



2009 Pluck-a-Duck quacks at Devonshire Mall

The 2009 Pluck-a-Duck draw came to a close May 9 at Devonshire Mall when the ticket desk closed and the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Windsor St. Clair drew the lucky winning tickets. A complete list of winners can be found below.

The Early Bird Draw took place at the end of March and saw **Debbie Desjardins** taking home a cheque for **\$1000**.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation uses the monies raised to fund research, health promotion, and community improvement projects. It also covers the cost of educational pamphlets and healthy living promotions. The Rotary Club of Windsor-St. Clair also uses the money raised to fund projects like the Ganatchio Trail, Shanfield Shores Park and the Rotary boundary-free playground in the Town of Tecumseh.

All volunteers and tickets sellers are to be congratulated for the many hours dedicated to the initiative.



THE FINAL DRAW: Paul Charbonneau (left) and Michael Duben draw the grand prize winning ticket of John Gillis.



PRIZE WINNERS

First Prize
\$10,000 Cash
John Gillis

Second Prize
50" Panasonic Plasma HD TV
Ann Clark

Third Prize
Napoleon Propane BBQ
Debbie Ferguson

Fourth Prize
His And Hers Mountain Bikes
Gerry Klotz

Fifth Prize
\$500 Devonshire Gift Card
Carl Rankin

Sixth Prize
Black Angus Beef Pack \$500
Milena Bandulj

Seventh Prize
Black Angus Beef Pack \$250
Dave Cantin / Mike Jimmerfield



Grand Prize Winner: Phyllis Charbonneau (left) presents Grand Prize winner John Gillis with a cheque for \$10,000.

COMING EVENTS

June 3 Nijola Golf Tournament, Kingsville G & CC
June 25 2009-2010 Inauguration, Shanfield Shores
June 30 Meet the Governor Night, Harrow
July 19 Peche Isle Outing

More than half of Rotary districts apply for Future Vision pilot

*By Antoinette Tuscano
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Throughout the Rotary world, districts want to be part of The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan pilot.

By the 15 May deadline, 277 districts had filed an application, more than half the 529 districts that will exist as of 1 July 2010 (*Editor's Note: RI District 6400 has applied*).

About 100 districts will be chosen to participate in the pilot. The selected districts will help test a new Foundation grant structure. To streamline the grant-making process, the plan will offer only two grant types: Rotary Foundation District Grants and Rotary Foundation Global Grants. It also will promote strategic partnerships and refine the district Rotary Foundation committee structure.

The Future Vision pilot will begin on 1 July 2010 and run through 30 June 2013. The Foundation will use feedback from the pilot districts to refine the plan before it is implemented globally in 2013-14.

Pilot districts obtained the approval of at least two-thirds of their clubs to participate. The 2010-11 pilot district governors and Foundation committee chairs will complete mandatory training in 2009-10, which will help prepare the districts for their direct role in managing Foundation grant funds.

All districts will receive training on the Future Vision Plan in 2012-13.

A Message from the President

Shelly Duben



A Look Back on the Year

It's hard to believe this Rotary year is already coming to an end! It seems appropriate to take some time to reflect on the past year, and review our accomplishments as a Club.

As a Club, we have accomplished so much this year! In Windsor and Essex County, we have supported The Downtown Mission, Goodfellows, WETRA, Special Olympics, the Windsor Jail, and the Athena Scholarships.

For local youth, we donated funds to the Kids of Steel Triathlon and to provide bursaries to deserving high school students. We developed a unique 4 Way Test poster contest and sent three students to develop their leadership skills at RYLA. We

volunteered our time to read to ESL students at Begley, the Saturday Night Soup Kitchen, pack boxes for Santa's Shoebox and clean up the Ganatchio Trail.

We honoured senior volunteers in the community and we continued to "Pay It Forward". Internationally, we supported the Inner Wheel of Cozumel, R.E.L.A.Y., we sent defibrillators for Tsumeb, and we sent hundreds of mosquito nets to Tanzania. We participated in the Group Study Exchange program. We ran successful fundraisers this year: the TV Auction; Nijola Golf Tournament; Nevada tickets; Bingo; Pluck-a-Duck; and concessions at the WFCU centre.

