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TODAY'S
Sport Fest Windsor
FORECAST
Sunny & High 25C



Serving Windsor
& Essex County

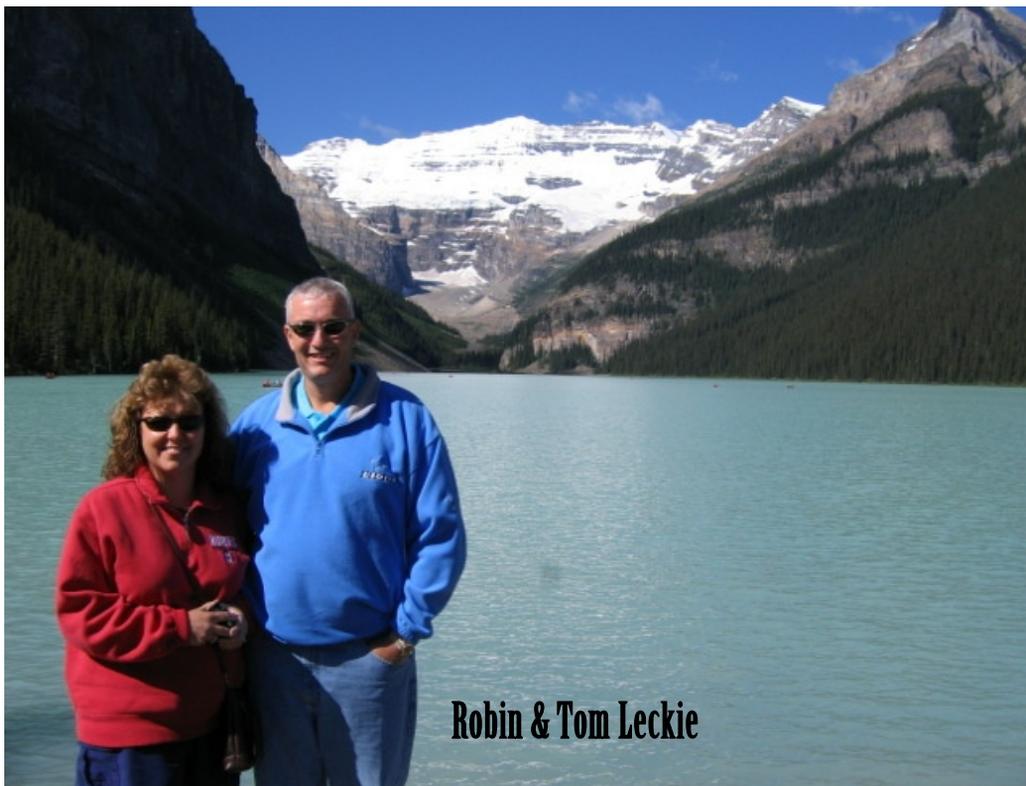


ENTERTAINMENT
2010
World Cup Begins

ORGAN DONATION
AWARENESS EVENT

Organ Donor Awareness walk to
London April 27th.by Tom & Roger Awad

SPORT FEST WINDSOR NEWS



Robin & Tom Leckie

Tom Leckie receives Miracle Liver Transplant

Hello my name is Tom Leckie. I am a salesman at Rose City Ford in Windsor. I have a beautiful wife Robin and three children Eric, Matthew and Miranda. Three years ago I fell ill in Ottawa while on vacation with the family. I went to the Ottawa Hospital where I was told I had a problem with my Liver and that I should get back home and look into the situation. After ten day's in Hospital in Windsor I was released and fortunately got an appointment with Dr. Ghent in London. He thought he knew what I had but wanted a blood test done first to confirm. I indeed had what he thought (alfa1antitripson deficiency disease).

After treating me for six months or so I was listed for a new liver. That was two and a half years ago and after severe complications with my lung filling up with fluid ,and a month in the Hospital, I got the call from my coordinator that a donor liver (my type) was being harvested the next morning and I would be in to surgery by ten a.m. I am told I was awake and writing notes back in fourth with family. Two day's later my surgeon spoke to my family and said they were going to have to go back in again as the blood flow was not working and the Liver was dying. So more surgery again, a few more hiccups as I call them ,I came home one month later. Now after a few more months at home rehabilitating I started back to work with a new lease on life. Family and friends I can't begin to thank you for all your thoughts and Prayers. All the best to everyone waiting for a transplant or someone who was lucky enough like me to be saved.

Thanks Tom Leckie

Q: How successful are organ transplant operations?

A: Receiving a transplant can literally save or dramatically improve a seriously ill person's quality of life. Advances in surgical skills and better drugs mean that a year after surgery 93% of kidneys in living donor transplants, 88% of kidneys from people who have died, 87% of organs in liver transplants and 85% of organs in heart transplants are still functioning well. These figures are improving all the time.



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