

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 21: Ron LePore

August 24: Diane Vernon

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

August 23: Debi & Don Pearce

August 25: Diane & Gordon Kirkland

IRON LUNG WILL BE SYMBOL OF CAMPAIGN

District 5050 is using an iron lung as the symbol of the Polio Eradication Fundraising Campaign in the district. The iron lung, one of the last to be used by a polio survivor in Canada was obtained on loan from George Pearson Centre in Vancouver. Pearson Centre was the main treatment centre in British Columbia for polio victims during the 1950's and 60's. Some polio survivors have called George Person Centre home for 50 years.



District 5050 Rotarians will take the iron lung from Hope, BC to Everett, Wash. District 5050 is an international district. The goal is to fill the iron lung with money. Governor Kevin Shaughnessy says that every club in the district will use the iron lung to promote the campaign as it passes through the club's community. Every club is being encouraged to come up with a unique idea to promote the Polio Eradication Fundraising Campaign and to use the iron lung to bring attention to Rotary's work to eradicate polio.

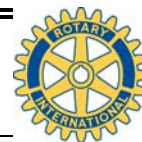
You can contact DG Kevin Shaughnessy at kevin.shaughnessy@rbc.com

The following is one example of what other clubs are doing to raise funds for Polio Eradication. Could we do something similar?

SOW SEEDS FOR POLIO

The Rotary Club of New Westminster (D5040) has come up with a unique fund raising initiative in support of the Polio Eradication Campaign. The club has used this year's theme, "Sow the Seeds of Love" to sell orders for daffodil bulbs. The order form for the flowers is attached to a packet of seeds. All of the funds raised will go to the Polio Campaign. A bulk order for the bulbs ensures a significant contribution to the campaign. The daffodils will flower next February and March. Yes, on the West Coast flowers bloom in the winter.

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INVOCATION Aug. 20: Gordy Robson Aug. 27: Mary Robson

BINGO SCHEDULE BE ON TIME!

	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30
Aug 29:	Ken Knuttila	Ken Paterson
Sep. 12:	Marco Terwiel	Ron LePore

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

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Carrie Fortin - Big Brothers & Sisters

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Denis Lysack - Burnaby Symphony Orchestra

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Aug. 20	1:15pm	Sports Banquet Meeting	After regular meeting
Sept. 3	noon	DG Kevin Shaughnessy's visit	Regular meeting
Sept. 15	1:00pm	Golf Tournament	Meadow Gardens
Sep. 22	3:00pm	Frisbee Golf	Dave Rempel
Oct. 22	6:30pm	Sports Banquet	Meadow Gardens
Dec. 16	noon	Executive 2003/04 Elections	Regular meeting

Need a Make-up? The following Clubs are in our "neighbourhood" and have a different meeting day or time - and it's fun to do a make-up!

Coquitlam - Wed 12:15 Vanc. Golf Club **Coquitlam Sunrise** - Tue 7:15am City Centre Aquatic Complex
Haney - Wed 6:30pm Meadow Gardens **Langley** - Thu 6:15pm ABC Rest, Best Western Glover Rd.
Langley Central - Wed 12:10 Newlands Golf Club **Langley Sunrise** - Wed 7:00am Fort Langley Golf Cl.
Mission - Wed 7:00am Mission City Lodge **Port Moody** - Wed 7:15am St. James Well

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$941 + 1/2 of today's sales, 9 cards, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!



LAST WEEKS PROGRAM

Because there was no newsletter last week due to technical difficulties, an overview of the meeting on August 6 is included here.

August 6, 2002

Bob Shantz, chair of the Hospice Society, was our guest speaker.

He gave us a brief overview of how new government and health regulations are impacting on the role of the society. We are now part of the largest Health District and private projects are being explored.

Palliative care is becoming more important in our choice of end of life options. There are many choices that palliative care supports. Living lessons are embodied in our choices, compassion, location and quality of care. Planning ahead and having contingency plans makes sense and the Hospice choice offers different choices for different people.

The Hospice Society brings caregiving teams from across the Health Care field together to provide individualised care for palliative patients. The approach is holistic and takes into consideration physical, spiritual and emotional care. Practical day-to-day support is available, not only to the patient, but also to supporting family members. There is an ever-increasing need with the aging population to provide options for those who live longer with chronic illness. Living with chronic illness is tough and it is essential to support symptom and pain management.

