



Meetings: Tuesday 12 Noon

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SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Happy Birthday		Happy Anniversary
Sep 17	Dale, Adrienne	

Upcoming Speakers:		
Sep 15	Sasha Warmington, Ecuador Projects in Baños, Ecuador	Sep 22 No Speaker Duck Race Cheque Presentations
		Sep 29

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President **Eric Mollema** presided.

Program - Peter Tam, Assistant District Governor for Area M

Area M Social Event and Fund Raiser

Peter explained that our Rotary District 5050 is divided into Areas, and our area is Area M, which includes:

- Rotary Club of Meadow Ridge
- Haney Rotary Club
- Mission Sunrise Rotary Club
- Mission North Fraser Rotary Club

Peter presented plans for a Hawaiian-themed Area M picnic and barbecue on **Sunday, September 20**, at the **31st BP Guild Scout Hall, located at 27660 Dewdney Trunk Road (the Whonnock Scout Camp)**.

The event will include a meal, games and opportunities for members of the four Area M clubs to socialize and discuss future cooperation. The 31st BP Guild will manage food preparation, cooking and dishes. The cost per person will be \$20 with the proceeds from the ticket sales going to support the Guild. Games will begin at 4:00 PM and dinner will be served at 6:30 PM.

Our Club is encouraged to attend and to donate small prizes for the games, such as \$5 gift cards or other suitable items. Volunteers are needed to organize the games.

Because it is Hawaiian themed, we are encouraged to wear a Hawaiian-themed shirt if you have one (or coconuts if you don't). Our Club must let Peter know in advance how many members are attending, and to present one Club cheque to pay for the total number of Club members who will be in attendance.

Area M Fundraising Concert

Peter also presented plans for a professional theatrical concert and fund-raiser, featuring music associated with artists including Elton John and Billy Joel. The production will include professional musicians, dancers, costumes and other theatrical elements (with cameo appearances by entertainers imitating such as singers as Taylor Swift and Tina Turner).

Details

- Date: **October 1, 2026**
- Place: Mission Clarke Theater, University of the Fraser Valley
- Address: 33700 Prentis Ave, Mission
- Regular tickets: approximately \$40 (VIP seats \$50)
- Rotary discount: approximately \$10
- **Rotary and friends price \$30**
- Each club will receive a unique discount code.
- Ticket sales will be credited to the club whose code is used.
- Tickets will be sold online.
- Proceeds will be distributed proportionally based on ticket sales.
- The event could generate approximately **\$10,000 for participating Rotary clubs**.

Clubs are responsible primarily for promoting the concert. Promotional posters and physical tickets will be available. The concert is planned for the Mission theatre with approximately 500 seats and VIP seating. Peter says that "Rotary Clubs can make a few dollars without administrative or costs, or physical effort. Promoting Rotary through community engagement".

Happy and Sad Dollars

Eric is happy he and **Urma** are camping at the Rotary Camp in Fort Langley already; but sad that the "fire ban" is now lifted and everything smells like "smoke"!!!



Ray is happy his granddaughter has now started the University in Toronto.

Alex is happy they were finally able to take the dog kennel out of the living room....and move the treadmill into its place (when they get back from camping, they may actually turn it on!).



Upcoming Events

- **September 7-13** – annual camping event at Fort Langley
- **September 11:** Club pub hub gathering at Fort Langley
- **September 17:** North Fraser Therapeutic Riding Association Appreciation
- **September 20:** Area M Hawaiian picnic
- **October 1:** Peter Tam Concert in Mission
- **October 20:** District/Assistant District Governors visit to our Club

Duck Race Update

Approximately 16 members (only half of our members) have completed the Duck Race questionnaire sent out to us all by chair Libby. Members who have not yet responded are asked to complete it, preferably with typed responses to facilitate compilation.

President's Closing Quote:



Submitted by Laurie Anderson