

ROTARY LAKESHORE IN ACTION

A SOGGY – BUT SUCCESSFUL - GREAT LAKES WATERSHED CLEANUP

Charles Ansel Park (Bunting Road and Lakeshore Road beside Lock One on the Welland Canal) was the site of this year’s Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore’s edition of the Great Lakes Watershed Cleanup in recognition of the Week of Earth Day. In keeping with past Club events like the Perennial Plant Sale and Fireworks Sale, the rain poured down but spirits were high. Fourteen water-logged Rotarians and guests braved the weather to gather a mound of garbage and recyclables in a clean-up covering the Park and its abutting lands along the Welland Canal Parkway / Bunting Road itself and north of the Park across Lakeshore Road to the end of the City’s Lock One property. ***A big Rotary thank you to Walker Industries for lending the Club 10 additional litter pickers and donating the garbage bags.***



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

May 10, 2023
Member Appreciation Night
At Marlene & Norm's.

May 24, 2023
Angie Sandow.
Motivational Speaker & AC/DC Aficionado.



BINGO VOLUNTEERS IN MAY!

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

Thurs May 11 - Marlene & TBD
Thurs May 18 - Annette & Marlene
Mon May 22 - Shannon & TBD

We now need two volunteers per session.

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



WHAT'S NEW AT DISTRICT AND ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

May is Youth Service Month!

- Rotary believes in developing the next generation of leaders. Our programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service.
- Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills and learn about the world through service projects and activities.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is a leadership development program for young people who want to learn new skills, build their confidence, and have fun. Events range from one-day seminars to weeklong camps.
- Rotary Youth Exchange builds peace one young person at a time. Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries.



Go to this [link](#)
for full details

WORLD & COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

ST. CATHARINES ACADEMY OF FINE ARTISTS YOUTH PROGRAMS



For more information, go to
<http://www.academyoffineartists.ca/>

Visual perception is the ability to understand and recognize images, whether it be found in works of fine art, safety symbols, publications or words. The Academy of Fine Artists Art Programs for Youth has been building the cognitive abilities of disadvantaged youth for many years, providing unique opportunities to express themselves, releasing personal creativity and building confidence by accommodating the capability and interest of each student while releasing stress.

After a brief hiatus while the program searched for new lodgings, the Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore is pleased to fund a re-start of our long-term funding of this unique program, run by Rotarian Ed Telenko, in April at the Church of the Transfiguration Hall.

BHANGRE JHAYAURE WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION PROJECT UNDERWAY!

World & Community Service Chair Bruce Timms was pleased to announce that The Rotary Foundation has issued the payment for the Global Grant for the Bhangre Jhayaure Water Supply & Sanitation Project, initiated by the Rotary Club of Dhulikhel, District 3292 Nepal-Bhutan and the Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore, District 7090. This Grant was applied for based on a presentation to the Niagara Cluster Fund (representing the joint funding efforts of Niagara Rotary Clubs) and that groups subsequent support.

Bhangre Jhayaure is located in a remote part of Nepal. This tiny village has two schools and one sub health post all without access to clean drinking water. Villagers of Bhangre Jhayaure have to walk 1-2 hours every day to access water from a river which is not suitable for drinking purposes. This causes many waterborne illnesses within the population. The World Health Organization (WHO) says 50 and 100 litres of water per person per day are needed to ensure the most basic needs. These villagers are only getting around 7-11 liters of water which is used for drinking, bathing, washing the clothes/dishes, and for the cattle, the source of their livelihood.



The Project

After a needs assessment was completed, it was proposed to install a water filtration system and lay pipes to transport water from the river to the village. A tap will be installed in each hut to access the water at a nominal monthly fee. The Rotary Club of Dhulikhel, spearheaded by Ranjeev Shrestha, current International Service Committee-Chair of District 3292, put together a committee to oversee building of the water filtration system and ongoing maintenance and project sustainability.

REMINDER

ANNUAL "BURGER NIGHT" EVENT IN NOTL NOW WEDNESDAY MAY 17TH

The Fellowship Committee (Gary, Gary, Joy, Angela, Bob) has reserved a room at the Prince of Wales Hotel in Niagara-on-the-Lake on Wednesday May 17th for our annual 'Burger Night' event. Doors open around 5:30.

If you missed the sign-up sheet at the April 12th Meeting, interested members can contact Bob Miller at bobligca@yahoo.com.

CLUB MEETING INFO BOX

When:

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

Board Meeting 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Where:

In-person for dinner at Holiday Inn Suites (Pre-registration is required)

Non Members, contact President Elaine at Emmrichard55@gmail.com for Dinner details and invite.

CLUB MAKES DONATION TO KRISTEN FRENCH CHILD ADVOCACY CENTRE!

Past President Bruce Timms and President Elect-Elect Coral Cutler were pleased today to present Meredith Marino with a \$1,000.00 cheque for the Kristen French Child Advocacy Centre from the Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore. Meredith gave Coral and Bruce a brief tour and a little history of the Centre. There are plans for improvement to the garden and the front lobby this summer. The Clubs contribution will be helpful in those projects.

To learn more, go to

<https://www.kristenfrenchcacn.org/>



THE 2023 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION MAY 27-31, 2023 MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

In just a month from now, Rotary members, participants, and friends from around the world will gather for the 2023 Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. This year's theme is **Imagine What's Next** with Rotary. If you can't make the convention, we'll offer coverage in the June issue of our newsletter with highlights. Here is just a taste of what's to come:

- Rotary convention speakers envision a more peaceful, equitable world, Read about the keynote speakers at the 2023 Rotary International Convention at this [link](#)
- Want to know more about Melbourne. [Click here](#) to find out about how the host city of the 2023 Rotary International Convention is multiple cities rolled into one.
- There's going to be a range of breakout sessions including member satisfaction and growth, the importance of diversity and inclusion, and engaging young leaders. [Click here for a full list:](#)



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