

*Sarnia Rotary Club's 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Rotary TV Auction 2018*

**Rotary**  
Club of Sarnia



**TV Auction**

The Rotary Club of Sarnia held its 35<sup>th</sup> Rotary TV Auction on Sunday, November 18. The final tally at the end of the day was \$48,000 raised for the Sarnia community! Very well done!



*Here I am at the computer. Beside me were those answering the phones.*

I helped out for the second year in a row. My job was to record bids on items received by the telephone. I didn't answer the telephone. Other volunteers had that job.

I started at 2:00 p.m. and finished up at 9:00 p.m. I like working with the computer, and I'm able to do that easily, so I volunteered for all three shifts during the auction.

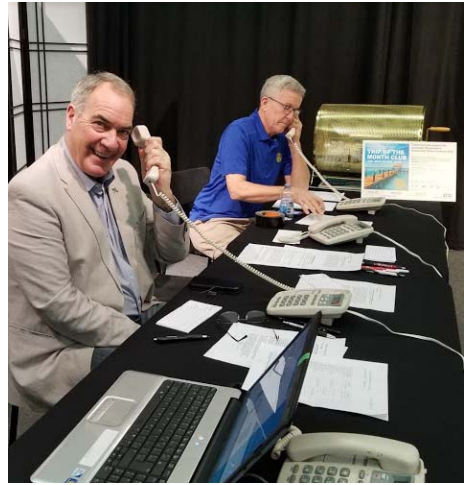
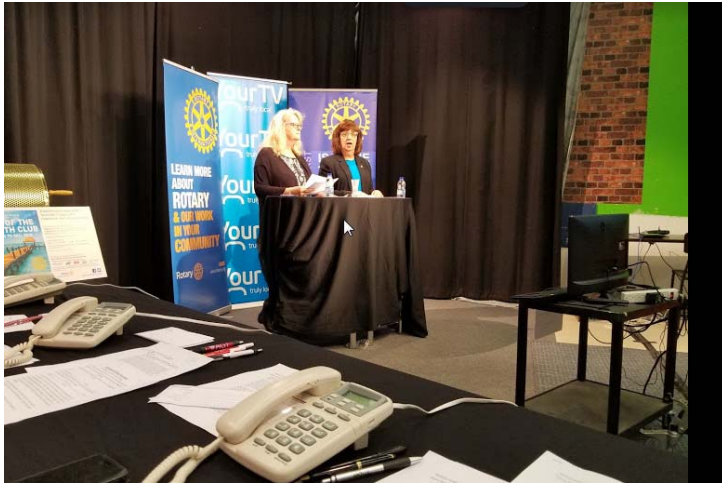
Those working the telephones came and went, but I was able to enjoy fun and friendship with them all.

Below are more photos of this excellent event held at the Cogeco Offices in Sarnia.

Rotarians got involved in all sorts of ways. Through the day, they took turns appearing "live" on the screen, announcing the items and encouraging the viewing public to call or to bid online. I believe there were more online bids this year than last year, but there were still the loyal regulars who called in with their telephone bids.

Telephone bids – and online bids – were taken for any and all of the items. Viewers/callers were not limited to calling about an item in the current "block." The whole process was great fun!





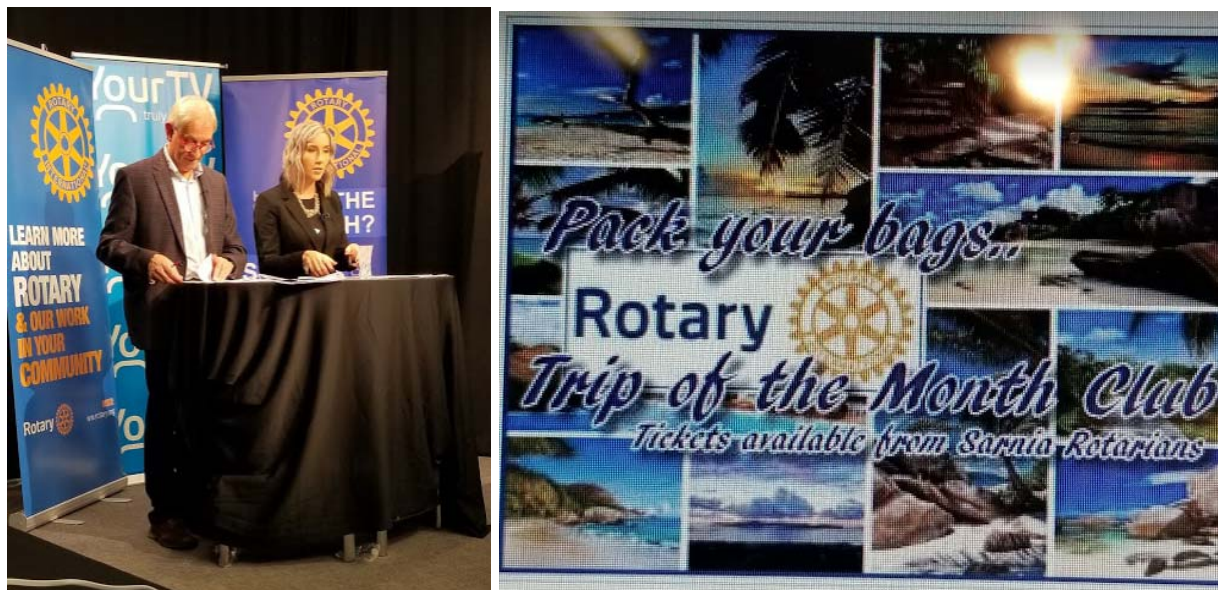
*Above left: PE Sandra Graham and Adelle Richards. Right: David Noel and Rob Collie*



