



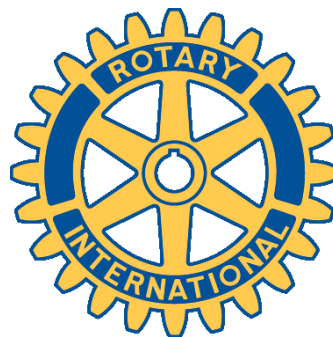
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5040 ROTARY SPIRIT

The Newsletter of District 5040

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The 8 Vancouver City clubs offer a variety of venues, reflected in their diverse and exciting activities. Come and visit next time you're "Downtown!"

Otto Rieve, Assistant Governor, "Down Under!"

Vancouver Quadra has identified business and organizations for potential recruits and has sought to meet with them through a walkabout within the encachment area. This 20-member club not only manages to help with the Rotary World Help Network but it has started and continues with the Greater Vancouver Rotary Foundation Walk. It is the Little Club That Could.

Vancouver South's recruiting efforts include identifying potential members, sending them faxes, and following up to invite them to a wine and cheese reception. Long a part of the Marpole community, this club is involved with Marpole Days, fence building at Homestead House, Pacific Spirit Park.

Vancouver Sunrise's Centennial Project is a community clock that will be a visible symbol of Rotary's commitment and Lending A Hand. It is one of the clubs in the Rotary pilot project on the Leadership Program. The Christmas luncheon served by club members to seniors in conjunction with the West End Seniors Centre not only gives the seniors a day out but also provides the club an opportunity for Community Service and Club fellowship.

Vancouver - the original club in Vancouver - it sponsored or agreed to all forming clubs. Its main fundraiser in years past was The Ice Capades and now may be its Bike-a-Thon. Proceeds from the latter support the club's contribution to the hearing clinic at UBC. The club's recent move to The Terminal City Club on West Hastings Street has energized the club.

Vancouver Arbutus - has an active community service program and has partnered with its Interact club on a water project in India and with the Big Brothers in a Dragon Boat recreation program. The club has actively used the Club Leadership Plan to good results.

Vancouver Cambie - is focused on service to the Korean community such as helping seniors to travel around Vancouver and to help students coming to Canada to study to make arrangements for living quarters and attendance at the educational institution. Its international service is to continue building the network with District 3720 in Korea.

Vancouver Chinatown - has distributed 13,000 dictionaries to Vancouver's Inner City schools and was involved with the Kids 'Passports'. The club gave \$17,000 seed money for the SHEWAY program, a walk-in clinic for Native women.

Vancouver Fraserview - Connections and relations are fostered with members of the ethnic media to publicize events as a part of this club's active Community Service. An Annual Fundraising dinner highlighted this year by multicultural entertainment, gained \$10,000 which was then donated to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. International Service included \$11,000 for Polio Eradication.

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Chinese New Year

Sandy and I were delighted to be the guests of the **Rotary Club of Vancouver Chinatown** for their annual Chinese New Year's dinner held at the Floata restaurant on Friday, February 13th. The evening at the Floata incorporated the Lion and Dragon dances, a live and silent auction, a fabulous 10-course dinner and many opportunities to purchase tickets to win a trip for 2 to Toronto. **Rosemary Teliatnik**, a Past President of the club, was an energetic and lively Master of Ceremonies.

The year 2004 is the Year of the Monkey providing lots of opportunity for wealth and good fortune for all those born in this year of the Monkey that occurs every 12 years. Legend has it that those born in the year of the Monkey are fun and loving persons. They are cheerful and energetic making them a welcome addition to any Rotary club!

Charter Night on the Sunshine Coast

What a treat it was to be the honoured guests at the chartering of our newest club, **The Rotary Club of Pender Harbour (Madeira Park)**. This special event was held on Saturday, February 21, at the Garden Bay restaurant in Madeira Park. The ambience, fellowship and food were superb, thanks to the efforts of D5040 special representative, **Don Legault**, **President Eric Graham** and member **Al Holt**. With the assistance of **PDG Leo Nimsick** and **DGN Sonia Wolowidnyk**, we installed 23 new but committed Rotarians. The traditional regalia of the flags, lectern, bell, gavel and banner were presented by many of the clubs in our district.

