

## HAITI RELIEF EVENT

“Service Groups and Entertainers gather to assist Haiti”

When - Friday January 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 2 PM (Set-up) and ending Sunday January 24<sup>th</sup> after breakfast

Where - Memorial Peace Park, 224<sup>th</sup> Street, Maple Ridge

Local Rotary, Kiwanis and Scouts Canada groups have joined hands to help raise funds for a Haiti earthquake relief. They will gather to build a ShelterBox village to show what can be done to effectively help the Haitians who have lost everything.

A “ShelterBox” is a large container packed with a large tent, sleeping bags, water purification, cooking aids and tools – enough to help support 10 people in emergency situations for 6 months or more.

The “village” of 10 tents along with displays and entertainment will take place on Friday, January 22 and Saturday January 23 in Memorial Peace Park and at the ACT.

“We want you to come out and see the shelters. You will see how you can make a tangible difference to the people of Haiti. Bring your generous spirits, bring a drum for the drum circle on Friday evening and show up.”

“The event was inspired by the Ecuadorean Minga: a Minga is an urgent call to community to work for the benefit of others. So, we invite you to join us, bring your tents for the night, share your time, money or music in support of Haiti. Everyone has a gift to share. Please contact us.”

The Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Arts Council has offered up the Arts Centre and Theatre on Saturday, Jan 23. A wonderful variety of entertainment will be featured in the lobby starting at 12 noon, and the main event will take place at 2:00 p.m. on The ACT main stage featuring: Bruce Coughlan from Tiller’s Folly, New House, Lava Lights, Mike Kalanj, James Badger, Modern Republic, Randy Clarke of the Mojo Stars, Leslie Harris and Curtis DeBray from lessismore. Also James Rogers will be performing with local musicians. James’s latest project is a new band with Tom Lavin (from Powder Blues), Emcee and monologue by Gordon Kirkland. All are welcome to attend by donation at the door. Program is subject to change. Check out <[www.theactmapleridge.org](http://www.theactmapleridge.org)> for details.

There will also be entertainment at the outdoor bandstand and the Greg Moore Youth Centre — music, storytelling, and magic. The Kiwanis will provide simple food and drinks by donation, plus there will be ShelterBox exhibitions, drum circles, stories and more.

All donations will be given directly to the ShelterBox program <http://www.shelterbox.org> which has provided emergency support for over 800,000 people worldwide since 2000. A simple green box that can easily be carried by two people anywhere will provide shelter for ten people. When opened it not only has a ten person tent, but also an “all fuel” stove, utensils, basis tools such as a hammer and saw, a supply of water purification tablets and many more essentials for a minimum of a six month stay.

In one delivery, a family has all they need to get their life back together.

Your donation will not go astray. ShelterBox delivers directly to the recipients by Rotarian volunteers instead of going through a myriad of bureaucracies. Teams from around the world are deployed to train, distribute and set up the ShelterBox systems.

“The emergency in Haiti is of a historic magnitude and we must dig deep, change our plans and be in the moment.”  
“The need is now and the time to respond is now and your support is needed now. This is a call to community to come together for the benefit of the people of Haiti.”

Further details and times will be announced on the MeadowRidge Rotary website at [www.MeadowRidgeRotary.ca](http://www.MeadowRidgeRotary.ca).

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## January is Rotary Awareness Month



### INVOCATION

Jan 19	Debbie MacRae	Feb. 2	Kevin Nosworthy
Feb. 9	Patrick O'Brien	Feb. 16	Brett Paskar

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jan. 22: Gord & Mary Robson

## NEXT WEEK NO REGULAR MEETING: FIRESIDE

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Robert Campbell - Navigating the Web/E Meetings

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Fireside at Marco's home

### CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Jan. 22-24		Shelterbox Village – Haiti relief	M.R. Memorial Peace Park
Jan. 26	6:00 pm	Fireside Meeting – Marco's home	21616 River Rd. M.R.
March 9		New Members Meeting	
April 10	7:00 pm	Wine Festival	Rotunda – Thomas Haney S.S.

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$511.50 + 1/2 of today's sales, 36 cards left, Jackpot on “Queen of Hearts” only!

