



2019 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Kamloops & Sun
Peaks, BC

May 2 – 5, 2019



Proposed Conference Program

Fellowship with District 5060:

The 2019 Conference location is Sun Peaks, BC and the official conference hotel is the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel.

This year's District 5040 conference coincides with the District 5060 conference taking place in Kamloops. The program has been designed to provide opportunities to enjoy the fellowship of Rotarians from District 5060 with day-time visits to Kamloops (57 kilometers down Hwy. 5) on the Thursday and Friday of the Conference.

THURSDAY, May 2nd

12:45 pm – 5:00 pm “Motorcycle Ramble – Kamloops Circle Tour” – Meet at the Coast Hotel in Kamloops for a four-hour ride with District 5040 and 5060 Rotarians showcasing the beautiful areas surrounding Kamloops. We’ll have a one hour stop for refreshments and finish up at the BC Wildlife Park at 5:00 pm.

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm **BC Wildlife Park Hands on Project** - Join fellow Rotarians from District 5060 in planting a pollinator garden - and other garden-related social fun. Bring a change of clothes, gardening tools and a pull-over. *BC Wildlife Park, Kamloops*

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Social BBQ event: Districts 5040 and 5060** - at the BC Wildlife Park. A unique feature of this year’s conference is the opportunity to get to know fellow Rotarians from our neighbouring District. *\$27 per person*

FRIDAY, May 3rd

8:30 am – 1:30 pm **Golf Tournament** – Kamloops Golf and Country Club – all levels welcome. Fun Texas Scramble (“Best ball”). Includes golf, driving range balls, cart, green fees, prizes and buffet lunch. *\$99 per person*

- 9:30 am** **District 5040 Opening Ceremonies: DG Darcy Long** – “Together We Serve”; Youth Exchange Flag Ceremony. *Coast Hotel, Kamloops*
- 10:00 am** **Plenary #1 – “ROTARY NOW: Engaging in Rotary” – Courtney Drew**, Learning Specialist, Rotary International; District 5040 **DG Darcy Long**; District 5060 **DG Sherry Chamberlain**; **Jeffry Cadorette**, Rotary International Rep. *Coast Hotel, Kamloops*
- 10:45 am – 3:30 pm** **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND TOURS:** This year’s conference provides no shortage of options for conference social activities. There’s a great line-up featuring a variety of memorable experiences, fellowship and fun! These are joint activities and tours with Rotarians from District 5060. Register in advance on the conference website as space is limited.
- 10:45 am – 2:00 pm: Historic Kamloops Tour** – with Act Adventures. Tales of fur traders, train robbers, and pioneers. Kamloops finest artists and artisans will introduce you to the rich history of Kamloops. Limit of 20 per tour. Includes pickup and drop-off at Coast Hotel, an entertaining tour, Canadiana fare and wine/beer sampling - *\$57 per person (incl. taxes)*
- 11:00 am – 4:00 pm: DiVine Wine/Beer Tour** – Check out Kamloops’ finest: two wineries and two breweries; pickup and return to the Coast Hotel; all wine & beer sampling fees; antipasto picnic. *\$110 per person (incl. taxes)*
- 11:00 am – 4:00 pm: Kamloops Wine Trail Tour** - Visit three outstanding wineries with DiVine Tours. Includes pickup and return to the Coast Hotel, all sampling fees, antipasto picnic - *\$87 per person (incl. taxes)*
- 11:30 am to 2:30 pm: Sip and Shop Downtown Tour** - Enjoy an afternoon of sipping and shopping at the unique boutiques in downtown Kamloops. Conference attendees will receive discount coupons to participating merchants. Includes time for lunch or a snack. *\$12 per person for return transport to the Coast Hotel.*
- 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm: Tasty Taster Tour** - Tour two excellent Thompson-Okanagan wineries with TasteFull Excursions. Includes pickup at Coast Hotel, all sampling fees. *\$62 per person (incl. taxes).*
- 1:30 pm – 4:15 pm: Historic Kamloops Tour** – If you weren’t able to make the earlier tour... includes pick-up and return at the Coast Hotel; an entertaining tour with Act Adventures – just not lunch - *\$37 per person (incl. taxes)*

- 2:30 pm** **District 5060 Opening Ceremonies and Rotary Now: Engaging in Rotary!** If you weren't able to make the morning session, this one's for you. (*Coast Hotel, Kamloops.*)
- 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm** **Registration** – Sun Peaks Grand Hotel
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** **Dine Around Sun Peaks** – Choose one of three outstanding Sun Peaks restaurants when you register: Bottoms Bar & Grille, Powder Hounds or Bella Italia Ristorante. (*Conference delegates receive a \$25 restaurant voucher.*)
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** **Presidents' Celebration Dinner** – DG Darcy Long invites Club Presidents, Assistant Governors, Governor's Team and spouse/partners to dine with RI Rep Jeffrey Cadorette. (*Sun Peaks Grand*)
- 8:00 pm** **Coffee and dessert** – All delegates are invited to relax and close the day with Rotary fellowship. (*Sun Peaks Grand*)

