

# ROTARY LAKESHORE IN ACTION

## Another Great TRIVIA NIGHT!



With 48 tables and more than \$4400 in sponsorships, this was our best November event ever! Congratulations to the entire Club and volunteers for the outstanding effort that brought it all to pass. From Heads & Tails to Duhs to 100 great questions to popcorn and hotdogs, everyone in attendance had a great time. [Click here](#) to see a quick video of the event.

Fiona Lamb's Table #23 emerged victorious in a tense tiebreaker with Table #12 (Table #1 took home third prize). As Fiona put it: *"It was a great night with some very challenging trivia but lots of fun. Roll on February 21... Thanks for all [the Club's] hard work organising it!"*



(left to right) Jo-Anne Morris, Shawn McCart, Vic Dametto, Paul Morris, Chris Guglielmi, Fiona Lamb, Sandina DiPasquale, John Neeley.

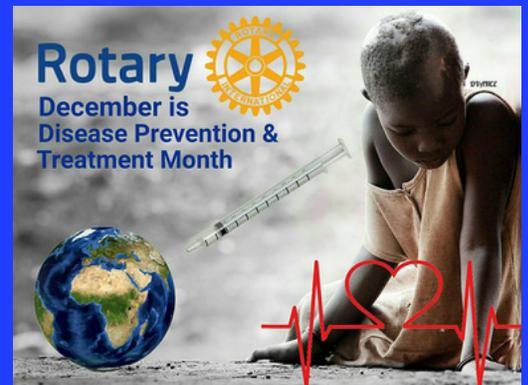
**Our next Trivia Night on February 21, 2026 is already up and running on Zeffy.** Same great location, same great pricing, same great everything. [Click here](#) to view our Event website or **scan the QR code to the right.** Our full promotional program will be starting soon.



## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Dec 10, 2025  
Luke Doppenberg.  
**D.I.G. (Dream Invest Grow)**

December 14, 2025  
**Foster Festival's  
The Niagara Christmas Carol**



## BINGO VOLUNTEERS IN DECEMBER

**We have two regular dates in  
December 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Thursday Dec 4 - Marlene and Ellen  
Monday Dec 15 - Gary and Sandi

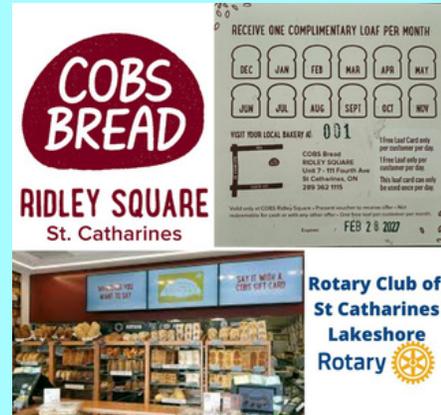
We need two volunteers  
per session.

Bingo volunteers-please contact  
Mary to fill in the blanks.  
**Reminder: you must come in your  
blue rotary shirt and black pants**

## Let's Move Those COBS BREAD Cards!

A great Christmas gift for stocking stuffer, hostess gift, or just for yourself. Part of the Rotary Club St. Catharines Lakeshore annual fundraising. Delicious fresh bread every month for a year.

For \$25 you will get a voucher that gives you one FREE loaf every month for a year from COBS BREAD at the Ridley Plaza, St. Catharines. Start using them any time and right through February 2027. Let us know how many Cards you would like by speaking to Beth or emailing her at [bethfleeton@hotmail.com](mailto:bethfleeton@hotmail.com).



## President's Report

### November 2025

We continue to make progress as the committees gel and clarify their goals for the year. I am pleased with the increasing level of engagement of most members. We're moving in the right direction!

We had an excellent Trivia Night last Saturday with a record turnout and sponsorship revenue. Kudos to Eric and Coral for a great job overseeing the event, and for all the Club members and volunteers who helped out!

I think you can see from each Committee report that we are moving ahead on multiple initiatives. The Committees are doing good work and getting the rubber to the road! The Board will be considering a number of potential major projects that will help us increase our impact in the community, raise Rotary's and RCSL's profile with the public, and meet an unmet need for our community. This is what the major project focus is about. We have two promising International projects under consideration, one of which involves Sylva, children and education in Nigeria.

The Literacy Committee successfully applied to TD for support in the form of free books and added hundreds of children's books to our stock for the Little Lending Library at Happy Rolf's. They also have an exciting initiative with Literacy Niagara developing over the next few months.

The Youth Committee has been very energetic, supporting Yuuka and working on the selection of next year's outbound student. They are also in the process of selecting other students for two other initiatives.

