

# The Rotary Club of Hamilton

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# THE AMBASSADOR

March 2014

## PEOPLE YOU MAY KNOW



**David Buckley**  
Rotarian



**Marvin Caplan**  
Rotarian



**Guido Di Cesare**  
Rotarian

## Top Ten Reasons to buy tickets for Spring Uncorked

1. You missed Valentine's Day and you forgot to buy flowers – make it up to your sweetie with the gift of an awesome evening out.
2. Funds raised at the event support the projects of the Rotary Club of Hamilton, like Summer Literacy Camp, Supporting medical care in Mali and the WAVE afterschool program at Cathy Wever school.
3. All of your friends will be there, and if you don't go - you will miss out on all the fun.
4. You've always wanted to learn how to appreciate the taste of wine - and now you can - by sitting in on a quick demonstration with a local sommelier.
5. You have been thinking of trying the food at The Earth to Table Bread Bar, so now you can have a little taste of their menu and little taste from many other great restaurants too
6. If you buy your tickets today you will stop getting those annoying weekly email reminders
7. If you buy your tickets before March 31st you will save some money - so much money, you will want to bring an extra friend
8. Paul Gordon will be serving beer
9. If Paul Gordon drinks enough beer, we might get him to dance again. (Just kidding, Paul actually loves to dance!)
10. See #6 and just buy your ticket(s) today.

### The Rotary Club of Hamilton Board of Directors 2013/14

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## SPRING UNCORKED

April 29th - 6:30 p.m. at Royal Botanical Gardens

Tickets on sale now - \$100 per person (before March 31st)

Check out [www.springuncorked.com](http://www.springuncorked.com)

Why not BUY TWO, SELL TWO -



## The McMaster RotarAct Club is holding their annual fundraising Gala

March 28, 2014 at McMaster University

Tickets are \$60 per person

A great dinner, silent auction and speaker. The RotarAct Club does a great job of planning and hosting this event.

Tickets can be reserved by contacting the President Emily Sandham at 519-495-3530 or email

[sandhaec@mcmaster.ca](mailto:sandhaec@mcmaster.ca)

A poster for the City Kidz Charity Gala. It features a world map background, a globe with hands, and the RotarAct Club logo. The text includes the event name, location, date, dress code, and ticket prices.

*Hamilton - McMaster Rotaract presents*

# CITY KIDZ Charity Gala!

**Where:** McMaster Faculty Club  
**When:** 28th March 2014 (Doors Open at 6PM)  
**Dress Code:** Formal  
**Ticket Price:** \$60  
**Student Price:** \$40

ALL PROCEEDS ARE DONATED TO CITY KIDZ, Hamilton  
Aiming to increase resiliency and inspire big dreams for Canadian children living in low-income communities

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The Wever CORE  
*Cordially Invites You to Our*

## Wave After School Program Open House

Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**The WAVE After School Program operates out of the**

**Norman Pinky Lewis Recreation Centre  
160 Wentworth St N (Between Barton & Cannon)**

This free after school program reached more than 500 local children each week.  
Come experience the WAVE After School Program in Action!

The program operates daily 2:30-5pm with programs such as dance, crafts, sports and recreation, computer lab, homework help and literacy assistance. The program is absolutely free!

**Thank you to our partners:**

United Way, RBC After School Grant, Rotary Club of Hamilton,  
And Taste Buds.

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The Rotary Club of Hamilton is pleased to sponsor the Hamilton All Star Jazz Band. Not only will you see these young professionals at Spring Uncorked, The annual Garden Party and our fall Golf Tournament, but you can also enjoy their sounds at one of their concerts:

## **Music & Youth Building a Better Community**

### **30th ANNIVERSARY CONCERT**

featuring  
Hamilton All Star Jazz Band & Friends  
Rising Stars Jazz Band  
Junior All Star Jazz Band  
Saturday May 10, 2014 - 7.30 PM  
Doors open 7.00 PM  
\$25.00 General Admission; \$20.00 for Seniors & Students  
Redeemer University, 777 Garner Road East, Ancaster

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### **PLAIDIATORS**

performing at  
The 1st Annual Ancaster ArtsFest  
A Sketch Comedy / Improv night featuring a young and hilarious sketch comedy team of crazy people.  
Thursday May 29, 2014 - 8.00 PM  
Doors open 7.00 PM  
Ticket Price \$25.00  
Old Firehall Arts Centre  
334 Wilson Street East, Ancaster

