



New fund raiser with Spitfires to aid TV Auction

Thanks to some hard work and friendly persistence from Windsor St. Clair members Bob Morand and Diane McKinley, we'll be augmenting our TV Auction bottom line with a joint fund raiser with the Windsor Spitfires.

Since meeting in April, the TV Auction Committee has been concerned that the economy in Windsor and Essex County may negatively impact the ability of the community to participate in the auction to the degree they have done in the past. Subsequently, a suggestion was made to organize a community event to focus on the

work done by Heart and Stroke and our club in the community. Our goal, in doing so, was to talk up auction in the community and create some enthusiasm in the media for the November event and at the same time supplement the revenue from the auction.

After some discussion with the Windsor Spitfires, we will be holding an event which will feature appearances by Windsor Spitfires players and staff, hockey skill competitions, a raffle of Spitfire merchandise and a pasta lunch, provided by the Riverside Sportsmen's Club. The event is scheduled for **Saturday, October 10** from Noon until



3 p.m., and will take place behind the club at 10835 Riverside Drive East in the Special Events Tent. Tickets will be \$5.

A donation will be made to the Windsor Spitfires Foundation for their participation in the event.

LET'S PARTY...SEPTEMBER 12

Come and celebrate a fantastic 2008-2009 Rotary Year with Past President Shelly at Hyland Farms in Essex. A full dinner and desert will be served. All you have to do is BYOB and snacks. Please remember to bring a secret auction gift worth approximately \$20. The fun begins at 4 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m. Direction/details and sign up can be found on the web site. Cost: \$15.

COMING EVENTS

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| September 12 | Past President's Party |
| September 15 | Bingo/Big D
Bingo Hall |
| September 17 | Spitfires vs.
Plymouth |
| September 23 | Governor's Golf
Outing |
| September 28 | WFCU Centre
Russell Peters |



END POLIO NOW!: A large group of intrepid Rotarians braved the wind and weather August 28 to travel to Tiger Stadium in Detroit to benefit the RI End Polio Now! Campaign. With \$6 of every ticket purchased going to the campaign, not only did those in attendance experience a Tiger victory but they helped the Rotary Foundation. Pictured here is the Drouillard Family and guests: (Left to Right) Stephanie Drouillard, Hannah Wegnet, Miley Song, Luke Drouillard and Windsor St. Clair president, Alan Drouillard.

Google teams up with Rotary International

By Donna Polydoros
 Rotary International News
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Rotary has teamed up with Google to make nearly 100 years of *The Rotarian* available free online.

Full-color, searchable scans of all issues of the magazine from 1959 to 2008 are now available through Google Books, with more issues to follow. The site is accessible from The Rotarian's page on the RI web site.

Users can select from a gallery of issues organized by decade or click "Search all issues" to search the entire catalog for a word or phrase.

The collaboration is part of an initiative to make Rotary's historical resources more accessible to Rotarians worldwide.

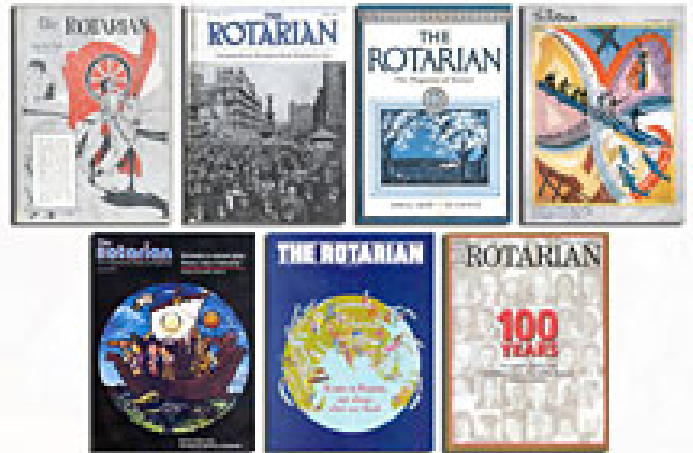
"Google is doing all of the scanning and indexing to make the material searchable -- and at no cost to Rotary," says Stephanie Giordano, archivist for Rotary International.

More than 72,000 pages will be available once Google finishes scanning and uploading all 1,100 issues. The first issue was

published in January 1911, when the magazine was called *The National Rotarian*.

Some issues of interest include December 1979, which reported on Rotary's first polio immunization project; the February 2005 centennial issue; and issues from the 1980s discussing the admission of women into Rotary.

Try it for yourself.



CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday...

September 10	Alynn Anglin
September 18	Al Santing

Happy Anniversary...

September 13	Dino and Angela DiSimone
September 26	Arnie and Kathy Charlton
September 30	Caro and Ken Lepain

Club Anniversary...

September 1, 1994	Caro Lepain (15)
September 4, 2008	Ruth Coursey (1)
September 6, 2007	Ann Fama (2)
September 6, 2007	Carl Fama (2)
September 7, 2005	Barb Porter (4)
September 19, 2002	Dennis Arrand (7)
September 21, 2005	Diane McKinley (4)
September 21, 2006	Michelle Moro (3)
September 25, 2008	Alynn Anglin (1)

Comedian Russell Peters will be at the WFCU Centre September 28



We're looking for 20 volunteers to work the Russell Peters Show at the WFCU Centre on September 28 as we have one concession and one portable for the evening. Please sign up on the website and plan to arrive between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. Gates open at 7 p.m. and the concert starts at 8 p.m. Our duties should end by 10 p.m.

'Phone a friend!

On Rotary's Centennial celebration, which of the following did NOT occur?: (a) The Empire State Building was lit in blue and gold; (b) Club of Ulhasnagar, India, opened community park; (c) Club of Livingston, Zambia, planted 100 trees; (d) White Plains club rented stretch limo to NY; (e) all of the above actually happened.

