## ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS



Rotary Fellowships should not be the best-kept secret in Rotary, but they are! There are over 70 different Rotary Fellowships. Each Rotary Fellowship focuses on a specific vocational or recreational discipline. Rotary Fellowships give Rotarians the opportunity to network with other Rotarians with whom they share interests. Fellowship is the foundation on which Rotary was built, and it is the source of Rotary's strength.

#### Editor's note:

How many people in our club are members of a Fellowship, or even have heard of the existence of Fellowships?

Fellowships can have members from all over the world, depending on the subject. Ineke and I are members of the Recreational Vehicle Fellowship, and that is more or less limited to North America, as it is hard to sail in a motorhome!

In the following list, which is growing almost daily, I see 'Finance/Banking Professionals'. Any takers? Accountants, Lawyers, Golf?

#### Peter

Accountants -- Amateur Radio -- Antique, Classic & Historic Automobiles -- Automobile & Motorsports -- Bird Watching -- Bridge -- Canoeing -- Caravanning -- Chess -- Computers --Convention Goers -- Cricket -- Curling -- Cycling -- Disaster Managers & Responders -- Dog Ownership -- Doll Lovers -- Drug Abuse Prevention -- Editors & Publishers -- Education-Secondary -- Egyptology -- Engineers & Applied Sciences Professionals -- Environment --Esperanto -- Finance/Banking Professionals -- Fine Arts & Antiques -- Fishing -- Floral --Design -- Flying -- Football -- Genealogy & Heraldry -- Go -- Golf -- Gourmets --Handicrafts -- Heart Surgery Survivors -- Home Exchange -- Horseback Riding -- Internet --Latin Culture -- Lawyers -- License Plate Collecting -- Literacy Providers -- Magic -- Magna Graecia -- Marathon Running -- Military Personnel -- Motorcycling -- Mountain Climbing & Hiking -- Music -- Nurses -- Old and Rare Books -- Paper Industry -- Parades and Festivals --Petangue -- Pharmacology -- Physicians -- Plastic Surgeons -- Police/Law Enforcement Professionals -- Poultry Industry -- Pre-Columbian Civilizations -- Psychiatry/Psychology --Quilters & Fiber Artists -- Railroads -- Recreational Vehicles -- Rotary Global History -- Rotary Heritage & History -- Rotary on Stamps -- Running & Fitness -- Scouting -- Scuba Diving --Shooting Sports -- Skiing -- Stockbrokers -- Tennis -- Tire Industry -- Total Quality Management -- Travel & Hosting -- Travel Agents -- Venture Capitalists -- Veterinary Science -- Wine -- Yachting -- Yoga



# The Four Way Flasher

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### June is Rotary Fellowship Month

#### INVOCATION

June 19	Marco Terwiel	July 3	Nizar Virani
July 10	Walter Volpatti	July 17	Stan Wade

# LEAD THE WAY

#### **BINGO SCHEDULE**

	6:15 - 8:15	8:00 - 10:00
June 14	Mina Park	Robert Campbell
July 12	Wende Dawes	

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

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Fireside at Bob & Irena Shantz

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: George Klassen – Amazon Evangelism Society

(Projects in Third World Countries)

#### **CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:**

Date	Time	Event	Venue
June 17-20		RI Conference	Salt Lake City
June 26	6:00pm	Installation Dinner	Meadow Gardens Golf Course
August 18	3:00pm	Vladimir's Honey BBQ	The Bee Farm - 129 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Pitt Meadows

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$17.50+ 1/2 of today's sales, 51 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### June 14: Bob Shantz

#### LAST WEEKS MEETING



Our guest today was Misha Bharwani, Anil's daughter, who is attending RYLA as a Fac (facilitator) this week and is then onto Salt lake City for the Convention. Sharon presented a cheque to Misha for her trip. She will be accompanied to Utah by the Boekhorsts.

Mina brought a Rotary banner for our banner board from her recent trip to Korea. She advised that the Club she attended there had their own song.

Our Club won the 2006/2007 President's Citation Award at the District 5050 Conference as well as a Literacy Award for our contribution to the Guatemala Mobile Library. Bob Shantz also took home an award for completing the Rotary Academy District 5050 program. He spoke highly of the speakers that were at the conference.



Our Guest Speaker was Phillip Soo, who is wine consultant and local resident. Phillip was with formerly with Andres Wines for 11 years. His presentation was on the BC Wine industry.

He provided some history and facts on the industry:

In the 1970s the main BC wines were sparkling or Riesling.

1988 was the turning point of BC wines with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade opening the market and putting pressure on wine growers to focus on quality. A grant of \$28 million was allocated for a replanting program. \$8,100. per acre paid to growers to remove undesirable varieties, resulting in roughly 2,400 acres removed and leaving 1,000 acres of premium vinifera plantings. The VQA (Vintners Quality Alliance) adopted a body of regulations (the BC Wine Act) and set high standards to ensure the wines were 100% produced in BC and were of superior quality as determined by a professional tasting panel. Over 60 wineries now produce VQA wines. BC VQA wine sales have doubled in the last six years to more than \$150 million annually.

The province's lead wine industry trade association, the British Columbia Wine Institute (BCWI) was created by an act of the provincial legislature, the BC Wine Act, in 1990. It has played a pivotal role in taking BC's wine industry from a vision to an internationally recognized niche region producing premium wines and providing quality wine tourism experiences.

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In 1999, UBC established a department (the Wine Research Centre) whose mission is to conduct pioneering research in enology and viticulture and to develop highly qualified human resources with relevant scientific expertise and enterprise who will promote the technological advancement of the wine industry in Canada. In 2004, a total of 16, 642 tons of grapes were harvested from 5,462 acres. There is now 6,632 acres planted under vine in the province, up from just 1,000 acres planted in 1989.

#### **Submitted by Lynda Lawrence**

#### LAUNCHING THE WATER & SANITATION ROTARIAN ACTION GROUP

Dr Ron Denham, Chair, announces the launch of the Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group. It comprises Rotarians from around the world working to improve life and livelihood through the provision of safe water and sanitation.

For a large part of the world's population, the outlook for a clean water supply is bleak. Some 6,000 die every day for lack of it. An incredible 1.1 billion children lack access to a supply of safe water and 2.4 billion lack adequate sanitation. To challenge this bleak reality, the group will provide information, support and encouragement to the world's 1.2 million Rotarians everywhere to take active roles in projects and programs to develop safe water and sanitation as a means of promoting health and alleviating hunger.

Rotarians are already committed to water and sanitation improvement. They are drilling wells, installing filters and purification systems, implementing rainwater harvesting, building pipelines, supplying solar disinfecting, building latrines, developing water management policies and systems and training in water management and personal hygiene. All of this is within the context of community development and better livelihood.

The Action Group will strengthen these initiatives. It is preparing a set of "best practices" on sustainability, promoting relationships with organizations, corporations, agencies and NGOs. It is identifying sources of funding and developing a network of experts. It will provide training and education on water/sanitation technologies and develop "Centres of Excellence" in the major water scarcity/shortage regions.

The focus throughout is ensuring sustainability. Community involvement and ownership, needs-driven, appropriate technology, education, training and behavior change will be the core of the group's activities.

Further information can be obtained from Ron Denham at 1-416-596-3607 or at the group new website: www.wasrag.org.

