

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT

The previous 2 weeks, I printed the four areas of service, RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr. had chosen to lead Rotarians into a year of celebration, namely Family of Rotary, Health Concerns, Literacy, and Water Management.

In choosing water management as an area of emphasis, President Estess has targeted an essential need. More than one billion people worldwide lack access to clean water, and according to United Nations estimates, more than five million die of waterborne illnesses every year. In Africa, where the problem is most severe, only about 55 percent of the population has access to safe water.

When I searched for a project, I came along the following request:

The Rotary Club of Luanshya, Zambia wishes to equip five villages with clean drinking water. Each village will receive a well with a hand pump, secured to a cement slab foundation. The majority of the villagers are subsistence farmers that must walk up to 10km in order to obtain dirty drinking water. By providing each village with their own water supply, children will be able to attend school, as they will no longer be needed to fetch water for their families. Farmers will also be able to use the water for irrigation purposes. More than 35,000 people will benefit from this project.

Here are some pictures from a previous well project, sponsored by the Rotary Club of St. Albert, Alberta.



Find the exact location – with the help of a diviner complete with forked stick!



Kicking up the first dust at 11:15 am on 11th August 2003.



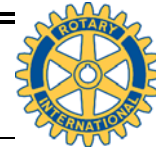
DG William Nyirenda Pumps the first few drops of water from the new pump.



Roy Sakahundu of Mpelembe hands over well report to Rotary Club of Luanshya.

One well with hand pump will cost US\$4,400, what is US\$2,940 after a matching grant or Can\$4,410. What a deal! \$4,410 will help about 7000 people. We should be proud to be able to help.

Peter Boekhorst



The Four Way Flasher

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INVOCATION

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| August 24 | Kevin Nosworthy | August 31 | Mina Park |
| Sept. 7 | Ken Paterson | Sept. 14 | Debi Pearce |

BINGO SCHEDULE

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| | 6:15-8:15 | 8:00-10:00 |
| Sept. 09 | Ron LePore | Laurie Anderson |
| Oct. 07 | Walter Volpatti | Vladimir Cukor |

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TODAY'S PROGRAM: Pat Jacobsen, CEO of Translink

NEXT WEEK: Jost Blom – Ex Dean of Law UBC

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

| Date | Time | Event | Venue |
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| Sep. 8 | noon | Executive Meeting | Robson & Assoc. office |
| Sep. 8 | 7:00pm | Community Services Meeting | Meadow Gardens Golf Course |
| Sep. 8 | 7:00pm | Vocational Services Meeting | Edward Jones 102-19237 122A Ave P.M. |
| Sep. 21 | noon | New Members Meeting | Gourmet Hideaway Restaurant |
| Sep. 28 | 12:30pm | Golf Tournament | Meadow Gardens Golf Course |
| Oct. 6 | | Sports Banquet | Meadow Gardens Golf Course |
| Nov. 6 | 5:30pm | Rotary Foundation Dinner | Bellwether Hotel in Bellingham |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug. 28: Dot Ralston

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Aug. 25: Gordon & Diane Kirkland

Aug. 28: Murray & Jacqueline Davelaar

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$431 + 1/2 of today's sales, 38 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!



LAST WEEK'S MEETING

The meeting was held at Bob Shantz's home and money paid for meal will go to the Foundation. The attendance for the meeting is attached.


Mary introduced our guests ADG Fred Reynolds, Leonie our exchange student from Germany, Vladimir's wife Zdenka, and our host Irena Shantz.

Lindsay reviewed the July 2004 financial statement (a copy can be obtained from Lindsay for those who were not in attendance).

Following are some of the club commitments for the upcoming year, we reviewed:

- **Sports Banquet** – Gordy advised that the date may have to be moved to October 6th as the Canucks are scheduled to play on the 5th and John McKeachie is in Vernon on the 5th. He advised that construction of the Rotary Field is underway.
- **Youth Exchange** – Our new exchange student, Leonie, was introduced. Members in attendance were all in favour of continuing with this program. It was noted that more host families are needed (3-4 families required) and that unless we have commitment from at least three for 2005/2006 a review of participation should take place.
To all Members – We currently only have one family for Leonie. Families for Dec-Feb, Mar-May and June are still needed.
- **Hospice Calendar** – Bob reported that there are 3,000 calendars being printed - 1,200 for sponsors and 1,800 for general sales. Cost per calendar is \$20. Prizes cost \$14,600 and printing costs (plus GST) are \$9,400. With all 60 units being paid for there is no financial risk to the club. He advised that Neil Smith who is newly appointed Chair of the Hospice Org. has agreed that they will be involved in the sale of the 1,800 calendars. They will have a Hospice "Celebrate a Life" booth in the malls during Nov/Dec. Bob says they are looking for additional venues for sales. Bob asked for a commitment from each Member to sell five calendars. It was agreed that five calendars is not unreasonable and the project will continue with the understanding that all the calendars may not be sold in the first year and with no risk to the club, in future years popularity of calendars may improve.
- **Zajac Ranch** – We reviewed the attached memo. The Centennial Celebration was approved. Sharon and Dot are to bring back a proposal for the Family Weekend Camps. The RYLA camp would also be good exposure of the facilities.
- **Hospital Foundation – Hospital Expansion Project** – Marco explained that expansion of the hospital is required for our current population. The Fraser Health Authority will fund \$5M., but it's not enough, \$8M. is required. The plan is to combine all ambulatory care services onto one floor with a new emergency room below. The request submitted to the Club for consideration is to commit to raising \$50,000. over five years. Marco suggested that perhaps the funds can be raised through a dinner like the ones held for the CAT Scan machine. Gord suggested it may be more feasible to commit to \$25,000. over five years. Marco said he would co-ordinate the dinner with help. It was noted that we need the Hospital Foundation to help sell tickets for the fundraising dinner to make the task feasible.

- **Meth Campaign** – Gord advised that Mary wanted to tackle an education program for crystal meth during her term. She started to form a task force for education and realized that there was a need for an addiction response team and an enforcement team. The initial meeting was a great success and three task forces have been formed. There are approximately 180 people involved in the campaign. At the present time the only request is for \$1,000. funding for list administration. It was agreed this is a worthwhile project.
- **RI Foundation – Every Rotarian, Every Year** – Vladimir advised that the goal is \$100. USD per member, per year. He advised that we met the goal of \$3,000. last year which was an average of \$69 USD per member. It was agreed that the Club continue to work on the goal of \$100 USD per member, per year.

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| <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Ridge Meadow Rotary and Haney Rotary Clubs are proud to present our annual Golf Tournament to be held on Tuesday September 28th 2004 at the renowned Meadow Gardens Golf Course.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This event features:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full use of the practice facility. • Power Cart. • Beat the Pro. • Putting Contest. • Longest drive. • Closest to the Pin. • Burger Buffet. • Stroke Play using Callaway scoring. • Trophies and prizes. <p>All proceeds are to be donated to the Ridge Meadows Hospital Foundation.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> | <p>Corporate hole sponsorships are available starting at \$100. All sponsors will have professionally made signage. Hole Sponsors and Prize Donors will be honored in the evening's program.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">– Tournament Schedule –</p> <p>Tuesday September 28 2004.</p> <p>11:30AM – Registration and use of practice facility.</p> <p>12:30PM – Tee-off – Shot Gun Start.</p> <p>6:00PM – Dinner/Award/Prizes</p> <p>For further information, please contact:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Brian Bekar 604 463-7277</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bonnie Telep 604 467-9300</p> |
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