SATURDAY, May 4th

- 8:00 – 9:00 am** **Registration open** – Sun Peaks Grand Hotel
- 8:00 am** **Breakfast** – Sun Peaks Grand Hotel
- 9:00 am** **Welcome to Sun Peaks! Al Raine, Mayor of Sun Peaks, DG Darcy Long**
- 9:20 am** **Plenary #2: “Cultivating Peace” – Summer Lewis, Rotary Peace Scholar.** Summer has over 10 years of international development experience in more than 30 countries. She is committed to raising awareness about the structural violence, and therefore conflict, that occurs when people are unable to meet their basic needs and provide for their families.
- 10:20 am** **Refreshment Break**
- 10:40 am** **Plenary #3: “Empowering Women and Girls in Afghanistan” – Razia Jan, founder of Razia's Ray of Hope Foundation.** Born in Afghanistan, Razia's nonprofit organization is dedicated to improving the lives of women and children in Afghanistan through community-based education. A dedicated Rotarian, she was nominated as a Top 10 CNN Hero for her work on the Zabuli Education Center, a school that she founded in rural Afghanistan that provides free education to 350 girls. Razia will have just returned from Afghanistan prior to the conference.
- 11:20 am** **“Getting to Know Rotaract”** – Our Rotaract Clubs are a key to the future life of District 5040. **Thomas Miller, President of the Vancouver Young**

Professionals Rotaract Club, will fill us in on what Rotaractors are up to, how they are supporting the vision of Rotary and preparing for their own Rotary future.

- 12:00 pm** **Lunch** – The spotlight will be on **District Award Winners: DG Darcy Long and Peter Clarke**.
- 1:00 pm** **Plenary #4: “Be Inspired by Rotary” – Jeffry Cadorette, Rotary International Representative** – A member of the Rotary Club of Media, Pennsylvania since 1977, Jeff is currently a Rotary International Director and has been deeply engaged in many facets of Rotary life. An energetic and inspiring speaker, Jeff has represented the President of Rotary International and been the keynote and motivational speaker at numerous district conferences, Rotary Foundation dinners, Rotary workshops, and seminars around North America.
- 1:40 pm** **Panel Discussion: “She is Someone”** – Learn how Rotary’s Commonwealth Women’s Mentorship Program grew from an idea to a flourishing program developing women as leaders in developing countries. Panelists include **Winnie Chepkemoi Mutai**, a mentee from Kenya, Past Rotary International Vice President **Dean Rohrs** and Rotary mentor **Shirley-Pat Chamberlain**.
- 2:20 pm** **Signature District Project “Write to Read (W2R)”** – on the 10th anniversary of the District’s involvement in this First Nation project throughout BC, **PDG Bob Blacker** reflects on its success, lessons learned and plans for the future.
- 2:40 pm** **“2020 Vision”** – **DGE Bala Naidoo** provides a preview of District 5040’s Conference 2019 in Vancouver. (** 2020 registration opens on-site following the presentation.*)
- 2:55 pm** **Refreshment Break**
- 3:15 – 4:00 pm** **District 5040 Annual General Meeting**
- 6:00 pm** **No host reception** (*Sun Peaks Grand*)
- 7:00 pm** **Banquet, Major Awards and Entertainment** – The theme is Caribbean so don’t be shy in dressing up casual, mon. After dinner, **DG Darcy Long** recognizes those in our District who have contributed much to the success of this Rotary year! Then it’s time to kick up your heels to the blues, funk and soul stylings of the **Bradley/McGillivray Blues Band**.

SUNDAY, May 5th

- 8:00 am** **Memorial Service** – A tribute to the contributions to our clubs and District from members who have passed in this Rotary year.
- 9:00 am** **Breakfast**
- 9:45 am** **“BC to Kenya and Back”** – **PDG John Anderson** led our Vocational Training Team to Kenya and reports on the outcomes plus welcome some of the Kenyan team that visited BC.
- 10:00 am** **“District and Global Grants 2018-19: Where the money went”** – District Foundation Chair Garry Shearer will help raise awareness of how your club can utilize Rotary Foundation Funds by detailing how this Rotary year’s District and Global grants were approved and spent.
- 10:15 am** **Open Mike Session: Fundraising** – We all know that most fundraisers have a “shelf life.” **Moderator Kevin Evans** invites clubs to share innovative ways they have discovered to keep Rotary fundraising fresh, effective and fun.
- 10:45 am** **Youth Exchange: The Class of 2018-19** – Our “inbound” students delight, inspire and entertain as they reflect on their time in Canada.
- 11:00 am** **Closing Ceremonies** – District 5040’s “very own Dean”, **Past RI VP Dean Rohrs**, presides over the close of Conference 2019 and the “Passing of the Banner” from **DG Darcy Long** to **DGE Bala Naidoo**.



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