



THE WHEEL

2008-2009

What is Rotary?

Rotary is an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide dedicated to providing humanitarian service, encouraging high ethical standards in all vocations, and helping build good will and peace in the world.

Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the idea of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his or her occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- The application of the idea of service by every Rotarian to his or her personal, business and community life;
- The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The 4-Way Test

Of things we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair for all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Today's Meeting

March 16, 2009



THIS IS YOUR LIFE
Sandra Francis
and
David Holiday



Our Local Projects

OUR PAST PROJECTS INCLUDE:
Assisting the Original Grace Hospital by purchasing a home on Crawford Avenue
Constructing a Therapy Pool in the Red Cross Building formerly on Ouellette Avenue

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Program March 9, 2009

**Speaker—Mr. David Morley
Save the Children Canada**

Bill McRae introduced our guest speaker, David Morley, the President and Chief Executive Officer for Save The Children Canada.

David's experience began with volunteer work with homeless children in Central America in the 1970's. Since then he has worked extensively with humanitarian and community development projects. He was the executive director for the Canadian section of Doctors without Borders (1998-2005) and was able to *triple* the number of volunteers sent overseas. In addition to his many other contributions, David has co-authored the best-seller "Under the Tree", and written the award winning "Healing Our World: Inside Doctors Without Borders".

Currently, as the President of the Canadian Save the Children Foundation – He supports and aids in facilitating the mission of protecting children's basic rights. David explained that the first Save the Children's organization was founded in London, England in 1919 by **Eglantyne Jebb**. Following WWI Eglantyne printed pamphlets revealing the starving state of the children in Germany and Austria. This was to be the first efforts that began the now international organization aimed at improving children's lives worldwide regardless of any political barriers.

Today the foundation raises money to help children by aiding and educating local communities in 120 countries. Their goal is to 'Re-write the Future' and to save 6 million lives a year. David ended his presentation with the resounding Winston Churchill quote: "Never give up – never, never give up".

Reporter—Lisa Macari

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Romeo welcomed Evelyn Slobasky back to the meeting. He then reported that Walter Hadden was feeling better and is expected to return to the meetings shortly. There were no known updates regarding Bev Lounsbury and John McGivney. It was mentioned that Brenda Cohen is still recuperating at home. Cards are well received by all of our ill members; however, visits are not encouraged at this time.

President Romeo welcomed Colleen Menard, who has been hired to help during Brenda's absence. Walter Willms noted that although her hours have not yet been finalized, they are going to be flexible,

Peter Hrastovec reminded us of the Rotary Night at the Theatre on March 10, 2009 – 'Affections of May'. He reported that 45 tickets were sold and that everyone has been invited back to Shari Cunningham's home for coffee and dessert following the event.

President Romeo mentioned the upcoming St. Patrick's Day Golf Event. Bill McArthur directed a "thank you" toward Joseph Passa for procuring several passes. He mentioned that there is now a waiting list for tickets for this event.

Keith McNab provided us with a new banner display. The beautiful new Cottam Rotary banner displayed a photo of the park on it.

Karen Mingay presented a project concept that she has designed to educate people about Polio. She displayed an innovative and reusable game that may be purchased by organizations as well as schools that may be utilized to create public awareness of Polio and as fundraising tool.

MEETINGS

If you would like a committee meeting posted in the Wheel please notify Lex McCrindle (519-735-2422), or email at: lex@mccsteel.com

This Week's Meetings

None

Upcoming Meetings

Youth Services Committee on Monday Mar 23 at 1:30PM at the Caboto

Speakers Committee on Tuesday Mar 24 at noon, Windsor Club

Foundation Fund Directors on Tuesday Mar 24 at 4:00PM in David Boyd's office

***** **BINGO** *****

Next Bingos:

Friday, March 20, Wednesday, April 29, Tuesday, May 12, Saturday, May 30th
Wednesday, June 24th. Tuesday July 7

Volunteers Needed:

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, and 4:00pm to 10:30pm on Wednesday, June 24th

8:00pm to 2:30am; 8:00pm to 12:30am; 10:00pm to 2:30am on Tuesday, July 7th

**To VOLUNTEER, please contact Walter Willms at 519-739-0124 or
walter.willms@sympatico.ca**

Many thanks to Anil Chitte, Sheila Gordon, Don Spafford, Bogi Vukojev and Walter Willms for working the late night Bingo on Tuesday March 10.

Your efforts to support Rotary's work are truly appreciated.

When thanking the speaker, Don Snyder reported that his son-in-law is part of a fund raising effort on behalf of Save the Children Canada as he climbs Manchu Pichu in Peru.

For those Rotarian wishing to support this climb, Bill McRae will see that donations go to the right place and tax receipts will be provided.

On Next Schedule, March 23, 2009

Reporter: **Joe Passa**

Registrar: **Pat Valleau**

Front Door Greeter: **Matt Dunlop**

Parent Ave. Greeter: **Marcella Diaz**

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GRATITUDE and APPRECIATION for OFFICE SUPPORT
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- Don Arpin who continues weekly to fold THE WHEEL and to stuff envelopes. (Far fewer now!)
- Gary Wintermute who continues weekly to make bank deposits.
- Lex McCrindle who has taken over as Editor of THE WHEEL. (Please forward info directly to him, lex@mccsteel.com)
- Cindy Fuerth, Chairman of the Adult Assistance Committee, and Randi Glos, Chairman of the Children's Assistance, who are attending to the detail that invariably comes to the office.
- Phil Cohen who is helping the office with Art in the Park details.
- Janet Kelly who is coordinating a Multi-Club meeting scheduled for April 13th featuring GSE (Group Study Exchange) Teams.
- Ken Wheeldon who assists with the courier service to and from the Caboto each Monday.
- Peter Hrastovec, Bill MacArthur, Karen Mingay and the Rotaract Club (Alex & Cynthia Kais and Ken Sherman) who are coordinating fundraisers without having the office attend to the detail.
- Mary Champ and Jean Douglas Willms each of whom recently spent a half day in the office answering the phone, retrieving phone messages and following up on such.
- And all others who in some way are providing extra voluntary support during Brenda's absence.

All of the above make my Rotary voluntary contributions, on your behalf, in the office a distinct joy! THANK YOU!

Walter

CLUB CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthdays

Zora Sanson

Happy Club Anniversaries

Bogi Vukojev, 1 yr

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Monday, March 23rd

Speaker—Sheila Widsom, Executive Director
United Way, Windsor and Essex County

CONGRATULATIONS

Last week's raffle \$82.00

Winner - David Eady

ROVING ROTARIAN

Bob Fields - Bradenton, Fla (2)

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