

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

November 21, 2006

Board of Kitchener Grand River

	Today	Nov 28	Dec 5
Sgt. At Arms	Les Toth	Paul Walman	Frank Walski
50/50 Draw	Glenn Stewart	David Timlock	Les Toth
Greeter	Frank Walski	Martin Ward	Dennis Yanke
Blessing	Justin Nesbitt	Chris Nezny	Mary Peplow
Introduction	Tom Burns	Mark Caldwell	Darryl Dalke
Thank-You	Mark Caldwell	Darryl Dalke	Shay Davidson
Exchange Student	Doug Edwards	Des Gibb	Rod Goetz

Last Week: Waterloo Region Social Purchasing Portal

It's not often that people come across an opportunity where they can make a real difference in their community without adding an expense to their budgets or time demands to their work schedule. The fact is, modest changes in our spending habits are all we need to do to have a real impact in our local community!

It's simple! - The Social Purchasing Portal (SPP) is a new region-wide initiative that gives you the opportunity to make regular purchases based on quality, price and service, but with social value added to the mix.

It's straight-forward! – Socially conscious, local businesses sign up either as purchasers or suppliers. In a website with an easy-to-use searchable database, you find out who offers the every-day services and products needed for your work place: office supplies, janitorial services, catering, landscaping, photocopying, etc. From the list you select a direct link to the business of your choice.

It's socially responsible! - With a click of the mouse, signed-up purchasers and suppliers get exactly what they need, and in return, as the supplier' businesses grow, they agree to provide employment opportunities for people

transitioning through our local employment service providers who are also members of the Portal.

It just makes sense! - This is a business model that will make our economy stronger while building a healthier society! The SPP is a win-win-win proposition: Suppliers reach new customers for their services and products. Purchasers enhance their company's profile by engaging in social responsibility. For people in the community who are ready to find long-term employment, it's a life-changing opportunity!

In addition, the SPP has a local focus but with a national scope. There are other SPPs already at work throughout the country, from Vancouver to Toronto.

This year, Waterloo Region is ready to launch its own Portal! Nobody can make a better business decision than you can by becoming part of the Social Purchasing Portal.

Public launch of the site will be in November 22nd, 2006!

<http://sppwaterlooregion.org/>

Above article courtesy of the Waterloo Region Social Purchasing Portal.

50/50:

Jim McIntyre was the winner of the pot (I hesitate to use the term

“lucky winner” as it seemed to be destiny for Jim to win)!

Rotary Moment: Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Announcements:

Caring and Compassion:

Our thoughts go out to Yvonne and Blair Haley on the recent death of Yvonne's father.

Youth Exchange

Thanks to Fraser Moull and Lila Read for volunteering to host Hannes starting in December. We are still looking for host families for Hannes for the months of March-June after which he will be going on the Cross Canada trip through July. Hannes goes to KCI which is very central and easy to get to from anywhere in KW. Please talk with your

family to consider if you could make this commitment.

Secondly, we need three families to commit to serve as hosts for next year's youth exchange student.

If we do not receive commitment from at least three families, we will be forced to withdraw from the Rotary Youth Exchange Program.

Without host families, we cannot continue with this excellent program. If you need information about hosting or have any questions you can contact Rupert or Pierre.

Thanks for your consideration of this!!

Ambassadorial Scholar

Our third Ambassadorial Scholar arrives in January from Korea (South).

Please try to include our existing Ambassadorial Scholars in your special events over the holidays. Their contact information is Richard (519-807-3583) and Yokho (519-342-7570)

Membership Drive

It looks like we have our first new member for this year's membership drive.

Jim is taking a personal approach to recruitment so if he sits at your table,....

Mudpuppy

Sponsors are what we need most. If you have a contact that is a possible sponsor, give the lead to the committee and they will help follow up.

Holiday Season Party:

Is scheduled for December 19th at Fraser and Lila's. More information will be released this week on details.

Skate 48:

Many thanks to all those members who helped out with the team Captains meeting held at Zeke's last week. We need a special emphasis this year on maximizing fundraising for teams as one of the top earning teams is not playing in our tournament this year.

We are still looking for new teams so please keep your eyes and ears open when hanging around the rink!

Board Meeting:

Board meetings are scheduled for Nov 1st and Dec 6th. If there is something needed to be added to the agenda, please forward to Kathi Smith several days before the scheduled meeting. Committee reports to be discussed should be submitted in advance so get your committees active!

Happy Birthday (some of them belated)!

Mark Grossman	Nov 5
Jim MacArthur	Nov 10
Rob Dippell	Nov 27

Bulletin:

Please forward any information for publication to Rob Dippell at rdippell@knells.ca.

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

Nov 28 Returning GSE Law Enforcement Team from Mexico-Candace Dosman
Dec 5 offsite to St John's Kitchen
Dec 12 Board of Kitchener Grand River
Dec 19 morning meeting cancelled for evening Holiday Party at Fraser's
Dec 26 Boxing Day - meeting cancelled
Feb 24 Skate 48
Mar 7 Five Club Fellowship Dinner
Mar 30 Curling night @ Westmount Golf and Country Club
May 6 Mudpuppy Run