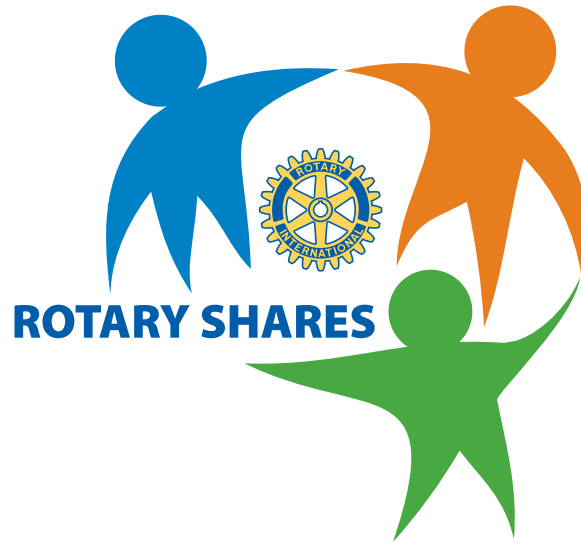


# ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER GRAND RIVER



## ***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 28, 2007

## Recent GSE trip to Brazil

Today

Sep 4

Sep 11

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Sgt. At Arms  
50/50 Draw  
Greeter  
Blessing  
Introduction  
Thank-You

POD#5

Meeting cancelled for  
bbq @ Deanna's

POD#6

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### Last Week: Tegan Herchanschrader

Tegan, who was our youth exchange student to Brazil last year, gave us a presentation on her recent trip to the Ukraine to work in an orphanage.

Tegan's story was one of hope and happiness but below the surface illustrated the ugly truth of the harsh and lonely living conditions of displaced and orphaned children in the Ukraine.

This facility is home to 60 children ranging in age from 3-25 years old. Some are true orphans but some have been institutionalized because of health or family issues. Most of the children will never know any other home for their life as they will always be institutionalized.

The facility is desperately under-funded and corruption is rampant as the staff is very poorly and sporadically paid.

While she was there, Tegan tried to take as many children on trips and outings (at her own cost) to give some variety to the children's otherwise bleak existence.

Tegan is another great example of a mature "graduate" of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program that will be an active and productive advocate of Rotary and the Rotary ideals.

### Sgt at Arms

A small crew of 17 and three guests attended last meeting.

### 50/50

International movie month continued with a DVD copy of "Reds" won by our Guest Speaker Tegan.

Reds is a 1981 film starring Warren Beatty and Diane Keaton. It centers on the life of John Reed, the Communist, journalist, and writer who chronicled the Russian Revolution in his book Ten Days that Shook the World.



### Round Table

The topic of the round table at last meeting was "what I did on my summer vacation".

A sample of the responses was as follows:

- Pierre-Only 3 days off, worst summer, hurt back moving, empty nester in fall
- Darryl-Summer has come and gone fast as it is his busy season (3 festivals)

- Joanne-Sister from overseas visited, done the tourist thing in 2 day increments
- Deanna-no vacation, working hard on her thesis
- Hanis- just back from the X-Canada tour, saw a lot between PEI and Victoria BC, lately visited Sault Ste Marie, Manitoulin Island and Temagami, only 2 days left in his visit to Canada. He'll be back!
- Fraser-taken lots of vacation, soon will be an empty nester and will be establishing a "moving into a condo club" with Dave Moser as the leader

## GSE Inbound

The GSE team from South Africa will be here during October. Our club will be hosting them for the week following Thanksgiving (Oct 8-12).

This 5 person female team is from a variety of professions including; travel agent, real estate, journalist, not for profit and railway/transportation.

Please contact Kathi Smith or Martin Ward to help host or to offer assistance in the vocational experience.

## GSE Outbound

We are looking for Rotarians who are interested in living this year's theme of "Share Rotary."

We are looking for experienced and energetic Rotarians who are interested in experiencing a life changing experience of leading a team of four young professionals to District 9300, South Africa for a month in April/May 2008. The selection evening will be September 26 in Cambridge (location will be announced closer to the date). All applicants must attend the selection evening from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. The

evening begins with dinner and a chance to meet the Rotarians who are applying and those who are the selection team. Each applicant undergoes an interview process.

