

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

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Returning GSE Law Enforcement Team from Mexico-Candace Dosman

	Today	Dec 5	Dec 12
Sgt. At Arms	Paul Walman	Frank Walski	Martin Ward
50/50 Draw	David Timlock	Les Toth	Paul Walman
Greeter	Martin Ward	Dennis Yanke	Deanna Brenneman
Blessing	Chris Nezny	Mary Peplow	Joanne Renaud
Introduction	Mark Caldwell	Darryl Dalke	Shay Davidson
Thank-You	Darryl Dalke	Shay Davidson	Rob Dippell
Exchange Student	Des Gibb	Rod Goetz	Ken Griffin

Last Week: Group Discussions

We broke out into discussion groups to discuss the following topics.

1. Meetings in General and specifics for improvements.
2. Ideas for interesting speakers (in general & specific)
3. Membership – new members & how to retain current members.

There were many great ideas discussed that will help make our club successful into the future. Look for more brainstorming sessions in the future.

50/50:

The traditional 50/50 cash pot was won by Gerry Muller and the second prize of a freshly baked cranberry pie courtesy of Les and his wife Elizabeth was won by Deanna Brenneman.

Announcements:

Budget:

The budget for the year has been approved by the board and will be presented to the members at a later date. There are no significant changes from prior years other than there has been set up a

separate donation category both for International Projects and Kidsability (Kidsability received a \$20k cheque issued several weeks ago).

Bylaws:

This year it is hoped that we will do a complete review of our bylaws to make sure that they are up to date with our current mandate.

Habitat for Humanity

Pierre Lapalme reported on the progress of the Habitat 5 club project. This project will not be a blitz build as in prior years'. The project is expected to be 5-6 weeks long with an average number of 15 volunteers needed per day. There are two possible build dates either in mid June to July or Sept to October. It is hoped that there would be a minimum two day commitment from each volunteer. The project is currently looking for leaders to help coordinate the build and our volunteer commitment.

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.

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)

The Wealthy Barber

David Chilton, author of "The Wealthy Barber" will be speaking at the St. Jacobs Country Playhouse on February 1st as a fundraiser for the Playhouse. As an incentive to attend, each guest will receive free a copy of two of David's books (a \$45 value). Tickets are \$20 and are available from Jim McIntyre.

Dec 5th Meeting at St. John's Kitchen

Our meeting on Dec 5th is at the new location of the St. John's Kitchen. The location is on the second floor of the building at 97 Victoria St. N. As in prior years, we have been asked to bring toiletries including shaving crème, disposable razors, toothbrushes, shampoos and toothpaste for donation.



Membership Drive

Please take the time to invite a potential member to our Tuesday meetings. The new member recruitment plan makes it very easy on the proposer. We currently

have 53 members on paper but need to attract new active members!

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 meeting is scheduled for 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

Pierre Lapalme Dec 4
John Scace Dec 24

Bulletin:

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

Coming Soon to Your Rotary

Club:

- 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