

The Ambassador

November 2019

From the President

Thank you to all of you who came out to the World Polio Day event on Oct 23rd at City Hall to light up the City of Hamilton sign red and yellow! It was great to see so many other Clubs join us in our pursuit to eradicate polio.

November is Rotary Foundation Month and I encourage all of you to visit <u>www.rotary.org</u> website to find out more about the Foundation and the amazing work around the world the Foundation is doing. You may also donate directly from that website to the Foundation. If you are donating through that website, make sure you log in before you make the donation so your donation can be tracked under your profile and you get the credit for it.

As you all know November 11th is Remembrance Day and I hope each of you has the opportunity to participate in one of the many recognition events held throughout the City to honor those who fought and died so we may have the freedoms we have today. Freedom did not come easy and had a very high price and must never forget that!

We have a great programming schedule in November so please try to get out to as many meetings as you can as you won't want to miss out.

Our AGM will be held Thursday November 28th and we need to ensure we have quorum for that meeting (quorum is 1/3 of our membership). The AGM is great time to hear the highlights from the previous year and to see who the 2020-2021 Rotary Board will be. Please try to attend this meeting not only to ensure we have quorum but also because it is a great opportunity to hear all of the amazing things we are doing as a Club.

> YIR, Heather



Rotary Club of Hamilton Board of Directors 2019-2020

President – Heather Moroz President Elect – Mark Mindorff Vice President – Vacant Past President – Nancy Baker Secretary - David Elliot Communication Director -Alex Moroz Club Service Director-Christopher Cutler Community Service Director -Paul Gordon International Service -Leo Johnson Program Director -Marie Robbins Fundraising Director-Kevin Anstee Treasurer – Brad Spencer SGT-At-Arms – John Clinton Clement Feierabend – Ex-Officio







November Rotary Events

Mark your Calendars.....

November 7th – No Regular lunch Meeting

No regular lunch meeting. Why not take this opportunity to do a makeup and visit another Rotary Club for their meeting!

November 14th – Liberian Learning Centre

Our World Community Services Committee will be talking about our Rotary Global Grant Project – the Liberian Learning Centre.

November 21st – Vocational Visit at 5pm

Rotary @ Sunset - A vocational visit at the Hamilton Cemetery. We will have an opportunity to tour the historic Gate House and learn about the history of Hamilton and the Stories in the Stones. There is no lunch meeting as we will be meeting for food, fellowship and learn about our Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries at 5pm

November 28th – Rotary AGM

Our Annual General Meeting. We will be reviewing the outcomes from the 2018- 19 Rotary year and will be electing the Slate of Officers for the 2020-21 Rotary year.

November 11th – Remembrance Day



On Remembrance Day we pay tribute to the brave men and women, both past and present who have served our country.







Rotary Meetings

Regular attendance is one of the requirements of Club membership.

Rotary emphasizes attendance because it recognizes that to remain an effective Rotarian, a member must experience the good fellowship of weekly meetings and be involved in the Club's progress and projects.

We encourage Rotarians to attend the weekly Rotary Meetings.

The Business Lunch is Back!

Fun, Fellowship, Lunch and a great speaker and networking opportunities. Mark your calendar now for the next Rotary Meeting!

Join Leaders Exchange Ideas Take Action In Our Community

October Meetings - Look What You Missed!

We missed you at the weekly Rotary Meeting. Our weekly meetings are an opportunity to learn and enjoy the fellowship of Rotarians. We have great speakers, great Rotarians and great food. We hope that every member will make an effort to attend our weekly Rotary Meetings. There is so much information about the great work that Rotary does shared at our meetings, so stay informed and updated and enjoy lunch with friends! Here is what you missed at our October meetings....



Rotarian Alan Livingston shared pictures and stories from his resent trip to Israel. The presentation provided Rotarians an opportunity to view Israel through a different lens.



Past President Nancy Baker received her themed banner from President Heather. The theme for the 2018-19 was Be the Inspiration. Past President Nancy and her Board did an outstanding



Rotarian Andrew Jubenville is an accountant with over 30 pairs of different and colourful socks. President Heather presented Andrew with the Official Rotary themed socks -Rotary Connect the World.



Thanks to Rotarian Christopher Cutler we had the Hamilton Sign lit in the colours of Polio (Red & White) on the eve of World Polio Day. We invited Club Members and Rotarians from other Hamilton Rotary Clubs to attend and be part of the photo in front of the Hamilton Sign.

Happy November Birthday!



Nov 9 - Paul Van Reizen Nov 14- John Clinton Nov 18- Christopher Cutler Nov 18 - James Thomson Nov 20- Jay Parmar Happy Birthday!!!! Anniversary - Paul Takala



BINGO.....

Our Rotary Club has the opportunity to raise funds by operating the BINGO at Princess Bingo on the Mountain. It is an easy opportunity for volunteers. We have two dates every 8 weeks. We need 2-3 volunteers for each shift (5-7pm and 7-9pm). It is a great opportunity to help our Rotary Club and have some fellowship!

