

# 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”***

# 1ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER-GRAND RIVER BULLETIN

October 14, 2008

## ELIZABETH WITMER MPP – Update from Queen’s Park

	October 14	October 21	October 28
Sgt. At Arms	<i>Jon Kinghan- Leader</i>	<i>David Richards –</i>	<i>GSE Team from</i>
50/50 Draw	Bill Brown, Rupert	<i>Updates on the Highway</i>	<i>Australia</i>
Greeter	Hanson, Doug Jones,	<i>Traffic Act</i>	<i>District 9820</i>
Blessing	Jim McIntyre, Bill		
Introduction	Muirhead, Jim MacArthur		
Thank-You			

### Last Meeting – Cathy McLellan, Arise Technologies

Cathy shared some of her experiences doing volunteer work for MCC in India when she took a year away from her studies in Health Sciences at U of W. The experience made a profound change in Cathy’s life and her values and outlook.

When she returned to Canada she met her husband (and business partner) Ian who, at the time, was a salesperson for HP. She worked at Clarica when she graduated. They moved 10 times together from Georgetown to Ottawa to Vancouver (where they stayed for 8 years). While in Vancouver, they started a Venture Capital company. An article about a solar home in Maine was the spark that led to Arise. Ian commuted from Vancouver to Boston for several years to learn about solar energy. In 1996 they started Arise from their home. They invested a lot of money in R & D and hired two U of W students to work with them. They have an important connection with U of W. They started with their own house as the demonstration of energy efficiency. They are involved in a joint venture with a company in Germany. Cathy has taken her belief and devotion to being green a step further by becoming a candidate for the Green Party.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Attendance

There were 26 members and 3 guests in attendance.

### How Long Does it Take to Get a Building Permit?

President Rob held a contest to guess how long it takes to get a building permit from the City of Kitchener. It takes 105 days!!! The table that was closest received 4 Way Test Medallions. Rob’s new site is at Shirley Drive and Bingeman Park Drive.

#### 50/50 Draw

Rod Goetz won the draw.

#### Halloween Party

Gerry Muller announced the annual Halloween Party will be held on November 1<sup>st</sup>. He will be sending an email out with the invitation to everyone.

#### GSE

The team from Australia arrived safely on Saturday. Club members are invited to join the hosts and team members on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Blue Moon for dinner and fellowship... Lindsay is still looking for drivers for October 30<sup>th</sup> to take the team members on their vocational visit.

#### District Conference

*Club members, who wish to attend, should contact Rob Dippell about the subsidy that is available for you to attend.*

This year’s District Conference is being held in Brampton Ontario. The conference is October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Friday night is a social evening. Saturday is a planning day for clubs to look at

how you can revitalize your club. The theme for Saturday is the "Rise & Fall of Rotary Clubs." Guest speakers include former Premier Bill Davis and Doctor Jean Clinton. Cost is \$125 per person.

More information can be found at [www.rotary7080.org](http://www.rotary7080.org)

## Mudpuppy Chase

Thanks to those Rotarians who have stepped forward to help with this year's Mudpuppy Chase. We are still looking for some more committee members. If you are interested, please contact John Dobson to let him know!

Email: [John.Dobson@emerson.com](mailto:John.Dobson@emerson.com)

## Hotel Liaison

Our liaison with the hotel is Andrew McGauley. If you have suggestions, cancellations, 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 – Evening at Blue Moon



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

Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting the team at the Blue Moon. Any club members who are interested in coming out for an evening of fellowship should let Lindsay know. Lindsay is also looking for volunteers to drive the team on Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

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.trfcanda.org/>

## 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](http://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](mailto:smithkathi@sympatico.ca)

## Upcoming PODS

### November/08 Andrew McGauley-Leader

John Murray, Dave Timlock, Blair Haley, Justin Nesbitt, Jeff Righton, Kathi Smith

### December/08 Jon Kaufman-Leader

Duane Eby, Dennis Yanke, Mitch Blain, Thea Holdevici, Peter McCann, Wes Haynes

### January/09 Leader: to be determined

Gerry Muller, Len Brunen, Glenn Stewart, Lindsay Restagno, John Scace, Lisa Klimstra (Smith), Dave Moser

### February/09 Paul Walman-Leader

Tony Maruna, Martin Ward, Deanna  
Brenneman, Tom Burns, Darryl Dalke,  
Sharon McMorran

***March/09 Doug Edwards-Leader***

Mark Caldwell, Fraser Moull, Des Gibb, Rod  
Goetz, Mark Grossman, Anne Brubacher

**Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:**

**October 14** – Elizabeth Witmer MPP – Queen’s Park  
update

**October 21** – David Richards – Update on Highway  
Traffic Act

**October 28** – Australian GSE Team

**November 4** – Marg Manias – Long Term Planning

**November 11** - Geoffrey Hayes – ‘Remembering’ a  
great meeting to bring family and friends