

ROTARY LAKESHORE IN ACTION

ANNUAL FOOD4KIDS FOOD DRIVE UP 28% OVER LAST YEAR!

The Club held its annual Food Drive on Friday September 22 to assist the Food4Kids Niagara Program. Club members staffed collection bins at two No Frills stores located at 581 Lake Street and at 525 Welland Avenue from 1 to 5 p.m. As reported by Marlene, “Despite the current economic climate, shoppers at the two locations dug deep this year. After sorting and counting at Food4Kids, the Community responded by donating over \$3,900 in requested food items and an additional \$1,235 in monetary donations. The total \$5,135 was more than 28% higher than last year’s \$4,000 total.”



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Oct 11, 2023
Bertha Bertrand
Help a Child Smile

Oct 25, 2023
Zoom Update from Nepal on
Water Project



BINGO VOLUNTEERS IN OCTOBER

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

Thurs Oct 5 - Elaine and Annette
Mon Oct 9 - Beth and Bryan
Thurs Oct 26 - Annette and Patricia

We now need two volunteers per session.

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

CLUB HOLDS GRAND OPENING FOR CLARICE WEST-HOBBS CONTEMPLATIVE GARDEN!

The Grand Opening for the Garden was held September 13 with seventy-eight donors and dignitaries enjoying the official ceremony at 4 p.m. at the Garden and a reception at 5 at Mr. Mikes on Fourth Avenue. The event was MC'd by Clarice West Hobbs Garden Chair Eric along with President Annette, who delivered a welcome on behalf of the Club.

Attendees included a broad cross-section of people involved in Clarice's former activities and endeavours. The City of St. Catharines was well-represented by Councillors Bill Phillips (who delivered greetings from the City as Deputy Mayor), Joe Kushner and Matt Harris. The hospital community was also very much in evidence with Niagara Health Foundation CEO and President Andrea Scott delivering thanks from the Foundation and Hospital, supported by Foundation personnel Matt Harris, Shannon Shamus and Rachel Kleiman. We were also pleased to welcome Niagara Health Pastor Donna Hollands-Hurst, who regularly uses the etched "Labyrinth" at the centre of the Garden as a part of the Mental Health Program. Victoria Ayotte, Front of House Manager and all of the staff at Mr Mikes did an outstanding job with the reception.



What's New at District and Rotary International *October is Economic and Community Development Month*

Rotarians invest in people by creating sustainable and measurable economic improvements in their communities and livelihoods by :

- o Building the capacity of entrepreneurs, community leaders, local organizations, and networks to support economic development in impoverished communities;
- o Developing opportunities for productive work;
- o Reducing poverty in under-served communities; and much more.

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



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WORLD & COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Club Joins in Donation to Hotel Dieu Shaver

Great things happen when four Rotary Clubs get together with a District Collaborative Grant. Recently 3 Stryker beds were donated at Hotel Dieu Shaver. Thanks to Rotarian Dennis that organized the four clubs (The Rotary Club of Fort Erie, Rotary Club of Niagara Falls Sunrise, Rotary Club of Welland and the Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore) to make life easier for patients. Rotarians from all four clubs were on hand as well as DG Scott, Foundation Chair Sandi, Grants Chair Lezlie and District Grants Mentor John for the official presentation. This facility is used by patients from across the Niagara Region, an area where all four clubs are based.



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 annelanthier@yahoo.com and she will make the arrangements .



LLL Weekly Roster

Oct 2 - Anne
Oct 9 - Marlene / Bryan
Oct 16 - Sandi
Oct 23 - Ellen
Oct 30 - Patricia

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Make sure to mark these future club events on your calendars.

- 1) Plasma Donation**
October 19 and November 14
- 2) World Polio Day**
October 24
- 3) Fall Trivia Night**
November 18

CLUB MEETING INFO BOX

When:

Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM
Board Meeting 4th Wednesday at 4 p.m. on Zoom

Where:

In-person for dinner at Holiday Inn Suites

NOVEMBER TRIVIA NIGHT ALMOST SOLD OUT!

As of today's date, **there are only three tables left!** BUT there's still time to get in on the September 30th deadline for the Early Bird Pricing. Here are all the details :

- Tables of up to 8 people
- Per table \$225. Early Bird Special \$200 **before Sept 30**
- Doors open at 6. Questions start at 7:00 p.m. sharp
- Drinks will be available to purchase including water, wine, beer, pop and mixed drinks. Sorry NO outside drinks
- FREE hot dogs, popcorn, chips mix, tea and coffee supplied. You are welcome to bring your own food .

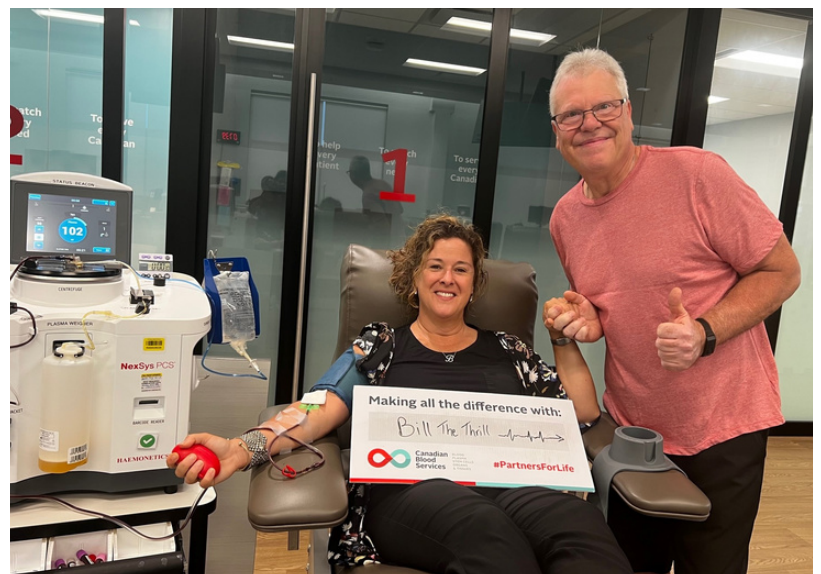


Next Plasma Donation Dates (Oct 19 and Nov 14)

Our next Donation dates are October 19 (**3 spots still open**) and Nov 14 (**with 20 available spots**). Both dates are between 3:30-6:50pm.



Club Blood Donation Chair Beth is also pleased to recognize Darci Vanderkuip, one of our group donors who just did her 100th donation. Her father Rick Vanderkuip (*standing to the right*) is a long-time member and Past President of the Downtown Rotary Club who is also donating with us now.



Beth and Bill Willard at the clinic.

Bill just retired from CAA after 40 years and in the last year has been diagnosed with an autoimmune disease that requires plasma every 3 weeks to live.

He was on his way to the hospital to get his plasma and stopped in while Beth was donating.

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