A huge "Thank you" to the following folks who helped out with the last two Bingo events:

October 9 Bingo - David Elliot, Joan Heels, Mark Mindorff and Peter Murray (each for a couple of hours) (for the entire session),

Peter Murray and Jay Parmar (each for a couple of hours)

Please contact Rotarian Clement Feierabend at Clement@cfca.ca

What next....

We have a exciting line up of October events & meetings. Check out all the details on our website <u>www.rotaryclubhamilton.ca</u>

Nov 14th – Liberian Learning Centre Update withLeo Johnson & Paul Takala

Nov 21st – Vocational Visit at the Hamilton Cemetery including a tour of the gate house & Stories in the Stones No lunch meeting Nov 28th - Annual General Meeting

A few other dates – Members welcome to join; **Rotary Board Meeting** – November 11^h at 5pm at Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home – Robinson Chapel **Inner City & Youth Initiatives Committee (ICYIC Meeting)** Nov 14th at 8am - Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home

2019-2020 Board Meetings All meetings start at 5:00 p.m. at Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home Robinson Chapel (15 West Ave N) Hamilton

Every Project Every Initiative Every Contribution Makes a Difference!

Monday, July 8, 2019 Monday, September 9, 2019 Monday, November 11, 2019 Monday, January 13, 2020 Monday, March 9, 2020 Monday, May 11, 2020 Monday, August 12, 2019 Tuesday, October 15, 2019 Monday, December 9, 2019 Monday, February 10, 2020 Tuesday, April 14, 2020 Monday June 8, 2020 (location TBD)



Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?

- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

It does **not** matter

if you are a Rotarian or not, you have benefitted from Rotary!

> Rotarians are making the world a safer, healthier, more peaceful and better place to be.

If you only knew what the **Rotary Club of Hamilton** has done, you would consider it your favourite charity.



In Flanders Fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now we lie In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow

Being a good Rotarian means:

attending meetings and events regularly

We understand that life, work and family can be hectic and that makes it difficult for members to attend the Club meeting every week. We would like to speak of the importance of regular attendance. When you were invited to join Rotary, it was because we felt you were the right person to represent your vocation. In addition, we assumed you were anxious to do something for the community. To do this, you need to know members whose efforts are directed in the same channels. It is reasonable to say that you cannot do a good job if you don't attend meetings.

Our Rotary Club has no meeting the first Thursday of the Month. At times we will host fellowship events or service projects on the first Thursday. The attempt is to reduce the financial impact of weekly lunch fees while be more flexible.

Each week, our Programming Director aims to invite a speaker that has a topic of interest. The lunch & learning opportunity aims to educate and inspire Rotarians on local and international topics and causes. In addition, we have a minimum catering costs of 18 people per week, we enjoy the meeting location and food, but cannot lose money.

Our Club President aims to inform Rotarians of the many projects and initiatives that our Club and Committees are involved in and doing while our Sergeant at Arms raises some funds for Rotary and has fun. Our weekly meetings are filled with information, fellowship and FUN!

Why all this insistence upon attendance you may ask? Because only through your active participation can your own interest be maintained and the Club benefit from your membership. To serve through Rotary, you must be with Rotary. When you miss a weekly meeting, you can do a make-up and visit another Rotary Club

You can do a make-up online at home in your pajamas simply by reading Rotary articles for 30 minutes and submitting a form that will automatically notify our club Secretary of your make up here: <u>http://</u> www.rotaryeclubone.org/how-to-makeup.htm

Or you can attend any other Rotary Club meeting (preferably not in your pajamas!). If you do this be sure to get a make-up form from the club Secretary and turn it in to our Club Secretary. Other Rotary Club meetings is a fun way to meet new people, make new business associates, hear new speakers and get ideas to bring back to our club to help improve it. I highly recommend that if you have never attended another club meeting, you do so right away. It's a very refreshing and eye-opening experience! Remember that Rotary Clubs meet around the world, what a great experience to visit another Rotary Club in another City, Province or Country!



Mark your calendars for Rotary Club of Hamilton's largest hands on service project. We will make magic happen for over 700 children on **Thursday December 12, 2019**

It will be a magical day filling tummies and putting the smiles on the faces of these children. We will need every Rotarians help to make this event a success.

How can you help.....

- Virtual Stockings and Sponsorship Opportunities go live on our website in late November. Encourage friends and family to support this magical day
- Volunteer to help feed the kids. On December 12h we need many volunteers, so we need every Rotarian to help out, bring a potential new member, friends, spouse and co-workers
- Wrapping of books and classroom gifts will take place December 11th at 5pm – we need a few volunteers to help with the wrapping & packing of the gifts
- Help us get the message out it takes every member to help spread the word about this magical event for over 700 inner city children!





Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries

A special Rotary Vocational Visit & Tour

Thursday November 21, 2019 5pm - 6:30pm

> Hamilton Cemetery, 777 York Blvd. Hamilton

Discover the Historical Cemetery & Gatehouse

- Historical walking tour Stories in the Stones starts at 5pm - dress for the weather
- •Tour of the historical Gatehouse & Cemetery Vault dating back to 1860's
- Learn about Cemetery Services Ask questions and learn
- Enjoy light refreshments & tapas

Rotary Club of Hamilton Vocational Visit

Please RSVP to Alex alex.moroz@hamilton.ca



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