



ROTARY



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Quesnel Rotarians Celebrate Rotary Week - February 16-20, 2015



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Via email: christinatkennedy@gmail.com

Rotary Club of Quesnel
PO Box 4031, Quesnel, BC V2J 3J2
Attention: Rebecca Beuschel, President

RE: Proclamation of Rotary Week in Quesnel; February 16 – 21, 2015

Dear Ms. Beuschel;

I write further to your letter of December 1, 2014, in which the Rotary Club of Quesnel requested the week of February 16th to be designated as Rotary Week. At a Regular Council Meeting, in the City of Quesnel, held December 15, 2014, Council passed the following Resolution:

15-02-33 THAT Council proclaims the week of February 16, 2015 as "Rotary Week in Quesnel".

CARRIED

Rotary International has an impressive global history and, is nearing its 60th anniversary in our home town – what a testament to the passion and dedication of your members.

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We look forward to the event at Spirit Square on February 20th.

Sincerely,

Mayor Bob Simpson
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Welcome to Rotary!

As the president of Rotary Club of Quesnel for 2014-15, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our club.

This year's Rotary International theme is "Light Up Rotary". This means clubs everywhere, on every continent, will be celebrating this theme and will be planning activities with this theme in mind. The annual Rotary theme is one piece that unites all clubs around the world. The other piece is the "Four Way Test". This is the set of principles that clubs and their individual members strive to adhere to as they go about the business of serving their communities to make them, and the world, a better place. Consisting of four questions, "Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"

When members of our club make decisions regarding supporting activities or funding requests or getting involved in community events, we look to the four-way test to determine if it aligns with the proposed initiative. If it does, then we decide if and how we can participate.

There is nothing particularly special about Rotarians – we are concerned, generous citizens who are willing to give some of our time, and some of our money, to making the world around us a better place. Some of us choose to travel abroad to immunize children so their lives won't be plagued by dreadful, debilitating diseases. Some of us choose to volunteer at a local event to raise funds for causes that support people with various needs. Some of us choose to help out our neighbour instead of watching our favourite television show. Some of us choose to contribute some of our hard earned money to projects we can't physically be a part of. Rotarians come from backgrounds and speak languages as varied as there are colours on earth. We are people who conscientiously choose to make a positive difference. There is no prerequisite for wealth, or power or position or title. When we are asked to consider joining Rotary, it is because someone has seen us doing something they think is good for someone else – they have known us to provide "Service Above Self". We all have this potential in us and Rotary has formalized a way for us to come together and adhere to these principles collectively, so there is more opportunity for truth, fairness, goodwill and benefit to others.

If you are interested in learning more about Rotary or about our club, please contact one of us and we will be happy to share our experiences and knowledge with you. I look forward to a year of lighting up our community with wonderful events and loads of goodwill.



Yours in Rotary service and friendship,

Rebecca Beuschel
2014-15 President
Rotary Club of Quesnel



Happy 90th Birthday, Peter Gook!

Rotary in Quesnel owes a massive debt of gratitude to Peter Gook, our last surviving charter member from 1955.

Peter was central in bringing Rotary to Quesnel and then continued to play a leading role in everything we did for years after, including being our second Club President 1957-59.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rotary Day in Quesnel

