

ROTARY LAKESHORE IN ACTION

DISTRICT 7090 END POLIO NOW RIDE

It's Not Too Late to Support Elaine and Bryan



We are very close to ending this crippling disease. Yet today:

- Polio remains endemic in Afghanistan and Pakistan.
- An 11-month-old boy in Gaza has contracted polio.

Rotary's eradication initiative must continue. District 7090 once again held the 5th Annual Dr. Ron Mergl Participate for Polio event on Saturday, September 21st with the Canada Side cycle organized and hosted by PDG Frank Adamson.

Donate in Support of Elaine's and Bryan's Ride!

Elaine and Bryan represented and cycled for Rotary Lakeshore in the event. It's not too late to support their rides as our club strives to end polio in the world. You can use the links below to make your donation. Don't Forget: Your donation will be matched 2 to 1 by the Gates Foundation and a tax receipt will be issued. So for every dollar you give, \$3 ends up being donated to End Polio. When you use the links below, and you enter your email address (or are signed-up in rotary.org), every dollar you give will be credited to our Club's annual End Polio totals.

Here are the links:

5th Annual Dr. Ron Mergl Participate for Polio team site:
<https://raise.rotary.org/Elaine-Richard/memorial>

OR Elaine's own page:
<https://raise.rotary.org/Elaine-Richard/memorial969>

OR Bryan's own page:
<https://raise.rotary.org/Bryan-Pett/memorial>

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Oct 9
 Chris Andres.
 Literacy Niagara

Oct 23
 Patrick Connor.
 Ontario Trails Council - about rail trails



BINGO VOLUNTEERS IN OCTOBER

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

Thurs Oct 3 - Marlene and Ellen
 Mon Oct 7 - Bryan and Stewart
 Thurs Oct 24 - Elaine and Patricia

We now need two volunteers per session.

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

SELL, SELL, SELL THOSE TABLES!



Fun Fall Trivia November 23, 2024 Club Roma, Gemini Room

Let's move those tables – seven weeks to go until November 23rd. Talk it up with your friends and contacts. Put up our poster in your place of business or at a friend's place of business (if you don't have a copy, ask Eric to send it to you). Let's get the word out there about the Trivia night, our Club's name and Rotary! We have just finished sending out our Reminder Email on the September 30th Early Bird pricing deadline to our full email list of over 1000 past attendees but every bit helps!

COST: Table of Eight - \$225
Buy Your Table by Sept. 30th
- Early Bird Special \$200

Cash Prizes for the Top Three Teams!

Doors open at 6:00 pm.
Questions begin at 7:00 Sharp!!!

Please sign up your Full Tables of 8 ON-LINE through [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) or by e-transfer to Janet at treasurer.rotarylakeshore@gmail.com.

Also note our **NEW LARGER LOCATION!** Everything else is pretty much the same as usual.

Food4Kids Back to School Food Drive BIG Success!

September 20th saw the Club collect Food and cash donations at two NO FRILLS locations in St. Catharines: Lake St NOFRILLS and Welland Ave NOFRILLS. About \$3700 in cash and food donations were collected over the four hours for Food4Kids.

Tentative Pack Dates for 2024-25

Tentative dates are the third Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at 113-115 Cushman Rd Unit 27A (*Please Note: dates are subject to change*): Oct 16 Nov 20 Dec 18 Jan 15 Feb 19 Mar 19 Apr 16 May 21 and June 18. Please let Marlene know if you would like to help out at marlene.mader@hotmail.com.



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World & Community Spotlight

Club Joins In Establishing New Ronald McDonald Family Room

The St. Catharines and area Rotary Clubs (including our own St. Catharines Lakeshore) in partnership with Niagara Health, May Court Niagara and Ronald McDonald House Charities South Central Ontario (RMHC SCO) have opened a Ronald McDonald Family Room at the Marotta Family Hospital in St. Catharines to support families with children undergoing hospital care. The organizations are working together to raise \$500,000 for the project with the Ronald McDonald Foundation contributing 25% towards the total.

Family Rooms are an extension of Ronald McDonald House. They provide respite areas directly inside the hospital to ensure that families in need can take care of themselves while remaining close to their hospitalized children. The space is located on the fourth floor, outside the Children's Health Unit, and features respite areas, laundry, no-cost food services and, in partnership with the Children's Health Unit and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, family programming such as movie nights, toy drives and more. The day-to-day operations of the room will be run by Niagara Health volunteers.



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 .



Oct LLL Roster

7	Ellen
14	Patricia
21	Mary
28	Sandi

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Fun Fall Trivia

November 23, 2024
Club Roma, Gemini Room

2025 Rotary International Convention

June 21-25, 2025
Calgary, Alberta

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

CLUB MAKES "THE GREAT ESCAPE"

Club members and guests gathered at Niagara Escapement in Niagara Falls on Wednesday Sept 18th for an evening of clues and guesses trying to escape from one of four escape rooms on site. The room names say it all: "Easy Bake Coven"; "End Of The World", "Honeymoon Suite", and "The Last Christmas".

Following an adventure taking anywhere from one to 1 1/2 hours tops to complete, the group retired to Taps (a craft brewery on Queen Street in Niagara Falls) to toast the Winning Team.



Plasma Donation Date Tuesday October 22nd!

After a full house on September 26, Beth has booked our next Plasma Donation date for Tuesday October 22 from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Remember there is 4 times the need for plasma as there is for whole blood presently in Canada. Every ml (or drop as we like to say) is helping to save lives! Contact Beth at bethfleeton@hotmail.com for more information.

HELP is needed more than ever! The plasma clinic is only collecting about 50% of what is needed. Many will be away over the summer so unable to join our monthly group donation. That, compounded by an increased demand for blood/plasma, means there is presently not enough supply for those in need. Can you help close the gap and ensure those that need this "liquid gold" get it in order to live.



Register for the 2025 Rotary International Convention in Calgary! June 21-25, 2025



Calgary, along with breathtaking beauty, is a big city with a small-town feel that warmly welcomes visitors. The 2025 convention theme is "**Magic All Around**," and from the moment you arrive, you'll feel it. The one-of-a-kind connections and friendships. The people with different backgrounds, experiences, and points of view. The energy of thousands of members with their spirits, hearts, and passions together in one place, creating lasting impact and changing the world. That's magic!

[Click here](https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/registration) for more information. Go to <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/registration> to register!

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