

President's Message

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As we look back on Rotary's first 100 years of service, we can celebrate the great milestones and turning points that have defined our organization. One of Rotary's most significant developments was the creation of The Rotary Foundation of RI, whose programs and projects have brought dignity and hope to millions of people around the world.

The Rotary Foundation started as the dream of one man – Past RI President Arch Klumph. In 1917, he proposed an endowment fund with the express purpose of “doing good in the world.” But despite his enthusiasm, the idea did not immediately take off. The first contribution was in the modest amount of US\$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Mo., USA. It wasn't until 1947 – the year of founder Paul Harris's death – that Rotarians began contributing large amounts to honour his memory. Since then, The Rotary Foundation has provided more than \$1.4 billion in grants for projects in more than 165 countries.

I would like to thank all those Rotarians who have given so generously of their time and money. Without your support, we would not be able to fund all those programs that have improved the quality of life for so many people. Through the Foundation, Rotarians are helping to overcome hunger, poverty, disease, and illiteracy – the basic afflictions of the human condition that are the main obstacles to world understanding and peace.

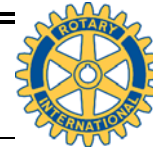
November is Rotary Foundation Month, a time to consider how you can make a meaningful contribution. The Foundation provides an effective vehicle for Rotarians to realize their own dreams of helping others. Whether it's in the form of financial support or hands-on service, everyone can participate in the programs of the Foundation. In 2001, the Council on Legislation set a goal for every Rotarian to contribute \$100 or more each year to the Annual Programs Fund. During the 2004-05 centennial year, we hope to raise a total of \$100 million through the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative.

Perhaps the greatest achievement of Rotary's first century has been PolioPlus. In August, I attended RI's Polio Summit in Delhi, India, where more than 1,300 Rotarians, health officials and government leaders (including India's president) convened to coordinate the final push to wipe out polio in Bangladesh, India, Nepal, and Pakistan. Epidemiologists report that India is on track to stop poliovirus transmission by the end of 2004. It is only a matter of time before polio is eradicated forever, thanks to the Foundation and our global health partners. PolioPlus will serve as our lasting legacy to the world's children.

With so many pressing needs and economic challenges, The Rotary Foundation is more timely and relevant than ever before. As Arch Klumph expressed years ago, “We should think of the Foundation as being not something of today or tomorrow, but think of it in terms of years and generations to come. Rotary is a movement for the centuries.”

These are indeed prophetic words as we look forward to celebrating Rotary's first centennial. We are literally making history as we eradicate the last few cases of polio. The Rotary Foundation will continue to touch millions of lives and alleviate needless suffering. During Rotary's centennial year, let us *Celebrate Rotary* by making a personal contribution to the Foundation. Perhaps your dream – like Arch Klumph's – will change the course of Rotary history.

Glenn E. Estess Sr.
President, Rotary International



The Four Way Flasher

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INVOCATION

Nov. 2	Mary Robson	Nov. 9	Bob Shantz
Nov. 16	Eng Tan	Nov. 23	Marco Terwiel

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: Susan Cudahy –
Director of Economic Development for the District of Maple Ridge

NEXT WEEK: t.b.a.

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. 6	5:30pm	Rotary Foundation Dinner	Bellwether Hotel in Bellingham
Nov. 10	5:30pm	Vocational Services Meeting	Edward Jones 102-19237 122A Ave. PM
Nov. 15	12:00pm	WineZest Meeting	Laurie's Office 22311-119 th Ave. M.R.
May 28		WineZest 2005	ACT, M.R.
June 18-22, 2005		RI Centennial Convention	Chicago

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$618+ 1/2 of today's sales, 30 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!



Last Weeks Meeting

This week we had the honour of inducting two new members to our club, Robert and Maureen Goodrick. Robert & Maureen are owners of a local business, Interpro Technical Services, located in Maple Meadows mall. They specialize in overhauling steam turbine generators and have 7 full time employees. They moved to Maple Ridge last December with their daughter and enjoy spending their spare time skiing, camping and bike riding. I'm sure they are anxious to jump in and participate in one of our many projects, so committee chairs look after them.

