

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”

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August 5, 2008

NO MEETING TODAY – EXTRA LONG CIVIC HOLIDAY WEEKEND

	August 5	August 12	August 19
Sgt. At Arms	<i>August POD</i>	<i>District Governor Norm</i>	???????????
50/50 Draw	<i>Dave Moser-Leader</i>	<i>Bindon will talk about</i>	
Greeter	Tony Maruna, Deanna	<i>Rotary's goals for</i>	
Blessing	Brenneman, Tom Burns,	<i>coming year</i>	
Introduction	Darryl Dalke, Sharon		
Thank-You	McMorran, Martin Ward		

Last Week – Marlin Travel

Our two speakers were. Don Johnny and Huong Nguyen from Marlin Travel. They began with a raffle that saw Lindsay win a hat, our guest Brian Spall won a travel mug and goodies and Peter McCann won a \$50 gift certificate.

Don was first up. He told us that he had spent 42 years as an airline pilot before entering the business as a travel agent. He was in New York City on 9/11. He saw the first plane hit and was there for 5 days following. The world of travel has changed since then. Air travel had become accessible to anyone and easy to do. 9/11 took this away

Some of the changes to ensure safety include: heightened security; carry-on baggage limits; reinforced cockpit doors with special locks; peep holes in cockpit doors; code words for communication with air traffic control and with the flight crew to alert to unsafe conditions; no passengers are allowed on the flight deck and even crew access is greatly limited.

Some inconveniences to passengers include: carry-on restrictions mean more checked luggage which slows the luggage retrieval process; Airlines require you arrive a minimum of 2 to 3 hours ahead, and some require arrival 5 hours ahead; because of the delays, short air trips have become less practical. For example, you can drive to Ottawa in the time it would take you to fly there

In spite all this, people are fundamentally curious and are still travelling.

Some of the benefits of using Travel

Professionals include: Are particularly useful for

more complex travel arrangements; sort out your travel options and find the best fit for you; sometimes offer other incentives (e.g. Marlin will cash-in and provide Air Miles); will provide specialized expertise and will even provide a wedding registry (register for a trip instead of flatware)

Don is a cruise specialist and highly recommends this method of travel. Don made a plug for a special Alaskan cruise that he is planning for June 29, 2009. Perhaps Peter McCann will put his gift certificate to good use!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

We had 21 members, our two guest speakers and guest Brian Spall (also volunteer for Skate 48): This week's 50/50 prizes were lottery tickets (Cash for Life). The lucky winners were four happy Rotarians.

In Memoriam

Jim Berner, a charter member of our club passed away on July 26th of a heart attack while at his cottage in Orillia. Jim was an active member of the community as a volunteer in business and community organizations. He was an accountant by profession. At the time of his retirement, he was with Collins Barrow. He leaves behind his wife Patricia and two sons and their families.

Hotel Liaison

Our new liaison with the hotel is Andrew McGauley. If you suggestions, compliments or

complaints for the hotel, please pass them on to Andrew.

Do You Know Someone Who Would Make a Great Rotarian?

Think about the people you interact with on a weekly basis and consider inviting them out to our club – your pharmacist, vet, doctor, community volunteer, former Rotarian, colleague, retailer,

Our goal is to end the year with net one new member.

Group Study Exchange



Our club will host this year's team from Australia (along with the other four KW clubs) during the last week of October.

Thanks to Lindsay Restagno for offering to co-ordinate for our club. Thanks to Deanna Brenneman for offering to host one of the team members for the week! Lindsay is looking for volunteers to drive the team on Thursday, October 30th.

KidsAbility Picnic

Thanks to John Scace for volunteering to represent our club for this committee. With the other four clubs, we will be hosting a "fun fair" at KidsAbility on Saturday, September 13th. Club members are asked to keep the date open to help out at the event. .



EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR

Rotary International is encouraging Rotarians to make a small donation of \$100US every year to the Rotary Foundation. A \$100 annual

contribution from club members makes you a sustaining member. You can donate \$100 directly to the Canadian office of the Rotary Foundation or you can request that you are billed quarterly as part of your club billings. To learn more about making direct donations through the Canadian site go to: <http://www.trfcanada.org/>



LAST CALL: Rotary Foundation PolioPlus Jays Celebration

Come to help raise awareness and money for the PolioPlus. August 9th is Rotary Day at Rogers Centre. Bring friends, family, colleagues out for the day and join Rotarians from within driving distance of Toronto!! A portion of ticket price donated to PolioPlus!!

Date: August 9th, 2008

Place: Rogers Centre

Fee: See details Below

Opening Celebrations: 12:30 PM (don't be late)

First Pitch: 1:07 PM

For more information or to order tickets
www.rotary7080.org

Be sure to bring a non perishable food item for the **Lady Jays** Food Drive.

Looking for a Rotary Club to Make-up?

Kitchener Club – Monday at noon at Delta Hotel Kitchener

Waterloo Club – Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Laurel Room at U of W

Kitchener Westmount Club – Wednesday at noon at Delta Hotel Kitchener

Cambridge North –

Cambridge Preston Hespeler

Cambridge Sunrise

Kitchener Conestoga Club – Friday at noon at Westmount Golf & Country Club

For other clubs in the area, log on to www.rotary7080.org and click on where and when clubs meet. Make-ups are a great way to learn more about Rotary!!

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

September -Mark Caldwell- Leader

Fraser Moull, Doug Edwards, Des Gibb, Rod Goetz, Mark Grossman, Ann Brubacher

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

August 5 – No Meeting

August 12 – Norm Bindon, District Governor