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### **MOTOWN CAN NEVER SAY GOODBYE**

performing at  
The 1st Annual Ancaster ArtsFest  
An Open Air Concert in the Park - under the "Big Top"  
May 30, 2014  
Doors Open 6.00 PM  
Entertainment by Junior Jazz Band & Rising Stars Jazz Band 6.30 PM  
Motown Can Never Say Goodbye enter the stage at 8.00 PM  
Ticket Price \$25.00  
Fieldcote Memorial Park & Museum  
64 Sulphur Springs Road, Ancaster  
Barbecue and Cash Bar Will Be Available

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## **JACK DEKYZER**

performing at

The 1st Annual Ancaster ArtsFest

Open Air Concert in the Park - under the "Big Top"

Saturday May 31, 2014

Dinner & Premium Seating (Tables of 8 & Cash Bar)

Doors Open 5.30 PM

Dinner Served at 6.00 PM with Background music by the Hamilton All Star Jazz Band Combo

Entertainment by Hamilton All Star Jazz Band at 7.00 PM

Jack DeKyzer enters the stage at 8.00 PM

Ticket Price \$60.00

Fieldcote Memorial Park & Museum

64 Sulphur Springs Road, Ancaster

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## **JACK DEKYZER**

General Admission Seating

Open Air Concert in the Park - under the "Big Top"

Saturday May 31, 2014

Doors Open 6.30 PM

Entertainment by Hamilton All Star Jazz Band at 7.00 PM

Jack DeKyzer enters the stage at 8.00 PM

Ticket Price \$25.00

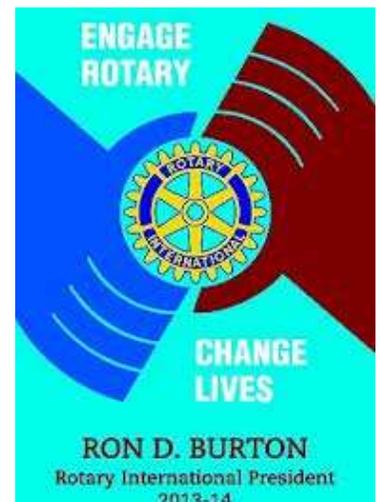
Fieldcote Memorial Park & Museum

64 Sulphur Springs Road, Ancaster

Cash Bar will be available

## **Rotary Calendar**

We are trying to wrap up our calendar fundraiser and need your help. All money for calendars out on loan needs to be turned into Ginny ASAP. If you have calendars and cannot sell them please return them to Ginny. We would like to get a final tally on the money raised for the Sunshine Fund.



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## 2013-2014 Board of Directors' Meetings

Dodsworth and Brown, Robinson Chapel  
15 West Avenue North, Hamilton  
ON L8L 5B9

Second Monday of the month  
at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Monday, November 11, 2013

Monday, December 9, 2013

Monday, January 13, 2014

Monday, February 10, 2014

Monday, March 10, 2014

Monday, April 14, 2014

Monday, May 12, 2014

Monday, June 9, 2014



Rotary celebrated the 2014 Olympics at a lunch meeting in February. No danger of any gold medals being awarded to this group....

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## Rotary Years of Service Recognition Moments



Sandra Stephenson presenting Richard Allen with his 10 year recognition award

Sandra Stephenson presenting Kevin Anstee his five year recognition award



Marcel Mongeon presenting Paul Gordon with his 10 year recognition award



Marcel Mongeon presenting Robert Beres with his 20 year recognition award



President Cutler presenting Marcel Mongeon with his 25 year recognition award

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## Report from Emily Gibel

I am so sorry for the big delay in the monthly report! I have been keeping busy, and have just forgotten about it.

I am doing really well! As you know, I switched host families at the beginning of January, and even though I am further from the city, I am enjoying it very much! My host family is very kind, supportive and really easy to talk to. I felt comfortable here right away!

School is still going well! I have started talking to more and more people and I am enjoying my time there. Even if it is school, I like it a lot. My friends at school are very nice and include me in a lot of things outside of school as well. My two friends are doing a project where they have to put on a musical, and I will be a tree!