Even with all of those fundraisers and projects, we still managed to find time to have fun as a Club, by attending social events like the Past President's party and the Christmas party. It's been a busy year for our Club, and our efforts did not go unnoticed.

At District Conference we won the award for *Best Club Newsletter*; three

Club members received COG Awards, and we won the Dick Hedke Public Relations Award. We are also VERY proud that the District Governor for the year 2012 is our very own Michael Duben!

We made a good start on the development of a new major community service project. Thirteen proposals were considered by the committee and we were able to combine a few of the ideas to develop our own proposal. Unfortunately, we are 'on hold' for the time being, as we need the services of City of Windsor employees to further investigate the proposed project. We are excited to move forward with this project in the upcoming year.

Thank you - to each and every one of you - for supporting me and for giving me the opportunity and privilege of being the President of this great Club for the past two years.

PAY IT FORWARD

May 7- BRUCE TAYLOR

Bruce learned of a very poor woman living in Haiti. She tries to feed herself and her family by selling sticks. Bruce gave his \$25 to this woman to try to help.

May 14 - DICK MARENTETTE

Dick's neighbour injured his leg badly last year, so Dick cut his grass to help him out. And recently, when Dick was selling Pluck-a-Duck tickets at the mall, a teenage girl came by and was interested in the cookbooks being given away with each ticket sold. The young lady had no money to buy a ticket, so he bought her a ticket and gave her the cookbook. As she was filling out the ticket, Dick continued to talk to her and he realized that her life was pretty rough. He pulled out \$40 and gave it to her. She was very thankful and walked away crying in gratitude.

May 21- TODD GRONDIN

Todd wears a *Pay It Forward* bracelet all the time. He took the remaining bracelets from the Club and gives them away whenever he pays it forward. Lately, he has been paying it forward everyday at Tim Hortons by paying for the order of the person behind him in the drive through. One of the ladies working at the drive through said that the longest *Pay It Forward* chain she's seen in the drive through is 8 people, each of whom bought the order of the person behind them.

May 28 - CARLO ABATI

At District Conference, a young lady named Maria addressed the audience. Maria was one of the *Children of the Dump* in Nicaragua. Through the help of Rotary and other organizations, she was able to get out of the dump and get an education. She has now set up a foundation to help other children from the dump get an education. Carlo decided to give his \$25 plus a donation of his own to Maria for her foundation.

Service Above Self

The Rotary Club of Windsor-St. Clair was founded November 20, 1975. Regular meetings are every Thursday at 7:15 a.m., at the Windsor Yacht Club, 9000 Riverside Drive, Windsor, Ontario. For more information visit www.rotarywindsorstclair.com.



CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday...

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| June 11 | Paul Charbonneau |
| June 13 | Ryan Hendy |
| June 15 | Danielle Stuebing |
| June 15 | Meg Bang |
| June 20 | Panos Sechopoulos |

Happy Anniversary...

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| June 7 | Nick Krayacich and Jennifer Jones |
| June 8 | Charles and Chris Gauthier |
| June 17 | Bob and Jane Graham |
| June 20 | Phil and Janet McCullough |
| June 30 | Dennis and Lynn Arrand |

WFCU concessions add to Windsor St. Clair coffers



Motley Crew: 'Cordon Blue' chefs John Ferguson, Terry Cloutier, Chris Woodrow and Diane McKinley are pictured taking a break from their culinary duties at the WFCU Centre.

Kudos to the volunteers and friends who have been staffing the concession stands at the WFCU Centre for the past six months. As well as experiencing some tremendous camaraderie and collegiality, close to \$8,000 has been raised for club projects and initiatives, with some monies yet to be received.

Records indicate that Windsor St. Clair staffed 13 events, Essex Rotary Club staffed 11 and one event comprised a team from both clubs. We had a total of 188 volunteers, 34 additional family members and 24 friends of Rotary. There was a 70 percent participation rate among members. Congratulations on a great effort!

