



# Rotary *Matters*

Volume 6, December 2008

## Annual Rotary Christmas Party

Friday, December 19, 2008

Eco Centre

6:00 pm ~ Games & Curling    7:30 ~ Dinner

The annual Christmas party provides us with another chance to enjoy some fellowship with members and friends of the two Rotary Clubs in Miramichi. A festive meal along with a round or two of curling is planned for Friday, December 19th beginning at 6:00 pm at the Eco Centre. And this year some fun games have been organized for those who don't want to brave the cold.

All games have a \$1 entry fee and the pot will be split between the winner and charity.

Rob Stewart will oversee a **Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament**.

- We can take as many players that want to play (once we start the game we cannot add any more players - tournament style)
- The money collected will go 50% to the Food Bank, and the remaining 50% will be split 70% to the winner, and 30% to 2nd place (i.e. if 20 players; \$20.00; \$10.00 to Food Bank; \$7.00 to the winner; \$3.00 to 2nd place).
- We will have a quick lesson before we start for those who are new to the game.

### **45's**

Donnalu Derry will be running games of 45's at the Christmas party. She has a complete list of rules, that she will print up. We hope to have some fun, and the serious contenders can go head to head. We will run four to a table, or we can play call your partner, sitting five to a table. It'll be fun! Start Practicing.

### **Chicken Foot**

Linda Hudson will lead the game of Chicken Foot or Chicken Dominoes. More info is available online at Wikipedia for those who want to get a head start.

### **Scrabble**

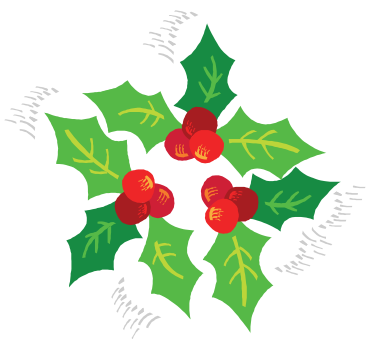
Test your word skills at Scrabble. Spell out the highest scoring words and win the title of Miramichi Rotarian Wordsmith.

A roast beef **dinner** will be served at 7:30 pm followed by homemade pies.

**Games** will continue after dinner so plan on a full evening of fun and fellowship.

**Cost** \$11 for members, \$15 for guests. Curling is \$10 extra per person. Note there will no Wednesday meeting.

**RSVP** to Melanie Daley on or before December 8th by email [MelanieDaley@RoyalLePage.ca](mailto:MelanieDaley@RoyalLePage.ca) or call 625-1400.



### President's Message

The best of the holidays to all Rotarians and their families. As you complete your social activities remember to wear your rotary pin and look for potential new members. Also please promote our pond hockey event.

~Pat Perry

### RI President's message: Focus on Families in December

December is Family Month. It is a time to focus on our families, to involve them in our Rotary service, and to challenge ourselves to do even more for those in need. Because there are so many families and so many children waiting for our help, we, as Rotarians, cannot look away. We cannot and will not rest until all children, everywhere, have the chance for a long and healthy life. We will not rest until we *Make Dreams Real* for every child in every home where there is hunger, sickness, and want. As Rotarians, we can do no less.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee  
President, Rotary International



### 2009 Miramichi Rotary Pond Hockey Tournament

February 6 - 8, 2009

Be a sponsor of the **Corporate Challenge** and get to play with a former **NHLer**. Contact Valerie or Colleen for details.

**Hometown:** Sussex, NB

**Favorite movie:** The Notebook and loved Mama Mia

**Favorite book:** I am reading Bill Clinton's bio after seeing him in Moncton, I have many favorites

**Favorite food:** Cheese

**First job:** My first job was on the dairy farm where I grew up but off the farm was my summer job on a standard bred farm outside of Sussex.

**Fondest memory:** The birth of my 2 children, the first one 10lbs. 15 ounces not so fond.

**Favorite season and why:** I like all seasons for their own unique reasons - winter - all the outdoor activities - skiing, spring for gardening, summer for beaches and the sun and fall for the great fall colors and crisp air.

**Person who has impacted you the most:** My grandmother who was a very strong and wise woman.

**Your "happy place":** On my parents farm, on any beach and walking in the forest (trails)

**Favorite vacation:** Anywhere hot and sunny. I went to Chile in January 2008 - favorite to date.

**Favorite quote:** To thine own self be true.

**Best rotary memory:** I really enjoy the camaraderie.

**Favorite weekend activity:** Drinking coffee and reading the paper on Saturday morning.

**What do you listen to in the car?** CBC

**Favorite TV program:** Rick Mercer Report

**Best gift you've ever given:** My chocolate lab Jake

**Tell us something about that would surprise us:** I was taking English riding lessons before I moved to Miramichi and hope to resume here in the spring.

