

Ade's Hope Fund

Rotarians and friends of Rotary who wish to honor the memory of RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe's wife, Ade, are encouraged to contribute to Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children.

The special fund within The Rotary Foundation of RI was established shortly after Mrs. Majiyagbe's untimely death on 6 June to commemorate her commitment to the goal of universal literacy and education. Contributions to Ade's Hope Fund are earmarked within the World Fund to support grants that address the educational needs of women and children.

Checks should be made payable to The Rotary Foundation with a notation that the money is for Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children. Contributors in the United States should send their gifts to The Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 75133, Chicago, IL 60675-5133. Rotarians outside the United States should send their contributions to the international office serving their region.

In the fall of 2002, then RI President-elect Jonathan Majiyagbe and his wife Ade were visiting the Rotary Club of Decatur Daybreak in Decatur, Alabama, USA, and decided to pay a visit to Woodmeade Elementary in Decatur to meet teacher Lile Blythe's second grade class.

The couple talked to the children about the realities that many African families face. Mr. Majiyagbe told the students that they were "lucky," since many families in his homeland of Nigeria, and elsewhere in the world, cannot afford to send their children to school.

Inspired by the Majiyagbes' visit and encouraged to find a unique way to *Lend a Hand*, the students wrote to the Decatur Daybreak Rotarians to ask what could be done.

The club decided to donate US\$160 to Heifer International, a non-profit group that provides farm animals to families in need to help them become self-sufficient. About \$120 of the amount purchased an adult goat for a family in the West African nation of Ghana, while the remainder was spent on a baby goat. With these two goats, the family will now be self-sufficient and able to send their children to school.

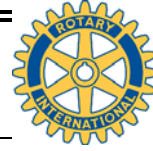
As part of the project, the students read books about Africa and made colorful drawings, to tell the Majiyagbes about the project.

"We learned to help people, and that makes me feel happy," said student Kennedy Bridgeforth, in an article published by the *Decatur Daily* newspaper.

The Rotary world was deeply saddened when Mrs. Majiyagbe died in June 2003. Honouring her memory and recognizing her work toward the goal of universal literacy and education, The Rotary Foundation of RI set up Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children to continue the legacy of her service.



The late Ade Majiyagbe was dedicated to promoting the welfare of children and families everywhere. She inspired others with her kindness and insight, including a group of U.S. elementary school students who enlisted the help of the local Rotary club to *Lend a Hand* to a Ghanaian family in a very unique way.



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INVOCATION August 12: Gord Robson August 19: Mary Robson

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15-8:15	8:00-10:00
August 14	Peter Boekhorst	Laurie Anderson
Sept. 11	Brian Bekar	Lindsay Hendy

Call Peter at 604-465-3392 for assistance or e-mail pboekhorst@telus.net

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Dan Olson - Citizens on Bike Patrol

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Business Meeting



Lend a Hand

☞ Plan to attend D.G.'s visit on August 26th ☜

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Aug. 21	noon	Golf Tournament Meeting	Meadow Gardens Golf Club
Aug. 25	7pm	Vocational Services Meeting	Chad's home, 12189-232B St. MR
Aug. 26	noon	District Governor's visit	Library
Sept. 3	6:30pm	Community Service Meeting	Meadow Gardens Golf Club
Sept. 16	6pm	Meeting / Family Social	Vladimir's Bee Farm, 129 th Ave. PM
Sept. 21		Golf Tournament	Meadow Gardens Golf Club

☞ We will NOT have a regular meeting on Sept. 16 ☜

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$600 + 1/2 of today's sales, 24 cards, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 13: Gord Robson

August 16: Mike Mior

LAST WEEKS MEETING

Our guests were Hugh Mitchell, past-president of the Coquitlam Sunrise Club. By the way, if you ever would like to do a make-up at this Club, they meet at the Coquitlam Aquatic Centre, Tuesdays 7am! (that's why it's called SUNRISE CLUB!)

Fred Armstrong, who might as well join our Club, seeing he has been attending our meetings on a weekly basis! Welcome again, Fred!

Wolfgang Schubert, a guest of Gordy.