Windsor St. Clair has been given an opportunity to staff a concession on Friday, August 7 when The Guess Who is scheduled to appear. There are only 2 concessions available, and Rotary has secured both. Additionally, Rotary has also been allowed to use the portable bars at the concessions which should add to revenue. Projections indicate, together with Essex, our clubs could make \$ 2,500 at the event. So, please sign up asap before all the slots are filled.

In the near future Bob Morand will be organizing food handling and Smart Serve Certification for members yet to take the courses.

Club News...Club News...

BOARD NEWS

- ◆ Attendance for April was 84.7%. Our membership is 50.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Committee discussed the Nijola Golf Tournament, Ganatchio trail cleanup and the Peche Island outing which will be the topic of a future meeting. Additionally, the Past Presidents Party at Hyland Farms was discussed with a September date to be finalized at a later date.

YOUTH SERVICE

4 Way Test Contest/Bookmarks

Much positive feedback received regarding display at the mall. Open discussion regarding artwork ideas for bookmarks.

Interact Update

D. Harshaw to contact J. Karolyi regarding obtaining a copy of the interact video presented at this years district conference. B. Morand to speak to teachers involved with the interact clubs of Harrow and Amherstburg high schools.

Begley Update

Donation to Begley of \$350 for purchase of books and pizza for student participants.

Kids of Steel

Kids of Steel organizer John McKibbin has requested a rotary member be in attendance at the 20th anniversary celebration for recognition of our club's support.

CONCESSION REVENUE

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| Essex | \$ 6,251.20 |
| Windsor St. Clair | \$ 7,386.48 |
| Tips (WSC Only) | \$ 700.29 |

Total Revenue Generated \$ 14,337.97

Ganatchio Trail receives some TLC

Thanks to all members and friends (below) who came out to the Ganatchio Trail, May 23. The weather was perfect and members and friends went about the task of picking up garbage and other 'foreign' objects with gusto. On an annual basis, the club organizes a clean-up and facelift to ensure the trail remains enjoyable to the tremendous amount of people who have come to depend on it for recreation and exercise.



CLUB PROGRAMMING

Charles Gauthier and Mike Brown have stepped forward and volunteered to organize and coordinate the speaker component of the weekly meeting program for 2009-2010.

Anyone with ideas or suggestions can contact Charles and Mike.

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Program Schedule for JUNE International Convention Month

SPEAKER & TOPIC

- 4 Lori Newton/Social Media
- 11 Pina Ciotoli/Eat Your City
- 18 TBA
- 25 2009-1010 Inauguration
Shanfield Shores Park

INTRODUCER

- 4 Ann Marie Athavale
- 11 Michael Duben
- 18 Karen Cichon

THANKER

- 4 Roger Brothers
- 11 Mike Browne
- 18 Terry Cloutier

GREETERS

- 4 Alynn Anglin
Dennis Arrand
- 11 Paul and
Phyllis Charbonneau
- 18 Arnie Charlton
Ruth Coursey
- 25 Steve Daley
Mary Lou Decou

Rotarians assigned duties of introducer, thanker and greeter are responsible for finding a replacement if unable to fulfill the duties.

District Conference wrap up

Windsor St. Clair was well represented at the District 6400 conference at the end of April with our club contingent led by President Shelly Duben, President-Elect Alan Drouillard and District Governor Nominee for 2011-2012 Michael Duben. A number of members were recognized for their continued commitment and support of Rotary. They include Paul and Phyllis Charbonneau (middle & bottom, left) who received Council of Governors Awards and Arnie Charlton (bottom, right) who received a Governor's Celebrate Award.

Additionally, Windsor St. Clair received a Club Service Award for our monthly newsletter and a Hedke Award for club public relations.

The District Conference return to Mackinac Island next year. Members

who haven't yet experienced a conference are urged to attend. As you can see from the photographs below, the setting is wonderful (below, top)—unless the timelessness and serenity is disturbed by Rotarians choosing to demonstrate a unique blend of celebration and conference behaviour (below, middle).

See you there!



FOUNDATION INFORMATION

Please note that the Foundation books will be closed after the June 11, 2009 meeting for the 2008-2009 Rotary year.