

Finding Aid : **GA 233**
Rotary Club of Kitchener fonds.

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Rotary Club of Kitchener fonds. - 1922-2009. - 23 cm of textual records and other materials plus oversize items.

Rotary International was begun by Paul Harris in Chicago on February 23, 1905. In 1912 the first Rotary Club was chartered in Canada, in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The Rotary Club of Kitchener was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Guelph in September 1922 as the Rotary Club of Kitchener and Waterloo. The first officers were: President- A.J. Cundick; Vice-President- T.A. Witzel; Secretary- H.M. Cook; Treasurer- P.V. Wilson; Sergeant at Arms- W.M.O. Lohead. Directors included C.A. Boehm, L.O. Breithaupt, P.E. Heeney, Jerome Lang and Oscar Rumpel. By the end of the first year the membership had grown to forty members. As of 2013 membership was sitting at 70 members.

The main project of the Rotary Club of Kitchener is the KidsAbility Centre, a Childrens Treatment Centre that serves children with a range of special needs. As well, the Rotary Club of Kitchener takes part in youth development programs, grants, a car draw fundraiser, a golf tournament, environmental protection projects, a children's Christmas party, the Rotary African Women's Education Fund, study exchange programs and more.

Since 1922 Rotary clubs have also been chartered in Kitchener-Grand River, Kitchener-Westmount, Waterloo, Kitchener-Conestoga, Cambridge North, Cambridge Sunrise, and Preston Hespler.

Contents: fonds consists of materials created and accumulated by the Rotary Club of Kitchener. Includes materials related to the operations of the club, projects, events, and the history and values of Rotary. Materials include ephemera, minutes, photographs, architectural plans, and artifacts. Also includes two items from the Rotary Club of Kitchener-Conestoga. Arranged in series as follows: Series 1. Ephemera; Series 2. Organizational and Administrative Files; Series 3. Weekly Bulletins; Series 4. Visual Materials and Artifacts

Title from content of the fonds.

Also includes: 2 photographs, 1 print, 3 landscape architectural drawings, 1 architectural drawing.

Extent is measured in linear metres of shelf space as occupied by the fonds.

Donated in 2013 by Barry McLeod, on behalf of the Rotary Club of Kitchener.

Series are arranged alphabetically, then chronologically.

Detailed finding aid available

Related records can be found in GA 134. Other archives may contain references to Rotary.

Series 1 : Ephemera

Ephemera. - 1965-2009. - 2 cm of textual records.

Contents: series consists of ephemera created and accumulated by the Rotary club of Kitchener. Includes programmess, invitations, clippings, a newsletter, and other items.

Series is arranged alphabetically, then chronologically.

File 1 **60th anniversary celebration.** - 1982.

Contents: file consists of materials created and accumulated during the planning and execution of the Rotary Club of Kitchener 60th anniversary celebration. Includes programmes, invitations, a news release, correspondence and a speech transcript.

File 2 **Clippings.** - 1992-1994.

Contents: file consists of three clippings relating to the Rotary Club of Kitchener. One is an obituary of a member, one is about a member who recieved an arts award, and one discusses a speaker at a Rotary event.

File 3 **Invitation to Gordon Thiessen talk.** - 1995.

Contents: file consists of one invitation from the Rotary Club of Kitchener to a talk given by Gordon Thiessen, Governor of the Bank of Canada.

File 4 **Programme : 100 years of Rotary celebration.** - 2005.

Contents: file consists of two programmes for the 100 years of Rotary celebration held by the Kitchener-Waterloo Rotary clubs April 9, 2005 at Bingemans Marshall Hall.

File 5 **Programme : an evening in honour of Jim and Heidi Balsillie.** - 2009.

Contents: file consists of one programme for a Rotary/Centre for International Governance Innovation "An Evening in Honour of Jim and Heidi Balsillie." The event was held Thursday, April 30, 2009.

- File 6 **Programme : Rotary International peace park dedication.** - 2006.
Contents: file consists of one programme from the dedication ceremony for the Rotary International Peace Park, June 6, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.
- File 7 **Programme : the official ground-breaking celebration for the new Rotary centre.** - 1994.
Contents: file consists of one programme for the official ground-breaking celebration for the new Rotary centre, April 15, 1994.
- File 8 **Rotary news.** - 1998.
Contents: file consists of one copy of the February 1998 Rotary News newsletter for district 7080. The Rotary Club of Kitchener is mentioned throughout.
- File 9 **Vince Scherer memorial golf tournament scorecard.** - 1997.
Contents: file consists of one scorecard for the 1997 Vince Scherer Memorial Golf Tournament. It also includes a note written on the back in 2006 regarding the history of the tournament.
- File 10 **Your passport to friendship.** - 1965.
Contents: file consists of one "passport to friendship" given out by Rotary International. The passport was intended to be taken by members of Rotary International to various clubs and to receive a stamp.

