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Rotary Club of White Rock Peninsula

eBulletin

for Bruce Kleeberger
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Hello Bruce! This email has been generated just for you as a member of our club.

Editor: Bruce Kleeberger
 If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Upcoming Events

International Assembly
 Jan 13 2009 - Jan 20 2009

RI Anniversary
 Feb 23 2009

Club Anniversary
 Mar 6 2009

District Assembly
 Apr 4 2009

District Conference
 May 20 2009 - May 31 2009

Rotary International Convention
 Jun 21 2009 - Jun 24 2009

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Densie Darrell and Women's Place

by Kleeberger, Bruce

Rotarian Denise Darrell, Executive director of Women's Place presented an update of the service to the women of South Surrey and White Rock. She has been director for 3 years now and has a 14 year history of service with the South Fraser Women's Services Society. She is a member of the Rotary Club of White Rock Millennium.



The Women's Place facility has a very sophisticated volunteer program and depends heavily on volunteers for it's day to day operation. She emphasized that our clubs weekly service in the "bread run" helps a lot by allowing her trained volunteers to do other important things, and is very much appreciated.

In order to maintain a good relationship with it's funding agencies, the Society is careful to maintain good statistics. In 2008 it had 27,000 client contacts (with 14,000 individuals). 18,000 contacts were by telephone/counselling. On the day of her report, 44 clients were served hot lunches. At 59%, BC has the highest rate of women's abuse in Canada. 24% of Canadian children live in poverty. In 2008 \$10,000 worth of bread were distributed from the Place.

White Rock has a homeless problem and many more people are at risk of homelessness. To serve the women's population of the region, Women's Place has professionally facitated groups working on "financial literacy", chronic health issues, healthy meal preparation, fitness and even yoga. Including the professional counselling, all programs at the Place are free of charge. In addition they offer Advocates specializing in family issues and they addressed 790 individual cases in 2008. Recently on the site they proudly completed a shower and laundry construction at the South Surrey location.

Denise went on to describe several emotional successes of the service but also emphasized that 192 women were turned away last year, and there is more to do.

Rotary Foundation Seminar

by Kleeberger, Bruce



On January 30 and 31, 2009 you have a unique opportunity to join Rotarians from nine districts at the Zone 22 (West) Regional Rotary Foundation Seminar.

This event will be held in Metro Vancouver (Richmond). Rotarians from western Canada, Alaska and the Pacific Northwest of the USA will attend this seminar. Rotary Zone 22 (West) includes Districts 5010, 5020, 5040, 5050, 5060 5080, 5360, 5370 and 5550.

Like most Rotarians, you joined your Rotary club to help improve the quality of life in your community and make a difference in the world. For more than a century, Rotary clubs have been providing vital service within their local communities throughout the world. Their achievements are the result of dedicated member action and participation.

The more Rotarians involve themselves in Rotary activities, the more committed and connected they become to their club and their community locally and internationally.

The Rotary Foundation is the ideal way to get involved and change lives. That is what this seminar is about, how to use the programs of The Rotary Foundation to make the world a better place.

For more information and to register click [here](#)

Wheel Chair Foundation

by Kleeberger, Bruce

Assistant Governor Christiana Flessner was in attendance and addressed that Club to inform the members that the March 7 weekend is a good time to plan for travel to Mexico to distribute wheel chairs this year. The container of wheel chairs will be on hand by then. Three days is suggested as being needed to distribute the chairs. **Rotarian Rob Wolfe** and **Martha** are working to determine the specific days for travel and accommodation in Mexico.



Peace Arch Journal

by Kleeberger, Bruce

To see the January 2009 District 5050 Newsletter the **Peace Arch Journal** [click here!](#)

Royal Opera House in HD

March 1 Sunday 2:00 pm **Tales of Beatrix Potter**

May 2 Saturday 7:00 pm **Figaro**

May 3 Sunday 2:00 pm **Romeo and Juliet**

Tickets available from the



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