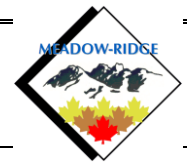




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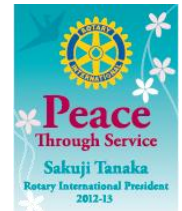
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TODAY: Vicki Kipps - Brown Bag Lunch Program

NEXT WEEK: Mark Vosper – Who’s Who



Happy Birthday

May 22: Ineke Boekhorst

Happy Anniversary

May 22: Tom & Claire Manion
May 24: David & Karen Riddell

Invocation

May 21 Melissa Kramer
May 28 Sharon Kyle

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
May 30-Jun 02	11:00 AM	iRotary District Conference	Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver
June 09	6:00 PM	Installation of 2013/14 Executive	Pitt Meadows Golf Course
Jun 23 - Jun 26		Rotary International Convention - Lisbon	

RI PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear fellow Rotarians,

From the moment I was nominated as Rotary International president, I knew I would choose a theme that would focus on peace. This is why I planned three peace forums – to give Rotarians an opportunity to think about peace, to talk about peace, and to share their ideas on building peace together. The final Rotary Global Peace Forum takes place this month in Hiroshima, Japan.

We hear the word *peace* every day. But most of us spend little time thinking about what peace is. On its simplest level, we can define *peace* by what it is not. It is a state of no war, no violence, and no fear. It means that you are not in danger of hunger, or persecution, or the suffering of poverty.

But we can also define peace by what it is, and by what it can be. Peace can mean freedom of thought and of speech, freedom of opinion and of choice, and the ability for self-determination. It can mean security, confidence in the future – a life and home in a stable society. On a more abstract level, peace can mean a sense of happiness, of inner serenity, of calm.

However we use the word, however we understand peace, Rotary can help us to achieve it. Rotary helps us to meet the basic needs of others – to provide health care, sanitation, food, and education when and where they are most needed. It helps to meet the inner needs as well, for friendship, connection, and caring. And Rotary helps us to build peace in its most traditional sense, by reducing the causes of conflict. It builds bridges of friendship and tolerance among people and nations. It helps us to understand one another.

However we define peace, whatever peace means to us, we can bring it closer through service. Peace, in all of the ways that we can understand it, is a real goal, and a realistic goal for Rotary. Peace is not something that can only be achieved through treaties, by governments, or through heroic struggles. It is something that we can find, and that we can achieve – every day, and in many simple ways.

And so I thank you for your commitment to *Peace Through Service* – and to a Rotary goal of a more peaceful world.

Sakuji Tanaka
President, Rotary International

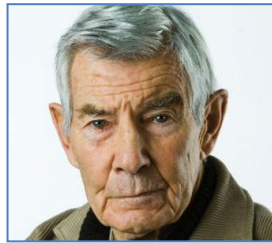
50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$1,314.50 + 1/2 of today’s sales, 7 cards left, Jackpot on “Queen of Hearts” only!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Past Pres. Terry Becker conducted the meeting, as President Lindsay Hendy is away for the rest of the Rotary year in Fort McMurray, where he is currently recovering from an operation and working with the northern office of MNP.

Happy and Sad:

- Bob Shantz was sad to learn of the death of Peter Worthington, a well-known Canadian newspaperman, who started his career as a reporter and eventually co-founded his own newspaper, the Toronto Sun. Mr. Worthington, as a reporter, was present when Jack Ruby (the assassin of Pres. Kennedy) was shot. Bob got to know Peter Worthington (and Melvin Belli) when Bob met with him on a number of occasions, in connection with Mr. Worthington's writing a book about Clifford Olson. (Worthington had brought Melvin Belli to the Kingsotn Penitentiary to talk with Olsen as Olsen claimed he knew the identity of the Green River Killer and was willing to disclose it - it was a lie). (Worthington has noted that it is mindless criticism about his keeping in touch with Olsen over the years, because "if there is ever going to be understanding of what makes such people tick, one has to keep probing").



- A tanned Ineke Boekhorst gave a happy dollar, as she and Peter just returned from a great 22 day cruise from Fort Lauderdale through the Panama Canal and back up to Vancouver on (what else!) the Dutch cruise line Holland America, on the ship Zuiderdam.



- David Rempel is happy that his rare Sandhill crane is apparently in a motherly way, happily sitting on an egg or two.



- Brian Becker gave a happy buck - he's just happy to be back for the summer.

Announcements

Bob Shantz gave a report on the Duck Race, and said that all tickets are now out, and they expect to sell all tickets and therefore raise \$100,000. The grand prize is a Fiat automobile.

Business Meeting

Walter Volpatti gave the treasurer's report. We have about \$59,000 in total funds, but about \$46,000 secures the Line of Credit needed for the Duck Race. We have \$46,000 in the

Gaming Account as of the end of April, but of that \$37,000 was spent in May, so there is about \$10,000 left.

Angie reported on Community Services and said that this year, to date, that Committee had spent on behalf of the Club \$13,400 and have funds committed for bursaries. At an upcoming meeting someone will be coming to talk to us about the Brown Lunch Program for elementary schools, after which a decision will be made about funding that project.

Mark Forster, on behalf of the Vocational Services Committee reported that they have received two bursary applications.

Terry Becker (for New Generations) advised that she and Adrienne and Irma have now been trained for New Generations. District Grant money is available to the tune of \$90,000.

Eric (for Membership) said (after standing up and saying that he had nothing to report) that "we new members". He also advised that Past International President King will be speaking at a dinner event in Surrey, where members can attend for \$39 and bring a non-Rotarian friend for free to hear about Rotary.

When on their cruise, Ineke and Peter went to a couple of joint service Club meetings on board the ship, where they learned about what other service clubs (other than Rotarians) are doing for service projects. Like Rotary Clubs, other service clubs and groups are finding it difficult to hold on members and to attract younger people to their organizations.



Ineke accepted from Angie Edmonds two cheques, one on behalf of the Caribbean Festival and one for the Community Resource Fair, both at a value of \$500.



Betty Johansen won the 50-50 draw but pulled the eight of Spades. We are now down to 7 cards in the deck!

Submitted by Laurie Anderson