

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

January 30, 2007

Offsite to King Edward P.S.

	Today	Feb 6	Feb 13
Sgt. At Arms	Deanna Brenneman	Anne Brubacher	Len Brunen
50/50 Draw	Dennis Yanke	Deanna Brenneman	Anne Brubacher
Greeter	Mark Caldwell	Darryl Dalke	Shay Davidson
Blessing	Lisa Smith	Glenn Stewart	Dave Timlock
Introduction	Doug Edwards	Des Gibb	Rod Goetz
Thank-You	Des Gibb	Rod Goetz	Mark Grossman
Exchange Student	Thea Holdevici	Doug Jones	Jon Kaufman

Last Week: Mary Jane and Barrie Howie

Past District Governor Barry and Mary Jane are dynamic speakers and came to us to talk about the Rotary



International Foundation and their extensive overseas experience thru National Immunization Days (NID).

In 1988, when Rotary International first got involved in Polio Plus, there were 45,640 new cases of polio in Africa. By 2004 that number had dropped to less than 1,300. Rotary International and the World Health Organization expect polio to be a thing of the past by the end of 2008.

Barry and Mary Jane have participated in many NID trips. Over the years they have personally immunized thousands of children in many different countries. The emotional impact on their lives is quite evident in the number of real life stories that they tell.

Barry says that his participation with the NID and RIF has turned their lives

around and turned them into "action figures". The Rotary Foundation provides hope internationally where previously there had been none.

Polio has been eliminated in all but four countries; Afghanistan, India, Pakistan and Nigeria. While Barry and MJ have no plans for trips overseas in 2007, you can bet that they will be there when Polio is finally eliminated from earth.

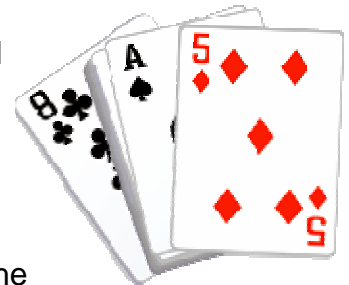
Congratulations to Peter McCann, our only sustaining contributing member of the RIF (minimum \$100US annual contribution). Barry suggested that we should consider adding \$30 to our quarterly dues to make all our club members sustaining members.

50/50 Draw:

The pot continued to grow after three unsuccessful attempts to find the Jack of Diamonds by John Kaufman, Fraser Moull and Peter McCann.

The accumulated pot is at \$74.50 after last week (Jan 23rd).

The pot is back up for grabs next week and the odds are getting better with each unsuccessful draw.



Habitat for Humanity

The build starts Jun 4th for 3 weeks of framing etc. with a 2 week break (for the pro's to do their thing-drywall, mudding etc.) followed by the finishing push for 3 weeks starting July 9th (flooring, painting etc.). Volunteers would ideally be available for several consecutive days so they need not be retrained each time they hit the site.

A website will be set up to co-ordinate volunteer commitments.

Skate 48

Currently have confirmed 55-57 teams. We would like to have 60 so please talk it up!

The Imaginary Game-The teams are the Invisibles (led by Jim McIntyre) vs. the Phantoms (led by Dennis Yanke). Choose your side to support one or both of these teams. At stake is bragging rights on the biggest game never to be played!

Signs

If you have a sign a sign sponsorship for Skate 48, you can have your sign displayed at the Mudpuppy for only an additional \$100! Talk to Darryl if you have any questions.

Fellowship Meeting

Keep the date open for March 7th at the Waterloo Inn for a 5 club fellowship event featuring incoming RI President Wilf Wilkinson as the speaker. There will be Paul Harris presentations at the event. Cost is \$50 and the event runs from 6:30-10:00p. The regular morning meeting will be cancelled that week. Contact Rob Dippell if you have any questions or to register.

Economics of Staying in School (ESIS)

The previously scheduled date for ESIS has possibly fallen thru. Further info will be released as it is available.

Mudpuppy Chase:

Most of last year's sponsors have recommitted for this year's event but we are still in need of more support. The committee would ask all members to think about contacts that could be approached by the committee for new sponsorships. The committee is willing to make the presentation/requests but is in need of referrals of contacts our members have in the community. Please speak to a committee member if you have someone in mind that may be able to support our new running event.

Happy Birthday

Des Gibb	Jan 3
Mary Peplow	Jan 11
Stan West	Jan 11

Bulletin:

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

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

Feb 6 Bill Muirhead's Trip to China
Feb 13 Lidz on Kidz
Feb 20 Board
Feb 24 Skate 48
Feb 27 Laura Muirhead – Kenya School Build
Mar 6 morning meeting cancelled for evening meeting on March 7th
Mar 7 Five Club Fellowship Dinner
Mar 30 Curling night @ Westmount Golf and Country Club
May 6 Mudpuppy Run