HOT TOPICS

"The Rotarian" Needs your input on the Four Way Test, Population Issues and More...We're looking for Rotarian readers who have experience with the following topics. Do you fit the bill? Write us!

The Four-Way Test

How does your business use The Four-Way Test? Have you ever used it to train younger employees? **Tell us how.**

Head count

Got a strong opinion about population issues? Give us your take.

On their own

Let us know how you've helped an orphan or an orphanage.

Generation R

Know a teen who'd make a great Rotarian a decade from now? Introduce us!

No child left behind

The UN seeks to establish universal primary education by 2015. How is your club working to help?

Doing good, feeling well

Recent studies suggest that activities such as volunteering and donating are actually good for our health. Has your health improved after getting involved in a project? **Tell us about it.**

Alternative therapies

Do you use any form of complementary therapies, such as massage, acupuncture, meditation, or chiropractic medicine? Are you a physician who incorporates such therapies into your practice? If so, we'd like to hear from you about what worked (or didn't) for you.

To send your stories and tips, e-mail rotarian@rotary.org; write Your Stories, The Rotarian, 1560 Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201 USA; or fax 847-866-9732.



The Four Way Flasher

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March is Literacy Month

INVOCATION

Mar. 20	Debbie MacRae	Mar. 27	Kevin Nosworthy
April 3	Mina Park	April 10	Ken Paterson

LEAD THE WAY

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15 - 8:15	8:00 - 10:00
March 22	Sharon Kyle	Valerie Spurrell
April 19	Lynda Lawrence	Diane Kirkland

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

TODAY'S PROGRAM:

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Apr. 14	8:00am	District Assembly	Kwantlen University College, Surrey
May 31-June 3		District Conference	Harrison Hot Springs Resort
June 17-20		RI Conference	Salt Lake City
August 18	3:00pm	Vladimir's Honey BBQ	The Bee Farm - 129 th Ave., Pitt Meadows

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$295.50+ 1/2 of today's sales, 38 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEKS MEETING

Our Guests were Wende Dawes and Jan Dale of Dominion Lending, guests of Vivian Hatiras and Yvon Lee and Cynthia Park, guests of Mina Park.

BOB SHANTZ- ROTARY/HOSPICE CALENDAR PROJECT 2008

This is the third year that the Meadowridge Rotary Club and Ridge Meadows Hospice Society are combining efforts to raise funds for the new 10-bed Hospice facility that has been built on Hospital grounds for the terminally ill patients. The Hospice Society is responsible for furnishing the rooms at an estimated cost of \$350,000.00 and therefore funding is greatly needed.

We are now in the process of creating a 12-month cash calendar for 2008. We had very successful calendar projects for 2005 and 2006, which raised just short of \$60,000 for our local Hospice Society. The calendar theme for 2008 is the "Gardens of Ridge Meadows". Each day of the year awards a prize! Cash prizes range from \$20, \$250 and top prize of \$3000.00 Total cash prizes \$14,400!

Dying is a process that requires community support to ensure choice of care, provision of physical and medical requirements, respite for family members and an environment that ensures individual dignity in the final phases of life. Hospice provides this compassionate support to patients and their families.

Please support the Ridge Meadows Hospice society and the Meadowridge Rotary Club 2008 calendar project by purchasing an advertising space in the calendar; there are a total of 60 advertising spaces available at \$400.00 each.

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBER- JIM COULTER FROM THE M.R./P.M. NEWS



Jim Coulter was born in Vancouver, B.C. and grew up in the Agassiz/Harrison Hot Springs area in the 1950's and 1960', graduating from Agassiz High School in 1969. After working in the Harrison Hot Springs Hotel for 2 to 3 years, he decided to try and make his mark in the hospitality industry. Eight or ten years of working in various hotels and establishments in the Kamloops and Vernon areas cured him of that however, and he changed his focus to the area of sales.

In the late 1970's and early 1980's, Jim worked at a General Motors dealership in Kamloops as a salesperson and eventually as a sales manager. Interest rates and other market factors made it very difficult for people to make a decent living in that business for a few years, and so in 1984 Jim jumped to the advertising business as a sales representative for a brand new progressive rock n' roll FM radio station.

Success in that business resulted in an offer to work for the local Thomson newspaper in July of 1987. How was he to know that the paper would stop publication in November after 106 years?

Now with a mortgage payment, two cars a young wife and three kids, he jumped at the next opportunity to present itself. Luckily it was Black Press in January of 1988, and with the exception of working for VanNet in Richmond for five years, he has worked for the Black group ever since.

He is the past Advertising Manager of Kamloops This Week, the Richmond News and the Surrey North Delta Leader. He has been the publisher of the Terrace Standard, the Sidney News Review, and of course the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows News since November of 2000. He spent six years on the board of the local Chamber of Commerce and is the immediate past president.

Jim and his wife Laura have two sons – Andrew, 10 and Patrick, 12 at home in Maple Ridge. Jim has three adult children from his first marriage – Carey, 28 who will return from South Korea this month after three years away, Jesse, 26 who works in Grande Prairie, Alberta and Angela who lives and works in Kamloops, B.C.

Jim is a Maple Ridge homeowner, a past youth soccer coach and years ago, a city racquetball champion. He enjoys playing the drums as long as no one can hear him and loves to golf even though he is not much good at it. He is looking forward to becoming an active member of the Rotary Club. Welcome to MeadowRidge Rotary from all of us!

DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICE- DAVE REMPEL

International Exchange encompasses Incoming and Outgoing Committees: Doris Gagel is in charge of the committee for incoming students and Ken Knuttila heads the committee for outgoing students. Our club now has Ion Wright in Belgium and Anna is still here in Maple Ridge. Host families are Schantz, Boekhorst, Wright's and Rempel's. Plans are on hold for 2007 /2008 and will resume as we begin planning to host a student for 2008/2009. We will need 4 host families to accommodate a student for a year. The Committee will begin meeting in April to discuss the plans for a student.

Funding Projects – There have been many projects funded for International Service over the years. Since 2004 notable projects have been funded with the help of Brian Becker, Lawrence Anderson, and Peter Boekhorst, serving on committees. Let's not forget the Mobile Library in Guatemala.

Our latest project in 2006 and 2007 is building a home in Mexico. Rotarians depart on Friday from San Diego, they work all day Saturday in Mexico until the house is built in one day! We now have 5 or 6 volunteers. The committee meets today after lunch. We need volunteers for this very worthwhile project.

Submitted By Vivian Hatiras & Lynda Lawrence

THE FOUR WAY TEST

"Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

The 4 Way test is a Hot Topic today. Turn to back page for more.