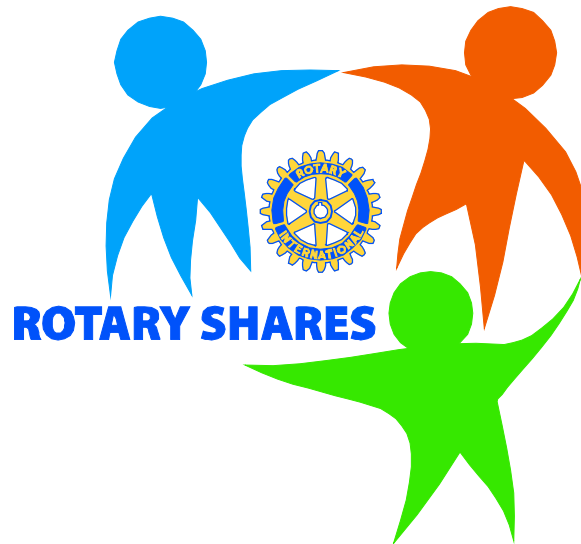


ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER GRAND RIVER



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

March 25, 2008

Sam Welton, Executive Director of Possibilities International

	April 1	April 8	April 15
Sgt. At Arms 50/50 Draw Greeter Blessing Introduction Thank-You	April -Jim MacArthur - Leader Blair Haley, Dave Timlock, Justin Nesbitt, Andrew McGauley, Jeff Righton, John Scace	Morning meeting cancelled Andrew Wilkins, US Ambassador . Lunch meeting at <i>Waterloo Inn.</i>	To Be Announced

Wes Haynes – Who Am I?

Our newest member, Wes Haynes, provided us with a brief introduction of himself. He explained that Sean Leadston was supposed to bring his notes but was missing in action – so....

Wes is another Grand River Collegiate Graduate. His father ran the ski club. He is a hockey player and golfer (perfect fit for our club). He attended Humber College to take pro golf management. He worked at Whistle Bear for two years.



He then went to work at the Lake Joseph club. He enjoyed the job but never got to golf (and was not keen on the very early mornings). He decided to go back to school to take Financial Planning at Conestoga College. He started at TD Canada Trust when he graduated as a teller. He then went to RBC as a mortgage specialist. In

November of this year, BMO hired him as a financial planner. He loves working with people to help them to plan for their future. He has lived in Kitchener for the majority of his life. He is looking forward to being part of Rotary.

President Fraser was excited to find someone else who has planned his career around golfing! Welcome Wes!

Seung-Mi Yoo – Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar

Bill Brown introduced our Ambassadorial Scholar, Seung-Mi Yoo who is from South Korea. Seung-Mi is in her second year of attending University of Waterloo. Seung-Mi is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cheonan Neungsu (an all women's club) from District 3620. Seung-Mi was involved with Rotary prior to coming to Canada as a scholar. She volunteered in the Philippines with a special youth exchange program between South Korea and the Philippines. She went to work with the students. When the students from the Philippines returned to South Korea, she again volunteered. She was also helping in interpreting and as a tour guide when the GSE team from the Netherlands visited her District. She very much enjoyed helping at Skate 48 last year and hopes to assist our club with other fund

raisers. She is currently completing her Masters in Chemical Engineering.



Seung-mi is working in a Biotechnology lab. She is a TA with a first year chemistry class of 75 (all from software engineering). She is really enjoying teaching the students but not really enjoying all of the marking! She is looking forward to completing her Masters degree and would like to work in the Waterloo Region for a few years before she begins her PhD studies.

President Fraser encouraged all members to consider including Seung-Mi in some of their activities. She would love a tour of Toronto! She also plays a mean game of scrabble. Seung-Mi will be with us until at least December.

Round Table

Inspired by the fact that Andrew was already on his feet taking about next week's speaker – Fraser had Andrew's table give us an update.

Andrew talked about his trip with his wife, Ruth and cent enfant or sans enfant? They traveled to Quebec City for the weekend expecting warm spring weather and were surprised to find that there was much of the 525 cm of snow left in the city. He discovered that shower caps on the feet can keep them dry (preferably inside shoes).

Jim McIntyre visited a maple syrup sugar shack the day before with Reese. His daughter's in-laws run the operation. It was

a great experience. He encouraged us all to check out a sugar shack this spring.

Lance (visiting from the Waterloo club) likes to write and record music. He has been involved with a local film producer and was happy to announce that 4 films with which he was involved were featured in K-W's recent multicultural film festival.

Bill Brown announced that he and Adria are expecting their first child in November!! Congratulations to the Browns.

Des is happy that he and Judy had their three daughters and 3 granddaughters at the house for Easter. He was also grateful that a dog bite from a startled dog was not serious for his grandchild.

Anne Brubacher had both sides of the family over for Easter dinner. She and Bill just returned from a vacation in San Francisco.

Lisa was in Orlando two weeks ago for business and in Jamaica last week. She has sold her house. She and her fiancée are busy renovating his house and preparing for their July 12th wedding.

