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## ITALIAN SERATA

THE MEADOW RIDGE ROTARY CLUB HAS TEAMED UP WITH ONE OF THE FINEST RESTAURANTS IN THE LOWER MAINLAND TO CREATE THIS INCREDIBLE FUNDRAISER FOR THE RIDGE MEADOWS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION CT SCANNER PROJECT.

# MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002 COCKTAIL HOUR 6:30 PM, DINNER AT 7:30 PM

...AND WHAT A DINNER IT WILL BE! THE EVENING WILL BEGIN WITH A NO HOST BAR AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO MINGLE WITH OLD AND NEW FRIENDS. AT 7:30 PM YOU WILL SIT DOWN TO AN INCREDIBLE 5 COURSE DINNER PREPARED BY THE CHEFS AT LA TRATTORIA, VOTED NEW **BUSINESS OF THE YEAR IN 1999** AND ONE OF THE BUSIEST AND FINEST RESTAURANTS IN THE REGION.

THERE ARE ONLY 60 SEATS AVAILABLE FOR THIS EVENT, AND TICKETS ARE \$120 WHICH INCLUDES YOUR DINNER AND A GIFT TO THE RIDGE MEADOWS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THIS CELEBRATION OF FINE FOOD PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS LUTZ AT 467-1131 FOR TICKETS, OR CALL ROTARIAN DAVE REEKIE AT 476-7938. SEE YOU THERE!



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ROTARY CLUB



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### **Rotary Club of** MeadowRidge Newsletter

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**INVOCATION** Feb 26: Rick Carruthers March 5: Mike Davies

#### BE ON TIME! **BINGO SCHEDULE**

	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30	
Feb 28:	Ken Knuttila	Eng Tan	
Mar 14: Betty Levens		Merlyn White	

Call Peter at 604-465-3392 for assistance or e-mail pboekhorst@telus.net

**TODAY'S PROGRAM:** Lui Passaglia, BC Lions

**NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:** Pat Horstead, Principal of Mount Crescent

About problems facing students and the school, and their impact.

#### **CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:**

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Mar 5	5pm	Comm. Service Meeting	Vernon & Thompson
Mar 7	12 noon	WineZest Meeting	Library (?)
Mar 11	6:30pm	'Italian Serata' Dinner for CT Scanner	La Trattoria
Apr 18	7pm	MR Service Clubs Social Dinner	Ecra Senior Centre
Apr 20		50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Haney Club	Meadow Gardens
May 11	7pm - 10pm	WineZest 2002	Maple Ridge Library

50/50 draw - Jackpot at \$410 + 1/2 of today's sales, 30 cards, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Feb 26: Erna and Bill Dingwall

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 1: Gladys Davies

#### LAST WEEKS PROGRAM

We held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Membership Development meeting last week at Meadow Gardens Golf Course. We had six prospective new members join us as follows: Jake Rudolf, Wayne Bisky, Geoff Hancock, Sherry Andrews, Monty Chiu and Paul Desbiens. Rick and Ineke did introductory talks to inform the guests what our club does in the community and beyond, then Ken P presented a 15 minute video which gave a broad overview of what Rotary is all about. Some highlights of the video informed the viewers of how Rotary got started in Chicago in 1905 by Paul Harris. We are a non-political, non-sectarian organisation which works to promote world understanding and peace. We have local clubs which are part of a District organisation which usually is comprised of 40 -50 clubs within a geographical area. The Districts responsibilities include the training and support of their member clubs and Presidents. They report to the International organisation which currently trains over 500 District Governors from all over the world each year. There are four avenues of service which are integral to all Rotary clubs and they include, Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service and International Service.

Club Service's goal is to foster the successful administration of the club and tend to its day to day business.

Community Service is responsible for the clubs contributions to people within the community where they live and work, to make it a better place for all. Some common projects include, promoting literacy, prevention of substance abuse, recycling, Braille books for the local library and so on.

Vocational Service is where the members contribute his/her talents to make a better



society. This is often done through mentoring, career days a local schools, apprenticeship programs and employment counselling and scholarships for youth.

International Service's main goal is to promote world peace and goodwill. A club can contact another club to develop a community service project in another country. Rotary International also has several programs that we all try to participate in such as Youth Exchange, Group Study Exchange, Polio Plus and Ambassadorial Scholarships.

All members of Rotary endeavour to live up to our motto of "service above self" and this is what makes Rotary the effective organisation we can all be PROUD to be a part of!

**Submitted by Debi Pearce** 

#### SERVICE CLUBS OF MAPLE RIDGE / PITT MEADOWS

Several members of "Service Clubs" in the Ridge/Meadows area, have over the past few years suggested our individual Clubs come together under one venue. It is hoped by coming together, we can <u>all</u> work together on providing funding for one or two <u>major</u> community projects a year, whether it be for a CT scanner, arts theatre, an artificial field, or any other upcoming Community Project.

To the best of our knowledge these are the "Service Club's" which exist in our communities today, The Kiwanis Club of Golden Ears, Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge Lions Clubs, Haney and Meadow Ridge Rotary Clubs, Royal Canadian Legion and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

It is proposed that all Clubs meet for their weekly or monthly meeting on Thursday April 18th at the Ridge Meadows Senior Centre (12150 - 224th St.) at 7:00 P.M. with a catered buffet dinner commencing at 7:30 P.M. Dress for this evening would be casual. The head table would consist of all Club Presidents and their spouses. Each club could bring its Club Banner and Stand.

Ideally, members attending would be seated with members from one of our other Clubs thereby networking and getting to know what programs and causes those members are involved with.

This dinner would be open to all Club members and their spouses. Each Club President or their designate would give a six minute address to the audience as to their Clubs involvement with various projects or programs.

The ultimate goals of this meeting are to bring all Clubs together for a relaxed evening of friendship and to explore the viability of Service Clubs working together to support <u>major</u> local community needs. With todays economic climate, downsizing and downloading, the time for Service Clubs to work together on large projects, in my opinion has come. With this in mind and every Club still keeping its <u>identity</u>, it is proposed OUR Clubs form a Service Club group to deal with such projects. I not only believe our communities but our Clubs would be much further ahead.

I would hope to see between one hundred and one hundred and fifty Club members and spouses attend this function. The only other function of this type was the Police Auction two years ago and it was a success. At least at this function we can eat and get to know each other a little better. In order to finalize dinner arrangements, your confirmation numbers and monies from your Club should be received ASAP but no later than April 10th. Your Club Presidents name their spouse and telephone number should be included in your confirmation.

Cost of the dinner would be twenty two dollars per person and I humbly request each Club contribute fifty dollars to this evening which will cover room rental and gratuity <u>if</u> deserved. In addition, if you would like, I or a representative from a fellow Club would be willing to attend your meeting to discuss this initiative. RSVP your written list to Ineke Boekhorst at Chocolates by Grace (11951 - 224th St. Maple Ridge) on or before April 10th, 2002. Contact phone numbers are Randy Herman (604-462-9220) or Ineke Boekhorst (604-463-3767)

Yours in Service, Randy Herman Kiwanis Club of Golden Ears (Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows)