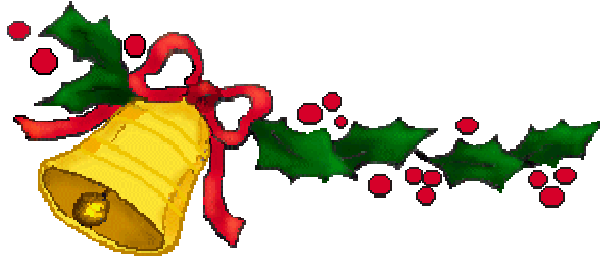


Christmas Greetings from Dave T



I hope everyone is enjoying the year as much as I am. It seems that the first six months have flown by – it's hard to believe that in another six months Gord will be Mr. President and I'll join the so-far distinguished club of Past-Presidents, including Bob, Carle, Ian, Jo-Ann, Van and Rob.

Christmas is a time for reflection and looking back, our club has made some good contributions over the last six months – to the local and international communities and to Rotary in general. We can be proud of what we have accomplished!

There are some concerns but this is not the time to dwell on these. Let's be thankful for the great opportunities that we have had – sharing fellowship and laughter with friends and meeting some great new people some of who have become members. We have a vibrant club in a great city full of economic prosperity. So what if we have to sit in traffic for a few extra minutes - there are many people who would consider that a luxury.

Let us also give some thought to those less fortunate who may not have the good health or financial means to enjoy Christmas. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them, but more than that, we have hopefully made some practical contributions to help them through their difficult times.

I am especially grateful to each member of our club for sharing their time, talents, money and energy to make a positive contribution. Special thanks to our Board members and all who have stepped up and played a role in helping our club grow and reach out to more people.

Thanks for sharing Rotary!

From Marlyn and I, have a great Christmas and all the best in 2008!