

## RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Rotary Foundation is the engine that drives Rotary's international humanitarian service. Without the Foundation, many of Rotary's signature programs wouldn't exist. There would be no PolioPlus, no Humanitarian Grants, no Ambassadorial Scholarships, no Rotary World Peace Fellowships. Without the Foundation, Rotary would be a very different and less powerful force for good in the world.

As Rotarians, we give generously, yet we gain so much more: the pleasure of helping others, the satisfaction of knowing that we're doing the right thing, the joys of fellowship and friendship. As club members, we gain the global power of Rotary in our service – the power of more than 1.2 million Rotarians all over the world, each a potential partner in our projects.

I have long been a great believer in the Foundation. As early as 1980, I was involved with one of the very first Health, Hunger and Humanity Grants, immunizing children in southern India against red measles. As a trustee, I traveled the world promoting the Foundation's programs and assessing projects. Over and over, I saw the real, direct difference that Foundation resources made in Rotarians' work.

I call on every one of you, as Rotarians, to choose this month to make your annual gift to the Foundation – and to make a gift not only this year but every year to come. I take this commitment very seriously myself; my wife and I have contributed at the Major Donor level, and all our children are Paul Harris Fellows. All of us know firsthand exactly how much our gift means and how much it strengthens the organization that we care about so deeply. As RI president, I feel a special responsibility to promote Every Rotarian, Every Year, which has been so successful already in increasing support for our Foundation. I'm confident that this year, we can meet our goal of US\$120 million – an average gift of \$100 from every Rotarian.

It's a basic principle of Rotary that we can do much more together than we could ever do alone. The Rotary Foundation allows us to pool our resources, help each other, and thereby reach heights of service that would be simply unattainable otherwise. The Foundation is there for all of us, and it's our responsibility to be there for it. And that's why each of us must answer the call of Every Rotarian, Every Year.

## OCTOBER 24TH CELEBRATED AS WORLD POLIO DAY



Ten million children to be vaccinated against Polio on October 24th in Angola, Nigeria and the Sudan.

Within days another 135 million will be vaccinated from Chad, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Somalia in Africa to Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India and Pakistan in Asia.

Up to October 23, 2007 there have been 635 new cases of Polio worldwide (11 countries), down significantly from 1500 cases (15 countries) at the same time last year.

The latest confirmed case, worldwide, was diagnosed in India on September 28th, 2007. In 2007, for the first time ever, there are fewer type 1 polio cases than type 3 cases in key endemic areas. This suggests that the strategy of wide-scale use of monovalent oral polio vaccine type 1 (mOPV1) - which protects children twice as fast against type 1 polio than the traditionally-used trivalent OPV - is working.



# The Four Way Flasher

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## November is Rotary Foundation Month

### INVOCATION

Nov. 13	Doris Gagel	Nov. 20	Maureen Goodrick
Nov. 27	Diane Kirkland	Dec. 4	Ken Knuttila

### BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15 - 8:15	8:00 - 10:00
Nov. 29	Lynda Lawrence	Wende Dawes
Dec. 27	Marco Terwiel	Dave Rempel



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**TODAY'S PROGRAM:** Christopher Boyce - RYLA

**NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:** Ian Wright – Last year's Exchange Student to Belgium

### CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Dec. 11	noon	A.G.M.	Gourmet Hideaway

**50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$393.00 + 1/2 of today's sales, 37 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!**

## OCT. 30 MEETING

The meeting began with two cheque presentations by Mike Davies. The first was to Bonnie Klovance of Adopt-A-Block. The funds will be used to purchase vests for their volunteers.



The second presentation was to Bonnie Telep for the Spirit 2010 campaign. The monies will be used for the banner program. There will be 130 different banners produced by local students in our community.

Our Guests today were our Assistant District Governor, Denis Boyd and Bob's wife Irena Shantz. Denis presented special pins to our two newest members - Marina Morrocco and Brett Paskar.



Jen Dawkins, who went to Italy with our GSE team, was our Guest Speaker. She bought a number of banners from the various clubs that she visited on her trip. She advised they spent four weeks touring northern Italy. The team attended all vocational visits together.

In Chioggia they visited a seafood packing plant, and a fire station. In Bassano del Grappa they sampled grappa. There was a day outing by train up north where they went mountain biking, visited caves and went kayaking. One of her team members, Michael, is a professional photographer and they've got some really great photos of their trip.

The group visited fire stations in Camilliano, and an independent fire station in Trento that had some amazing apparatus. In Sappada, they met the first female Rotarian during their trip to District 2060.

They visited a Bicycle Museum, and toured the Ducato Motorcycle Factory with the company's Vice President. They attended an evening club meeting at the Verona Sailing Club. The group visited Cittadella, a walled city, where Elections were taking place. Another trip took them to the Murano Glass Factory for a tour.

Their visit to Venezia was the only time the group separated. Jen went to the National Fire Training Centre where they had a tour and catered lunch for her. Of 130,000 fire fighters in the country only 40 are women.

Jen spoke of the Club meetings, which can last three hours long and have 4 different courses on the menu. She advised that the Rotary lunches cost over 100 euros. It was definitely a trip to remember, and Jen was very thankful for the opportunity to have made this trip on behalf of Rotary.

Submitted by Lynda Lawrence



## LAST WEEK'S MEETING



Dr Mory Ghomshei immigrated to Canada in 1984 to work on B.C. Hydro's geothermal drilling project. He has since been actively involved in evaluation and development of many North America and overseas Geothermal projects (e.g. Coso in California, Meager Creek and Canoe Reach in British Columbia, Sabalan in Azerbaijan).

His technical expertise includes resource evaluation, reservoir simulation, hydrogeochemistry and environmental impacts (developed for World Bank, environmental guidelines for geothermal power). Since 1999, Dr. Ghomshei has been teaching courses on energy resources of the ground (with focus on geothermal energy) at the Faculty of Engineering of the University of British Columbia. He has been a registered member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia since 1991 and since 1989, he has chaired the Canadian Geothermal Energy Association.

Dr. Ghomshei graduated in Geothermics from the University of Paris with a doctoral degree. He also has obtained a Master's degree from the University of British Columbia in Mining and Mineral Process Engineering. He has authored or co-authored over 100 papers in scientific journals, conference proceedings and professional magazines.

## Electricity Production from Geothermal Energy

Steam from production well powers turbine generator. The steam condenses in the cooling tower and is pumped down an injection well to return to the reservoir.

All water is recycled back to the reservoir.

The only emission is a small quantity of steam