To provide a little history, this club was sponsored by the Sunshine Coast--Sechelt Club in 2001 with Al Holt as the first President. They were determined that they would meet the requirements of Rotary International to have 20 fully paid members and did so by the fall of 2003. To follow the Rotary motto of Service Above Self, they organized a salmon BBQ for the Jazz Festival in Madeira Park for the past 3 years. A portion of the money they received was used to purchase an electronic keyboard for a 10 year old blind student in the area.

We all wish them well as the 53rd Rotary Club in District 5040!

Mary's Meanderings....

Mary's meanderings will capture the adventures Sandy and I have this year as we meet the District 5040 Rotarians on our official District Governor visits and other Rotary sponsored events.

New Assistant Governors join the District team

Finding time to do all we want to do for Rotary can often be a challenge! Unfortunately, due to other commitments, **AG Rose Moon** and **AG Terry Connolly** have both had to give up their current positions. However, the good news - and a tribute to the wealth of talent we have 'waiting in the wings' of D5040 - is that replacements are now in place!

Hot from all his work in chartering the new Pender Harbour club, **Don Legault** will now assume the AG role for the Gibsons, Powell River, Sechelt and Sunshine Coast-Sechelt - plus of course the new Pender Harbour club.

Over in New Westminster, **Nancy Nicolai** will take over as AG from Terry, covering the Burnaby, Burnaby Deer Lake, Burnaby Metrotown, New Westminster, New Westminster Royal City and Vancouver Collingwood clubs.

Our sincere thanks to Rose and Terry for all they have contributed, and our congratulations to Don and Nancy as they move us along to our Centennial!

Mary and Sandy



Sonia, Eric, Mary, Sandy, and Leo share a smile at the top table during Pender Harbour's fun-filled Charter evening.

Why should my club sponsor a New Club?

Don't keep Rotary to yourselves - share it with others. Experience shows that sponsor clubs benefit from starting a new Rotary club.

- In searching for new members potential Rotarians are frequently found for the sponsoring club as well.
- The presence of a young and vigorous club often revitalizes the sponsor club.
- A new club offers opportunities for inter club fellowship and project co-operation.
- A new club offers an extra venue at a different time for make-ups.
- A new club heightens the Rotary profile in the area and gives opportunity for Rotary publicity.

We all know people who should be Rotarians. We know many for whom the day or time when our club meets is unsuitable for them to attend. Thus there are many in every community who cannot or will not join an existing club.

This may well be due to their work pattern and business commitments. It is up to us to provide them with a new club that meets at a time of the week that suits them. We must give these eligible people more opportunities to join our movement. There are untapped resources of willing hands available if only we look in the right direction.

Ask your district extension chair to come and talk to your club to answer all your questions and advise you about the procedures to sponsor a new club. The Governor will appoint a special representative to coordinate the chartering process.

PDG Leo A.T. Nimsick

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS February 2004

Gibsons

Nick Storness-Bliss
David Sweetzir
Jim Lamb

North Vancouver

Dr. Deborah Summerfield
Jonathan Lazar
Karim Lalani
Dr. Ken Dubeta
Dr. Naoum Nounopoulous
Jahan Famili

Pender Harbour (Madeira Park)

Dr. Richard Smalley

Richmond Sunrise

Doug Easton

Smithers Alpine

Kelly Collins
Sharon Hartwell

Vancouver Chinatown

Ross Peters

Vancouver Sunrise

Larry Belsito
Vivian de Bloeme
Brian R. Bowman

***Congratulations to North
Vancouver for the addition of
six new members this month
and 14 since July 2003.***

5040 ROTARY SPIRIT....

...CELEBRATES!!



RI President-elect Glenn Estess Sr. unveiled the 2004-05 theme "**Celebrate Rotary**" at the International Assembly in Anaheim, California, USA, on 16th February.

He explained to 529 incoming district governors gathered at this important training meeting that the new theme was inspired by the desire to celebrate in the Centennial year the ideals that Rotary's founders stood for and that over the years have influenced generations of Rotarians to do good throughout the world.

"We are now approaching the 100th anniversary of their action — a simple meeting between four businessmen," the RI president-elect remarked in the 20-minute address announcing the centennial year theme and program. "And when we celebrate all of the wonderful things that have happened as a result of that action, I will be asking all Rotarians to join me as we embrace our theme in 2004-05 and **Celebrate Rotary**."

