



# “Rotary Minute”

Newsletter for the Members of the Rotary Club of Vancouver

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## Your Foundation Update:

Don't miss the deadline for grant requests which is June 1, 2012.

The Foundation Board will convene in July and grants will be approved in August.

Thank you.

## President's Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians;

As the final months of my President's Year approach, I would like to thank all of you for your support, engagement and trust.

We accomplished a lot during this past year:

- We started a new international project in connection with the Rotary Club Puerto Vallarta Sur and already submitted a second request for matching funding (see the article on page 2 for

additional information)

- We participated in several exciting local programs, such as the Santa Clothes program
- We had another successful "Festival of Trees" with record attendance from the public
- We started the Peace and Conflict Resolution Committee, which will have a significant impact on Rotary and the community.

- The SHARE backpack program took off with a "bang"

It was my pleasure and an honor to lead you through this year and I am proud of the Rotary Club Vancouver and its members.

Timothy Buckley

Rotary Club of Vancouver

President 2011/2012



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## Swimarathon February 25, 2012

Twenty-seven members and friends of the Rotary Clubs of Vancouver, Greater Clark County and Woodland gathered at Lake Shore Athletic Club at 4 a.m. on February 25 to swim in the Rotary Global Swimarathon. Participants swam laps worldwide at the exact same time (Between noon and 1 p.m., GMT) to raise funds for Rotary's PolioPlus program, which works to eradicate polio, and to be listed in the Guinness

Book of Records for the most swimmers swimming 100 meters in a given hour. The previous World Record was 2,533. The Rotary Global Swimarathon broke the record with

more than 5,000 participants. Greg Jellison, Bill Byrd III and Gary Bock set the local pace by swimming 47, 42 and 31 laps respectively to raise funds for PolioPlus.



**The Object of Rotary is:**

To encourage and foster ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity of service
- High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**MAY Birthdays**

**JUNE Birthdays**

Vic DeAntonis (5/3)	Rick Green (6/1)	Adam Roselli (6/26)
Timothy Pfeifer (5/5)	Elson Strahan (6/1)	Andy Nygard (6/27)
Courtney Barker (5/9)	Pam Brokaw (6/5)	Harley Morgan (6/28)
Lisa Gray (5/9)	Katie Foehl (6/9)	Bart Phillips (6/29)
Earl Simpson (5/10)	Steve Webb (6/9)	Al Bernstein (6/30)
Dan Sockle (5/15)	Larry Paulson (6/13)	Bruce Paris (6/30)
Heidi Scarpelli (5/16)	Gary Bock (6/13)	
Glenn Lamb (5/17)	Clay Bonds (6/13)	
Randall Grove (5/18)	Tara Taylor (6/13)	
Rick Takach (5/18)	Nancy Retsinas (6/15)	
Jean Rahn (5/22)	Lucia Worthington (6/15)	
Jan Stockton (5/23)	Joe Vance (6/16)	
Dick Kunkle (5/24)	Mark Ickert (6/19)	
Jeff Hamm (5/25)	Bev Fogle (6/20)	
Jamie Howsley (5/25)	Wendy Kelley (6/20)	
Eric Schubert (5/25)	Sheryl Beauchaine (6/25)	
Dick Hanson (5/27)	Kate Benson (6/26)	

*Please extend your wishes and congratulations to all fellow Rotarians on their special day!*

**Puerto Vallarta - the next steps**

As you know, the Rotary Club Vancouver, District 5100 and Rotary International supported the Rotary Club Puerto Vallarta Sur in its clean water project. Five water filtration systems were purchased and installed and we are proud to say that the project was a great success. Early signs show that the health of children and villagers improved as well as their quality of life.

Spring-boarding off the success of our clean water International Service projects in Rural Mexico in continuing partnership with the South Puerto Vallarta (PV) Mexico Rotary Club, we have officially submitted our next International service project grant to District and to Rotary International!

This project is an educational scholarship program that if we receive 100% of the expected matching grants, is intended to keep 110 Kids from underprivileged families in school for one additional year (instead of families needing to remove them from

school to “work”).

This will be made possible a Vancouver Rotary Foundation Grant of \$3,500 combined with the PV club contribution and then leveraging these funds with District and Rotary International Foundation matching grants.

