



9th Annual "Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee"

Hosted By: Rotary Club of Guelph South

Date: Wednesday, October 22nd, 2014

Location: Delta Hotel, Guelph



INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEAMS

- 1. Find three ENTHUSIASTIC spellers to represent your team and/or sponsor.**
Note: There are only 20 team spots available! Team registration is **\$350** and includes dinner for each of the 3 team members. Pick a fun name for your team (e.g. a Starbucks team called themselves "The Literacy Lattes"). Fill out a registration form and mail in with your cheque before **Tuesday, September 30th, 2014**. You will receive confirmation of your entry, along with a team package with **BEE** rules and more information.
- 2. Raise Pledges!!!**
Ask friends, co-workers and family members to sponsor you. For each \$500 pledge level, you will receive a "Spell-over" credit (maximum of 2 credits/team), to be used on the night of the competition ... it may just help keep your team in the mix!
- 3. Invite co-workers, friends and family members to attend the BEE as supporters for your Team!**
All spectators will have an opportunity to exercise their own spelling skills during an audience participation round for prizes. Please indicate on the "Team Registration Form", how many extra dinner tickets you will need. The cost of dinner tickets is **\$45/person** and tickets are limited, so make your arrangements and submit your cheque(s) before the closing deadline of **Tuesday, September 30th, 2014**.
- 4. Then try to raise more Pledges!!**
The Team which raises the most dollars will receive a fantastic prize donated by one of our generous sponsors. Pledges are an extremely important part of the fundraising effort which benefits our worthwhile charities. Past teams have held bake sales, 'casual dress' days, auctions etc. to help raise money ... set a goal and try to beat it!
- 5. Pick Your Costumes Together!**
Team costumes add tremendously to the festivity of our event and is an excellent opportunity for you to express your creativity in support of your Team's sponsor! A panel of judges awaits you and guess what? Another chance to win fun prizes for your Team!
- 6. Invite MORE Cheerleaders!**
Did we mention that your family and friends can help you win prizes for "Best Team Spirit"? Pass the word around ... the more the merrier ... and everyone can use a little support – right?
- 7. Arrive Early!**
The Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee will take place on Wednesday, October 22nd, 2014 at the Delta Hotel, Guelph. Registration begins at 5:30pm. Order of Team Play is pre-determined. Remember to bring your pledge forms and pledge money with you. The official start of the evening commences at **6:15pm**.
- 8. Questions?** Contact Thomas: 519-824-4040 Ext. 304 or thomas@tgcolley.com