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Event: Rotary Foundation Dinner and Celebration

Date: Saturday, November 06, 2004 At 5:30pm

Fee: \$40.00 per person

Location: Bellwether Hotel [\[View Map\]](#)

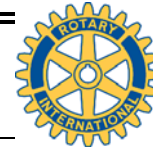
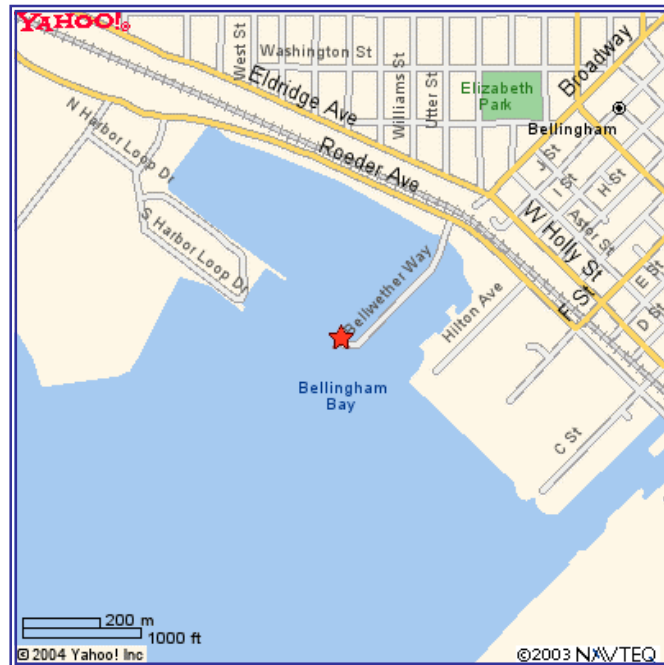
One Bellwether Way
Bellingham, WA, 98225
USA

Details: What better a way to begin Rotary Foundation Month than by attending the Foundation Celebration Dinner on Saturday, November 6th. Cocktails will begin at 5:30 and dinner is set to begin at 7:00. It will be a most memorable evening at the Hotel on the end of the pier, capped off by a fabulous Rotary Foundation speaker. The Foundation Committee is pleased to have **Dr. Joe Serra** as our Featured Speaker. Dr. Joe is a dedicated Rotarian who has been a key force in Rotary's quest to rid the world of the wild Polio virus by 2005. Joe has been a popular speaker at PETS and was at the District Conference of the Clubs in 2000 at Harrison. Special rates at the hotel are available. Tell the registration desk you are with the "Rotary Foundation Dinner". This is a wonderful way to spend a November weekend at a great Northwest Resort and hear a memorable speaker too!

[Register Online](#)

Thank you.

For District 5050,
Rob Martin (Event Chair)



The Four Way Flasher

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INVOCATION

Oct. 19	Dave Rempel	Oct. 26	Gordy Robson
Nov. 2	Mary Robson	Nov. 9	Bob Shantz



CELEBRATE
ROTARY
100 Years

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15-8:15	8:00-10:00
Nov. 04	Murray Davelaar	Chad Reed
Dec. 02	Lynda Lawrence	Bob Shantz

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

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Cathy Chiu – Salvation Army

NEXT WEEK: Vocational Service Meeting.

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Nov. 3	6:00pm	Rotary Men's Night, Tickets \$95	Pitt Meadows Rec. Hall
Nov. 15	12:00pm	WineZest Meeting	Laurie's Office 22311-119 th Ave. M.R.
Nov. 6	5:30pm	Rotary Foundation Dinner	Bellwether Hotel in Bellingham
May 28		WineZest 2005	ACT, M.R.
June 18-22, 2005		RI Centennial Convention	Chicago

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$572 + 1/2 of today's sales, 32 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEKS MEETING

A few announcements were made by various members that should make all of your chests swell with pride.

- 1) The Sports Banquet's anticipated net profit will be in the area of \$ 35,000
That will make this a bonus year
- 2) The Golf Tourmie also had a record year, raising approx \$7,000 of which \$3,500 will go towards our commitment to the Hospital Emergency Ward
- 3) Internationally, over 80 million kids under 5 years were immunized against polio this past weekend
- 4) The Hospice calendar should be ready for distribution next week
- 5) The Crystal Meth campaign is going very well
- 6) Shane provided 54 families with Thanksgiving baskets this weekend

WOW!