I am still playing soccer, and I enjoy that too. I have a little bit of a problem with the coach but nothing I can't get past or anything that is too concerning, just the typical m- he gets on my nerves sometimes. Overall though, it is still a lot of fun seeing and playing with the girls on my team.

I did not do a lot in the month of January, but I did one really big thing. I went to Amsterdam with my uncle for the night! I know my dad talked to you about it, but of course I had to say how it turned out! I had such a great time. It was really nice, but also a little weird, to see my uncle. Amsterdam was beautiful and I feel like I got a lot done in just the two days. We went to the Anne Frank house, a windmill, the floating flower market, and took a canal cruise as well as some other things! I will send some pictures of it!

Overall January was pretty uneventful, except for Amsterdam, but that was ok with me. I am starting to develop a good life here, where I do not need to do something exciting every day for me to still be having a great time! I have to book my flight home soon, so I will keep you updated on that.

Once again, I am sorry for the delay, and I hope everything is going well for you, and the club back home!

lyckönskningar/ Best Wishes, Emily



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## Fundraising Opportunities

| Name of Fundraiser     | Description   | Where Does the Money Go   | How to Donate   | Benefits of Donating   |
|------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Spring Uncorked</b> | Spring Uncorked is held yearly in the spring and is an opportunity to enjoy tastings from local restaurants and award-winning Ontario wineries.<br><br>Spring Uncorked is our major fundraiser. | Proceeds support literacy and leadership projects for at risk children in Hamilton and internationally. | Purchase tickets to attend the event.<br><br>Sponsorship opportunities.<br><br>Tickets for raffle draw. | A great event to attend for friends and colleagues.<br><br>Exposure to unique restaurants and wineries.<br><br>Chance to win wine cellar through raffle tickets. |
| <b>Sunshine Fund</b>   | The Sunshine Fund is the year-round charitable arm of the Rotary Club of Hamilton.  | To support local and international projects and initiatives.  | Weekly fines and happy dollars.<br><br>General donations to support projects and initiatives.           | Donations over \$10.00 are provided with a tax receipt.  |

## **Youth Exchange – Konsta Kivivuori**

Konsta is now starting the last few months of his exchange in Canada. A huge thank you to the many members who have helped to make Konsta 's year by taking him out to various events.

There are still a few places he would enjoy visiting such as Dundurn Castle, War Plane Heritage Museum, African Lion Safari , Toronto Zoo, Marineland, a ride on the Maid of the Mist. Some of these are seasonal but spring is on its way.

He is interested in all different kinds of events ie. the theatre, concerts, sport events, movies, museums, fishing, golfing. Even if there is something not on my list, Konsta is anxious to experience anything new and/or exciting.

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Ginny Mattuzzi  
Youth Exchange Officer

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## **Rotary Duties....We need your help!**

Many hands make little work! Part of being a Rotarian is serving our club. As a large Rotary Club we have a part-time administrator. However there are a number of duties or jobs that need to be done each week by Rotarians to make our Rotary Club operate efficiently. The Rotary Duty list is created and included in our weekly email message. Duties include introducing and thanking the speaker, grace, draw price, greeter, badge board, attendance & lunch tickets, guest and visitors and draw ticket sales.

Please look on the calendar to see when you are posted and for what duty. It is your responsibility to find a replacement if you are unable to attend or do that duty. Please do not ask our Club Administrator to find you a replacement, it is your responsibility. If you have a question about the role, please do not hesitate to ask the Club Secretary or the Srgt at Arms.

Over the past month, we have had a number of Rotarians not performing their duties and not finding a replacement. If you are away on vacation, busy at work or unable to attend a meeting, please take a few moments as ask a fellow Rotarian to cover or change dates/duties with you. It is unprofessional that we are unable to fill the duties to help run our Rotary Club and it is unfair to other Rotarians who fill in at the last moment.

If you do not find a replacement and a Rotarian needs to do your duty the Srgt. At Arms will post a \$20 fine to those who do not perform their Rotary Duty.

Together we can share the work and help our Rotary Club operate efficiently. Please check the Duty Roster in the weekly message for your name and plan on performing your duty at Rotary. Thanks for your service to Rotary and your consideration of fellow Rotarians.