Series 2 : Organizational and Administrative Files

- Operational and administrative files.** - 1922-2007. - 8 cm of textual records.
Contents: series consists of materials created and accumulated by the Rotary Club of Kitchener during the course of the day to day operations, meeting and projects of the club. Includes minutes, financial and legal documents, information on projects, membership proposals, and other materials created for club members.
Series is arranged alphabetically, then chronologically.
- File 11 **Agreement between John Hofstetter and Rotary Clubs.** - 2005.
Contents: file consists of one agreement between John Hofstetter and the Corporation of the City of Waterloo and the five Rotary Clubs of Kitchener and Waterloo for John to design and build a sculpture for the Rotary International Peace Park.
- File 12 **Corporate car draw promotion.** - 1997.
Contents: file consists of one information package on the Rotary Club of Kitchener corporate car draw promotion. Includes information on the car draw itself and how to solicit corporate donors, as well as a sample letter and a list of potential corporations.
- File 13 **Introducing opportunity village.** - [ca. 1997].
Contents: file consists of one stapled information booklet on "Opportunity Village" a home for orphaned girls in Nepal, which is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Guelph Trillium.
- File 14 **Junior achievement.** - [ca. 1998].
Contents: file consists of information on various Junior Achievement programs.
- File 15 **Kitchener Rotary Club charitable foundation statement of revenue.** - 1997.
Contents: file consists of revenue and disbursement financial information for the Rotary Club of Kitchener for the year ended June 30, 1997.
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- File 16 **Manual.** - 1996-1997.
Contents: file consists of one manual for the Rotary Club of Kitchener for the 1996-1997 year.
- File 17 **Meeting notes.** - 1922-1923.
Contents: file consists of one bound volume of meeting minutes from 1922-1923, the first year that the Rotary Club of Kitchener was established. Some of the notes have been annotated by an unknown hand. Note that the club was originally the Rotary Club of Kitchener and Waterloo.
- File 18 **Membership proposals.** - 1998.
Contents: file consists of two membership proposal applications for new members to the Rotary Club of Kitchener.

- File 19 **Membership roster.** - [199-].
Contents: file consists of one membership roster for the Rotary Club of Kitchener.
- File 20 **North Waterloo children's centre board of education letter.** - 1996.
Contents: file consists of one letter sent out by the North Waterloo Children's Centre (which is funded by Rotary) regarding the change in section 68 schools.
- File 21 **Pre-induction manual : Rotary club of Kitchener.** - 2007.
Contents: file consists of two pre-induction manuals for the Rotary club Kitchener. The manuals give information on Rotary rules, projects and the history of Rotary.
- File 22 **Remembrance day events.** - 1994.
Contents: file consists of materials related to the 1994 Rotary Club of Kitchener remembrance day events. Includes a bulletin from the meeting, a memorandum and a remembrance from member Bernie Reid of being a child in WWII.
- File 23 **RIM park donation agreement.** - 2001.
Contents: file consists of one donation agreement between a consortium including the Rotary Club of Kitchener and The Corporation of the City of Waterloo in support of RIM Park.
- File 24 **Rotary Club of Kitchener 75th anniversary roaring 20's gala committee minutes.** - 1997.
Contents: file consists of meeting minutes from the April 18, 1997 committee meeting for the Rotary Club of Kitchener 75th anniversary roaring 20's gala. Also includes one programme from the event.
- File 25 **Rotary Club of Kitchener 1997-1998 year.** - 1997.
Contents: file consists of one stapled information booklet on the Rotary Club of Kitchener for the 1997-1998 year. Gives information on club rules, projects, and opportunities.
- File 26 **Rotary student civics project.** - 1998.
Contents: file consists of materials related to the Rotary Club of Kitchener student civics project.

Series 3 : Weekly Bulletins

- Weekly bulletins.** - 1976-1998. - 2 cm of textual records.
Contents: series consists of copies of the weekly bulletin for the Rotary Club of Kitchener. The weekly bulletin provides a summary of the events of the weekly meeting, as well as other member and Rotary news. One copy of the bulletin from the Kitchener-Conestoga club is also present.
Series is arranged chronologically.
- File 27 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1976.
Contents: file consists of one copy of the Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletin from August 23, 1976.
- File 28 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1991.
Contents: file consists of one copy of "The Bulletin", the Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly newsletter from January 21.
- File 29 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1992.
Contents: file consists of three Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletins. Includes: September 28, October 5, October 19.
- File 30 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1993.
Contents: file consists of seventeen copies of the Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletin. Includes: July 26, August 16, August 23, August 30, September 13, September 20, September 27, October 4, October 18, October 25, November 1, November 8, November 15, November 22, November 29, December 6, December 13.
- File 31 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1994.
Contents: file consists of thirteen copies of the Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletin. Includes: January 3, January 10, January 17, January 24, February 7, February 14, February 28, March 7, March 14, March 21, April 11, April 18, April 25.
- File 32 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1995.
Contents: file consists of nine "On Track" Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletins. Includes: January 23, March 6, April 20, October 23, October 30, November 20, November 27, December 4, December 11.