President Fraser announced that he was flying to Charlotte North Carolina with a friend to pick up and Escalade and Z4 to drive them back to Canada. Of course, the trip also has golf game or two included!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Fraser thanked the Daft-o-dills who are completing their tasks as this month's pod. There is no name yet for the April POD...stay tuned.

Attendance

We had 30 members and 2 guests. Wes Haynes won the 50/50 at his second meeting as a member – some people had to wait 10 years to win!!

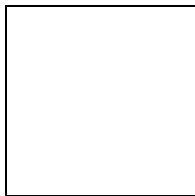
PODS

All members of each POD are reminded that they are expected to fulfill their roles for the month. If they cannot attend, they

should replace themselves and inform their POD leader.

Economics of Staying in School – Looking for Volunteers

In keeping with our goal of making this a win-win for our Club and the ESIS program, we have received more selection of dates and schools listed below. These schools are open for booking now. It is encouraged that you consider teaming up with a friend to share a classroom. Some feedback from previous years indicated that getting a classroom for an entire day on your own can be a challenge, and can take the fun out of it. We are encouraging our Club members to decide on their own if they want to participate at any of the listed schools that were provided by Christine Dwyer and Kim Wilkinson of Junior Achievement. These three dates are currently available to you:



St. Dominic Savio Catholic School

3 West Forest Trail

ESIS day April 29 & Training April 23

Sunnyside Senior Public School

1042 Weber Street E

ESIS day May 9 & Training April 30

Courtland Avenue Senior Public School - 107 Courtland Ave E

ESIS day May 27 & Training May 14

We do acknowledge that many of our members actually volunteer for various JA programs throughout the year on their own. This is always welcomed and applauded. If any of the above dates work for your schedule, please notify me directly at marunat@roynat.com, and I will do my best to team you up with a Rotary friend. If you have any questions pertaining to the ESIS

program or any other JA program available, please contact Christine Dwyer, Program Manager, at 519-576-6610 x 22, or refer to www.jawaterlooregion.org.

District Assembly

This half day event is being held on May 3 at E.C. Drury school in Milton. It is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary whether you are a newer Rotarian, a member of the Board or someone looking for a refresher. More information will be coming.

Wine Tasting Social Evening – April 18th at 20 King

On Friday, April 18th, from 8 – 10 p.m. the club will be having a wine tasting in one of the private rooms at Peter Martin's 20 King. There will be 4 courses of hors d'oeuvres with wine for each course.



The cost per couple is \$60 or \$30 per person. There will be no meeting on April 22nd and the \$12 for that meeting will be applied toward the cost. If you are interested in attending, contact Paul Walman. More details to follow.



5 Club Luncheon

A reminder that on Tuesday, April 8th, the five KW clubs will be co-hosting a luncheon with Andrew Wilkins, the American ambassador to Canada as speaker. The cost is \$35 per Rotarian (minus \$12 breakfast cost) and \$50 for guests. Corporate tables are available at \$400 for a table of 8. The event will be held at the Waterloo Inn. If you are interested in attending, please contact Rob Dippell by Tuesday, March 11.

Do You Know Someone Who Would Make a Great Rotarian?

With three and a half months left in this Rotary year, we need to put our minds to finding some new club members. Think about the people you interact with on a

weekly basis and consider inviting them out to our club.

Remember that we have a goal of adding 10 new members this year (and have added 1 at this point). Jim McIntyre has again generously offered a \$1000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation (\$100 per new member).

Mudpuppy Chase – Coming Soon

Save May 4th in your calendar for Kitchener's Premier running event and our second fund raiser! If you are running, go online to www.onlineregistrations.ca/mudpuppy
More information coming soon.

Peace is Possible



On April 25th – 27th, 2008 Rotarians and peacemakers from around the world will gather in Windsor, Ontario at a Presidential Peace Forum to share, celebrate and create peace initiatives. This North American event is the fourth and final in a series that have taken place this year in Bulgaria, Turkey and Africa. This event promises to be an exciting, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to listen to great international speakers and to make our voices heard. Rotary Youth Day will kick-off the festivities, followed by a Community Parade of Nations that will welcome Rotarians, International Peace Scholars, and other business

professionals from across the globe as they come together to celebrate hope for world peace. The cost for adults is US\$175 and US\$100 for youth registration.

Register today at rotarypeacesummit.org.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to learn, to share and to celebrate peace!

The Bulletin (& speaker ideas)

Please forward any information for publication or ideas for speakers (to forward to PODS) to Kathi Smith at smithkathi@sympatico.ca

Upcoming PODS

May – Kathi Smith – Leader

Duane Eby, Dennis Yanke, Mitch Blaine, Thea Holdevici, Sean Leadston, Jon Kaufman

June – Peter McCann - Leader

Shay Davidson, Warren Hamp, Gerry Muller, Glenn Stewart, Len Brunen, Joanne Renaud.

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

April 1	Sam Welton, E.D., Possibilities International
April 8	Morning meeting cancelled 5 Club Luncheon
April 15	T.B.A.
April 18	Wine Tasting
April 22	No meeting
April 29	Offsite meeting at Waterloo International Airport
May 4	Mudpuppy Chase
May 6	No meeting today