It's 2-Step Time in the Lower Mainland!

In order to show our stuff and **Celebrate!** at the William's Lake District Conference in May, we have arranged some **Western 2 step lessons!**



So join DG Mary and her husband Sandy on six consecutive Thursdays starting March 25, 2004:

- ▲ **Place:** Yasel DanceSport Academy, #2-4603 Main Street (at 31st.)
- ▲ **Time:** 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
- ▲ **Cost:** If we have 10 registered, \$13.50 per lesson
If we have 20 registered, \$6.75 per lesson

To Register call Jacci McTavish at 604-926-9731, or email: jacciM@telus.net

New To Rotary? Come along and see and hear what there is to **Celebrate!**

I recommend that every member of your club with less than two years service attend Rotary Night School. All Rotarians interested in knowing more about our great organization are welcome to attend. See the attachment flyer on the last page of this Newsletter - and make sure it goes to every member of your club with less than two years service!

- ▲ **Date:** Thursday, March 11, 2004
- ▲ **Registration:** 6:30 PM
- ▲ **Seminar:** Starts at 7:00 PM sharp and will end at 9:30 PM sharp.
- ▲ **Location:** Salvation Army Centre, 3403 East 49th Ave. Vancouver
- ▲ **Cost:** \$5.00 for books and materials

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What is a Friendship Exchange?

The Rotary Friendship Exchange program gives Rotarians and their families the opportunity to experience other cultures firsthand, by participating in reciprocal visits with Rotarians from other countries and their families. Introduced in 1984, this program aims to advance international understanding among Rotarians. It provides Rotarians with the opportunity to form personal contacts and make long-lasting friendships while exploring different areas of the world.

Types of Exchanges

There are two main types of Friendship Exchange, the visitor exchange and the team exchange. The number of people or couples participating and the length of stay are flexible. However, both are to be determined and agreed upon by the two districts involved. Rotary Friendship Exchanges are expected to be reciprocal.

Visitor exchange gives individual Rotarians, who may be accompanied by family members, the opportunity to spend a few days in the home of a Rotarian in another country. The typical visitor exchange ranges from three to seven days.

Team exchange provides the opportunity for several Rotarians or Rotary couples to travel to different communities in a host district for a period of up to one month.

Exchange Participants

Only Rotarians and immediate family members (partner and children) are eligible for the visitor exchange. For the team exchange, only Rotarians and their partners are eligible. For either type of exchange, both districts should agree on the participants in advance.

Funding

Rotary Friendship Exchange is funded entirely by the program participants, and exchanges are carried out at no cost to Rotary International. Generally, guests are responsible for their travel expenses and personal spending (for example, souvenirs, snacks, toiletries, film, etc.), while hosts are expected to provide housing, meals and sightseeing opportunities - the same courtesies that would be extended to a visiting friend.

PDG Leo Nimsick, District Friendship Exchange Chair E-mail: nimsick@telus.net



And if you're a Corvette owner.....

This could be for you! **AG Otto Rieve** send us this information about a brand new group that's just starting.....

"I am in the process of organizing an international fellowship, within Rotary International, of **Rotarians who are Corvette enthusiasts**. My vision is that, once we get fully organized, we could have a lot of fun driving to, and gathering at, various places to enjoy each other's company and Corvettes.

There is much to be done; so it will take a few months for me to get all the details worked out. Much has already been accomplished. I am now at the stage of seeking potential members in various countries: Canada, Mexico, Spain, Italy, France, Germany, Austria, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

So, would becoming a member of this new fellowship-in-the-making be of interest to you? May I add you to the list of individuals that I am compiling?"

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Otto also sent us a shot of his 1991 Beauty!

[WOW! is all I can say, Otto! - Ed]



THE 5040 ROTARY "YEE-HAW" SPIRIT....