File 33 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1996.
Contents: file consists of one copy of the "On Track" Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletin from May 13.

File 34 **Weekly bulletin.** - 1998.
Contents: file consists of copies the Rotary Club of Kitchener weekly bulletin. Includes: January 26, February 2, February 9, February 16, February 23, March 9, March 16, April 6, April 20, April 27, May 11.

File 35 **Weekly bulletin.** - [ca. 1991].
Contents: file consists of one copy of "The Pioneera" the Rotary Club of Kitchener-Conestoga weekly bulletin.

Series 4 : Visual Materials and Artifacts

Visual materials and artifacts. - 1986-2005.

Contents: series consists of visual and artifactual materials created and accumulated by the Rotary Club of Kitchener. Includes photographs, a poster, architectural drawings and a name badge with ribbon.

2 photographs : b&w and col. ; 20 x 30 cm or smaller. - 1 print : poster ; 44 x 28 cm. - 3 landscape architectural drawings ; 28 x 44 cm. - 1 architectural drawing : whiteprint ; 62 x 92 cm

Series is arranged alphabetically, then chronologically.

File 36 **Clay Hall name badge and ribbon.** - [199-].
Contents: file consists of one name badge for Clay Hall of the Rotary Club of Kitchener, attached to which is a ribbon which reads VIP.

File 37 **Past presidents : snapshot.** - 1986. - 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 16 cm.
Contents: file consists of one photograph of past presidents of the Rotary Club of Kitchener, taken June 1986. Front row: John Fitzpatrick ('74-'75), Huddy Hudspeth ('56-'57), Keith Staebler ('55-'56), Jim Reid ('85-'86), Roy Brown ('59-'60), Clay Hall ('57-'58), Pat Patterson ('73-'74). Middle Row: Fred Dreger ('67-'68), John Bowman ('77-'78), Albert Wilson ('62-'63), Gord Phillips ('80-'81), Art Angus ('70-'71), Jim Beingessner ('83-'84), Eric Hymmen ('58-'59). Back Row: Lou Breithaupt ('71-'72), Dave Bean ('63-'64), Bud Hayes ('75-'76), Jack Ball ('84-'85), Pete McBryde ('79-'80). Identifications from verso.

*Subject: Rotary Club (Kitchener, On); Fitzpatrick, John; Hudspeth, Huddy; Staebler, Keith; Reid, Jim; Brown, Roy; Hall, Clay; Patterson, Pat; Dreger, Fred; Bowman, John; Wilson, Albert; Phillips, Gord; Angus, Art; Beingessner, Jim; Hymmen, Eric; Breithaupt, Louis Orville; Bean, Dave; Hayes, Bud; Ball, Jack; McBryde, Pete
TGM1 terms: Photographs; Men -- Clothing & dress -- Ontario -- Kitchener*

File 38 **Rotary club of Kitchener-Conestoga : photograph.** - [ca. 1971] [reprinted ca. 2000]. - 1 photograph : b&w ; 20 x 30 cm.
Contents: file consists of one photograph of members of the Rotary club of Kitchener-Congestoga. The members are shown standing in front of a grocery store posing with a lobster pot.

File 39 OVR **Rotary International peace park plan / prepared by Roth & Associates.** - 2001. - 3 landscape architectural drawings ; 28 x 44 cm.
*Contents: file consists of three copies of a landscape architectural drawing for the Rotary International Peace Park. The plans were prepared by Roth & Associates.
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File 40 OVR **Rotary International peace park plan / Schorn Consultants Inc.** - 2005. - 1 architectural drawing : whiteprint ; 62 x 92 cm.
*Contents: file consists of one architectural drawing for the Rotary International Peace Park showing the sculpture by John Hofstetter. The plans have been drawn by Schorn Consultants Inc.
Oversize*

File 41 OVR **A stroke of luck golf and travel lottery poster.** - [199-]. - 1 print : poster ; 44 x 28 cm.
*Contents: file consists of one poster advertising the Rotary club of Kitchener's "A Stroke of Luck Golf and Travel Lottery."
Oversize*