February 20th @ Spirit Square 11 am - 2 pm

Rotary Foundation Dinner

February 21 @ Billy Barker Showroom - 6 pm

Super Bingo

March 4 @ QCLA - from 7 pm

Cariboo Craft Beer Festival

March 27 @ Senior Centre - 5:30 pm - 10 pm

Diamond Calcutta

May 13 @ Senior Centre - 6 pm - 10 pm

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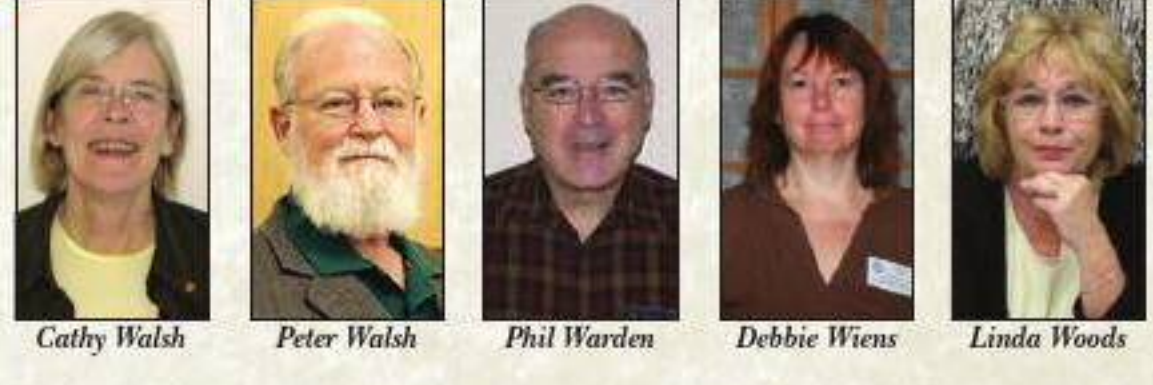
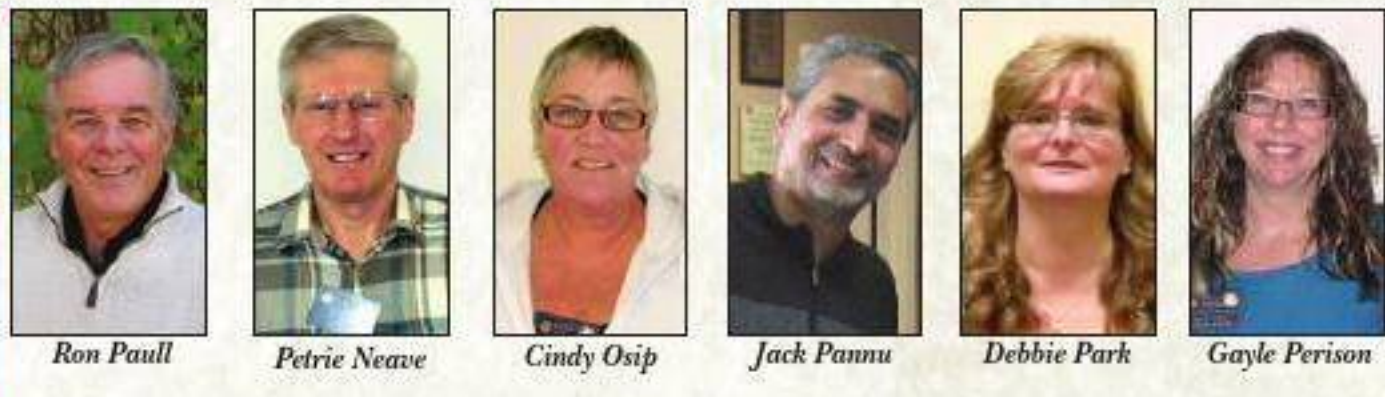
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Thank you to all Rotarians for the service you give to Quesnel



IN MEMORIAM
Bob Patrick

Bob was well known in our community as a result of his work as Superintendent of Schools for Quesnel from 1974 to 1986, and his near 40 year association with Rotary. Having joined in 1975, Bob was an active participant in the affairs of our club and its community projects for over 30 years. He was named a Paul Harris fellow, and a life member of Rotary. We lost Bob in October. He is survived by his wife Joy, son Mark (Vancouver), his sister Irene (New Jersey USA), his brother Ralph (Ontario) and many nieces and nephews.

"Service above Self"



THE FOUR-WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do
first...Is it the **TRUTH**?
second...Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
third...Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
fourth...Will it be **BENEFICIAL**?

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Rotary is for all ages!

A popular misconception is that Rotary is all about old people – not so!

For people age 30 and younger, our youth programmes allow participants to discover more about themselves and the world by participating in community projects, leadership training, or cultural exchanges. Young people also learn about the principles of ethics, service, and fellowship that Rotarians exemplify.

In Quesnel, Correlieu Interact was formed in 2007 and has since completed a series of outstanding years. For those aged 19-30, we are also steadily gathering momentum to charter a Rotaract club. Our Club also sponsors participants in RYLA (weekend leadership camps), Adventures in Tourism, and Adventures in Forestry. We also welcome at least one student into our community every second year from overseas - "Jimmy" Yang is currently here from Taiwan, while Raigan Richardson is half way through her time in Sweden.

Interact

Formed in 2007, Interact has quickly become an active component of life at Correlieu Senior Secondary School.

At the start of each school year, supported by Correlieu faculty and members of our club, Correlieu Interact meets to elect a new groups of leaders and decide upon what projects to take on...and then launches into action.

There's plenty of time left in this school year to be involved, so if you attend Correlieu, track down 2014-15 President Jadie Guay or Vice-President Amanda Albers.

Rotaract

Rotaract is a club for adults ages 18-30 that meets twice a month to exchange ideas, plan activities and projects, and socialize. While Rotary clubs serve as sponsors, Rotaract clubs decide how to organize and run their club and what projects and activities to carry out.

We are currently exploring the possibilities of helping to establish a Rotaract club in Quesnel. If you are interested in knowing more or even being involved, speak with student Harjinder Jassal or Nicole Loureiro of Community Futures



About Rotary

Paul P. Harris, an attorney, wanted to create a professional group with the same friendly spirit he felt in the small towns of his youth. On 23 February 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. This was the first Rotary club meeting. They decided to call the new club "Rotary" after the practice of rotating meeting locations.

Within five years clubs had formed across the country, from San Francisco to New York.

110 years later, Rotary International consists of 1.2million members of 34,500 clubs across the world, including the 45 Active and 2 Honorary members of Rotary Club of Quesnel which itself celebrates a landmark 60th anniversary this year, having been chartered on 2 November 1955.



Silvester Schiele, Paul Harris, Hiram Shorey, and Gustavus Loehr

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