



The Four Way Flasher

Meadow Ridge Rotary Club

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October is Vocational Service Month



TODAY: TransLink

NEXT WEEK: No regular meeting: Fire Side

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Invocation

Oct. 23

Tom Manion

Nov. 6

Eric Mollema

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Oct. 30	6pm	Fire Side at Marco Terwiel's home	21616 River Rd. M.R.
Nov. 13	noon	District Governor Sean Hogan's official visit.	Bella Vita Restaurant

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The first session of this school year will be:

Thursday October 25, 2012 Time: 10:15 am till noon
Special guest: teacher Sarah Ferrier

Laity View Elementary
Class of Ms. Janice Tupniak
21023 123 Ave. Maple Ridge
School phone: 604-463-7108

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(cell does not work in the school building)

Please join us to be one of the 6 or 7 discussion leaders!!

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NEW END POLIO NOW WEBSITE LAUNCHES



Rotary has created a virtual home – endpolionow.org – where people can rally together to finish the fight against polio. The website is available in English, with other languages to follow. Key features include:

- Compelling stories you can share about polio eradication
- Interactive, dynamic graphics that help you tell the story
- How your and others' donations can be used to fight polio
- How to use your social media status to share Rotary's polio story and calculate your "social worth"
- Links to polio communications [resources](#) that will help you educate and inspire others to end polio now

"To achieve a polio-free world, Rotary and its partners in the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) need your support to spread the word," says Robert S. Scott, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "Together, we must educate and activate individuals, organizations, and most importantly, governments, to keep up the fight to end polio now. Robust and coordinated digital outreach is necessary to reach our goal."

You are encouraged to visit endpolionow.org, interact with its features, and share it with others through your own websites, blogs, and social media channels.

"We are 'this close' to making history by eradicating the crippling disease polio once and for all," says Scott. "Case counts have never been lower, the number of countries affected has never been fewer – the time to beat polio is now."

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$575.50 + 1/2 of today's sales, 29 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Lindsay gave out three recognition awards to three special members who made the Duck Race a smashing success:

1. Lynda Lawrence was given the "Duck Truck and Venue" Award for getting the jeep from place to place and arranging the venues for the ticket sales.



2. Peter Davies was given the "Duck Race Wrangler" Award for being in charge of setting up the duck race course and wrangling all the ducks which paddled their way to the finish line in the middle of the river.



3. Bob Shantz was given the "Duck in Charge" Award for chairing the Duck Race fund raiser.



Duck in Charge gave a special thanks to:

- Duck Wrangler Peter who among other duties took care of cleaning and repairing the duck suits, supervised the scouts (and their parents) at the river, and co-ordinated with Maple Ridge Chrysler for the Home Show and elsewhere; etc. etc.; and to:
- Venue Person Lynda for arranging venues and set up for the jeep and ticket sales, co-ordinating the youth groups to get them to the venues, the Home Show and selling tickets, etc.

Community Services Committee Chairperson Angie presented a \$500 cheque to each of the following persons who represented their respective organizations in thanking the Club for the much needed donations to their groups:

1. Joanne Leginus of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Community Services, to support meals on wheels for the elderly who enjoy not only the food but also the social contact that goes with it.



2. Deborah Jamison of Christmas Haven, to support the Christmas Eve dinner and social for any person who has no where to go on that night or who wish to have some company on that special evening.



3. Dianne Enns of the Maple Ridge Christmas Festival, who sponsor and organize the Santa Parade at a cost of approximately \$10,000.



4. Sammy Nelligan of the Maple Ridge Festival of Lights Society.

In addition to the above-mentioned ladies and Peter Davies, our guests included Melissa Kubek.

Happy and Sad Dollars were given by:

- Gordon Robson who advised of up-coming speakers.
- Patrick O'Brien who was a bit sad that the Club did not get recognition in a recent announcement about the new play ground equipment at Eric Langton Elementary school for which our club donated \$35,000.
- Ineke Boekhorst was very happy she went with extended family (13 in total) to Disney Land and having her grand daughter screaming beside her in the Tower of Terror.
- Laurie Anderson who with Lorna had a great trip to France and Italy (despite getting lost a couple of times in the maze aka the streets of Venice).
- Matt DeBruyn who encouraged members to participate in the Four Way Test program in the Schools.

Patrick O'Brien had with him his "Pumpkins for Polio" for sale at \$20 for two (with mice carved pumpkins at no extra cost).

Lynda Lawrence reminded members about the need for volunteers at the Christmas Parade to collect donations for the Food Bank.

Guest Speaker was our own Janice Elkerton, who gave her "Who's Who". Janice may be described as (and is) a type A personality who is competitive with a drive for excellence. As a young girl she preferred sports to dolls (she was the female athlete of the year in school), was encouraged by her parents to go into dance, but preferred horses - and bought one with her baby sitting money when in grade seven.

Although at first planning to be a dental assistant, she married a future dentist instead and ended up in nursing. Being a type A, she asked her future husband to a Sadie Hawkins dance and they became engaged four months later in 1979. [He never knew what hit him!]

1989, however, was not a good year for Janice. Her mother died, and her father was hit by a drunk driver and never recovered from serious brain injury. (Although he lived for several years thereafter, he did not recover his mental faculties).

In 1993 Janice entered politics and was elected to Pitt Meadows Council, notwithstanding having an outstanding lawsuit against the same Municipality over the construction of her house. She won the suit and contributed generously to the coffers of her lawyer.

[What she thinks of lawyers will be left to another day, out of respect for Bob, Laurie, David and our District Governor Sean Hogan, and for lack of space in this paper to do justice to the topic].

In 2004, on her father's birthday, Janice was hit by a truck in a crosswalk while in Hawaii, suffering broken ribs and a brain injury. [As this seems to run in the family, her son (who on March 7, 2012 was partially responsible for the making of Janice's first grandson) no doubt looks three ways to Sunday before crossing any street]. Because of her injuries, Janice lost the right to practice nursing -but could still be a politician - so ran again successfully in Pitt Meadows in the last election.

Sharon Kyle won the 50-50, but the Queen of Hearts was as elusive as ever.

Submitted by Laurie Anderson