



1ROTARY CLUB OF KITCHENER-GRAND RIVER BULLETIN

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Sgt. At Arms	<i>February/09 Paul Walman-Leader</i>	<i>Club Assembly –</i>	<i>Joan Fisk –</i>
50/50 Draw	<i>Tony Maruna, Martin Ward, Deanna Brenneman, Tom Burns,</i>	<i>Establishing a Vision for our club</i>	<i>Senior Staff Person, KW Chamber of Commerce</i>
Greeter	<i>Darryl Dalke, Sharon McMorran</i>	"	
Blessing			
Introduction			
Thank-You			

LAST WEEK: Ida Fisher – Child Haven International

Ida Fisher a retired teacher has been helping with CHI for 27 years. She is legally blind but this does not stop her from helping others. She loves to do Tai Chi.

Child Haven International began over 28 years by Bonnie and Fred Cappuccino, with help from their friends. After raising their children – 21 – 19 were adopted. They then reached out to help destitute children and women in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Tibet. At present there are 8 homes with 1400 children, 150 women, and 30 seniors. The homes run on the principals of Gandhi of equal opportunity for men and women, service within peace, to serve, and to eat vegetarian.

Rotary has helped to fund money from several groups pooling their money together in BC for the house in Nepal (200 children) with a school on the premise. They doubled their money at district level and then again internationally to send \$27000. The 2nd group was from several groups in Manitoba raising \$100 000. towards the house in south India to have a well and pump for the house and kitchen equipment.

The children are checked medically, bathed, clean clothes given, and they go to private schools to learn English. They are of all religions and are not asked to change their beliefs. There is no adoption and sometimes the mothers may be hired within the house to cook and clean. The children only own a trunk that contains their school clothes, play clothes, shoes and few belongs such as pictures. CHI is not government funded. They rely on generosity of individuals and families for funds. You can sponsor a child but they do not give the child information about you because all of children are considered equal amongst each other they don't want them singled out with the knowledge they receive money and some of the other children may not.

They run several projects along with raising the children. They are:
 Women's literacy and vocation training,
 Cultural intern program, and Waste management. They have a three month internship fellowship program for volunteers interested in going over to Asia.

There is a fundraising event Sunday April 26th at 3pm (silent auction) and 4pm (apps) with dinner at 5:30pm. It is being held at the St.

George Banquet Hall. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. For tickets call Ida Fisher 519-884-3466.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Skate 48 – February 21- Volunteers

The 19th annual Skate 48 is complete and I just wanted to say thank you to all club members, friends, family, and other volunteers. This event could not be held without your support and is only a success because of your hard work!

Thanks again! President Rob



Great News!



Our own Dennis Yanke hosted a book launch on Wednesday, February 4th. We will be inviting Dennis to speak to the club in the next couple of months and give you a chance to buy a copy of his book. You can read more by going to www.loveyourwifegetbettersex.com

Allocations Committee.

The first meeting of this committee will be held on Wednesday, February 25th at 5 p.m. at Duane Eby's office.

Member Profiles

Every two weeks, we will send out a profile of one of our members. Next week we are featuring our President, Robert Dippell. Please start thinking of the information that you wish to share with the club as well as a great photo.

Mayor's State of the City Address

The Rotary Club of Waterloo will be hosting the second annual Mayor's Breakfast with speaker Brenda Halloran, Mayor of Waterloo. The event will be held at RIM Park on February 27th.

Proceeds of the event will go to S.H.O.W. and KidsAbility. To reserve tickets (or tables of 8), contact me at rdippell@knells.ca

Parking

Parking downtown for the Walper is going to be an issue for the next year as construction is due to begin soon on a new downtown parking garage on the lot at the corner of Charles and Benton. A map of alternate parking locations is attached. Pat Schlitt is also trying to arrange some spots at Shreiter Sandrock as well.

Mudpuppy Sponsorship Committee

The committee raising money for Mudpuppy is comprised of Mitch Blaine, Joanne Renaud, Peter McCann, Tom Burns and Glenn Stewart. They are asking the club to come up with one possible lead to pass on to them. The goal is to try to find \$500 sponsors.

Mudpuppy Chase is May 3.



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.

RI Theme for 2009-10



At the Rotary International Assembly for the 2009-10 District Governors, President-elect John Kenny unveiled the theme for his year. The Future of Rotary is In Your Hands.

The 2009-10 RI theme acknowledges the important role individual Rotary clubs will play in shaping the future of Rotary.

"The future of Rotary will not be shaped at RI headquarters -- it will be shaped in each and every Rotary club," Kenny said, "because it is for each of us -- as Rotarians -- to do what is necessary to keep Rotary strong." Kenny acknowledged the foundation established by past Rotary leaders and laid the responsibility for building upon that

success on every Rotarian.

"Each one of us is standing on the shoulders of generations of Rotarians past, and it is our responsibility to determine Rotary's future," Kenny said.

"Kenny emphasized that every Rotary club is and must be autonomous.

"Everything begins and ends with our clubs," he said. "Our clubs can and do work together; they work through their own districts, in cooperation with other clubs and districts, and with the support of our Foundation.

"But at the end of the day, everything that we accomplish is done through the strength of our clubs. And so each club must have autonomy to serve where and how it can serve best."

Kenny concluded his remarks by sharing a favourite saying from his homeland, Scotland: "We must look beyond our own parish pump." "It means that we must look beyond our own home and our own community," Kenny said. "We must look beyond our own needs, and we must be aware that ours is only one community, of one country, of the many communities and countries in this world."

Are You A Sustaining Paul Harris Member?



Rotary International is encouraging Rotarians to make a small donation of \$100 US 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/>

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 – Wednesday at noon at 20 Hobson Street (formerly Blackshop)

Cambridge Preston Hespeler – Thursday at noon at the Cambridge Golf club

Cambridge Sunrise –Friday at 7 am at the Cambridge Golf Club

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 to Kathi Smith at smithkathi@sympatico.ca and any speaker ideas to Mitch Blaine at mitchell.blaine@cbre.com

Upcoming PODS

March/09 Doug Edwards-Leader

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

April/09 Pat Schlitt – Leader

Rupert Hanson, Kathi Smith, Jim MacArthur, Jim McIntyre, Bill Brown, Bill Muirhead

May/09 Doug Jones – Leader

Andrew McGauley, Dave Timlock, Joanne Renaud, Thea Holdevici, Justin Nesbitt, Jeff Righton

June/09 Peter McCann – Leader

Jon Kaufman, Duane Eby, Dennis Yanke, Mitch Blaine, John Murray, Blair Haley

Coming Soon to Your Rotary Club:

March 3 – Club Assembly Future Club Visions

March 10 – Joan Fisk, Greater KW Chamber of Commerce

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day, Jon Kingham & Friends

March 24 – Who Am I?

March 31 – My Experience in Bangladesh, Amy Eby

April 14 – Love Your Wife..., Author Dennis Yanke

