

January 19th

**Dr. Alan Wildeman,
President & Vice-Chancellor
The University of Windsor
and
Memorial Tribute to
Dr. John Maus**

**2007- Committed \$1,000,000 for the capital
expansion at John McGivney Children's
Centre**

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Walter Willms introduced, and PDG Roy Lancaster pinned, new member Catherine Bornais. Welcome Cathy!

Did you know that 44% of our country's population is 50 years and older? That's 14 million people who are of retirement age. Mike Dinchik, Exec. Director of the Windsor Greater Home Builders Association, in partnership with the Windsor-Essex Region Chamber of Commerce and the Windsor Essex County Real Estate Board thinks that the Windsor Essex region would be a great place for these people to retire. They have formed the Windsor-Essex Active Retirement Community Initiative, an organization devoted to promoting our region to retirees all over Canada. Known as "the 100 mile peninsula" our region, along with its 100 miles of shoreline, has many amenities attractive to retirees. Our moderate climate, conservation areas and Carolinian forests offer many outdoor opportunities not found in other parts of Canada. As well, our affordable housing prices are attractive to families moving from larger cities. Attracting retirees to this region will create jobs and tax revenue. Mike gave the example of the revitalization of Elliot Lake as a success story. In 1990 12% of the local population was over 50 and the vacancy rate was 33%. Today, because of a similar initiative, 57% of Elliot Lake's population is over 50 and the vacancy rate is only 2%. More information is available at www.retirehere.ca.

LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Pres. Romeo reported that Bev Lounsbury is in isolation at Hotel Dieu-Grace Hospital and is not up to any visitors. Cards and good wishes are much appreciated. Contact Brenda for details.
2. Pres. Romeo and P.E. Bill recently attended the District mid-year meeting in Amherstburg.
3. Rotary Club of LaSalle-Centennial will be holding their 2nd Annual Crystal Drop Gala on January 24th. Check the District website for details.
4. On April 17th, the PolioPlus Eradication Fundraiser & Auction will be held at Crystal Gardens in Southgate, MI. Tickets are \$35/each person. D.G. Bruce and First Lady Sue Goldsen are the hosts for the evening.
5. Pres. Romeo reminded the members of the upcoming District Conference, April 30-May 3, on Mackinac Island.
6. Pres. Romeo represented the club at two local events recently. He and wife attended the Civic Service at St. Marks Church where our very own PP Peter Hrastovec was the guest speaker. He and his wife also attended the Mayor's Reception at Willstead Manor where our club was recognized for its continuing contribution to the restoration of this historic local treasure.
7. Two Rotarians, from Luxemburg, visiting the Detroit Auto Show, stopped in to present our club with a banner from their home club. Pres. Romeo presented our banner, to them, with greetings from our club.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Monday, January 26, 2009

"Your Quick Getaway -
The Revitalization of Windsor Airport"
Speaker: Federica Nazzani,
General Manager, Windsor Airport

CLUB CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday

- ✓ Godfrey Bachevie
- ✓ Bev Cyr
- ✓ Hasu Naik

Happy Club Anniversary

- ✓ Don Marsh (13 yrs)
- ✓ Joe Passa (15 yrs)

CONGRATULATIONS

Last week's raffle was \$92.00
Winner: Exchange Student, Laura Becker

ROVING ROTARIANS

Pat Valleau - On-Line Make-Up (1)
Shanti Rao - On-Line Make-Up (1)
Bogi Vukojev - On-Line Make-Up (1)

On Next Schedule, January 26, 2009

Reporter: David Hillis
Registrar: Rob Maich
Front Door Greeter: Elaine Whitmore
Parent Ave. Greeter: Walter Willms
50/50 Raffle Seller:

MEETINGS

If you would like a committee meeting posted in the Wheel,
please notify the Rotary Office (253-6382), or email at: info@rotary1918.com

This Week's Meetings

Youth Services Committee on Monday, January 19, 2009 a 1:30pm @ the Caboto Club

Upcoming Meetings

Directors of the Foundation Fund on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 4:00pm in David Boyd's office

Website Committee meets the second Thursday of each month at 8:00am @ Cadillac Motel, 2498 Dougall Avenue

BINGO

Next Bingos: Friday, January 30, Monday, February 23, Tuesday, March 10,
Friday, March 20, Wednesday, April 29, Tuesday, May 12, Saturday, May 30th and Wednesday, June 24th.

Volunteers are needed: 10:00pm to 2:30am on Monday, February 23rd
8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am and 10:00pm to 2:30am on Tuesday, March 10th
2:00pm to 10:30pm and 2:00pm to 8:30pm on Friday, March 20th
8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am on Wednesday, April 29th
8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am and 10:00pm to 2:30am on Tuesday, May 12th
8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am and 10:00pm to 2:30am on Saturday, May 30th
2:00pm to 10:30pm, 2:00pm to 8:30pm and 4:00pm to 10:30pm on Wednesday, June 20th.

Please contact Walter Willms at 519- 739-0124 or walter.willms@sympatico.ca to volunteer

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR ROSTER
and
WELCOME NEW MEMBER:

Catherine Bornais
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Classification: Financial Management, Consulting
Company: Sun Life Financial
Sponsor: Walter Willms

Bill McRae will be presenting a Memorial Tribute
to long time member, and Past President of our Club from 1979-1980, Dr. John H. Maus,
on Monday, January 19th.