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Last week was a very special meeting with 12 Scout leaders attending, and they were:

Steve Kent - Chief Commissioner, Alamin Pirani - Council Executive Director Scouts Canada - BC-Yukon, Terry Campbell - Council Field Executive Fraser Valley Council, Jim Bryce - Council Commissioner Fraser Valley Council, Bill Akam - Deputy Council Commissioner - Program Fraser Valley Council, Josh Brown - Council Youth Commissioner Fraser Valley Council, Lee Hamilton - Area Commissioner Three Rivers, Cassandra Tracey - Area Youth Commissioner Three Rivers, Amada Wilson - 1st Yennadon Group commissioner, Art Musson - Golden Ears Group Commissioner, Bruce Wilson - Deputy Commissioner Program, Kim McGilvery - Cub leader, Rover working on her Duke of Edinburgh.



Steve Kent, the Chief Commissioner of Scouts Canada, recognized in 1999 by Maclean's Magazine as one of the top 100 Canadians to watch for in the next century, is travelling the country, bringing a message of scouting growth and renewal to youth and community leaders.

The meeting drew Rotary Club members as well as Maple Ridge Mayor Ernie Daykin and Pitt Meadows Mayor Don MacLean.

"It is a great honour to have him here," said Marco Terwiel. "So much so both mayors took the time to come. He is the top man in Canada for the scouting movement, making sure youth become well-adjusted citizens."

Steve is remarkable; he has been the mayor of his home town in Newfoundland. He is a member of the House of Assembly. He is the youngest chief commissioner for the governor of Canada. He is a member of Rotary in Waterfour Valley.

Steve thanked Peter for his introduction and for sharing about scouts. Steve said the most important people in the scouting organization are the youth and the people who work so hard to keep scouting vibrant in our communities, improving the lives of young people. It is an honour to work to deliver valuable programs to our youth.

I joined Rotary because I believe in the power of what we do. I only recently learned about shelter box. In most countries where shelter box is in use it is the scouts who deliver the program.

I am here today to talk about scouts and increase the membership in scouts. It is not just about increasing numbers. Since 1907 since scouts was founded we have helped to develop community leaders. Asked to raise hands, who was ever in scouting or guiding. Virtually the whole room raised their hands. Steve wants to reconnect at that level. We want to stay focused on the principles and values of scouting. We introduce youth about environmental stewardship; we get the kids involved in the outdoors. We promote healthy active living. I wake up daily with pride knowing I work with such great people with such great values. Scouting grew last year for the first time in 254 years. We are definitely growing again. We are culturally diverse, multi lingual. We welcome both genders; we develop virtues like honesty, generosity, loyalty, respect, and love for country.

I started when I was 8 years old. It was here I learned about teams, about being outside and about the value of volunteerism. We are 100,000 Strong. We have programs for the youth up to age 26. More of our members will be

involved in global problems. Scouting will again be the go to organization. We are the experts in youth development. How you can help us in the work. Our action plan is scouting plan for growth. Do you have time to give, talents to share, can you open doors to resources in this community, if so we need your help. We love receiving checks but we are really looking for partnerships and sponsors for children who need support. We are in the same business of creating a better world. Thank you for making time for us today. We are talking about celebrating our past and building a better generation for the future.



More than 75,000 youth take part in Scout Canada's programs and Canada's 100,000 members are part of the 28 million members in 216 countries of the World Organization for the Scouting Movement.

The Action Plan for Canadian Scouting is built on five key action items:

- making it easier for new and current volunteers;
- enhancing Scouts Canada's image, profile and expertise;
- enhancing organization capacity;
- achieving meaningful youth involvement;
- and recruiting new Members and finding new volunteers.

At the end of the meeting Pitt Meadows Mayor Don MacLean won the 50/50, which he generously donated back to the Club. Thank you Mister Mayor.

Submitted by Alphonse Seward

## HOCKEY

I have 3 hockey tickets for the Rotary Hockey night this Thursday against Dallas Stars, would anybody be interested \$65.00 includes bus.

Kevin Nosworthy

## 4 WAY TEST

I have arranged in Matt's absents to have a 4 way test at Maple Ridge Secondary on Wednesday Jan. 20th at 1:15pm. This is a grade 8 class and there should be 30 students. I need to get 5 Rotary volunteers to help me out with this presentation. Could you please let me know via response to my email if you are available. Let's make Matt proud that we can do this as professional as he would have done it if he was in town. Please let me know.

Kevin Nosworthy