# ROTARY LAKESHORE IN ACTION

## 25th Annual Winter Trivia Night Well Ahead of Last Year!!

- As of the Jan 31 Early Bird cutoff, 34 Tables sold to date with still three more weeks to go in February. Last year we sold 24 Early Bird tables and 36 tables in total.
- One Platinum, one Gold, three Silver and two Round Sponsors confirmed. Two more sponsors confirmed minimum at Round level, but final \$ level TBD.
- Still chasing nine potential sponsors. Always looking for more potential sponsor names!
- Future Dates, Cost and Location Confirmed Nov 22, 2025; Feb 21, 2026; and Nov 21, 2026 at Club Roma. *Thanks to the Negotiating Sub-Committee for discounted November rental pricing*.

Well done Club!!! Let's keep it going. Here are the details again:

#### Saturday February 22 2025

Club Roma, Gemini Room 125 Vansickle Rd , St. Catharines

Table of Eight - \$248

NOTE: Doors Open to Lobby at 6:00 pm. Trivia will begin at 7:00 pm sharp!!!

Cash Bar - Wine, beer, pop and mixed drinks. Sorry NO outside drinks.

*Free Water, Hot dogs, popcorn, chip mix all included in the price.* 

Tickets Available from:

Eventbrite: <u>CLICK HERE</u> to Buy Your Tickets On-line ! OR

\* [NEW] By e-transfer to our Club Treasurer. Please send your e-transfer to <u>treasurer.rotarylakeshore@gmail.com</u> [Please put "*Trivia*" in the description line]

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Feb 12 Garvan Leavans (Rankin Construction) The Rail Trail Scope & Budget

Feb 26 Marla Smith. Pathstone Mental Health



#### BINGO VOLUNTEERS IN FEBRUARY

We have 2 Thursdays and one Monday, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Thurs Feb 13 - Ellen and Marlene Thurs Feb 20 - Annette and Bob B. Mon Feb 24 - Coral and Mary

We now need two volunteers per session.

Reminder: you must come in your blue rotary shirt and black pants

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# World & Community Spotlight

## **Club Donates to California Wildfires Relief**



The Club was pleased to donate to the District 5280 Wildfires Relief Grant. They are boots on the ground assisting Rotary and Rotaract Clubs conducting a service project for the victims of LA Wildfires first responders. They are giving out grants twice a week! Many Rotary districts in the area are helping in many different ways. Our thoughts are with all the victims that have lost everything in California.

## Giving Bowl Continues Ryan's Bowl Mission in Uganda

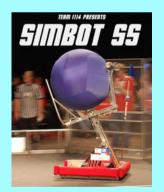


Bruce and Coral with Isabella

Coral and Bruce were pleased to deliver our club's \$1,000 donation to The Giving Bowl to Isabella at her Lemon Tree restaurant location on Ontario Street. The Giving Bowl provides lunch for 1,350 children in 6 schools in Uganda. This charity was previously known as Ryan's Bowl, a long-time recipient of our World charitable funds. Despite a population of 46 million, people have to pay for school as the Ugandan government does not subsidize education nor are there any property taxes in these rural village areas. The nearest urban center on Google maps is Mbale, near the eastern border of Uganda. Isabella says it is a ten hour trip from the airport in Entebbe to the schools. For more information, go to https://www.givingbowl.org/.

## Club Supports Governor Simcoe Robotics Team – The Simbotics

Simbotics was founded in 2003 at Governor Simcoe Secondary School in St. Catharines – one of our three schools. Every year since, with the exception of 2021, they've worked hard to build a new robot from the ground up to compete in the FIRST Robotics Competition, winning the world championship in 2008. Since their founding, they have built 20 robots as per their website (see video) at <u>Team 1114 - Simbotics I</u> <u>FIRST Robotics Team</u>.





Starting on the first Saturday in January. the next five weeks are an intense process of designing a robot including prototyping, building, wiring, programming and testing - to meet the rigors of the game. The teams compete throughout Ontario and around the world (over 3000 teams worldwide) to qualify for the provincials and then the World Championship in April. This year, for the first time, an event will be held in Niagara at the Niagara College Welland Campus March 8 and 9. Janet is the volunteer coordinator and is looking for people to volunteer and/or attend. Contact Janet at jlallan.fcpa@gmail.com for details.

## **Food4Kids**

## First Time Packer Amy Joins the Team!



Our January 18th Pack saw over 400 bags packed in 53 min. First time packer Amy and Janet's friend Ralph joined in on the fun.

## **Plan to Atend**

#### **February Golf Social**



When: Wednesday February 19th at 6 p.m. Where: Course and the Clubhouse, 525 Welland Avenue (*in the Walmart plaza beside the No Frills* grocery store)

Cost: \$45 for Golf and Dinner (Dinner only \$25)

Please contact Mary Howard if you want to attend at 905-646-6733 (email:<u>mhoward@vaxxine.com</u>)

## Little Lending Library Update

### Looking for new or gently used children / youth books!

Help keep our Little Lending Library full of children's books. Spread the word to your friends and acquaintances that our Literacy Committee Chair Anne will be happy to receive delivery or arrange for pick-up of new or gently used children / youth books – **anywhere in Niagara**! Just email her at <u>annelanthier@yahoo.com</u> and she will make the arrangements .



### Feb LLL Roster

- 3 Marlene
- 10 Ellen
- 17 Bryan
- 24 Trish/Stew

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**25th Annual Winter Trivia Night** Feb 22, 2025 6:00 p.m. Club Roma, Gemini Room

**Club Social** Course & Clubhouse - Dinner & Golf Simulator Feb 19, 2025 6 p.m.

**District Conference** April 5, 2025 *Volunteering in the 21st Century* 

#### **CLUB MEETING INFO BOX**

#### When:

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

Board Meeting 1st Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Where: In-person for dinner at Holiday Inn Suites

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# **February and March Blood Donation Dates Set!**



PLASMA STEM CELLS ORGANS & TISSUES

Canadian Blood Services is calling on people to be one of 450 Canadians needed to give blood each day this winter. Our next donation dates are Thursdays February 13th and March 20th! Contact Beth at **bethfleeton@hotmail.com** for more information

## **Membership Corner**

## Baruc Borborema Inducted as a Member of the Club!



The Club, Membership Chair Beth Fleeton and ADG Sue Foster were pleased to induct Baruc at our January 22nd Meeting.

The father of two beautiful girls along with his wife Carolina Marques, Baruc "was born in a small town in Brazil with limited prospects". He managed to build a stable and prosperous life in Brazil after completing his studies in Business Administration and working for about 15 years in the heavy construction machinery industry. However, driven by the dream of exploring the world, Baruc and his family left everything behind and moved to Canada in search of a new lifestyle. Now three years later, he is in the process of re-adapting to this new life, learning a new language, and seeking to re-enter the job market to continue his career and pursue his personal and professional goals.

Although his father was a Rotarian, Baruc himself had no experience with Rotary until coming to Canada and visiting our Club.



**Register before March 31, 2025** and Save \$70 USD!! 2025 Rotary International Convention in Calgary! June 21-25, 2025



Click here for more information. Go to https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/registration to register!

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