

The Haney Rotary Club awarded approx. \$40,000 with grant recipient representatives accepting on behalf of:

- Heritage Days Festival , Val Patenaude;
- Caribbean Festival, Deddy Geese;
- Big Brothers Big Sisters, Keesha Rosario
- Maple Ridge Community Foundation Gala, Brandee McWhinney
- Ridge Meadows Hospice, Laura Cherrille,
- Ridge Meadows Hospital, Laura Butler
- Spirit of BC Committee, Bonnie Telep
- 2010 Festival of Lights, Nita Spittel
- Friends in Need Foodbank, Jo Ann Olson
- Salvation Army, Darrell Pilgrim (director of Operations)
- Garibaldi High School Theatre Program, Cindy Lacroix
- Iron Horse Youth Safe House, Candace Gordon
- North Fraser Therapeutic Riding, Dr Kim Munich
- MRPM Community Services (Meals on Wheels), Joanne Leginus
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Book Program, Caro O' Kennedy



Meadow Ridge Rotary Club also announced a unique venture of joint sponsorship led by G&G Music, committed to assist 3 local schools: Webster's Corners, Golden Ears and Harry Hooze Elementary schools with musical instruments for their music programs. Terry & Dorothy Gregson, G&G Music, are arranging sponsorships with suppliers and manufacturers including: local distributor Frank Johnson who represents Oscar Schmidt and other instruments and Conn Selmer, a wind instrument manufacturer.

This co-sponsorship will result in a large number of instruments being provided to all 3 schools; a fantastic partnership between Rotary, school PACs and several different music retailers and manufacturers.



The Four Way Flasher

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August is Membership & Extension Month

INVOCATION

Aug. 17		Aug. 24	Robert Campbell
Sept. 7	Laura Cherrille	Sept. 14	Jim Coulter



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

August 23: Brett & Janis Paskar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 20: Laura Cherrille

August 21: Stefanie O'Brien

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Geoff Clayton - Alouette River Management Society

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Membership Meeting – Bella Vita Restaurant

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Aug. 24	noon	Membership Meeting	Bella Vita Restaurant, M.R.
Aug. 29	3 pm	Family BBQ at Patrick O'Brien's home	10328 – 276 St. M.R.
Sep. 11		Ride & BBQ at Mustang Riding Stables	14729 Sylvester Rd., Mission
Oct. 5		Sports Banquet	Meadow Gardens Golf Club

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$1,436.00 + 1/2 of today's sales, 10 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Our Guests today were Gillian Knuttila, Sonja Vaughn, Christine Lyon – Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows News and Scott of the Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows Times.

Patrick brought a soccer ball to the meeting.



Our international service committee has decided to build on a good idea. As you know, a soccer ball was circulated through Africa in association with the FIFA World Cup and support for the polio eradication campaign was given by political and cultural figures by their signatures. We would like to use that concept to raise money for polio plus. We have bought our own soccer ball and we are writing our club name and pledge to polio plus in one of the squares. We are hoping, this would be a fun way to bring the district clubs together in friendly competition to raise money for the polio campaign.

We envision an email going out to the district clubs asking them to participate. We would visit our local sister clubs with the ball as well. We will have an artist write/draw in the amount and the club name on a square. On September 29th, we would like to present the ball to the RI President when he speaks in Vancouver.



Gillian Knuttila expressed thanks to the club for her award of a scholarship to study Education at the University of Langley.

Marco handed Matt a Paul Harris Award for his contribution to Rotary in his year of presidency.



Our Guest Speaker today was the MP for Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows - Randy Kamp

Randy Kamp graduated with a degree in theology and linguistics. He spent from 1985-1992 in the Philippines as a director of an organisation doing linguistic work amongst minority language groups. In 1997, Randy began his political career, when he was appointed assistant to Grant Mc Nally, the Dewdney – Alouette MP from 1997-2004.

Thereafter he was elected as the Member of Parliament for Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows- Mission, which position he retained until in 2006, when he was elected to the House of Commons. Prime Minister Stephen Harper then appointed Randy as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans. He has also played a significant role in the fight against drug abuse and particularly crystal meth in our community.

He gave members a brief outline of the issues contained in the legislation which had been tabled at the most recent parliamentary session. Some of these included issues such as:-

The free trade agreement with Columbia, changes to the refugee system, mandatory reporting of child pornography, democratic representation for smaller provinces, amendments to the Youth Criminal Justice Act etc.

He highlighted the positive impact that 2010 Winter Olympics and the G8 and G20 Summits had had on the country.

President Lynda thanked the speaker.

Submitted by Adrienne Dale



COMMUNITY GROUPS RECEIVE \$57,000 FROM LOCAL ROTARY CLUBS

The Meadow Ridge and Haney Rotary Clubs handed out \$57,000 on Wednesday August 11th during a wine and cheese event held at the Arts Centre Theatre. The funds were accepted by representatives of many community, school and service groups and showcased Rotary's ongoing contributions to the communities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows.

Brenda Exner, president of the Haney Rotary club, helped kick off the event with opening remarks, later saying, "The grassroots are where the most work is done by dedicated volunteers and non-profit groups. They make Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows caring communities. Our Rotary clubs work together to support them in any way we can"

"We wanted to have a special event to properly thank the recipients for the wonderful work they do in our community" said Lynda Lawrence, Meadow Ridge club president, "Our spring Winefest funds go directly into local projects in the Arts, Environment, Culture and Heritage and locals get the benefit of this all year long"

Meadow Ridge Rotary awarded approx. \$ 17,000 raised through the 2010 Annual Wine Festival, this year the recipients were:

- Breast Fest Cancer Fundraiser, Chad Williams and Rory Speirs
- Emerald Pig Theatrical Society, Sharon Malone and Kathleen Hatley
- Silver Valley Neighbourhood Association, Doug Stanger
- Music on the Wharf / Maple Ridge Museum, Allison White
- MR Musical Society, Christine
- Caribbean Festival, Deddy Geese
- Multi Cultural Canada Day Celebration, Ineke Boekhorst.



Deddy Geese of the Maple Ridge Caribbean Festival presented both Rotary Clubs a Certificate of Appreciation for their support of the 2010 Festival.

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