Being able to live with a loved one who is suffering can be a shared gift. The Hospice Society works towards preventing isolation and assists in providing hope, comfort, practical solutions to problems, treatment and care.

Currently Ridge Meadows Society is working out of the local hospital. It is their hope that eventually they will be able to fund a free standing service that will serve the need in our community for alternate end of life choices. Partnerships will be developed to make decisions and fund raise towards a facility if a report due in September 2002 indicates feasibility.

Dying and grieving in natural and each individual has the right to know what their personal prognosis is.

There is a palliative team that makes rounds in the hospital and private homes. There are 32 volunteers involved and in the past year the team saw 137 clients and chalked up 5,000 volunteer hours. The need continues to grow and this hospice offers one-on-one care.

Rotary clubs in other communities have become involved in assisting Hospice Societies to open their doors for business. Abbotsford and Gibson clubs were mentioned. The Gibson Club produces a calendar that raises \$60,000 per year to support hospice services in their community.

Bob ended his heart warming presentation with John Donne's quote:

"No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a manor of thy friend's or if thine own were. Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind. And therefore never send to know for who the bell tolls: it tolls for thee".

Submitted by Caro O'Kennedy

August 13, 2002

Today's meeting was a business meeting and hence we had no guest speaker.

Following are the reports as delivered by the directors:

Vocational: The next Vocational Svces meeting will be on 21 August at 6:45 at Stan's house. The meeting will begin with a walk-a-bout of Stans farm (llama's etc) then on to the business portion. This year the committee wants to focus on Youth in Rotary as opposed to specifically Interact or Roteract. Mary Robson will be heading up this area. We will also be looking for proposals for the Ambassadorial Scholarship and anyone who may have an interested candidate should speak to Diane Kirkland. As in the past we will also be distributing various scholarships to the students in SD 42 and Andrea will continue to chair this subcommittee. Other programs they hope to keep going include the Health Program and the Speakers Bureau.

Club Service - the upcoming club events we should all be aware of are the **Golf Tournament** at Meadow Gardens Golf Course on Sept 15 and the Frisbee Golf at Dave Rempel's on Sept 22. The golf tournament will be used as a fund-raiser with net proceeds being used for the Polio Eradication campaign. So it's a good cause so whether you are a hard core golfer, a weekend duffer or have never picked up those "golf sticks", come on out and enjoy the day and support our Rotary charity. There will be 18 holes regular play and a 9 hole best ball for those who prefer that. And most important our honour is at stake. This is the first annual Rotary Golf Challenge and this year we have challenged the Haney and Mission Clubs for bragging rights and the possession of a large trophy. Only members of the Rotary Clubs can participate in this portion of the day however anyone can come out and enjoy a round of golf and win some great prizes. So invite your friends and family and lets work together to eradicate Polio once and for all!

Community Service - has held their first meeting and all members from last years committee who wish to participate this year as well are invited to come on board.

Charitable Foundation Status - Ken P announced that we do now have charitable status, but we still need to do a little legwork. I.e. we need to set up a separate membership, executive and bank account for this foundation.

Youth Exchange - Our exchange student from France, **Melissa Huyart** will be arriving on August 23, if she gets all of her visas in order. She will be staying with Gord and Mary, Ineke & Peter, Bob and Irena, Kevin. So "parlez vous francais" will be the order of the day. Lets make this young lady at home and remember we are her family for the next year.



Polio Eradication Campaign - Marco is our district rep for this campaign and he is looking for HELP. The Iron Lung is available to use as a fundraiser and he needs a Rotarian to step up and help him set up a program. One idea is to arrange for certain high profile people to be placed in the iron lung for 1 hour with the requirement to raise money, similar to the Kidney Foundation "jail" routine. So put on your volunteer hat and lets do this. It is rather short notice as the event will have to happen in August sometime due to the schedule placed on the iron lung tour.

Sports Banquet - Set for Oct 22 and the entertainer has been set. Mary will be approaching everyone with a job for the event, so be prepared to say YES! The first committee meeting will be held next Tues (today!) after our regular lunch meeting. Gord has met with Mike Davies and Mike Murray to begin the process to find a suitable project. He has also proposed to raise the ticket price to \$125 each and reported that Mary has 18 tables pre-sold already. WAY TO GO!

Submitted by Debi Pearce