 'with Youth',  
Fellowship and the good feeling of being part of a good cause.*

## ***PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION***

*4 Way Test  
Is it the truth?  
Is it fair to all concerned?  
Will it build good will & better friendships?  
Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

## ***MOTTO***

***“SERVICE ABOVE SELF”***

**ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER-GRAND RIVER BULLETIN**

Aug 29, 2006

**Offsite to the Centre in the Square-Sharon McMorran**

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Sep 5</b>	<b>Sep 12</b>
Sgt. At Arms	Justin Nesbitt	Morning Meeting	Chris Nezny
50/50 Draw	Bill Muirhead	Cancelled for Blair and	Gerry Muller
Greeter	May Peplow	Yvonne's backyard	Joanne Renaud
Blessing	Bert Lobe	BBQ Bonanza	Jim MacArthur
Introduction	Lisa Smith		David Timlock
Thank-You	David Timlock		Les Toth
Warm-Up	NA		???TBA???
Exchange Student	NA		Deanna Brenneman

**Last Week: More than just a Busker-Scott Hammell**



Scott Hammell has been entertaining professionally since 1998 as a magician, hypnotist, illusionist and escape artist. He started his career by performing at birthday parties and his abilities as an

entertainer quickly grew until he began performing for audiences of over 1000 people. While attending high school at KCI, Scott was known for his magic and the encouragement from his peers led drew him to the idea of performing as a permanent career. After meeting a very supportive activities director, who was determined that Scott was "more then just a busker", he was encouraged to give motivational speaking a try. Several other wonderful teachers and friends soon saw that this fit Scott's natural ability in front of an audience and his focus soon grew to pursue a career with motivational speaking as it's base.

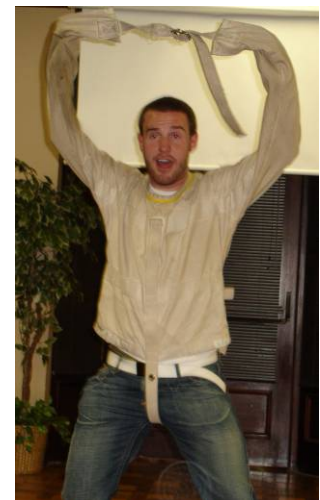


After not having a basis for his message, Scott decided that he would attempt to set a world record. With dozens of supporters, Scott began planning "Escape to Cloud Nine". This event was an escape from a straight jacket while hanging upside down from a hot air balloon 7,200 ft in the air (while wrapped in 50' of chains locked by 4 padlocks). In preparation for the stunt he suffered many major setbacks including

a trial run that almost ended in disaster and certain death. Fortunately, in the end things came together and at the age of 18, Scott set the world record for the "World's Highest Suspension Straight Jacket Escape". Scott's breathtaking escape landed him on the season premier of the popular television show

"Ripley's Believe it or Not" and launched Scott's speaking career and landed him several other television appearances.

At our meeting, Scott performed a straight jacket escape (showing us the method of



breaking down the process of escaping) and proved to be an entertaining and motivating personality!

For more information on Scott please visit his website at:

[www.trickstersyndicate.com](http://www.trickstersyndicate.com)

[scotthammell@trickstersyndicate.com](mailto:scotthammell@trickstersyndicate.com)

## 50/50 Draw

Len Brunnen was the lucky winner of \$17.51 as calculated by our Assistant Treasurer and President Elect Fraser Moull!

## Rotary Moment:

History of district 7080: Our district was created in July 1989 with the splitting of 39 clubs from districts 707 & 709. Today we have 52 clubs.

Members were asked at our recent meeting to share their "best Rotary day". Some responses included:

- Participation in Habitat for Humanity build from "hole in the ground" to new family home
- Slicing onions for hours at Skate 48
- Rotary International Convention to see the world wide impact of Rotary
- Visiting Australia to visit a past exchange student
- Rupert's best day (most memorable) was the day he figured out that after a whole year of being president of our club that no one had understood a word he had said.

Spread the word, you can inspire others by telling of our successes!

## Announcements: District Conference

The upcoming District Conference is scheduled for Oct 21<sup>st</sup> at the Living Arts Centre in Mississauga.

