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**NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**

**Happy Birthday**

Nov 22: Laurie Anderson      Nov 23: Lawrence, Lynda

**Happy Anniversary**

Nov 26: Matt & Lynda DeBruyn

**UPCOMING SPEAKERS:**

Nov 21: Kendra Schmunk BSW  
Child & Youth Program of RM Hospice Soc.

Nov 28: Kalie Whittaker  
What Rotary Means to Me

Dec 05: Lynda Lawrence  
Her Hawaii experience

**LAST WEEK'S MEETING**

President Brenda Jenkins presided.

**November is Rotary Foundation month, and we are all encouraged to make an extra donation to the Rotary Foundation. TRIPLE YOUR INVESTMENT: \$100 = \$300 IF YOU DONATE TO POLIO PLUS THIS MONTH OF NOVEMBER. If it is allocated to Polio Plus, every dollar donated will be matched by two dollars from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and we will receive a tax-deductible receipt direct from The Rotary Foundation (for our portion – not the Gates portion). Be sure to tell Walter that your donation is to be allocated to Polio Plus.**

At our June Installation/30th celebration, we had a wonderful presentation about Polio from doll lady Joan Toone. We pledged, informally, to promote PolioPlus donations. Please donate to Polio Plus now, in November. You will receive a tax-deductible receipt, and Paul Harris recognition points for your donation. E-transfer to Walter [wvolpatti@telus.net](mailto:wvolpatti@telus.net) and state: for Polio Plus.

Can we make it to **\$1,000? Yes - WE CAN!**



About The Rotary Foundation – a brief review

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) is a separate legal entity from Rotary International (RI) to maintain its charitable tax status. The Foundation is managed by a 15-member Board of Trustees that is nominated by the RI President and appointed by the RI Board. TRF is consistently rated as one of the top, most efficient, charitable foundations in the world due to how we fund the administration costs and how we use the funds so effectively. [In Canada, donations are made to The Rotary Foundation (Canada), which is a Canadian federally chartered corporation and Canadian registered charity supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of The Rotary Foundation who share its vision of a better world.]

The Foundation has identified seven areas of focus:

- Promoting peace. Rotary encourages conversations to foster understanding within and across cultures. ...
- Fighting disease. ...
- Providing clean water, sanitation, and hygiene. ...
- Saving mothers and children. ...
- Supporting education. ...
- Growing local economies. ...
- Protecting the environment.

Rotarians are asked to meet the Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) program and donate something to the Foundation, at a minimum, (our club suggests at least \$25). Preferably, Rotarians will agree to donate \$100 US each year (just over \$8 US per month) to become a Sustaining Member.

There are three different funds within the Rotary Foundation, namely, the **Annual Programs Fund**, **PolioPlus** and the **Endowment Fund** (formerly called the Permanent Fund), and a donor can stipulate which fund they want to support.

The Annual Programs Fund and SHARE

The Annual Programs Fund is the main source of funding for Rotary programs. Here's how it works:

1. Money is donated by Rotarians, clubs and Districts in the current year.
2. The funds are invested for three years. This allows the Rotary Foundation to make plans for the effective use of the money, and the interest generated goes to administration costs.
3. Three years after the donations were made, **half of the funds** donated by Rotarians within a District (such as our District 5050) **are paid back to the District**, and **the other half is retained by TRF for use in the World Fund**. (This is cleverly called the SHARE program and, strangely enough, it's not an acronym. It's just the word "share" in capital letters)

4. Clubs can apply to use the District's portion of the funds for either local or international service projects. There is no maximum to the amount that a club can contribute. The District can match the funds raised by the club on a 1:1 basis up to \$10,000. The actual amount may be less depending on the amount in the fund and the number of clubs applying.
5. If the club has an international project, it can also apply to the Foundation for money from the World Fund. The club's contribution must be a minimum of \$10,715 plus an optional 5% administration fee. The Foundation will match 80% of the District's donation.

Here's an example of how to turn \$10,715 into \$30,000, which is the minimum amount needed for an **international Global Grant project**:

Club donation:	\$10,715
District donation:	\$10,715
TRF match 80% of District:	<u>\$ 8,570</u>
Total	\$30,000.

