



The Four Way Flasher

Meadow Ridge Rotary Club

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NOVEMBER IS FOUNDATION MONTH



TODAY: Fireside at Adrienne Dale's home

NEXT WEEK: Who's Who???

Happy Anniversary

Nov. 9: Bob & Irena Shantz

Happy Birthday

Nov. 9: Lila-Jane Terwiel

Invocation

Nov. 08: Sharon Kyle

Nov. 15: Lynda Lawrence

Nov. 22: Debbie MacRae

Nov. 29: Eric Mollema

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Nov. 8	6pm	Fireside – Adrienne Dale's home	10295 248th St. Maple Ridge
Nov. 19	6pm – 10pm	Rotary District 5050 Foundation Dinner	Bellingham Golf And Country Club
Dec. 13	noon	AGM & election of Officers for 2012/13	

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary,

In 1885, the London *Times* ran a series of editorials honoring the 100th birthday of Sir Moses Montefiore, the British financier and philanthropist knighted by Queen Victoria. The editorials commented on his honesty, his generosity, and his willingness to come to the aid of anyone in need. One story was particularly telling.

Someone once asked Sir Moses, one of the wealthiest men of his era, how much he was worth. In the face of such an ill-mannered inquiry, he merely paused for a moment's reflection before naming a figure – one that fell far short of his questioner's expectations. Naturally, it was met with an objection; surely he must be worth 10 times as much! Sir Moses merely smiled. "Young man," he replied, "you didn't ask me how much I own. You asked me how much I am worth. So I calculated how much I have given to charity this year, and that is the number I gave you. You see, in life we are worth only what we are willing to share with others."

When we calculate our own worth, do we think about it in terms of what we have, or how we use it? When we say that all human beings are of equal worth, do our actions follow our words?

I believe that being a Rotarian means looking at all of our resources differently. What is the most good that we could choose to do with what we have? What are the choices that will ultimately leave us the richest?

In Rotary, we are all aware of the great needs in so many parts of our world. And we all know how much we can do to help through our Rotary Foundation. We can change lives, we can restore hope, we can build futures – if we choose to.

In life, everything is a choice. We can choose to close our eyes to the needs of others, to keep what we have for ourselves, to declare the problems of others to be theirs alone. Or we can choose to look past distance, past color, past language and dress and culture, and see that people everywhere are just like us – and then refuse to walk away.

Kalyan Banerjee
President, Rotary International

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Guests: Kevin Noseworthy, Irena Shantz, Rocky Simpson and Janis Elkerton.

Ineke Boekhorst announced a very successful Shelterbox campaign that her daughter Marjolein hosted at the Kelowna Airport, where \$6300 was raised (6.3 boxes worth).

Rotary Moment: Lynda Lawrence on New Generations. Lynda told us about the Boys Week program that started in 1920 in New York. The aim was to help young people to become model citizens. The program spread rapidly in the US.

Mystery Greeter was Dave Rempel.

Fine Master:

David Riddell grilled the club on English history in a period when prototypical Canadians were busy trapping for furs, paddling canoes and living on corn and grease. For Canadian content, he quizzed us on the practice time for Maple Ridge Atom league hockey players. We all paid dearly for our deficiencies.

Keynote speakers:

Annika Polegato of the Ridge Meadows Hospital Foundation and Dr. Doug Bartel, Head of the Emergency Department.



Partly thanks to the \$25,000 our club gave directly, Maple Ridge has a terrific new emergency room facility. The program began as an 8.5 million project with 3.5 million being raised locally. The facility cost expanded to 21 million and set new standards for hospital room design thanks to collaboration between Dr. Bartel, Fraser Health, and the Architects.

The facility has been understaffed relative to need, but shortly we will have two doctors in the emergency room for 7-8 hours during peak times. Peak periods are between 1 pm and 10 pm daily and as many as 10 people an hour may come in during those times. The case load is 28 to 29,000 per year.

The Ridge Meadows Hospital Foundation recently provided a portable ultrasound, about the size of a laptop. This tool speeds diagnostics and treatments allowing for better treatment outcomes and shorter wait times. It is so important in recruiting and retaining great doctors for our community to have the best tools and working conditions. Way to go to the Foundation and Meadow Ridge Rotary!



The 50/50 was won by Rocky Simpson, who is not a member yet, so he collected today's 50% and good for the rest of us, the pot stays the same.

Submitted by Patrick O'Brien

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NEW FREE ROTARY CLUB LOCATOR IPHONE APP AVAILABLE

You can now search for a Rotary club with RI's free iPhone app. In the Apple app store it's called the Rotary Club Locator from Rotary International. The app also will soon be offered for Android phones.

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