



The Four Way Flasher

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April is Magazine Month



TODAY: Fireside @ David Riddell's residence

NEXT WEEK: Rotarian Jackie Kendziorek - GSE Brazil Trip

Happy Anniversary

April 6: Robert & Maureen Goodrick

Happy Birthday

April 7: Karen Riddell

April 11: Brian Johnston

INVOCATION:

April 5	Michael Serry
April 12	Alphonse Seward
April 19	Bob Shantz
April 26	Peter Tam

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
April 9	7pm – 10pm	Wine Festival	Thomas Haney Centre
May 5 - 8		District Conference	Harrison Hot Springs
May 21 - 25		Rotary International Conference	New Orleans

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

Most Rotarians know that for several decades, Rotary has operated with four Avenues of Service: namely Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, and International Service. But an unusual thing happened at the 2010 Council on Legislation! The proposed enactment to add a fifth Avenue of Service was approved by the Council after being rejected at previous Councils.

The new avenue is called New Generations Service, and there is some confusion and concern about the impact of the change. The proposer of the enactment did not file a statement of support, and therefore, we do not have a written statement of the proposer's rationale. However, it seems to me that the purpose and effect is to focus more attention on the Rotary programs for youth and young adults.

Rotary's programs of Interact, RYLA, Rotaract, and Rotary Youth Exchange are some of the best in the world for young people. However, they have been divided between Community Service and International Service at the club level and district level,

which has made it more difficult for them to be coordinated. The change to five Avenues of Service will provide a single director or coordinator for each club and each district to supervise and promote the Rotary programs for young people.

Our work with youth and young adults has two salutary benefits. First, the favourable influence on the participants by their exposure to the core values of Rotary, which are fellowship, service, integrity, diversity, and leadership. Second, the positive memory of Rotary that often causes the participants to join Rotary clubs later in their lives. We need to do a better job of recruiting the participants into Rotary membership, and we are working on plans to record the names and e-mail addresses of the participants to stay in touch with them as they leave the youth and young adult programs.

So in reality, the 2010 Council on Legislation did not create any new programs. But adding the Fifth Avenue of Service will facilitate our quest to make the youth and young adult programs even Bigger, Better, and Bolder in the future – and to recruit even more of the participants into Rotary membership. The perfect example of a win-win situation!

Ray Klingensmith - President, Rotary International

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$24.00 + 1/2 of today's sales, 51 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Guests joining us today are DG Wayne and Arlene Wiebe, Ines our student, Eric and Urma Mollema, Marilyn (?), Val Bahnman, Melissa Kramer and Irena Shantz.

Our master quacker (Peter Davies) is showing of a Rotary apron, that we are planning to buy for our Rotary events.

At least we will look all the same, but still quack differently!

Air Miles and Hosting Needed.

We are hoping to bring a Rotarian across from a Rotary club in Santiago around 9th – 12th May. He has produced a website, specifically dealing with matching grants. If anyone is able to donate air miles and offer their home for hosting, we will be able to make this possible. Matt offered to host.



Installation of 4 New Members:

DG Wayne Wiebe attended the meeting especially to install our new members. Meet our new members.

Eric & Urma Mollema – proposed by Patrick O'Brien.



Eric and Urma are transferring Rotarians from the Pretoria East Rotary Club in South Africa. Eric is a lawyer who currently is studying to re-licence in Canada and Urma is a mortgage originator by profession. They have a daughter Sonja, who will be studying at UBC and a son at Meadow Ridge School.

Val Bahnman – proposed by President Lynda Lawrence

Val has been in the banking industry since 1979. She also did a brief stint in the real estate industry. She has 2 children aged 25 and 27.



Melissa Kramer – proposed by Ineke Boekhorst.

Melissa is a returning member of the club who took time off to look after her newborn baby in October 2009. She has 2 children and lives with her husband Randal in Pitt Meadows. She is currently working for Randy Kamp. She has a background in marketing and worked as a policy analyst with the BC Medical Association. She has a degree in Political Science and is currently completing her Master's degree in clinical Psychology.



And here they are: Eric and Urma Mollema, Melissa Kramer, Val Bahnman and DG Wayne Wiebe

PAUL HARRIS AWARD:



Gordy was handed a 2nd Paul Harris Award in appreciation for his donation to Rotary International.

Submitted by Adrienne Dale