Ken Stewart was our guest speaker and he used his time to bring us up to date on a few key issues of the Liberal government and how they effect Maple Ridge.

1) HEALTH As people are aging and living longer this is causing the cost of providing health care in BC to rise. One of Kens accomplishments is to have Maple Ridge designated as an area in need of Doctors and hence we have brought in some new and qualified doctors from South Africa and are now having doctors who are looking for patients instead of the other way around. He also is very proud of Maple Ridge in our partnerships with the government in getting the CT scanner and in the upcoming expansion of the Emergency Ward.

2) EDUCATION: The funding formula that had Maple Ridge on the bottom of the funding list has now been revamped and consequently we are now receiving more funds per student (capital funds) in our area. We have seen 2 elementary schools close but also 2 new high schools built in the past years.

3) SAFETY: Our example in the Crystal Meth program has inspired other communities to start up similar programs.

4) Olympic opportunities- With the 2010 Olympics coming there are plenty of opportunities for businesses to participate. To check this out go to www.2010commercecenter.gov.bc.ca

5) The government is taking input on how to spend its \$1Billion surplus. You can do so by going to Kens office beside the Library or by going to www.kenstewart.mla@leg.bc.ca

6) The next election has been announces as May 17, 2005.

Submitted by Debi Pearce

SOME DISTRICT NOTES

Rotary Foundation Money Management:

I learned something interesting in Hawaii at the Zone 23 Institute. There is a new program (new to me at least) offered through the Rotary Foundation. It works like this: a Rotarian puts \$20,000 into a designated fund, then they can direct the proceeds to fund any non profit organization in whatever amounts they wish. Schools, hospitals, Universities, social programs and any other 501-C-3 organization is eligible to receive grants in

whatever amounts the person wishes. The program is under the investment direction of the Rotary Foundation but is managed by Fidelity Investments. The only stipulation is that the Rotary Foundation must get \$125.00 per year, regardless of the amount of the investment. Other than that, the donor is free to spend the proceeds on anything they wish.

India Update: Any of you that are working or planning to work with RI District 3100 in India, they are fully compliant with the TRF Reporting requirements and have been reinstated. Also, District 3080 is compliant with everything except one Matching Grant and they will be reinstated. This is expected to happen in the very near future.

Final Grant Reports:

Some say it is long overdue, but recently, the Rotary Foundation Trustees have stopped any issuing further grant awards until the entire District has met the requirement of having their final reports current. While this seems like a stringent requirement for some, it provides important accountability for those of us making contributions to the Foundation. I would like to report that District 5050's reports are fully current, but unfortunately that is not the case. We are working to correct this problem, and I will be contacting those five clubs that still have not responded to my request to complete their final reports. We are not yet at the point where all our grant activity will be stopped, but we are close.

Unfortunately, most of this is felt particularly with the new District Simplified Grant program. We still have not received all the reports that are necessary from the clubs that received funds from the 2003-04 year and the Foundation will not issue new funds for this year until the remaining grant project are closed. I have written each of the clubs and have two out of five back, but we need to get them all in so the Foundation will process our funds.

Rotary Foundation Dinner:

November 6th is our Foundation Dinner. It will be held at the Bellwether Hotel in Bellingham. We have one of the most sought after speakers in the Rotary world coming. Cocktails will be served beginning at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Go to the District 5050 web site www.district5050.org to register. It is on the right hand side of the screen. You need to register your email address first. If you have difficulty, send me an email and I'll send you the password. Unfortunately, the online payment feature has not been hooked up yet, but we will take MasterCard and Visa, Checks or cash at the door. (*No IOU's please!*) The Dinner cost per person is \$40.00 US. We still have lots of room, so make your plans today! This is an exceptional chance to turn a *Rotary Member into a Rotarian!* There will be a featured story in an upcoming Peace Arch Journal edition, but it may not get to Rotarians' homes until right before the dinner. Owing to that concern, I want to encourage all Rotary Presidents to please make this announcement.

Foundation Seminar:

There will be a second Rotary Foundation Seminar on **November 20th** Delta Town and Country Inn, 6005 Highway 17 at Highway 99, Delta, B.C. I understand the cost is \$30.00 CDN per person. It will begin with a membership seminar in the morning and the Foundation seminar will start about 1:00. DG Gary Hollick will get out the specifics to you all later, but I wanted you to hear it first.

For District 5050,
Rob Martin