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Today(Oct 1):Korleen Carreras - School District 42

Next Week (Oct 8):

Debi Pearce - Her organ donation

Happy BirthdayHappy AnniversaryOct. 2: Clint Callison

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Oct. 2	6:00 pm	Rotary Duck Race cheque presentarion	Meadow Gardens Golf Club, Pitt Meadows
Oct. 24		World Polio Day	
Nov. 15	5:30 pm – 10:00 pm	District Foundation Dinner in Abbotsford	Quality Hotel - 36035 N Parallel Road, Abbotsford
Dec. 13		Club Christmas Party @ Patrick O'Brien's Home	10328 276 St. Maple Ridge
Apr. 30-May 3		District Conference in Harrison Hot Springs	Harrison Resort
June 6-10		RI International Convention in Honolulu	

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Rotary's long-term, sustained battle against polio has defined our organization for decades. We have a right to be proud of all that we have accomplished through the years.

Our progress is real and noteworthy. In 1988, polio was endemic in 125 countries, with more than 350,000 new cases a year worldwide. Since then, Rotary and our Global

Polio Eradication Initiative partners have reduced the incidence of polio by more than 99.9 percent, vaccinated more than 2.5 billion children against the virus, and prevented 18 million cases of paralysis. Over the years, Rotary has helped country after country move into the polio-free column. This includes India, which some considered impossible not long ago. Of the three types of poliovirus, type 2 has been eradicated and type 3 could soon be certified as eradicated. Nigeria has not reported a case of wild poliovirus in nearly three years. If this trend holds, we will be down to just one type of wild poliovirus in only one section of the world, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

There are major challenges in that region. But it is crucial that we remain optimistic. Look at all that we have accomplished so far. This is no time to get discouraged or to think that the task is impossible. We will end polio forever, but only if we remain steadfast and vigilant. World Polio Day is a time for Rotarians from all over the globe to come together, recognize the progress we have made in our fight against polio, and plan the action we must take to end polio forever. The key word is action, because we still have important work to do.

This year, we want to see as many Rotary clubs as possible holding World Polio Day events around the world. Need some ideas? How about organizing a viewing party for friends and club members to watch Rotary's Online Global Update? You could also dedicate a club meeting to World Polio Day or create a fundraising event. Remember, every dollar raised is matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Once you have created an event, register it at endpolio.org/register-your-event. Then promote it using the World Polio Day toolkit, available at endpolio.org/world-polio-day.

Mark your calendar to tune in to Rotary's World Polio Day Online Global Update on 24 October. This year we will stream our program on Facebook in multiple time zones around the world. Visit the Rotary International Facebook page to RSVP to your region's program. And do not forget to follow the event on social media and share it with your network.

When we reach our goal, polio will become only the second human disease eradicated on the planet, and Rotary will receive international acclaim. But what matters most is the children who will never again have to face this terrible, disabling virus. Rotary must continue to connect the world in the effort toward polio eradication. It is up to us. Let us finish the job.

Mark Daniel Maloney President 2019-20

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Adrienne Dale presided.

Guests:

Marceau Chavanne, Rotary exchange student from France Ken Holland, Rotary Club of Haney.

Peter Tam, president of Haney Rotary Club

Mary Robson, former club member and currently of the Mission Rotary Club

Chili Yalamanchili, guest investigating our club.

Quote (definition) for the day:

Take care. Trudeau called the election on September 11, 2019, but take heart, the vote is on October 21 which is only about 3 weeks away.

[Doctor's Note: If you are considering a little blue pill to solve this problem, be aware that there is a risk of serious side effects, including political promises (and the cost of paying for them) that may give you a headache, stomach upset and nausea. Do You Suffer From Electile Dysfunction? The inability to be aroused by any political candidate

Also, an election should last no more than four, ah..., weeks, but another side effect is called partisanism. That's when you get an election that lasts for a long period of time. It can become quite painful. If you have an election that lasts for more than four weeks, seek immediate psychological attention. If not treated right away, it can permanently damage your, ah..., brain.]

President Adrienne advised that 13 of our club members purchased from our recent speaker **Tony Malyk** his book entitled "Leaky Bucket of Profits", resulting in our club receiving a cheque in the amount of \$130 which we will give to the Rotary International campaign for the Eradication of Polio.

Ineke Boekhorst advised that World Polio Day is October 24, 2019 and that we are looking to put in a full-page ad in the local News. The News has agreed to give us a full-page ad for only \$700 (which is about half price of the regular charge) and the club is looking for sponsors for the ad. Seven sponsors at \$100 would do the trick nicely. Speak to Ineke.

Volunteers are needed to help **Matt Debruyn and Ineke** to deliver the illustrated dictionaries to all grade 4 students in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows.



Happy and Sad:

Bernard Bezuidenhout is happy that his wife is coming home from a trip.

Ineke Boekhorst - in the first week 88 backpacks will be given out in connection with the Starfish Pack program. **Ineke and Bernard** have volunteered to deliver the food to the Burnett Fellowship Church, who are putting together the packs.



Today's program:

Our exchange student Marceau Chavanne, from France



Marceau was introduced by Peter Tam. Peter and his wife are Marceau's firsts host family.

Peter said that Marceau is very self-reliant and gets himself to school on the bus (Peter stated that it took about 40 minutes to do

the same trip by car from Peter's house to the school due to road constructions and traffic congestion). Marceau has already been to an orientation camp north of Everett.

Marceau talked to us about himself, his family, his country, and what he hopes to achieve during his year here in Canada. He is the oldest (age 18) of five children in his family. His mother is an air attendant and his father is a winemaker. He comes from Beaujolais which is a historical province and a wineproducing region in France.



The region (which is located north of Lyon) is known internationally for its long tradition of winemaking (and of course, more recently for the enormously popular Beaujolais nouveau). Their family home is a wedding destination for may brides and grooms, which they host from May to November each year.

Marceau very much enjoys sports, especially skateboarding which he tries to practice every day. He also enjoys soccer and other team sports. He goes to the Notre Dame de Mongré High School, which is a private and catholic school in Villefranche-sur-Saône, Rhône, France.



Located in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Lyon, the school was founded in 1848 as a Jesuit institution. Mongré currently enrols just over 2,000 students from elementary school to high school and is proud to achieve high grades and results for the baccalaureate (most of years, 100% of the students pass). And a large majority of each graduating class goes on to attend a university or college. Marceau has many friends, and recently spent three weeks in Corsica.

President Adrienne Dale presented Marceau with some pins that she had collected during the 22 years of her being a Rotarian, including one which she obtained on a Rotarian visit to Australia.



If you want to contact Marceau (to take him out on a trip for instance), you can e-mail him via mars.chavanne@gmail.com

Adrienne's closing Irish blessing for the week:



Submitted by Laurie Anderson