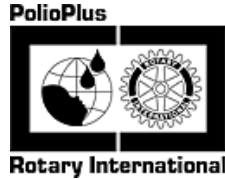


Polio Eradication Quotables



"Long ago, you created awareness, and took action. If I could, I would give each of you who have been involved in this monumental campaign a Champion award. You who believe in, and continue to strive to save the world's children from the ravages of polio, are most definitely champions."

— **Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Director General, World Health Organization, to Rotarians at the RI 2001 Convention, San Antonio, Texas, USA**

"In 1988 the World Health Assembly agreed that it would commit to eradicating polio in time for the world to be certified polio-free by 2005. Since then, Rotary International, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Health Organization and the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have been leading this massive undertaking."

— **Mia Farrow, UNICEF Special Representative**

"Thank you, Rotarians, for recognizing that a world without polio is possible. You have been the catalyst for the world to accept and carry out the challenge of eradicating polio from the earth."

— **Bill Gates, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**

"I'd like to thank Rotary International, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the U.N. Foundation and, most of all, the volunteers for helping in the cause to eradicate polio."

— **Bill Clinton, Former President of the United States**

"Throughout its incredible 15 years of effort, Rotary has shown tremendous leadership and made significant progress toward the goal of global polio eradication. All of us at UNF look forward to working with Rotary's dedicated worldwide network of volunteers to mobilize the resources and international support needed to certify a polio-free world in 2005 - which fittingly coincides with Rotary's Centennial anniversary."

— **Timothy E. Wirth, President of the United Nations Foundation**

"Rotary's PolioPlus Program is a shining example of the achievements made possible by cooperation between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations."

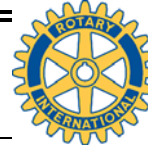
— **Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the United Nations**

"This tremendous initiative would never be where it is today without Rotary; and, most importantly, the ultimate success of this initiative will never be realized without the leadership, advocacy, and energy of Rotarians everywhere."

— **Dr. Bruce Aylward, coordinator of the World Health Organization's Polio Eradication Initiative, to Rotarians at the RI Convention in Buenos Aires, Argentina**

"Rotary's presence has been vital for the PolioPlus effort. Without Rotary, everything would have been different."

— **Carol Bellamy, Executive Director of UNICEF**



The Four Way Flasher

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INVOCATION Oct. 29: Merlyn White Nov. 5: Laurie Anderson

BINGO SCHEDULE BE ON TIME!

	3:30-5:00	5:00-6:30
Nov. 7	Merlyn White	Cheryl Johnson
Nov. 21	Brian Bekar	Merlyn White

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



TODAY'S PROGRAM: Rodger and Gillian of the Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living.

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Nov. 5	Noon	Membership Luncheon	La Trattoria
Nov. 22	tba	Showcase on the Foundation	Skagit Conference Center
Dec. 16	Noon	Executive 2003/04 Elections	Regular meeting
March 12	6pm, dinner 7pm	RI President Bhichai Rattakul	West Bayshore Conf. Centre
April 5	tba	District Assembly	Western Washington U.

**Nov. 5th no regular meeting in the library!
This will be a Membership Drive Luncheon in La Trattoria.**

Everybody can bring one prospective new member as a guest, paid for by the club.

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$0 + 1/2 of today's sales, 52 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct. 29: Brian Ralston

LAST WEEKS PROGRAM

We had the distinct privilege of having Shell Busey as our guest speaker last week, so those of you who didn't make the meeting you missed a good one.

Shell has spent 29 years in the renovations/repair industry and has recently opened his own "House Smart Centre" in Burnaby and Surrey. From these locations he operates a referral network of craftsmen and tradesmen totalling over 150 services for the home. He personally certifies his members and removes them from his referral list if there are any problems. He does 1,000 referrals per month over the telephone and countless others over the internet. The service is no charge to the consumer as the costs are all borne by the membership through their membership fees. "As it should be" says Shell. He also feels quite strongly that the consumer should not be paying an entrance fee to attend a home show where you have a mixture of craftsmen and sales pitchers for various products. He also expressed the opinion that these shows should be about home repairs / renovations as this is what the consumer is going for.

Shell believes in providing education to people as a lot of money and time could be saved if the consumer just understood the true nature of his/her problem. Quite often the problem can be solved without costly repairs.

In 1978 Shell was approached by the Rafe Maer show to be a guest speaker on his radio show for home renovations week. The telephone board lit up and he was asked to come back once a month. From there the rest is history, Shell now does his own shows on CKNW, one at 5AM on Saturday and another from 8:30-11AM on Sunday.

If you have any home repair/renovations questions or are looking for a reliable tradesman you can reach Shell at 604-542-2236 or by fax at 604-542-2237.

He can also be reached at his website www.shellbusey.com or www.itsjustthateasy.com

Submitted by Debi Pearce



SPORTS BANQUET 2002

Well we did it again!

Last Tuesday we held our very successful yearly Sports Banquet. Paul Rose – owner of the local McDonald's Restaurants – who was a major sponsor from the very beginning, was honoured with the Paul Harris Fellowship.



(l to r) Triathlete Jill Savege, tree-topper Greg Hart and fly-fisher Kathy Ruddick were honoured as additions to the MeadowRidge Rotary Club's Hometown Heroes poster program.



Rotaract: Building a water park



The Rotaract Club of Prince George, British Columbia, Canada, turned an old wading pool in Fort George Park into an imaginative, eye-catching water park with water cannons, spray guns, in-ground sprinklers, archway sprays, a spiral spraying tunnel, and other play elements — a major six-year-long project.

The city of Prince George provided C\$50,000 for the project, but the Rotaract club obtained all the rest of the budget — more than \$180,000 — through activities designed by its fundraising committee.

Corporate sponsorship packages offered businesses the opportunity to donate \$500-\$20,000 in return for levels of acknowledgment and media recognition. A plaque campaign encouraged community members to purchase puzzle-piece-shaped plaques for \$50 each, which were placed at the water park. The community grew excited as local newspapers and radio stations promoted the 5 June 2001 opening of the wheelchair-accessible, safe water park. The opening ceremony paid tribute to David Ferris, a past Rotaract club president and major force behind the project, who died in a 1998 car accident. Because of the hard work and determination of Ferris and the Rotaract Club of Prince George, families will continue to enjoy the popular water park.

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