

NEW MEMBER PROFILE

We would like to extend a Rotarian welcome to Livia Mior who is joining our club today. Livia was raised in Toronto but moved to Vancouver in December 93 after graduating from Ryerson University in May of that year. She then came to her senses and moved to our beautiful town in 1999 where she worked for Maple Ridge Community Savings prior to starting her career at the Times. She married her husband Mark in Sept of 1999 and has two children. Sarah who is 3 years old and Madelin is 1. Livia we look forward to your input into our club activities and know you will enjoy yourself. **WELCOME!**

YOUTH IN ROTARY



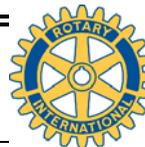
Youth in Rotary Pictures – Left to Right

NAME	COMMITTEE POSITION	SCHOOL
Taryn Stephenson	Chairperson	Westview
Dustin Wyattf	Design Development	Graduate of Westview
Stacey Cunningham	School Liaison & Accounting	Pitt Meadows
Kelsey Allard	School Liaison	Garibaldi
Brandine Phillips	School Liaison	Garibaldi
ABSENT FROM PHOTO:		
Grace Lee	Poster Design	Westview
Irene Park	Poster Design	Westview
Megan Jensen	School Liaison	Westview
Minsong Kim	Advertising & PR	Westview

The Youth in Rotary began their fundraising campaign today for the Radios for Rawanda. Mary has extended a challenge for each member to donate at least one loonie to this campaign.

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The Four Way Flasher

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INVOCATION June 3: Ken Paterson June 10: Dot Ralston

BINGO SCHEDULE

	6:15-8:15	8:00-10:00
June 19	Craig Vernon	Peter Boekhorst
July 17	Ken Paterson	Al Graveson



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

Starting May 22 we have a new Bingo schedule: 1 evening session per month.

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Peter Dix – Impaired driving

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Rick Carruthers re Samuel Robertson Technical School

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
June 1-4		Rotary Int. Convention	Brisbane, Australia
June 4		Haney Clubs Ladies Night	Meadow Gardens
June 7	7pm – 10pm	WineZest 2003	M.R. Arts Centre Theatre
June 9		Community Services Mtg	
June 10		Fireside	Bob & Irena Shantz' home
June 10		REG MTG CANCELLED	
June 20		Executive 2003/04 Installation	Meadow Gardens Golf Club
June 23		Italian Seratta	La Trattoria
July 19	8am	Presidential Celebration	Delta Airport Hotel

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$434 + ½ of today's sales, 32 cards, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 4: Brian & Sharon Bekar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

None this week

LAST WEEKS MEETING

This week we were honoured with two different guest speakers. Both were very inspirational and positive topics. But first we must report that Dave Reekie celebrated his birthday today by having his number called for the 50/50, however that is as far as Lady Luck was willing to go for Dave, better luck next time Dave and Happy Birthday!

The first was a very energetic threesome who participated in this years RYLA. Obviously they had a GREAT time and were very appreciative of the opportunity. Chris Coxwell is the current President of the newly formed Abbotsford Roteract club and he has been actively with RYLA for a couple of years. This year he served as a facilitator and he described the goals of RYLA as to help youth understand the amazing potential inside each of them. Kelsey and Brandine also attended and were tremendously affected by the experience. They formed a lot of “lifelong friendships” and learned about themselves and their potential. They thanked the Rotary club for the opportunity to attend this life changing event and commented on the quality of the speakers .

RYLA takes place every year and is a Youth Leadership Camp put on by Rotary. This years event was held at Camp Squea (spelling?) somewhere between Yale and Hope. The 4 day camp focused on teamwork, friendship, responsibility, trust, faith and hope. Sounds like a great program and we can be proud of our participation. This year Mary Robson chaired this committee and sent 3 candidates from our area. Kudos to Mary for a job enthusiastically well done!

Our second guest was Pat Dawson of the Meadow Ridge Library. Pat came to inform us of some of the projects they have been working on in their Literacy campaign.

The first one is for Grades 1-3 students and runs after school in the Library. This is an art camp that was very well received and gave lots of positive learning to the children
Next for the Grade 4-7, Library volunteers have gone out to the schools to recommend books to the children for reading, focusing on Canadian authors. This program has been so well received that they are booked up til Nov of this year.

The High school students came into the Library to give their input in Literacy programs and have participated in a Poetry Café as well as Reading Buddies with younger children. There has also been a Script writing class offered to them.

The Special needs children also have a program where they are read to with the use of many aids including props and puppets. This has been very successful and enjoyable for the students.

Adults too can participate in a Summer Reading Club and Adult Story Time, where childrens books are read to adults.... Now I too said “huh” when I heard this, but Pat demonstrated with a story and it was actually quite nice.

Finally the Seniors are included with Story times inside their homes with equal success.

This is a program we supported with our community services dollars and it is nice to hear back from the recipients in such a positive way.

Submitted by Debi Pearce

Message from Bhichai Rattaku



Rotarians reap a bountiful harvest of service

Considering the troubles in the world right now - war, violence, recession, international tensions, business failures - it might be reasonable to assume that it has been a slow year for Rotary because everyone has too many worries to take time for fellowship and service. It is my pleasure to report that the opposite is true. Rather than becoming overwhelmed by the problems that plague our world, Rotarians are rising to meet these challenges with a renewed sense of mission.

During this last year, it has indeed been a great privilege to travel all over the world and see so many Rotarians where they live and where they work. Nothing is more precious to me than the opportunities I have had to witness Rotary and Rotarians in action, and as the year draws to a close, my belief in this organization is greater than ever before. Rotary has the strength to bring together more than 31,000 communities made up of 1.2 million of the finest men and women on earth. Yet Rotary also has the flexibility to permit each club in each community to adapt the program of Rotary to its own needs and ideals. Each club has set its own course and worked toward its own goals - such as supporting high-profile projects like PolioPlus and the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution, or partnering with other clubs on international projects through Matching Grants and other Rotary Foundation programs, or simply responding to the needs in their own communities. Our acts of service are as varied as the Rotary world itself, but they have one thing in common - they all *Sow the Seeds of Love*. I wish to thank everyone throughout the world of Rotary for their kindness and support. And as we look to the new Rotary year, let me extend my heartfelt wish that we find many ways to *Lend a hand* - with love