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The first Rotary Luncheon Meeting of the Rotary Club of Hamilton at the rejuvenated and spectacular premises of the Art Gallery of Hamilton will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2005. The Gallery is located at 123 King St. West in Hamilton.

As you know this is now the permanent location of the Rotary Luncheon Meetings and the Rotary Office.

Underground parking is available from the King St. & Summer's Lane entrance as well as the King St. entrance immediately past the Art Gallery. Please note that there is elevator access available from the underground parking to the Gallery level. Rotarians Geoffrey Stephenson and Peter Rice will meet you at the Gallery level and will direct you to the Rotary Luncheon in the Pavilion.

If you are walking to the Gallery, please use the main entrance on King St. and take the staircase or the elevator to the Gallery level.

For those of you that arrive around 11:00 a.m., please feel free to browse at the AGH gift shop or have a specialty coffee at the 1010 Cafe. Both are located at the Gallery level. If you are wanting to see the exhibitions, please make arrangements at the AGH reception desk for a time after the Rotary Luncheon or for another day as the exhibitions open at 11:30 a.m.

Please remember that the Rotary Luncheon begins at 12 noon in the Pavilion, Gallery level.

Rotary Luncheon Meeting Program:

Sorry to inform you that the original scheduled speaker, Dr. Atkinson, had another commitment out of town and is unable to speak at our meeting. However, Rotarian Helen Pelton from the Program Committee has secured as this week's speaker, Professor Brian McCarry, the Chairman of the Chemistry Department at McMaster University. Thanks Helen.

FUNDRAISING EVENT:

The Rotary Club of Hamilton's ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Place: Dundas Valley Golf & Curling Club

Time: 11:30 a.m. Registration & Light Lunch

1:00 p.m. Tee Off (shotgun start)

6:00 p.m. Cocktail & Fellowship Hour

7:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner

Cost: \$175 per person

If you are interested in coming just for dinner, please inform the committee chair, Pearl Wolfe.

Dinner only is \$40 per person. Brochures will be available at the Rotary Luncheon.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING AT THE ART GALLERY OF HAMILTON!

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW HOME

It seems so long ago now when we got the news that the Royal Connaught Hotel was closing and we would have to find a new place to meet for lunch on Thursdays. Shortly thereafter, the decision was made to move to the newly renovated Art Gallery of Hamilton once construction was completed. Today we hold our first meeting in our new home and what a wonderful chance to reinvigorate our Club and rededicate ourselves to Rotary, in this its Centennial year. We are now meeting in a brand new state of the art facility (pardon the pun) which will enhance the presentations made by our speakers and allow us to attract more new members. There are also many of our colleagues who are curious about what the AGH has done, why not bring them to lunch as a guest and let them learn about Rotary while they enjoy our unique surroundings.

There will, of course, be some bugs to work out as there are any time you move and we appreciate your patience while we deal with them. The caterer has changed their mind and decided that a buffet is the way to go. They will be trying to vary our menu so if you have any suggestions please feel free to let us know what you think and we will pass it on to them. They are also fully prepared to deal with any food allergies or dietary restrictions as long as we let them know in advance. We are waiting for the City of Hamilton to confirm parking arrangements and will let you know once this is done.

We are very grateful to Oscar Kichi and his great staff at the Ramada for accommodating us during this transition period and also to the management and staff at Liuna Station who helped us out when Oscar could not.

Let us embark upon Rotary's New Century of Success as we recommit to Service Above Self for the next century, here in Hamilton. Members of our Rotary Club have had a profound effect upon our community in the past and now it is our turn to continue that tradition, from our new home.

President Paul

Polio Plus

Letter received by John Clinton

Do you know what is involved in the Polio immunization campaign in India ?

Here are some facts.....

- 1) 640,000 vaccination booths.
- 2) 2.3 million vaccinators.
- 3) 1.1 million vaccination teams.
- 4) 137,000 supervisors, with 137,000 vehicles (cars, motorcycles, mopeds, bicycles, boats, elephants, camels or whatever it takes).
- 5) 200 million doses of Polio Vaccine, carried around the country in 2 million vaccine carrier bags.
- 6) 6.3 million Ice packs to keep all those doses of Polio Vaccine in the 2 million vaccine carrier bags cold.
- 7) 191 million homes visited.
- 8) 170 million children immunized in just one day. (

Source :- The Rotary News India)

If you want to take part with your friends please do write to me.

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PREECE BBQ

We are pleased to announce that, due to the generosity of Norm and Rita Preece, we are able to continue our annual Rotary summer BBQ for inner city kids.

For the past few years this event was for children from the former Robert Land School. This year 25 children from Bennetto School will attend the Preece home in Grimsby for a wonderful day of games, hiking on the Escarpment, and good food.

We invite Rotarians to attend as helpers. There's not a lot of helping to do, but it's a great day to show the kids we care, take a turn on the barbie and pass out a few dogs. The children will be supervised by their teacher and activity staff from the YMCA, thanks to Rotarian Jim Commerford. Peter Rice will be on hand to give a guided walk along a short section of the Bruce Trail.

The date is Wednesday June 15th. The bus will leave Bennetto School at 10:30 and return by 2:45. Take a free ride on the bus or contact John Clinton for directions.

Rotary Club of Hamilton Website www.rotaryclubhamilton.ca

Our website is located at www.rotaryclubhamilton.ca. We now have back issues of The Ambassador archived on the web site, which you can download by clicking on the links.

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Golf Tournament

Last chance to get your registration in to play at the beautiful Dundas Golf and Curling Club for our charity golf tournament next Tuesday, June 7. This is always a terrific tournament. Contact Pearl Wolfe or any member of the committee to sign up your foursome. Don't forget, if you can't golf, you can still attend cocktails (6 p.m.) and dinner (7 p.m.) The cost for dinner is \$40.

Ambassador Printing

Are you a Rotary Club member who signed up to receive printed copies of the Ambassador? Did you pick up your copy from the file folder at the Attendance desk? If not, please go pick up the Ambassadors waiting for you in the folder with your name on it. These will be mailed to you, and you can save the Club mailing costs if you pick them up at every meeting.

If you received the Ambassador by email, and can either read it on screen, or print a copy for yourself, and have signed up for a printed copy, please let us know that you don't need our volunteer printers to provide a copy for you.

HELP NEEDED: We have a team of volunteers who print the Ambassador for you each week. If you are able to join this team, and print approximately 50 copies to bring to the meeting each week, for a couple of months each year, please let me know. Thanks to Bob Leek, Paul Gibel, Ed Giancola, and Irene Hubar who have been printing for the past year.


Janet McNaught



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Rotary Calendar of Events.

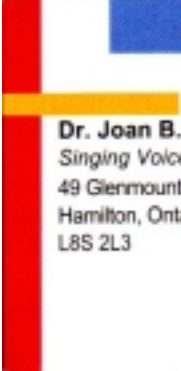
- 9-Jun Dr. Mark Loeb: "Emerging Infectious Diseases"
- 16-Jun John Fisher: Ontario's Garbage Crisis
- 23-Jun Swan Song - Paul Gibel
- 30-Jun Meeting cancelled due to Garden Party
- June 7 Golf Tournament

Official Greeters For 2005

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| March - Bill Filer | August - Cuppy Katz |
| April - Tom Gallagher | September - Alan McPherson |
| May - Doug Wright | October - Ginny Mattuzzi |
| June - Mike Oriander | November - Marie Robbins |
| July - Bruno Bragoli | December - David Simpson |

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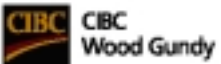
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