And last but not least: 2 Rotaractors of the Lower Fraser Valley Rotaract Club, Sherryl Eldridge and Charlotte Stange, who ended up being our "Program", since we didn't have an "official guest-speaker"

Some of the announcements:

- Suggested by Debi, to change the date of the "Golf-meeting" to Wednesday Aug. 20, 12 noon, at Meadow Gardens Golf Club. (email to be circulated to all Golf Committee members)
- Mike Davies suggested, if anybody would be interested and have the time, to assist in any way, with the interior fires, that left so many people homeless and stranded! If interested, please call the Red Cross for information.
- After some conversation between Mary and Brian Burke, the most possible date for this year's Sports' Banquet, has been targeted for Tuesday October 7th. Be prepared to volunteer for "something", you will be asked very shortly!
- Laurie made a preliminary design for a permanent "display cabinet", to be hung on the wall behind the podium in our meeting room. So we can store and display our banners, certificates etc. in a proper and permanent way.
- Laurie read out a letter from the "Freeplay Foundation" in Capetown, South Africa, addressed to our "Youth in Rotary" group. Thanking them for the enormous effort, to raise \$1548.00 US\$, through various fund-raising events. To purchase and pay for shipping of 31 winding radio's, to be sent to Rwanda and effectively directly affecting 310 Rwandan orphans. Great job guys!!!
- Dave Reekie, asked all Club members to look into their "resource people" and try to find him some new and interesting guest-speakers. Anything of interest to all members of our club would be preferable. He really needs some help, please give him a call ASAP
- Fred Armstrong announced Wed. Aug. 6th, at 8am, Lafarge will start pouring cement for the first ice-rink-slab ion Pitt Meadows Arenas. Anybody interested please go and have a look! It will be all ready to go for the Fall Season by Labour Day. Largely thanks to our donation of \$25,000.00 to this project from the Sports' Banquet funds. They've come a long way, but also still have a ways to go! If you have a chance, please show your interest and have a look!
- Calendar Meeting at Irena and Bobs' home(welcome back guys, sounds like you had a fantastic time in Europe!) Monday Aug. 11, at 7pm. It is a very big urgency NOW to get approx. 15 more advertisers at \$ 400.00 each (remember they get 20 calendars, which they can sell at \$20.00 ea. And recoup their \$400 completely!)
- Bring your 2 bottles for the bottle draw at the Golf Tournament to the meeting ASAP, or you'll find yourself getting fined \$1.00 each week you forget! (that can get expensive, ouch)



Our Program was a short presentation by Charlotte and Sherryl of the Lower Fraser Valley Rotaract Club about their upcoming fund raising project. August 20th at Newlands Golf Course. Tickets are \$ 50.00, if you book a table of 8, you get a free bottle of red + white wine at your table. Starts with a buffet dinner, Silent Auction and guest-speaker from the Rick Hanssen Foundation. After this a fall fashion Show, sponsored by local fashion stores and modeled by Rotarians. All proceeds to go towards buying 240 wheelchairs through the Wheelchair Foundation, to send a container with 240 wheelchairs, worth over \$24,000.00 to a 3rd World Country, to benefit 240 people that cannot afford wheelchairs. A very well worth cause, so if you can attend, please contact Mary Robson for more information.

PRESIDENTS' QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

A will is something that let you wait until you are out of harms way, before revealing what you really thought of your spouse and children.

Submitted by Ineke

♀ When is that guy going to hit that ball with that stick?



MeadowRidge Rotary Annual Golf Tournament Sept. 21, 2003

Meadow Gardens Golf Course



Here is your opportunity to sponsor a hole for only \$100!

All net proceeds to Polio Eradication.

BOTTLE DRAW

If you are participating in our annual golf tournament or not, we need a donation towards the **BOTTLE DRAW FROM EVERY MEMBER!**

We are looking for a minimum of 2 BOTTLES from everybody. One of these bottles needs to be of a "SERIOUS" nature, with a minimum value of \$ 5.00. Something like: wine, whiskey, rum, champagne or any other "spirit" you can think of and someone would be interested in! The other bottle, can be ANYTHING in a bottle: perfume, a bottle of candy, bottle of ketchup, a ship in a bottle. Come up with something original!

We will be attaching a #ticket to these bottles and sell the other half of the ticket for \$5.00, the purchaser of the ticket will match the ticket to a bottle and win that bottle.

It is always a very successful part of the event and also lots of fun!!