The successful applicant will be asked to commit a full Saturday in early November to participate in selecting their outbound team.

The newly selected team leader will then have the opportunity to meet the team from South Africa at the District Conference.

From there, the adventure begins as our GSE team will prepare presentations, prepare brochures, learn about the culture and language of South Africa, select team uniforms and bond as a team. The time commitment is generally once a week from November until departure.

It is a huge commitment, a lot of work, but is quite definitely a "life changing experience."

Please ask club members to consider this opportunity and check out the GSE site at Rotary.org to complete the application and to learn more about Group Study Exchange. An application is also attached.

Questions can be directed to Tim Mau or Kathi Smith, co-chairs of the District GSE Committee.

## POD Roster

POD#5 has been unveiled as the "Sea Mammals". The head mammal is obviously an Orca (Rupert Hanson) and he has a mix of subservient Seals, Dolphins and Walruses (Rod Goetz, Bill Brown, Mark Grossman, Doug Jones, Jon Kinghan, Pierre Lapalme) running the meetings for the month of August! The theme for August has been chosen as "International"!

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of**  
In celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup>



anniversary of KidsAbility (formerly the Rotary Centre) they are hosting a Picnic-Carnival event on SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15th, 2007.

LOCATION: Kids Ability Centre, 500 Hallmark Drive , Waterloo .

**We are in need of volunteers** to assist with the events etc for the morning of the event (9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m). Staying longer is allowed!

Attractions will include pony carousel, horse-drawn wagon rides, candy floss, popcorn, snow cone wagon, bouncy inflatable's a la Christmas Party, a Ferris wheel, mini golf, numerous games like ring toss etc, face painters and balloon-blowing clowns...

All children are to be supervised by their parents so Rotarian volunteers will only have to observe and add assistance for certain rides and games. It would be advisable that any Rotarian is identifiable -e.g. Rotary hat, t-shirt, apron or other. (we will try to have our club aprons available unless you wish to wear something much more vogue for the event)

This leaves the rest of the day for you to spend a special moment with your respective better half or a regulation 4 hour round of golf, still have plenty of daylight for a little afternoon gardening, heck why not head off to Stratford and grab a matinee or what ever one needs to do on a sunny Saturday afternoon!

Here's the kicker in all of this so please note. I need to have all volunteers signed up by this coming Tuesday so please check your calendars and send me an email to confirm your availability by this Monday August 20th so we won't have to conscript any members on Tuesday.

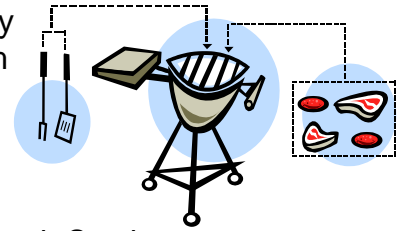
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Thanks

Paul

**Summer Picnic**

Deanna Brenneman has graciously offered to host this year's annual Club BBQ. It will be held on Saturday September 8, from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Details are as follows.



**1. Location**

106 Westmount Road South, Waterloo. Park on Norman Street and enter from there at second driveway (flat with basketball net - 3rd garage) into the backyard.

**2. "Cost"**

\$10 per family attending will be collected for donation to charity.

**3. Who / What to Bring**

Just yourself and your family, including children.

**4. Deadline for Responses**

We need to have our numbers firmed up by September 4 at the absolute latest. A listing will be passed around at future Rotary Meetings. Additionally, you can also confirm your attendance with Shay Davidson directly at [shay.davidson@ca.ey.com](mailto:shay.davidson@ca.ey.com) Please be sure to include how many people you will be bringing, including yourselves.

Please feel free to contact Shay directly with any questions / concerns you might have. This is a great event and opportunity to spend some social time with our fellow Rotarians. Please attend if possible.

Yours very truly,  
Shay

**Bulletin:**

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

**Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:**

Sep 4 Meeting cancelled