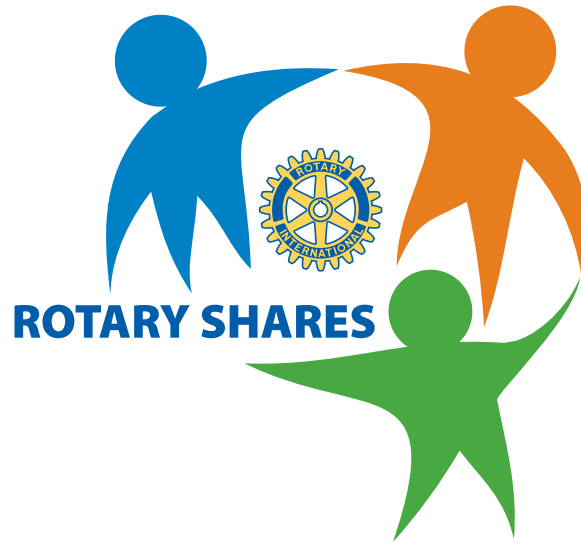


# ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER GRAND RIVER



## ***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

Nov. 6, 2007

## Renata Accettola-Arthur Murray Dance Studio

Today

Nov 13

Nov 20

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

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### Last Week: Martin Shelley-A Trip Across the Atlantic

Martin is a dentist by trade and has a close past association with our club as the charter president and a member of 15 years.

He has a lifelong interest in sailing instilled by his father who was an avid sailor. At the age of 9 Martin started sailing on Lake Ontario and 40 years ago his family sailed from TO to Montreal. Martin's father unsuccessfully attempted the Atlantic crossing

many years ago. Over the years, Martin has owned many sailing craft including a C&C that he co-owned with his father.

The odyssey began with the purchase of the 40' "Mokum" which the crew spent many hours fixing up and readying for the voyage.

They departed from TO harbor at 12:01am (the middle of the night for luck) June 24<sup>th</sup>. Over the next 3 weeks, they sailed the St Lawrence in generally good weather (of which Martin was onboard for only 1 of the three weeks due to work commitments). During this time they saw whales frolicking and

snow on the hills of Nfld (during July). On July 16<sup>th</sup> when they stopped in St. John's Nfld, they were approximately ½ way (by distance) to their final destination of Amsterdam. After a two day rest, they set out on the Atlantic crossing.



Heading into a 30' wave in heavy overcast conditions

During the trip across the Atlantic, they battled adversity including:

- Overcast weather for 10+ days when they couldn't see the sun, moon or stars and only just saw a large freighter that almost collided with them.

- a repair to a radar dome on the top of the mast (in 20 knot winds and 3 foot waves).
- A persistent diesel leak that it took several days to find and caused some sickness in the crew from the fumes
- A mid-Atlantic "we've lost the rudder" emergency that was more a result of mental and physical exhaustion than a mechanical malfunction.

They finally saw a sunrise on July 31<sup>st</sup> and on August 2<sup>nd</sup> they saw the coast of the UK. Martin had originally intended on disembarking in England but continued to the final destination of Amsterdam

after his wife had traveled to meet him there.

The final stats:

- 3000 km across the Atlantic in 17 days
- 5200 km for the total voyage in 43 days
- Max speed 10.3 knots
- Max wind 71 kph
- Max wave 30'

Martin says it is wonderful to have completed this journey of a lifetime following in his fathers' footsteps, but he has no intention of doing it again.



The first sunrise in a long time

## Sgt at Arms

Our 33 members in attendance were joined by our guests Martin Shelley and "the other" Bob Weber.

## 50/50

There were a couple of winners of the final pumpkin draw including Peter who is going to the movies.

## OFFSITE DETAILS-Cooking Class Nov 20<sup>th</sup>

**November 20th** - Gourmet Breakfast Lesson.

**Where:** Household China in Waterloo (corner of King St and Hickory St) during regular hours 7:00 am - 8:20 am.

**Speaker:** renowned chef, Donna Marie-Pye will demonstrate a few choice dishes

**Menu:** Cranberry Tangerine Coolers, Buttermilk Biscuit Cinnamon Rolls\*, Smoked Salmon Breakfast Pizza\*, Coffee/Tea

**Cost:** N/C for members, \$20/person for non members. Normally this event is \$60/head. Traudie Kauntz, owner of Household China and Gifts gave us an uber generous discount to help us make this event happen.

**NOTE:** Seating is limited to 37-ish spots; first come first serve. We need a minimum of 35 attendees to make this event happen.

If you wish to bring your spouse please let Thea ([thea@eyedoodle.com](mailto:thea@eyedoodle.com)) know; seat availability for non members will be confirmed by Nov 14th. Club members will receive priority.

RSVP by November 9th - email [thea@eyedoodle.com](mailto:thea@eyedoodle.com).

Looking forward to everyone joining us.

## Rotary Habitat House Dedication

At 10:00 am on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> the sponsors of the six Habitat homes built this year will gather at the build site (170 Cherry St, Kitchener) together with many of the build volunteers and other friends of Habitat for Humanity to dedicate these new homes and to present the keys to the new homeowners.

Representatives from each of the five K-W Rotary clubs will be there to present the keys for Unit D1 to the Ordonez family who are eagerly looking forward to shortly moving into their new home.

This is a great opportunity for you to meet the Ordonez family and to see a tangible example of the good things that are made possible by your fund raising efforts. The many volunteers who generously donated their time to participate in the build are especially welcome.

After the ceremony, light refreshments will be served and you will be able to tour the new homes.

The home sponsored by our Rotary clubs is one of a six unit building built this year by Habitat. The Habitat homeowners are selected based on need and other criteria. The family purchases the home at fair market value. Habitat holds an interest free mortgage and mortgage payments are set at an affordable percentage of family income.

I hope you can make some time available to witness this wonderful event.

## **POD Roster**

The outgoing team is:

Leader: Duane Eby

Members: Mitch Blaine, Warren Hamp, John Scace, Kathi Smith, Dennis Yanke.

Thanks to you all for your hard work during the month of October!

The incoming team for November is

Leader: Thea Holdevici

Members: Sean Leadson, Peter McCann, Gerry Muller, Glenn Stewart, Blair Haley

## **Bulletin:**

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

## **Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:**

Nov 13 Jayme Burns returning from her trip to Africa

Nov 20 OFFSITE-Gourmet Cooking class

Nov 27 RI Foundation presentation-Ralph Clark  
PDG of District 7070

Dec 18 Holiday Seasonal Party @ Frasers

Feb 23 Skate 48

May 4 Mudpuppy