

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Way Down Yonder in New Orleans"

There have been many songs written about New Orleans due to its history and heritage as one of the music capitals of the world. I particularly like the happy sound of "Way Down Yonder in New Orleans," whose lyrics now beckon us as we think about the 2011 RI Convention in that city, 21-25 May – a full month earlier than the RI conventions in recent years!

The New Orleans convention will officially start on Saturday – not on Sunday as it has for the past few years. The House of Friendship, the showplace of our annual conventions, will open on Saturday morning, and all preconvention meetings will end at noon on Saturday, to allow Rotarians and their guests to spend more time there before the plenary sessions start on Sunday.

Additional good news is that the House of Friendship will be located right next door to the plenary session hall in the convention center, and the hours of operation will be extended to permit more fellowship and networking time for our visitors from around the Rotary world. It will be the place to be for Rotarians and their families!

How does one adequately describe the magic, the vibrancy, and the inspiration of a Rotary convention? Our conventions almost defy description because they are so diverse in their appeal. Rotary fellowship and networking are at their best as we meet our fellow Rotarians from around the globe, and international service is truly enhanced as Rotarians make new friends from faraway places. So the best way to understand and appreciate a Rotary convention is to attend the outstanding event being planned for New Orleans. It will be one of the best RI conventions ever! I guarantee it!

Come join us in New Orleans as we work together to make the world a better place. And Let the Good Times Roll ... Again! Laissez les bon temps rouler ... encore!

Ray Klinginsmith President, Rotary International



The Four Way Flasher

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October is Vocational Service Month

TODAY:Installation of Peter G. DaviesVocation Services Program – Matt DeBruyn



NEXT WEEK:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct. 17: Lise Jinnah

INVOCATION

Oct. 12	Wende Dawes	Oct. 19	Jennifer Dawkins
Nov. 2 Matt de Bruyn		Nov. 9	Ross Dunning

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Oct. 26	6 pm	Fire Site @ Terry Becker's home	15227 Sheridan Drive, Pitt Meadows
Nov. 23	noon	DG Wayne Wiebe's Official Visit	

Dear Fellow Rotarians

It is with great sadness that I must inform you that Fellow Rotarian Vladimir passed away last week Thursday. I'm told that he passed away peacefully, which is a blessing as he was in considerable pain earlier that week.



Ineke and I had spoken with Zdenka a couple of days ago and let her know that our Rotary family is here to support her. She's very independent, but I think she'll need our support now.

A service in his memory will be held in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on **Wednesday Oct. 13 at 7:00pm.**

Yours in Rotary,

Lynda Lawrence

If you would like to attend, you will find a map here. (It also has been emailed to you)

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church 3105 1 Ave E Vancouver



SEPTEMBER 28TH MEETING

Jim introduced our guest this week – Robyn Wynberg, Irena Shantz and Debra Tucker.

Show on Google Maps

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

23 October 2010- Foundation Meeting

29 September 2010. Rotary Foundation Dinner, River Rock Casino.

ROTARY MOMENT:

Ross told the club about a project which was undertaken by a club in Georgia, upper Ottawa, which involved a massive clean up operation of miles of river frontage by the community. The project highlighted the serious detrimental effect of plastic bottles on the environment.

PRESENTATION:

Marco accepted a Gold Sponsorship award on behalf of the club for the donation of \$500.00, made to *Midget Lier I hockey club*.



<u>GUEST SPEAKER</u> : Edward Villiers : "All Our Yesterdays, Stories From Maple Ridge"

President Lynda introduced the speaker.

Ed Villiers was born in Kamloops and has lived in Maple Ridge most of his life. He has written a book containing stories about the first settlements in Maple Ridge from as early as 1827.

He gave a humorous account of the landing of the English sailing ship, at what is now Kanaka Creek Park, by the English settlers. The journey took about 6 months. He described conditions on the 56ft sailing ship, the Cadberra, from the captain's log book, which is the only available source material.



The settlers were met by an onslaught from the native Indians, who were unaware

that their chief had already signed away their land. The sailing ship had travelled up the Fraser River to the site where the fort was to be erected. This later became known as Fort Langley. Men and materials were brought in from Fort Vancouver to assist with the building of the fort.

The next 13 years which followed were marked by continuous attacks from the native Indians on the settlers as well as on the fort, which was by this stage protected by an armed guard. Indian women and children were captured as slaves by the settlers. These attacks were warded off by canon fire.

From 1830 there is no further source material available.

His book may be found in the Maple Ridge Library.

Minutes submitted by Adrienne Dale





The sports banquet's 20th Anniversary reached its goal of bringing the total raised in twenty years to over \$500,000 which is used as seed money for the development of youth sport facilities in Ridge Meadows. The banquet netted over \$27,000 and the organization committee and members of both Rotary Clubs are to be commended for the continuing success.

Attendees at this year's banquet say it is not only one of the best banquets in our community, but this banquet was one of the best ever.

On behalf of the 2010 Sports Banquet Organization Committee, thank you to all who participated and supported one of our Club's major fundraisers. Our youth will be the benefactors of our efforts.



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