## Short Term Rotary Volunteer Projects

There are many opportunities for short term international service sponsored by our district. Participation in a medical mission to Mexico, a National Immunization Day in India, helping distribute wheelchairs in Mazatlan are but three upcoming opportunities. Check out the list at

[www.rotary7080.org](http://www.rotary7080.org) Opportunities For Service; or,

[http://www.clubrunner.ca/dprg/DxHome/dxstoriestab/\\_storyitem.aspx?did=7080&index=892&linkcat=4&tail=0&dir=f](http://www.clubrunner.ca/dprg/DxHome/dxstoriestab/_storyitem.aspx?did=7080&index=892&linkcat=4&tail=0&dir=f)

## Kitchener Westmount Rotary Fall Golf Classic

This event is to be held a Rockway on Sept 14<sup>th</sup>. A foursome cost is \$600 with hole sponsorships for \$250. If you would like to enter, please contact John Villemaire at 519-884-8648 or [johnvillemarie@rogers.com](mailto:johnvillemarie@rogers.com).

## GSE 2007

The next Group Study Exchange is scheduled to go to Brazil in April/May 2007. They are currently recruiting team members for a Sept 18<sup>th</sup> deadline with selection of the team scheduled for Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>. if you know a suitable candidate in the age range of 25-40, please forward the information to Kathi Smith.

## Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

We will be hosting 2 Rotary Scholars in the upcoming year. One student is from Tokyo and the other is from Korea. The club's responsibility will be to welcome the students to our weekly meetings.

The Ambassadorial Scholarship is among the oldest and best-known programs of The Rotary Foundation.

Since 1947 nearly 37,000 men and women from 100 nations have studied abroad under its auspices. Today it is the world's largest privately funded international scholarship program. Nearly 800 scholarships were awarded for study in 2005-06. Through grants totaling approximately US\$500 million, recipients from some 70 countries studied in more than 70 nations.

The purpose of the Ambassadorial Scholarships program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries. The program sponsors several types of scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students as well as for qualified professionals pursuing vocational studies. While abroad, scholars serve as ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. Upon returning home, scholars share with Rotarians and others the experiences that led to greater understanding of their host countries.

### Youth Exchange

Our inbound student Hans has arrived from Austria and is currently staying at the Dalke. Please take the time to meet and welcome our newest student! We are still looking for host families, if you are interested in hosting, please contact Rupert Hanson.

### Backyard BBQ:

September 9<sup>th</sup> is the date for the current year's Haley Backyard BBQ! Bring your water-wings and bathing suits for swimming in the pool. There will be activities for the whole family. Please join us for this fellowship opportunity! The cost will be \$10 per family. Please rsvp your attendance to Deanna

Brenneman with the number of adults and children (please include their ages).

The cooking of the food is expected to last hours and hours so arrive early to watch the action! A



formal start time will be announced later this week.

As a result of the BBQ the meeting for Sept 5<sup>th</sup> will be cancelled!

### Zone 22 Meeting

Our district 7080 is part of Rotary Zone 22 which is holding a trizone (Zones 22, 27, 28) meeting September 7-10<sup>th</sup> in Niagara Falls. The keynote speaker will be current RI President William B. Boyd. If you are interested in attending refer to: <http://www.clubrunner.ca/zprg/dxhome/dxstoriesstab/storitem.aspx?zid=22&index=113&linkcat=4&tail=0&dir=f>

### Happy Birthday

Doug Edwards	Aug 27
Rupert Hanson	Aug 15
Tony Maruna	Aug 16
Dave Moser	Aug 29
Dave Timlock	Aug 20

### Bulletin:

Please forward any information for publication to Rob Dippell at [rdippell@knells.ca](mailto:rdippell@knells.ca).

### Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

Sept 5 Meeting cancelled  
 Sept 9 BBQ Bonanza  
 Sept 5 Meeting cancelled for Family BBQ  
 Sept 12 Marion Thomson Howell - Coaching & Motivating Others  
 Sept 19 John Millson – The Coffee Office & Nerds on Site  
 Feb 24 Skate 48