### PolioPlus

The PolioPlus campaign began in 1985, with a pledge at the UN's 40th anniversary, to raise \$120 million over three years. Rotarians more than doubled that goal, donating \$247 million. Rotary inspired, supported and worked with other organizations, including the **UN** and the **World Health Organization**. The goal was to have polio eradicated by the time of Rotary's 100th anniversary in 2005, but the fight has proven more difficult than expected. Rotarians have increased their efforts to finish the job with the support of our partners - including the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**, which donated \$355 Million to PolioPlus and asked us to match \$200 Million in three years. Rotarians again rose to the challenge - especially those Rotarians in District 5050. District 5050 was asked to raise \$330,000 over three years. In August 2011, after only two years, District Foundation Chair Bill Robson announced that District 5050 had raised over \$770,000! When Polio is eradicated, it will make polio the second disease in human history to be completely conquered (smallpox is the other).

### The Rotary Endowment Fund

You can donate funds during your lifetime (endowments) or make a provision in your Will or designations of life insurance or retirement funds (bequests). The money is held in perpetuity with the interest being used to support the works of the Rotary Foundation forever. The fund was started in 1996 with an initial target of \$200 million by 2011. This consists of both money received and "expectancies" (payments pledged from your estate). The \$200 million goal was met in 2005, six years ahead of schedule. The next target of \$1 billion by 2025 was also met ten years early, in 2015.

TRF will award the following recognitions of your commitment to the Endowment Fund:

Immediate gifts made during your lifetime:

- Benefactor US\$1,000+
- Major Donor US\$10,000+
- Arch Klumph Society US\$250,000+

Planned gift made by your Will or designations of life insurance or retirement funds:

- Benefactor US\$1,000+
- Bequest Society US\$10,000+
- Legacy Society US\$1 million+

### Libby's Rotary Foundation Quiz

1. What is "TRF"?
2. If you donate \$100 to Polio Plus this month, how much \$ will the Rotary Foundation receive? Thanks to whom?
3. How much does it cost to "buy" a Paul Harris Fellow?
4. How else can you get a Paul Harris Fellow?
5. What does the Meadow Ridge Rotary Foundation do?
6. What is the benefit of a Rotary spousal membership?
7. What two annual general meetings happen on December 12?
8. Why do we have a mystery greeter each week?
9. Who has to pay Rotary dues (payable to the District) after each Rotary year?
10. What is PETS and who has to go there?
11. Why Rotary?
12. What is the VISION of the Meadow Ridge Rotary Club?

(See at the end for the answers.)



Happy and Sad Dollars (not ), but only three members were happy today)

**Adrienne and Brenda** were both happy for all of our club members who are participating in the Dancing in the Ridge competition on November 23 at the ACT - be sure to buy your tickets – only online.

**Alex Pope** was happy that Ross Gorman will be added to the team looking after the Maple Ridge Farmers Market.

### Club Business/Announcements

Club Executive **Business Meeting** - Tuesday Nov 21 at 5:30 via Zoom.

Tuesday Dec 5 - volunteers are needed to go to the community services building and **help fill the gift bags for the Seniors Christmas dinner**.

Meadow Ridge Rotary **Club Christmas Party** - planned for Dec 16, 2023 at 6 PM.

We are seeking volunteers to **join our Rotary Club Board** for the July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 Club Year. Please forward your name to Adrienne at [adale@centralawyers.ca](mailto:adale@centralawyers.ca) (or speak to **Adrienne, Laurie or Lynda**).

### President's Quote for the Day:



### Quiz answers

1. The Rotary Foundation
2. \$300 – the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
3. \$1,000 US.
4. Someone else can give you their recognition points.
5. Give tax receipts
6. Only one spouse pays the annual Rotary dues.
7. Club AGM, and Meadow Ridge Rotary Foundation.
8. To encourage everyone to greet each other.
9. Every Club member who is on the books as a member as at July 1.
10. President Elect Training Seminar – every President-Elect
11. When Rotary was organized, the meeting place was rotated between the member's offices.
12. "To make a real difference in the community and the world".

**Submitted by Laurie Anderson**

### CLUB CALENDAR:

Nov 18 - **Foundation Dinner** - Bellingham Golf & Country Club

Nov 22 7:30am - **Dignity Breakfast:**  
Book a seat with Mike Davies [mt.davies@shaw.ca](mailto:mt.davies@shaw.ca)

Nov 23 - **Dancing in the Ridge - competition**

Nov 30 - **Pubhub**

Dec 2 - **Pre-PETS** - Silver Reef Casino Resort

Dec 13 - **Senior's luncheon** (vege prep – Monday or Tuesday TBA)

Dec 16 - **Xmas party at Callison's**

Jan 27, 2024 - **Grants Management Seminar**

Rotary Fieldhouse, South Surrey

Mar 2, 2024 - **Grants Management Seminar**

Silver Reef Casino Resort

Apr 13, 2024 - **District Assembly** - Kwantlen Polytechnic

Langley Campus - new location!