Answer: (e) all of the above actually happened.

Membership increases during 2008-09 Rotary year

By Jennifer Lee Atkin
Rotary International News
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In a year of economic havoc that rocked global markets and shook consumer confidence, Rotary International's most important asset – its members – steadily grew.

As of 30 June, the end of the 2008-09 RI year, there were 1,234,527 members in 33,790 Rotary clubs. That's an increase of 3,044 members and 520 clubs from the previous year.

"Businesses in tough economies plan how to grow, and most businesses then do grow. Rotary clubs also have to plan for their futures and take action on those plans," said Mike McGovern, chair of RI's Membership Development and Retention Committee.

"New clubs are forming in communities with existing clubs by offering alternative times and the opportunity to bring fresh perspectives to Rotary," McGovern added.

More than 5,700 clubs in the 534 RI districts achieved a membership growth rate of 10 percent or better during the 2008-09 year. The 10 percent goal was set by 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee, who presided over 12 presidential membership conferences held on six continents during the year. Each conference was attended by between 300 and 1,500 Rotarians. Lee also made personal calls to each of Rotary's district governors.

"We must reach out to people who are different from us and from the members in our club, because this is

the way to a stronger club with more connections and better potential," Lee said at the 2009 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. Rotary clubs must continue to build membership during the 2009-10 year, said RI President John Kenny.

"I will simply rely on you, as responsible people, to see to it that we have more qualified members, true Rotarians, at the end of the year than we had at the beginning. And I will rely on you to do your best to see to the mentoring of our newest members, for retention is no less important than recruitment," Kenny told Rotarians at the RI Convention in Birmingham, England.



"Rotary grows when members are motivated to invite Rotarians into their clubs and when Rotarians believe they are contributing to a greater good," McGovern said.

Welcome Hannah!

Windsor St. Clair will have a distinctly European flavour for the coming months - and that's a good thing! Hannah Wegnet arrived from Germany at the end of August as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program and will be hosted by Alan Drouillard and family.

Rotarians and friends are asked to keep Hannah in mind when planning activities and attending events. She is looking to experience as much as she can of Windsor, Essex County and Canada.



Web site sign up

The Upcoming Events Section on the web site can be used to sign up for all club activities. Please take a minute to check the **Rotary Smile** and the **Salvation Army Soup Kitchen** and sign up when your schedule allows. Also, there are several WFCU Concession dates approaching, particularly **Comedian Russell Peters** and the **Windsor Spitfire** season is about to begin. Also as always, please consider helping out at **Bingo**.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE NEWS

- ◆ Attendance for July was 72%. Membership stands at 51.
- ◆ The Board accepted the resignation of Anne Marie Athavale.
- ◆ New member proposals:
Andrew McAvoy, Yovacm Inc.;
Shawn Lappan, Brookfield Property Management;

Program Schedule SEPTEMBER

SPEAKER & TOPIC

- 3 Chris Uszynski/ERCA
- 10 Jim Drummond/Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce
- 17 D6400 Governor Visit
- 24 Club Celebration

INTRODUCER

- 3 Chris Woodrow
- 10 Roger Brothers
- 17 Arnie Charlton
- 24 Club Celebration

THANKER

- 3 Carlo Abati
- 10 Mike Browne
- 17 Karen Cichon
- 24 Club Celebration

GREETERS

- 3 Bruce Taylor
Hardy Wheeler
- 10 Alynn Anglin
Dennis Arrand
- 17 Paul and Phyllis
Charbonneau
- 24 Terry Cloutier
Ruth Coursey

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

Warren Kennedy, Director of Education GECDSB;
Becky Langlois, Motor City Community Credit Union;
Veronica Friesen, Windsor Utilities Commission.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- ▶ The Committee passed motions to donate a total of \$535 to the Association For Persons With Physical Disabilities of Windsor & Essex County (APPD) for various uses.
- ▶ The Committee passed a motion to donate \$500 to the Terry Fox Run.
- ▶ The Committee passed a motion to provide \$1000 for the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen.
- ▶ The Committee passed a motion to apply for a District Simplified Grant totaling \$2,000 to purchase Wii games systems for Senior Citizens.

YOUTH SERVICE

- ▶ HS Bursaries-all recipients have been contacted, and follow-up letters sent.
- ▶ RYLA Applications to be sent out in early September to: L'essor, Herman Riverside, St. Joseph's, & Brennan HSs.
- ▶ Committee is examining different meeting times to increase attendance.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- ▶ RELAY: Mike and Shelly will report to the committee at the next meeting on their trip to Ethiopia and the work performed on a school to improve the conditions for the students. They will also distribute t-shirts, pens, and 300 dresses from a group known as "Little Dresses for Africa" while there.
- ▶ Ghana Pilot Project with US Aid: The committee received a request to act

as one of the lead clubs and international partners of a new pilot project in association with US Aid on a major project in Ghana. At this point RI is looking for clubs willing to act as leads and as partners to organize and oversee a new project. There is no financial commitment required at this time. A motion passed, "to express our interest in acting as one of the lead clubs or partners in conjunction with this project."

'Phone a friend!

In Spring 2006, results from a reader survey were published that reported the most popular section of *The Rotarian* magazine is:

- (a) Finance
- (b) Management *See bottom of column for answer*
- (c) Health
- (d) Travel

ROTARY HUMOUR

At a Rotary meeting in Manchester (UK), a visiting Rotarian, who happened to be a wealthy American, announced that he had lost his wallet containing £10,000 and would give a reward of £100 to the person who finds it. From the back of the hall a Scottish voice shouted, "I'll give £150!"

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.

Travel (56%) was most popular