



Rotary TV Auction begins in POWERFUL style



Planning is well underway for the 24th annual Rotary Auction on TV COGECO which is scheduled for November 12 and 13, 2010. Before the telephones begin ringing and volunteers start taking bids - the 2010 campaign has already succeeded in attracting a Major Sponsor - International Power Canada. As a major sponsor, they have pledged \$10,000 to the 2010 auction campaign.

International Power Canada is responsible for the Harrow Wind Projects in the Town of Essex which consists of 24 wind turbines which began generating power in June 2010. When fully operational, the turbines will generate enough energy to serve close to 12,000 Ontario homes annually. Additionally, IPC is currently building the 48.6 MW Pointe-Aux-Roches Wind Farm in Lakeshore and has numerous other projects in various stages of development in Essex County.

International Power Canada, formerly AIM PowerGen Corporation, was acquired by International Power plc in October 2009. International Power plc is a leading independent electricity generating company with interests in over 21 countries.

"International Power Canada has really demonstrated a community-minded spirit in supporting TV Auction," says Windsor St. Clair Rotary Club President Phyllis Charbonneau. "The company, through its local representatives, recognize the importance of the work we do and the work we want to continue to do. This sponsorship gives



us a tremendous lift as we begin auction season." Last year, with the generous support of local industries and businesses, close to \$54,000 was raised at this fundraising initiative.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation uses the monies raised to fund research, health promotion, and community improvement projects.

The Rotary Club of Windsor-St. Clair also uses the money raised to fund club projects like the Ganatchio Trail, Shanfield Shores, and the Rotary boundary-free playground in the Town of Tecumseh. Monies raised also assist many families on an individual basis, fund a student bursary program, and aid in Rotary projects worldwide to eradicate polio.



Rotarians of the year...

Thanks to all members who found time to attend the Past President's Party last month. A good time was had by all at Hyland Farms in Maidstone. The weather was perfect and those present celebrated the great accomplishments of our club last year and also took the opportunity to thank Alan Drouillard for a fantastic year.

The Blind Auction was a tremendous success - raising \$1,100 - which will be used to purchase a Shelter Box for the Pakistani flood victims. The box

provides supplies for an extended family of up to 10 people with a tent and lifesaving equipment to use while they are displaced or homeless.

Alan Drouillard also used the opportunity to announce that Paul and Phyllis Charbonneau are joint Rotarians of the Year. Both Paul and Phyllis have been involved in all facets of club business over the past 12 months- particularly with exchange students.

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COMING EVENTS

October 9	Concessions-WFCU Centre
October 10	Bingo
October 14	Bingo
October 22	Bingo
October 31	Bingo
November 12-13	Rotary Auction on TVCogeco
November 20	Concessions-WFCU Centre

Message from the PRESIDENT



Phyllis Charbonneau

Another month has past and fall is upon us which means that in 40 days, our major fundraiser will be upon us! Auction items need to be to Heart & Stroke by October 15. It's crucial that we all focus hard on bringing in as many auction items as we can. Without another fundraiser planned for this year, we'll be relying on the success of the auction more than ever

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday...

October 5	Ilias Kiritsis
October 9	Michelle Moro
October 11	Alan Drouillard
October 31	Bob Morand

Happy Anniversary...

October 17	Roger and Monika Brothers Alan & Stephanie Drouillard
October 24	Steve and Linda Daley

Club Anniversary...

October 1, 1998	Carlo Abati (12)
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before. We all want to see our budgets stay the same so we can continue to do all of our great work. With team work, we can do it!

Thank you, Alan!

On September 18, we celebrated Alan's year at Hyland Farms. The Essex club once again showed us great hospitality, and the weather cooperated for us to enjoy the outdoors. The blind auction raised \$1,100 which will be used to purchase a shelter box for Pakistan. This will be the second box that our club has donated this year. Congratulations to all members who received recognitions; we're a Club of dedicated and hardworking members which makes us one of the best in the District. A special thank you to Alan for all your hard work last year!

Thanks to those who took 2 hours out of their busy month to work bingo. Our 5 sessions this month have generated approximately \$1,800! Breakaway Bingo has indicated that they "love" us and our members are responsible and reliable. With any luck we'll continue to get more sessions each month, which will help the bottom line.

On September 30, a total of 15 members, family and high school students worked one of the our concessions. There are only a few left so let's make these last few "fun"! Thanks to everyone who have given of their time.

October is Vocational month. We have 3 speakers lined up to talk about what they do. At club celebration, Ruth and Paul will be leading us with our new membership drive. We need to get

serious about recruiting and retaining members. I look forward to seeing everyone come out and get energized at this meeting.

Our Begley program starts this Tuesday. Please sign up on the website for the best ½ hour you'll spend all week. Mike Browne has volunteered for all of the reading dates with the ESL children and would love to see us all there throughout the year. Please take the time to make these kids smile. They look forward to us coming every week.

Remember Sunday, October 17 is our fellowship walk on the Ganatchio trail. Windsor 1918, Roseland and LaSalle have been invited to join us for this event. Our members will be carrying bags to pick up any garbage that we see along the trail. If you'd like to have brunch after at Lilly Kazzilly's, please make your reservations directly with the restaurant.

Thank you, Mike!

Finally in September, Mike Browne gave his resignation. This was not something that I or the board had prepared for. Mike has been a member of this club since 1979. He will be missed and we wish he and Bonnie all the best. The board has voted in favour of making Mike an honorary member. We'll get Mike out to a meeting to make this a bit more formal in the next few months.

In closing, once again remember the auction. If you know of someone who might donate an item, but you're afraid to ask that person, call one of the auction committee members and they'll do it for you. The more items we get, the more successful we'll be!

