

Set on the shores of Stave Lake in Mission, BC, the Zajac Ranch for Children's objective is simply to "raise the spirits" of children with life threatening or chronic illnesses and/or disabilities. The Zajac Ranch hosts hundreds of children with a variety of considerations, who otherwise would not have the opportunity to experience all the joys and friendships of summer camp.

Some children are dependant on daily dialysis treatments for kidney disease. Some are living with life-long blood disorders. Others were born with a visible disease and have had to face cruelty from other children. The Zajac Ranch provides the opportunity for these children to regain a sense of self, a joy for life and the feeling that for them, there are no limits!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR OUR ANNUAL
ROUNDUP BBQ!**

**ZAJAC
RANCH**
FOR CHILDREN
Out here we raise spirits.

Sunday, September 24th, 2006
The Zajac Ranch for Children,
Mission, B.C.



The Four Way Flasher

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AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH

INVOCATION

Aug. 15	Bob Shantz	Aug. 22	Marco Terwiel
Aug. 29	Walter Volpatti	Sep. 5	Stan Wade

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15 - 8:15	8:00 - 10:00
Sept. 07	Mary Robson	Gord Robson
Oct. 05	Debbie MacRae	Walter Volpatti



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TODAY'S PROGRAM: Bill Neal – Pitt Meadows Airport

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Installation of 4 new members.

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
August 16	Noon	Executive Meeting	Home Restaurant, M.R.
August 19	4:00pm	BBQ at Vladimir and Zdenka's	The Bee Farm – 129 th Ave. Pitt Meadows
Sept. 16	7-10pm	Harvest Wine Fest	ACT
Nov. 7		Sports Banquet	Meadow Gardens

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$335.00+ 1/2 of today's sales, 38 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEKS MEETING

Our guests were Vishal Bajpai, Jamie Shin, Wendy Lindock, Nizar Virani and Rhian Pipprell.

Announcements:

September 24 is the Zajac Ranch Round-Up, which we are invited to attend.

The WineFest committee need some silent auction calls made. Laurie asked for assistance from the club members.

Our Guest Speaker was Rhian Pipprell, who is the Literacy Officer for District 5050. Rhian came to present a slide show and give us an update on the Guatemala Mobile Library project.

Rhian advised that our new Rotary Leader, William Boyd, has made literacy one of his goals for this upcoming year. She advised that there is a Literacy Award available for Clubs partaking in literacy projects.

She gave us a brief overview of the program that was established by Rigoberto Zamora of the Probogua Language School in Guatemala. The literacy rate in Guatemala is 50%. The age of compulsory education is 7 – 14 years of age. 90% of the children leave school in the 5th grade. Education opportunities are limited by the lack of books, written material and supplies. Rigoberto has focused his time on setting up the mobile library to improve the level of education in the rural areas of Guatemala, and to support the teachers and motivate the children to attend school.



A matching grant was obtained to raise \$45,000. USD to purchase a second bus and stock it with books. The books are bought locally in Guatemala to provide employment, and books that are culturally suitable in the right language. These are textbooks, encyclopaedias and picture books.

The buses have been traveling to schools, town squares and villages throughout rural Guatemala. Storage boxes, designed to look like miniature buses, that hold 200 books have been dropped off at schools for their use.

The Minister of Education sent a letter of support for Rigoberto's program. He was also in attendance at the Inauguration. There were 200 people that attended the event which included a ribbon cutting ceremony and the blessing of the new bus. Former DG Harv Jubie was in attendance with Rhian and they were presented with a tiny wooden bus as a keepsake.

The program is in continuing need of support, and requires approximately \$11,000 USD per year to maintain the bus, hire a librarian and driver, and pay for the fuel. Rhian asked for our continued support.

Submitted by Lynda Lawrence

DG ROD THOMSON'S VISIT

August 22nd was scheduled for the DG Rod Thomson's visit to our club. Due to his commitments at work he has to reschedule this visit, as The Times in Abbotsford are experiencing strike action and he has to be in court those days.

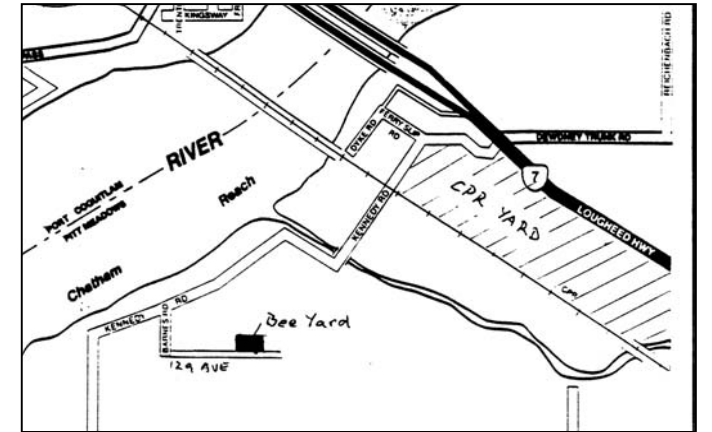
'BEE' THERE AT THE 4TH ANNUAL FAMILY OF ROTARY BARBECUE

SATURDAY August 19, 4:00 PM at Vladimir & Zdenka's Honey Bee Farm
This is a "By Donation" event: all donations to Rotary Foundation

LOCATION: Vlad's Apiary
129th Ave. Pitt Meadows

At Pitt River bridge turn left onto Kennedy Rd. Over railroad, follow bend in road right, left. Left onto Barnes Rd. (sign for Gun Club) At the end, left onto 129th Ave.

Vladimir and Zdenka, will be hosting once again this wonderful Family Barbecue + informative social. You'll be able to experience and find out everything there is to know about a "working honey bee farm" Again this year featuring a "Live Auction" with all proceeds going DIRECTLY to the Rotary Foundation, Vladimir's award winning Honey will be for sale (part proceeds to Foundation) + a FABULOUS barbecue!



THE 11TH ANNUAL HARVEST WINE FESTIVAL

on Saturday September 16th, 2006
at the Maple Ridge Arts Centre and Theatre.

from 7p.m. to 10 p.m.

This year's exciting event will showcase 12 wineries and 2 craft breweries featuring over 50 wines and beers from around the world as well as showcasing some of BC's award winning wines. Tantalizing culinary cuisine from local restaurateurs is coordinated to compliment the wine and beer selections that will be served.

Ticket price for the evening's festivities is \$35.00 pp.