We also had Mike Morden from the Haney club who will be the chair of the Golf Tourne next year and he promises it will be bigger and better and absolutely promises more hands on assistance from his club.

The District Membership Development meeting will be held on Nov 20th. Any interested parties should contact Lynda Lawrence.

Diane Kirkland of Vocational Services presented a video, which highlights "Rotary's Commitment to Youth" very effectively. She is looking for volunteers from the membership who would be interested in assisting to set up another Rotaract or Interact club within the community as well as volunteers for her committee in general. Her next meeting will be held on November 10th at 5:30 at her office in Pitt Meadows.



Submitted by Debi Pearce

Foundation and Membership Seminar

District 5050 and 5040 are pleased to announce that PDG Carolyn Jones of Anchorage Alaska will be a feature speaker at the November 20th Foundation and Membership Seminar at the Delta Town and Country Inn.

For information and registration visit www.district5050.org

CAROLYN E. JONES

A small town girl from Tarrytown, New York, Carolyn Jones graduated from Stanford University with distinction and received her LL.B. from Yale Law School. She was an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska Attorney General's Office for 23 years, and a supervising attorney in the office during the last seven years before her retirement in 1998.

Carolyn joined the Rotary Club of Anchorage East in 1987. From 1997-1998, she was the governor of R.I. District 5010, the largest Rotary district in the world, including clubs in Alaska, USA; Yukon Territory, Canada; and Siberia and Far East, Russia. Her past Rotary activities include: President's Representative to Districts in Italy, Canada and the USA; 2000 International Training Leader; delegate to the 2001 and 2004 Councils of Legislation; service on a variety of RI committees; membership on the Northwest PETS Operations

Committee; 2002 member of the Anaheim International Institute Committee; and 2003-2005 Rotary Regional Foundation Coordinator for the western half of zone 22 and parts of zone 23. She was the chairperson of the 2004 Zone 22 Rotary Institute.

In 1999 and 2000 she headed the Rotary committee that coordinated the U.S. Library of Congress-sponsored visits to the United States of emerging young Russian leaders. She has been a member of the Khabarovsk-Alaska Rule of Law Steering Committee from 2001 to the present.

As the District 5010 Foundation chairperson for 2002-2003, Carolyn spearheaded the committee that produced a Rotary Foundation seminar that was broadcast live over cable TV to the Rotarians in D. 5010 and live over the Internet for the entire Rotary world, as well as translated fully into Russian.

She has received the Rotary "Service Above Self Award" and the Rotary Foundation "Citation For Meritorious Service", as well as the Alaska Bar Association's "Distinguished Service Award". Most recently, she was named over 149 other nominees as the "Volunteer of the Year" by the Russian Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization based in Moscow, Russia.

Carolyn has traveled to Russia 26 times in her service to Rotary, four of those visits as a Rotary Volunteer. Her story "The Children of Russia" was published in the July 2002 issue of the Rotarian and in "Chicken Soup For The Volunteers' Soul".

Carolyn has two married, adult daughters but no grandchildren. When she is not serving Rotary, she substitute teaches for the Anchorage School District. She loves to fish for salmon, hike Alaska's many trails, see the world, work in her flower garden, and count the stars in the bottom of her champagne glass.



World Interact Week: 1-7 November 2004

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14-18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but Interact clubs are self-governing and self-supporting. Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single-gender or mixed, as well as large and small. The membership base can be drawn from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools from the same community.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through projects, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs. And, in the process, Interactors develop leadership skills and learn the value of hard work.

As one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 8,600 Interact clubs in some 110 countries and geographical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Interactors also often spearhead the formation of **Rotaract** clubs and participate in **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards** (RYLA). Interactors also often go on to become **Youth Exchange** students or **Ambassadorial Scholars**.

