

THE ROTOMINDER

"Service Above Self"



Rotary Club of Chatham St. Clair College Capitol Theatre, Rotary Lounge 238 King St W. Wednesdays at 12:15 P.M. www.chathamrotary.com rotaryc@ciaccess.com Phone 519-354-8300 Fax 519-354-5535

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By Keith Dawson

Michael Burton, economic development director for the municipality, was the guest speaker this week. Michael was introduced by Rotarian Don Shropshire. Michael attended the University of Windsor and Western University and has spent a good portion of his career working in private enterprise. He knows about sales targets and profitability targets. It seems that everyone is interested in knowing what is happening in economic development but it is often difficult for this department to give out information. Nondisclosure agreements and competitive pressures are two of the reasons. Economic development is focusing on many areas. One area is business retention and expansion. On behalf of local companies, they made 54 applications for senior government funding programs. Through their work with many local entrepreneurs, Michael mentioned that over 550 new jobs were created. The small business centre helps with starting new businesses, and reports that over 150 new businesses have started recently. Some of this new growth involves the youth with summer



programs and starter programs. Investment attraction is a third focus. The municipality works hard to find companies looking for new sites and then tries to market our local assets to attract these investments. In the past 2 years, 13 new companies were attracted to Chatham-Kent. Economic development is vital to the community and the Rotary Club was pleased to have an update. Our thanks were expressed by **Rotarian Tom McCarthy**



Tom McCarthy, Don Shropshire, Mike Burton & President Fannie Vavoulis

Guest Speaker	Michael Burton – Economic Development impact on local business		
Visiting Rotarians	Charles Graham (Ocean Springs, MISS)		
Guests of	Hugh Thomas (Keith Dawson), Jamie Rioux (Sparky Leonard),		
Rotarians	Victoria Bodnar (Fanny Vavoulis)		
Club Guests	Julia Smith (Pianist), Chris Taylor (TV Cogeco),		
	Blair Andrews (Chatham This Week),		
	Mark Goudreau, Marvin Handsor, Catherine Playford (Teksavvy)		

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>50/50 TICKETS</u>
July	Peter Cook Kevin Mills	Paul Mayrand

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS	William Grin & Paul McDonell July 3, Kelley Doyle July 8,		
	Charles Seaman July 14, Linda Campbell July 20, Gordon Fry July 23,		
	Tania Sharpe and Fannie Vavoulis July 24		
CLUB ANNIVERSARIES	Laurie Leonard 1 year, Andy Watson 46 years		

Upcoming Speakers

Wednesday July 29/15	Dr. John Button – The Eliminate Project (Kiwanis project to		
	eliminate Neonatal Tetanus)		
Wednesday Aug 5/15	Beach Boys Meeting/ T.J. Brodie Q &A (Hockey)		
Wednesday Aug 12/15	Eileen Heasley		
Wednesday Aug 19/15	District Governor Henry Dotson official visit		
Wednesday Aug 26/15	Stephen and Stephanie Keating and Michael Fry - Preserving Our Local		
	Heritage - The Story of The Kent 1874		
Wednesday Sep 2/15	Greg Heatherington – How to succeed in small market		
	radio/business		
Wednesday Sep 9/15	Todd Warriner - Professional Hockey-Ice Dancer-Broadcaster.		
	Still from Blenheim		
Wednesday Sep 16/15	Chris McLeod		
Wednesday Sep 23/15	Scott Collier - Youth Exchange how it changed my life		
Wednesday Sep 30/15	Lynn Henning – Detroit News		

E-BINGO SCHEDULE Apr 01-Jun 30/15				
DATE	PREP TIME	WORK TIME	WORKERS	
SAT JUN 13	11:30 AM	11:45 AM TO 1:45 PM	Moira Kerr 519-352-3479	Janet McGuigan-Kelly 519-359-0481
WED JUN 24	7:30 PM	7:45 TO 9:45 PM	Gerry Bellinger 519-809-1722	Moira Kerr 519-352-3479

E-BINGO SCHEDULE Jul 01-Sep 30 /15				
DATE	PREP TIME	WORK TIME	WORKERS	
SAT JUL 4	9:30 PM	9:45 PM TO 11:45 PM	Gerry Bellinger	Rick Bodnaruk
			519-809-1722	519-352-3126
TUE JUL 28	7:30 PM	7:45 PM TO 9:45 PM	Brad Langford	Linda Campbell
			519-352-5484	519-358-7356
MON AUG 3	5:30 PM	5:45 PM TO 7:45 PM	Moira Kerr	Wayne Schnabel
			519-352-3479	519-365-3222
FRI AUG 21	7:30 PM	7:45 PM TO 9:45 PM	Tanya Sharpe	1 volunteer
			519-365-6419	
MON SEP 7	5:30 PM	5:45 PM TO 7:45 PM	Donna Litwin-Makey	1 volunteer
			519-999-9878	
THU SEP 10	5:30 PM	5:45 PM TO 7:45 PM	Donna Litwin-Makey	1 volunteer
			519-999-9878	
SAT SEP 26	9:30 PM	9:45 PM TO 11:45 PM	2 volunteers	

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Marvin Handsor, Catherine Playford, Mark Goudreau, **Sparky Leonard** & President **Fannie Vavoulis**

Past President Sparky and President Fannie welcomed representatives of Teksavvy to the Club for an official cheque presentation at our Wednesday luncheon. The Club is very grateful for the support of Teksavvy our major donner to assist us in bringing the Beach Boys to Chatham. Proceeds from the concert will go towards our commitment to the Chatham-Kent Hospice of \$100,000.

It is not too late to get your tickets to the Beach Boys Concert. For more information on the concert, see the links provided in article below.

Beach Boys Links

Sabrina our event planner for the Beach Boys would like everyone to view the following links to the Beach Boys. Please pass on these links to family, friends and co-workers to assist with tickets sales. A flyer is attached with the Rotominder.

Here is the link to the website for the concert: <u>www.rotarypresents.com</u>

Here is the link to Rotary's website: www.chathamrotary.com

Here is the link to the Beach Boy event's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/beachboyschathamkent

Please encourage the Rotary members to like, invite friends to like, and share the Facebook page.

MONDAY

DRESDEN – St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church – 6:00 p.m.

RIDGETOWN – Anglican Parish Hall – 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

BLENHEIM – Legion Hall – 6:30 p.m.

CHATHAM – **SUNRISE** – Smitty's Pancake House – 7:30 a.m.

TILBURY – Knights of Columbus Hall – 12:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

CHATHAM - St. Clair College Capitol Theatre, Rotary Lounge - 12:15 p.m.

THURSDAY

WALLACEBURG – Happy Craft Building – 6:15 p.m.\

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