Community Services is highly active with F4K, an internal food drive, and the Ronald McDonald Family Room at the hospital. The Membership Committee is getting the Leadership Development Program firmly in place. This is going to help us develop our newer members into the leaders we need to ensure the sustainability and growth of RCSL. Currently, there are 3 members participating in RLI, and the committee is working on firming up their individual plans. The Governance Committee and the Finance Committee are both working diligently on strengthening our compliance ability, and ensuring we are in solid financial shape to support our growing initiatives.

There is lots happening that's moving us ahead as a Club. Let's keep ramping up the momentum so that we fully engage our members, attract new ones, and make a positive difference in our community and the World. Thank you for all the effort you put into making our Club what it is, and what it can be.

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## December Plasma Donation Date!

## RMFR Schedule



**Our last donation date for 2025 is Thursday, December 18th!** There are still open times available. Beth is planning to be “festive” for our final donation day. She would like to personally thank each of you for the incredible gift you give by helping save lives. *“I can’t believe we’re already saying goodbye to another year. I want to reiterate my gratitude to everyone who has joined us—even once—in our group donations, and of course to those who come out regularly. Your commitment truly makes a difference”.* Contact Beth at [bethfleeton@hotmail.com](mailto:bethfleeton@hotmail.com) for more information.

### Ronald McDonald Family Room (December)

Dec 4 Coral  
Dec 11 Annette  
Dec 18 Sandi

## Literacy Update

### Club Supports Niagara Regional Literacy Council

Anne Lanthier was pleased to present cheque for \$3000 to Colleen Lawrason, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Niagara Regional Literacy Council on behalf of Rotary Lakeshore's Literacy Committee. Colleen stated *"Such a pleasure to see you Anne, and thank you so much for bringing us good news, and the cheque. We are busier with learners this year than we have been in 10 years. For the first time ever, we have learners with goals of apprenticeship and we are averaging 2 calls a week for CAEC (the Canadian Adult Education Credential). The donation from Rotary Lakeshore is an amazing gift and we are so appreciative. Thank you, and please thank each member"*.



### December LLL Roster

1	Ellen
8	Trish
15	Ellen
22	Anne
29	Patricia

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

December 14, 2025  
**Foster Festival's The Niagara Christmas Carol**  
The Mandeville Theatre, Ridley College  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dinner at Fresco's: 5:00 PM

February 21, 2026  
**26TH ANNUAL WINTER TRIVIA NIGHT**  
Club Roma, Gemini Room

### CLUB MEETING INFO BOX

**When:**  
Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month  
at 6:00 PM

Board Meeting 4th Wednesday of the month  
at 4 p.m.

**Where:**  
In-person for dinner at Holiday Inn Suites

## Club Social Events

### *Fall Hike a Cool One!*

It was a cold and windy day but our youth exchange student Yuuka and a few brave Rotarians tested the elements for our annual fall walk.



## Join us for Club Foster Festival's The Niagara Christmas Carol!

***Sunday, December 14***

Time: 2:00 PM

The Mandeville Theatre, Ridley College  
PLUS Post-Theatre Dinner at Frescos at 5:00

Contact Gary at [rackem59@gmail.com](mailto:rackem59@gmail.com)  
for tickets and/or dinner

## Food4Kids Update

### ***Beans, Beans, Beans***



### **Our Baked Beans Food Drive starts on Saturday Nov 29 and runs until Dec 7.**

Let's collect as many cans of baked beans as we can! Chair Marlene has scoured the flyers and reports that "Sobeys has them on sale for \$1.79 until Dec 3. That was the cheapest I saw".

The usual bin will be awaiting donations at 4-35 Scullers Way, St. Catharines.

## Call for 2026–27 District Grant Project Ideas

Here's your chance to help shape our club's next service project! We are now accepting project proposals for the 2026–27 Rotary year to be considered for our District Grant application. If you have an idea that will *Do Good in the World*, we want to hear about it.

District Grants support meaningful, hands-on projects that make a real difference locally or globally. **The District will match our club's contribution up to \$2,000 USD, effectively doubling our impact.** Over the past few years, our club has successfully delivered several high-impact District Grant projects:

- Food4Kids Niagara – providing weekend food packs for local children
- Shaver Hospital – funding new beds to support patient comfort and care
- School Scholarships – helping local students pursue education
- Water Foundation Initiatives – supporting clean water access

These are powerful reminders of what we can accomplish when we combine passion, creativity, and District support.

**Submit your ideas today to Sandi, Club Grant Chair at [sandichard@gmail.com](mailto:sandichard@gmail.com).**

Your project idea can be anything that aligns with Rotary's areas of focus and reflects the needs of our community. Your idea can be fully developed or just a starting concept. Big or small: if it helps people, it's worth submitting. Please send:

- A brief description of your project
- The community need it addresses
- Any budget estimates (if available – helpful but not required)

Let's work together to choose a project that reflects the spirit of our club and makes a lasting impact.

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