*Two more Rotarians above left. The "control room" at the right.*



*Above left, Myles waiting for his turn "live." Right, two more Rotarians – Bill and Christine.*



*Above left: John and Madison.  
Right: Ticket for Trip of the month (\$100) one of the auction items.*



*The three firefighters who answered the phones in the evening shift.*



*Final two shifts: President Alison and Caroline.  
Then Jamie and Caroline finished off the day.*

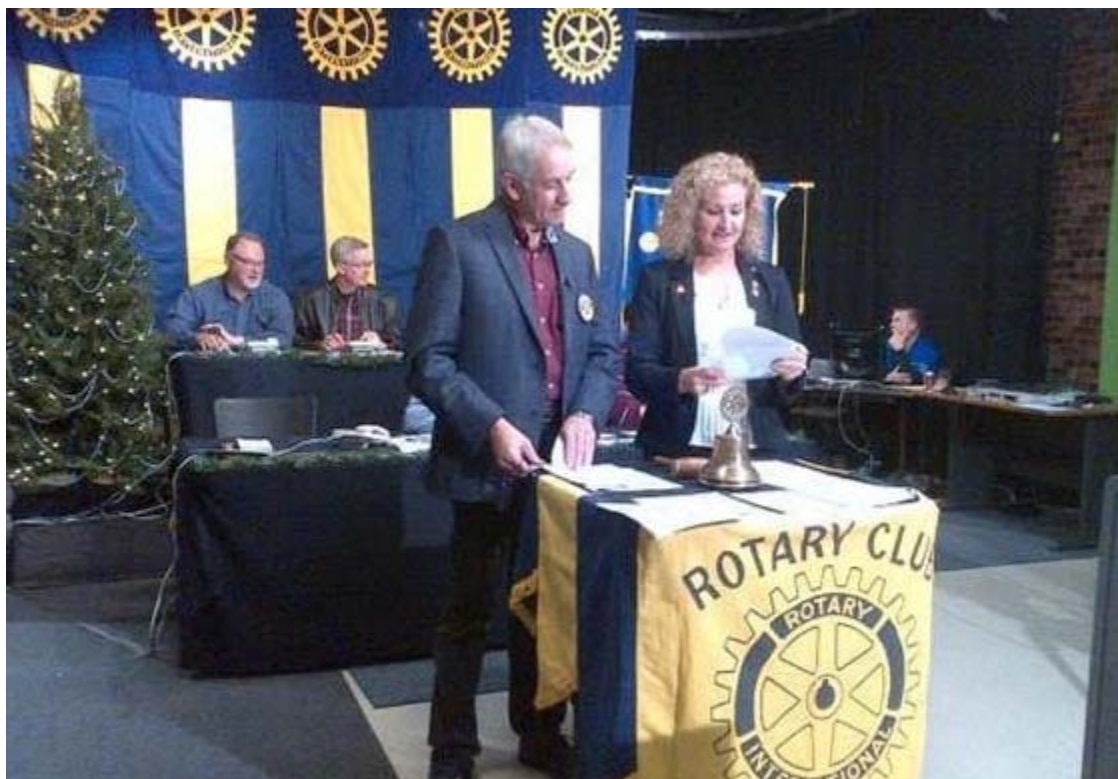


*The cameras.*

A link to Blackburn news coverage:

[https://blackburnnews.com/sarnia/sarnia-news/2018/11/13/rotary-club-bidding-benefits-local-projects/?fbclid=IwAR0ddpH53XD9qcrzZOkLnSE7usv\\_OVt0ZMP\\_dTwTCYBFKwxZtx8ATYvGOeA](https://blackburnnews.com/sarnia/sarnia-news/2018/11/13/rotary-club-bidding-benefits-local-projects/?fbclid=IwAR0ddpH53XD9qcrzZOkLnSE7usv_OVt0ZMP_dTwTCYBFKwxZtx8ATYvGOeA)

A photo from a previous year:



## Rotary Club bidding benefits local projects

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It's come a long way in the past 35 years.

Online bidding begins Tuesday, November 12 in the Rotary Club of Sarnia's TV and Online Auction.

Spokesman Mike Elliott said people seem to like the online bidding process, although you will still be able to bid on television Sunday, November 18.

"Now you can see online exactly who's bidding against you and whether you have to go bid again," said Elliott. "You can bid all week at [www.rtv.a](http://www.rtv.a). In the olden days we had a panel of phones and they'd keep ringing and people would write things down. We had a runner who went across the room and put it in a book. Now it's a computer. People can still vote on Sunday while watching YourTV Channel 700 and we're on for seven hours from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m."

Proceeds benefit local projects including Bluewater Health and Pathways Health Centre for Children.

Elliott says the event would not be possible without the help of its generous donors and the tireless efforts of club members.

This year, there are about 600 items for sale, valued at \$71,000.