Special Gratitude is in order: Charlie Bishop, Katie Foehl, and Duke Simpson.... We all owe you a huge debt of gratitude you for the herculean efforts, diligence, and determination you personally took on to get this complicated grant application task submitted!

And thanks as well to the club members who participated in the visit to PV this fall and then presented the projects to our club this last month. And thanks also to all of the Foundation Board members for approving the club grant request.

The rewards to the children and families will be a lasting legacy that will surely have an impact for generations to come!

## Schedule of Events

May 2	National Alliance on Mental Illness (TENTATIVE)
May 9	Scholarship Luncheon
May 16	Lisa Sedlar, CEO, New Season
May 18-20	Rotary District Conference in Newberg, Oregon
May 23	David Sarasohn, Associate Editor, The Oregonian
May 30	Club Assembly
June 6	SEVA Foundation
June 13	TBD
June 20	Returning Ambassadorial Scholar
June 27	Installation Banquet (don't miss the roast!)

*Dates and speaker engagements may change!*

### Rotary Fact:

Did you know that Rotary International created five Youth Service Programs under New Generations?

[RYLA](#)

[Interact](#)

[RYEP](#)

[Rotaract](#)

[Early Act](#)



Article by  
Susanne Cox

## Always the bridesmaid, never the bride

### - a profile of Vic DeAntonis, our 'oldest' member of the Club

When I spoke to Vic to prepare for this article, it was immediately clear that his knowledge about Rotary and our Club was unprecedented.

#### The Facts:

Vic joined the Club on November 14, 1960.

At the time, the Club had 110 members and dues were \$30.

At 91 years of age (soon to be 92), Vic is the oldest member of our Club and has been Club Secretary since 1987. He is happy in that role and, like a good bridesmaid, preferred that job to over becoming Club President. Before he took up the job of Club Secretary, Vic served on the Board for five years and became a PHF in 1990.

the Club's growth, the increase in dues and the acceptance of the first four women as members.

For the first three years of his membership, Vic attended the weekly meetings in the Ballroom of the Evergreen Hotel on Main Street before the Club moved to the Red Lion at the Quay in 1963.

#### Vic's Rotary Pitch:

When being asked what he would share with other community leaders about Rotary, Vic stated that the fellowship, local and world-wide support provided by the Club and Rotary International are immensely valuable. The ability to help others through programs like the "Boys and Girls Club" bring joy and are very dear to Vic. Thank you!

## Newsletter Committee

Susanne Cox  
Katlin Smith  
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If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact any of the committee members - we look forward to hearing from you.

## Important Links:

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[www.rotaryd5100.org](http://www.rotaryd5100.org)  
[www.vancouverrotaryclub.com](http://www.vancouverrotaryclub.com)  
[www.vancouverrotaryclub.org](http://www.vancouverrotaryclub.org)  
[www.rotaryfestivaloftrees.org](http://www.rotaryfestivaloftrees.org)

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## Member and Club News

### 2011-12 Changemaker Award Nomination By Timothy Buckley, President

I want you each to know as well that in addition to the work of all of our club directors and committees, our International Service projects also helped us achieve the credits we needed to also submit our club to be nominated for the 2011-12 Rotary International Changemaker Award.

The Changemaker Award is to recognize Rotary clubs that make an extraordinary impact during 2011-12 through their work in the Avenues of Service. Recipients of the award have undertaken a challenging array of activities in each avenue, with the goal of making positive and significant change in their communities and in the world.

I just submitted that nomination on behalf of the club. I also recently signed similar award recognition nominations for our high

performing Columbia River HS Interact and Rotaract Clubs too!

If approved and submitted by the District Governor, we expect to receive the honor from Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee at the upcoming District Conference, and I hope you all plan to attend!

It had been many years since our club had been so honored, and now if successful this will be the second year in a row our club will receive the esteemed Rotary International Presidential recognition for a high performing club.

Club Board members and all, thank you for your diligent work and leadership in each of Rotary's Avenues of Service!

If you can, we would like to ask you to each please place the upcoming District Conference May 18-20, 2012 in your calendars now (if you have not reserved the dates already).

## Welcome



Craig Riley  
February 15, 2012

Craig is the President of Riley Financial, Inc. in Vancouver

Lucia Worthington  
February 8, 2012

Lucia is Professor at Clark College and owner of her own business Worthington Management



Denny Kartchner  
February 1, 2012

Denny is the Executive Director of Cascade Inn Assisted Living