Begley Reading Program begins new chapter

With the school year a month old, it's time to open the chapter on another year of the Begley reading program.

Every Tuesday, for the balance of the school year, the Windsor St. Clair Rotary Club provides two volunteers to assist the school by providing a willing audience for students wanting to improve their reading skills.

Located at 1093 Assumption Street in Windsor, volunteers are reminded that they need to visit the School Office on arrival, where they will be issued with a Visitor's badge and asked to sign in.

Following that, they should proceed to the ESL Classroom of Mrs. Kaur, which can be found on the second floor.

On arrival in the classroom, Mrs. Kaur will select a student, who will then go with you to the library, where they will read to you. The job of the volunteer is to assist when needed and ask questions when time permits.

A reading session should last between 12 to 15 minutes, so each Tuesday there will be an opportunity for two students to display their reading talents.

Members and friends interested in volunteering some time on a Tuesday can sign up on the web site.



Mark **October 15** on your calendars. It's the date that we should all aim for to get our auction items in. Once the items are in hand, they need to be processed, catalogued and scripted - a task which takes several weeks. In order for the auction web site to go live at the beginning of November, we must all strive to adhere to the October 15 date.

To make the auction a success, we need a minimum of 400 items. To date we have close to 300 pledged gifts and 100 in hand.

Firstly, we need to turn the pledged gifts into gifts in hand then we need a minimum of 100 more gifts by October 15. If not, we go into panic mode. We can do it. So, let's all try to commit to auction for a few more

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Rotarians of the Year

Additionally, Phyllis is leading the club this year and we all know that when she hands over the keys to the club next year to Paul, all will be well.

They have been Rotarians since 2005 and involved with exchange students both at a club and district level. Also, through their business, HCA|mindbox they have been supportive of Rotary projects.



The Salvation Army Soup Kitchen kicks off another season later this month. Club members are urged to sign up on the web site. Bring your friends and



weeks and make it a success. Remember, this is our major club fund raiser-without the money we can't continue our tradition of community projects.

Auction materials are available in the document section of the web site. Go to the web site, Log in and go to MY CLUBRUNNER, then click on VIEW CLUB DOCUMENTS. See documents numbered 173 through 178.



family and help feed the more needy members of our community every Saturday night throughout the Winter months.

When signing up, take a few minutes to check the club documents section and read the Soup Kitchen Instructions which sets out all of the rules and can answer any questions you may have. It's a two hour time commitment, from 7 to 9 p.m., with actual Soup Kitchen serving time from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. If you need additional information, please contact Carl Fama.

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.

Program Schedule OCTOBER 2010

SPEAKER & TOPIC

- 7 Brian Hyland/Farming
- 14 Vini Brignol & Barb Porter/Vocations
- 21 Brad Coulbeck/Stress Relief
- 28 Club Celebration

INTRODUCER

- 7 Bob Morand
- 14 TBD
- 21 Sherry McCourt
- 28 Club Celebration

THANKER

- 7 Barb Porter
- 14 TBD
- 21 Danielle Stuebing
- 28 Club Celebration

GREETERS

- 7 Marg Prince
Al Santing
- 14 Lea-Ann Suzor
Bruce Taylor
- 21 Hardy Wheeler
Chris Woodrow
- 28 Carlo Abati
Dennis Arrand

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

BOARD NEWS

- ◆ Attendance for August was 65.73%.

COMMITTEE NEWS

MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ The Ganatchio Trail walk is scheduled for October 17. Walkers will meet at the Rotary Gazebo located just to the east of Lilly Kazilly's Crab Shack, and proceed along the trail. Members are urged to wear your running shoes and join friends and colleagues for a morning of fellowship and exercise. There will be an optional brunch following at Lilly Kazilly's.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- ▶ The project in Agios Germanos in northern Greece is complete. Feedback from the project manager is that the project was well received and appreciated by the school children. The funds for our club contribution will be forwarded to the project manager in Greece in the near future.
- ▶ The committee voted to contribute \$500 to the Inner Wheel Club of Cozumel in support of their feed the elderly program.
- ▶ The committee voted to contribute up to \$500 to the ShelterBox

disaster relief effort for Pakistan. In addition a request would be made to all club members to provide additional support on their own personal behalf for this project. In the event more than \$500 is raised through private member donations then the committee's contribution would be reduced accordingly in order that the total sum raised through individual donations and committee support would be \$1,000 and allow for the purchase of one entire Shelter Box from the Club.

YOUTH SERVICE

- ▶ The committee has decided to recognize Frank Chauvin with the club Literacy Service Award for his work in Haiti and to present him with a cheque for \$250 to assist with his orphanage. Youth committee can support \$250 at the present budget. Presentation arrangements will be made.
- ▶ The committee received a request for funding from the Character Development Symposium at the GECDSD in partnership with Hiatus House. Motion passed to donate \$250 toward the project.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- ▶ The committee approved \$500 for the Children's Safety Village.

Governor's Golf Outing

The Annual District Governor's Golf Outing was held at Northville Hills Golf Club in Michigan at the end of September. Close to 100 golfers participated and at the end—although not as successful as prior years - our teams acquitted themselves well.

The team of Paul Charbonneau, Ed Link and imports Nick Krayacich and PDG Bob Gallagher played well and fought hard but didn't succeed in placing among the top teams. Team 2, comprised of Carlo Abati, Michael Duben, Arnie Charlton and Hardy Wheeler fought bravely for our club, but didn't come away with the honours either. All are looking forward to next year.

Note: In the first edition of the October 2010 Rotatel, incorrect information was included on the 2010 Governor's Golf Outing. Apologies to all concerned.