Clr. Russ Powers' submission for the May 24th, 2012 edition of the Dundas Star News.

Congratulations and thanks to the Dundas Valley Sunrise Rotary Club under the leadership of the Event Chair, Ken Beel for, once again, stepping forward to partner with the City of Hamilton to ensure that our annual Victoria Day Fireworks Display continues in the Dundas Driving Park. Last weekend, thousands of people from the entire City came out to enjoy this Dundas tradition (we were the "only show in town"). It was great to see all of the smiling faces, both young and mature. Also, thank you all for your generous cash donations in support of Rotary projects and foodstuffs for the Dundas FoodBank.

This Saturday, May 26th, Dundas Community Services in association with Dundas' Salvation Army Family Centre will be holding their annual Food Drive in support of the Dundas Community Food Bank. Donations of non-perishable food can be left at your front door or in apartment lobbies for pick-up by volunteers between 9:30 AM – 2 PM or they can be left at the Dundas Fire/EMS Station in Memorial Square. 200 volunteers are needed to help as drivers or canvassers so please come to the Dundas Lions Memorial Community Centre, 10 Market St s anytime 9 AM to 12 noon to assist. For further info, call 905.627.5461

Coming up is the 15th Annual Dundas International Buskerfest hosted by the Downtown Dundas BIA along King Street West. It will operate from 6 pm on Friday, June 1st until 6 pm on Sunday, June 3rd. The event will once again present top street performers from around the world. For further information, visit the Buskerfest page at www.downtowndundas.ca

On the evening of Tuesday, June 19th at 7:30 PM at the 'rink' surface in the Dundas Driving Park, please join me as I host the Pioneers of Canterbury Marching Team from New Zealand. This precision marching team made up of 28 members from their NZ Champion Senior and Masters Teams will be featured performers at Hamilton's upcoming 'Canadian International Tattoo' including other appearances in the GTA. Bring your lawn chairs and 'Ring the Rink' so that we can give a proper Dundas welcome to our guests.

The next Dundas Community Council meeting is scheduled for 7 pm in on Tuesday, June 20th in the Council Chambers in the Dundas Municipal Service Centre (old Town Hall), 60 Main Street.