

# The Four Way Flasher



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## **NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary	
Nov 10: Brenda Jenkins, Scott Payne		

#### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS:**

Nov 09:	Jack Ng - Whidbey Island Club	Nov 16:	Andrew Rocha	Nov 23:	Shashanka Vangari
Challenges f	or the restaurant industry during COVID	Fraser Val	ley Bandits – Prof. Basketball		Who's Who

#### **OUR CLUB LAST WEEK'S MEETING:**

President Patrick Dobbyn presided.

Program: ShelterBox - presented by Marjolein Lloyd

#### About Marjolein - the Rotarian



Marjolein was born to Peter and Ineke Boekhorst somewhere in Holland at some time in the past (it is rude to disclose a lady's age). Fast forward a bit, and we now find (great grandfather) Peter and (great grandmother) Ineke and Marjolein all busy Rotarians. Marjolein has been a Rotarian since the year 2000 and has been

involved in the Club, District and Zone levels of the organization. Some of her roles have included Club President, Assistant District Governor and Assistant Public Image Coordinator for Rotary Zone 28W (Alaska, most of BC, AB, SK, NWT, Yukon, and parts of Washington State).

Marjolein currently is the President of the Kelowna Sunrise Rotary Club, is the District Governor Nominee, is a member of the District Training Team, and is Chair of District 5060's newest committee called the Strategic Assistance Committee (a network of Rotarians throughout the District who can be called upon to assist other clubs in the District). Marjolein's passion lies in facilitation; she has been a Facilitator for Pacific Northwest PETS (Presidents Elect Training Seminar), RLI (Rotary Learning Institute), Multi-Year Planning (formerly Club Visioning), the District Facilitator Training Seminar and the "Membership Matters" seminar.

# About Marjolein - the Mother, the Baker, the ShelterBox (and marriage) Maker

 Marjolein has been married to Sean since 2000, and has 2 sons (Nicholas and Jordan), a step-daughter (Kaitlyn), son-in-law (Kris) and a 3-year-old grandson (Kezlin) who she loves to hang out with.

- When not volunteering for Rotary, you will find Marjolein at Cobs Bread **baking** in the early morning hours.
- Marjolein has been an **Ambassador for ShelterBox** Canada since 2008. She travels around the Canadian side of her Rotary District 5060 doing presentations and setting up the tent for fundraisers and other events.

(She has also enjoyed being a **Marriage Commissioner** in the Central Okanagan since 2013 and performs about 150 weddings in the area every year.) And don't forget that in all her spare time she enjoys playing the piano, golfing, swimming and sewing.

#### A Summary of Marjolein's Presentation:

Since 2018, approximately 88 million people have been driven from their homes either by natural causes or disasters - 70.7 million through conflict and 17.2 million through natural disasters. (Compare that to the population of Canada which is approximately 38 million). Recovery from disasters, whether by conflict or natural disasters, starts with a shelter, with a home. It is estimated that only one in five people receive the help they need following a disaster. ShelterBox is the only international charity that focuses solely on providing shelter. It is the goal of ShelterBox to ensure that no vulnerable family will be left without shelter. Why shelter? ShelterBox can't replace what these people have lost, but can at least help them to rebuild, and have a place where they can feel safe and secure and have some privacy while doing so.

### **OUR DETERMINATION**

Since 2000, ShelterBox has:







Worked in over 100 countries



Helped well over 1,200,000 people



Become a leader in humanitarian shelter sector

ShelterBox personnel are constantly monitoring disasters around the world, with teams who are on standby and ready to deploy wherever they are needed. In deciding where to provide aid, they look at the needs of the potential recipient, what aid ShelterBox can offer, and if they have the available resources to do so. Teams travel by foot, boat, helicopter or truck. They work with local governments or organizations, including Rotarians, to provide training – "we train the trainers" so that they can continue recovery after the ShelterBox team is gone. They carry out proper assessments first to make sure that the support which is given will enable families and communities to recover.

The traditional shelter is the white tent as seen in the following photograph:



These tents are especially made for the ShelterBox charity and can withstand high winds and heavy rainfall, and are fire resistant. They can keep the occupants dry in up to 6 inches of standing water.

Other times, however, kits containing tools, tarps, ropes, and other equipment might be a better solution. A new product is the Shelter Kit which can be customized to suit the needs of the area being serviced, and enable people to start rebuilding their homes right away.



They may contain cooking utensils, mosquito netting, water filters, and solar lights.

How are ShelterBox and Rotary international connected? ShelterBox began in 2000 in the town of Helston, Cornwall, UK as the Cornish Rotary Club's millennium project. With the support of Rotary members and clubs around the world, ShelterBox grew to become an internationally recognised, independent disaster relief organisation. In 2012 ShelterBox and Rotary became the first official Project Partners in disaster relief.

Rotarians can help by providing funds, can assist "hands-on" during responses, and can provide ShelterBox teams with first-hand knowledge of the country needing help.

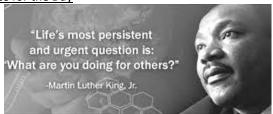
Marjolein suggested that our club may want to having another ShelterBox Village which our club had many years ago, which would help to attract members, or at least generate community support for Rotary's activities. Rotary members can become a "Pillar of Recovery" by donating \$20 each month to ShelterBox.



#### Fund Raising Idea - Ineke

Marjolein's Rotary club - the Kelowna Sunrise Rotary Club - is selling 6,000 "Season of Giving Calendars" for the price of \$20 per calendar, which would translate to \$120,000. The calendar has 24 daily "windows", one for each day from December 1 to December 24. Each day you open the window to reveal the prizes that are won for that day. Each day a unique ticket number is drawn for the prizes that correspond with the one printed on each calendar. There are numerous prizes which have a total value of \$64,000, and include among other things a \$2,000 gift certificate for Save On Foods, a round-trip flight for two guests on any regularly scheduled and marketed West jet destination, five nights accommodation, lessons rentals and lift tickets at Big White, etc. This is the first such money raising event for the Kelowna Sunrise club, with the money designated for the Child Advocacy Centre of Kelowna and the Kelowna General Hospital Foundation.

President's Quote for the Day



The Bottom Line: Guess who?

Rub-a-dub-dub

- Just one maid in the tub.

How many did you think there would be?



A mother, a baker, a ShelterBox maker. She's doing the work of all

**Submitted by Laurie Anderson**