



# 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 30, 2009**  
**Joe Passa, Architect**  
**"Green Building" : An Architect's Perspective**



## Our Local Projects

**OUR PAST PROJECTS INCLUDE:**  
**1994—Greening of Windsor's Waterfront with the planting of 1000 trees**  
**2003—Building the Children's Safety Village**

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**Program March 23, 2009**  
**Sheila Wisdom –Executive Director**  
**United Way, Windsor-Essex County**

Peter Hrastovec introduced our fellow Rotarian and guest speaker Sheila Wisdom. Peter spoke of Sheila's impressive background. Among her many accomplishments, Sheila was on the Windsor City Council, she is the former Director of the Windsor YMCA and later became a journalist with the *Windsor Star*. She received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree, was awarded the Queen's Jubilee Award 2002. Currently, Sheila is the Executive Director for the Windsor-Essex County United Way.

Sheila spoke of the crisis within our community. She noted that Windsor's high unemployment and bankruptcy rates have impact effects that reach far beyond those who have lost jobs. Financial crises have been linked with increased stress, anxiety, crime, and suicide. Sheila stressed the strong need for community cohesion. The role of United Way during this time of crisis is to bring together resources and people – with this collective strength the community can focus on the right priorities. She stated that it is not enough to do things right, but it is important to do the right things. In turn, the "Together We Dream" campaign aimed at recognizing the community priorities will be launched at the end of April. Lisa Macari, Reporter

**On Next Schedule, April 6, 2009**

Reporter: **David Holliday**  
Registrar and Greeters are to be  
Members of Karen Durocher's  
Family Matters Team

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

◆ President elect Bill MacArthur began the meeting by reporting that Walter Hadden was feeling better and is expected to return to the meetings shortly. Brenda Cohen has also been feeling better and even went for a few walks. She is anxious to do *anything* but stay at home. Bill indicated that we should keep sending cards and letters – they have been well received.

◆ Kay Curtis read a thank you letter sent from the 'Kenya Project' school she recently visited. She also provided information about the upcoming "3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Kenya Tea Party" scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Tickets are \$45.00 with proceeds going towards the Kenya School Renovation Project.

◆ Bill MacArthur spoke of the potential participation of the local Rotary Clubs including Windsor 1918 in the Children's Special Olympics event.

◆ Maureen Lucas indicated that the empty Easter Baskets ready for us to pick and fill for Children's First, will be available next week.

**CLUB CELEBRATIONS**

**Happy Birthdays**

Don Arpin  
Bill Howitt  
Walter Willms

**Happy Club Anniversaries**

Ranjana Bird (1 yr)

## 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](mailto:lex@mccsteel.com)

### This Week's Meetings

None

### Upcoming Meetings

**Website Committee** meets second Thursday of each month at 8:00AM, Cadillac Motel

2498 Dougall Ave.

\*\*\*\*\* **BINGO** \*\*\*\*\*

### Next Bingos:

Wednesday, April 29, Tuesday, May 12, Saturday, May 30th Wednesday, June 24th

Tuesday July 7th Thursday July 16th

### Volunteers Needed:

8:00pm to 2:30am and 8:00pm to 12:30am on Tues, May 12th

8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am and 10:00pm to 2:30am on Sat, May 30th

2:00pm to 10:30pm, and 4:00pm to 10:30pm on Wed, June 24th

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

8:00pm to 2:30am, 8:00pm to 12:30am and 10:00pm to 2:30am on Thurs, July 16th

**To VOLUNTEER, please contact Walter Willms at 519-739-0124 or**

**[walter.willms@sympatico.ca](mailto:walter.willms@sympatico.ca)**

*The NET BINGO REVENUE for February—one date, two sessions—was \$991.50.*

*Thanks to all who made this possible.*

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Monday, April 6th

Speaker— Joe Siddall

"Baseball Experiences"

Monday, April 13th

Group Study Exchange

A Joint Club Meeting

## CONGRATULATIONS

Last week's raffle \$76.50

Winner—Rotary

Fred Sorrell donated to the

Windsor Foundation Fund

## ROVING ROTARIANS

Shanti Rao—On Line (1)

March is Literacy Month on the Rotary International calendar. In observance of this, I would call Members' attention to the March issue of "The Rotarian" which includes several articles and news items on how Rotary is addressing the problem of illiteracy. As the lead into one article states, " Got literacy? Millions of people don't, and their lives are profoundly diminished because of it.

David Eady, Literacy Chair



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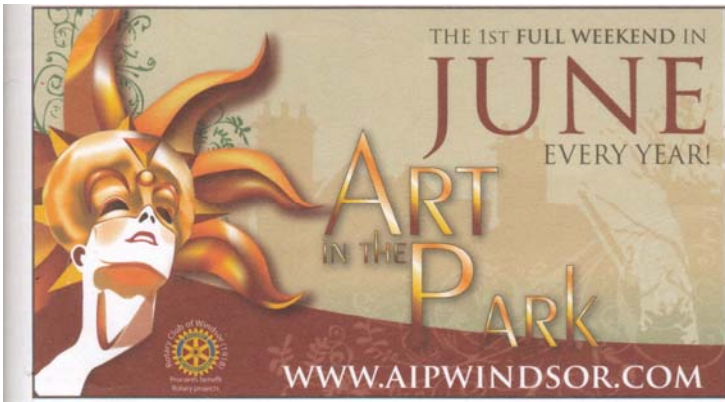
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**To All Club Members,**

On Saturday, Karen Durocher received information from Gayle Bruce, Bev's daughter, that Bev, our dear Past President and Life Member, had passed away. At Bev's request, he is being cremated. There will no visitation in a funeral home. A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

On behalf of President Romeo, I have extended the Club's sincere condolences to Gayle. She asked that I extend Bev and her appreciation to all Club members for the many cards and greetings that have been forwarded to Bev. Gail said that toward the end he was no longer able to open the envelopes; she did open each one and read the well-wishes to Bev. He was very grateful having received each one!

Sympathy cards may be sent to the Family of Bev Lounsbury, 9730 Menard, Windsor, ON, N8P 1G6.

We will/I will miss Bev.

Walter



**FEBRUARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR IN-HOUSE FUNDRAISING**

In February 30 members contributed \$1770 via the monthly PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) program to the Rotary Club of Windsor Foundation Fund, designated as follows:

\$220 for Children's Safety Village (11 members)

\$527 for Paul Harris recognitions (20 members)

\$1023 for John McGivney Children's Centre and Maryvale (26 members)

One member, not on PAR, contributed \$750 for John McGivney Children's Centre and Maryvale; six members, not on PAR, contributed \$1048 for Paul Harris recognitions.

**CAN YOU / WILL YOU JOIN THESE 37 MEMBERS IN MAKING 2008-2009 IN-HOUSE CONTRIBUTIONS?**



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