***Williams Lake,
May 14 - 16, 2004
(Population : 12,124!!)***

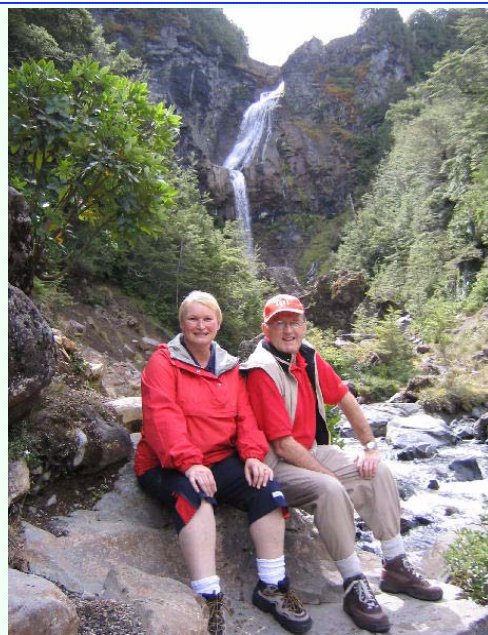
<http://www.rotary5040.org/conference/>

Just 2 of the many Rotarians you'll see and meet in Williams Lake!

The two GSE Team leaders - **Neil McDonald (D5040)** and **Phyl Cameron (D4490 - New Zealand)** are seen here taking to the New Zealand mountains last month - Mt. Ruapehu, in fact. Ruapehu is one of the most continuously active composite volcanoes in the world. On Christmas Eve, 1953, an eruption of Ruapehu caused a mud-lava flow that destroyed a railway bridge.

Lake Taupo is truly awe-inspiring - set against the backdrop of Mount Ruapehu and other snow-capped peaks in the central North Island volcanic plateau. The area is ideal for climbing, skiing and snowboarding, also boasting some of the best trout fishing, excellent golf courses and a full range of adventure activities. Lake Taupo is an easy three hour drive from Auckland, or a one hour flight.

Sound like "Home from Home" for both leaders!! So come along and meet Phyl and her team, and Neil and his team at the conference!



**WIN
\$500!**

For your International or Community Service Project

(\$500 for the International and \$500 for the Community Service Project)

Complete this questionnaire and email to Angy de Stefanis (thebeans@shaw.ca). A committee will select the most deserving project. The winning club will have an opportunity to present their project at the District Conference.

Club:

Name of the Project:

Briefly describe the Project:

Who will benefit:

5040 ROTARY SPIRIT

...Around the District

We have a winner for the Centennial Poster Contest for District 5040!

The artist is **ROB DRUGMAN**, age 14, from Chatelech High School in Sechelt. Rob was sponsored by President Guy Hawkins, and the members of the Rotary Club of Sunshine Coast Sechelt. The poster has been mailed to RI and a certificate will be forwarded to Rob, signed by District Governor Mary.

If you look at the picture carefully, you will note that the spokes of the Rotary wheel are chairs of a board room table that overlooks the world. It's quite impressive!



Thanks to Angiola-P. De Stefanis for the news and copy!

Uniforms for Unity

The **Rotary Club of Powell River** president Ross Cooper has collected surplus uniforms from local sports groups and is looking for assistance to deliver them to communities where they are needed.

Two sets of soccer jerseys, two soccer balls and a disposable camera (to take a photo and return to the Powell River club) are off to India.

Ross has quite a few sets of baseball uniforms, jerseys, pants, hats, and sock coverings. If anyone in District 5040 has connections in a place in North America, Central America or the Caribbean where these uniforms could be used, please email him at cooper@prcn.org.

A reminder re Annual Giving:

While some clubs are doing very well in getting close to attaining \$100. US per member for their annual giving 2003-2004 - this is a reminder that in order for your donations to qualify for this fiscal period you donations must have gone through the system by **June 30th, 2004**. Therefore I would suggest that you try to send you cheques through to *Rotary Foundation Canada* by the end of May.

Jacci McTavish

Chair, Annual Giving - Lower Mainland

Fundraising



Ideas

Looking for a fast, easy, small fundraiser? Many clubs have found innovative ways of boosting their club Community Fund account - do you have one that you'd like to share? Please email details to the Ed.!

To kick off this column, **Robert Rickey** of the **Vancouver Quadra Club** passes this one on to anyone interested.

"Beverage Breaks" have been successfully helping the Club to fund raise by us selling their **Pistol & Burnes organic coffees**. These coffees are grown under their Farmers First, Fairly Traded program. The Club has been netting \$5.00 per pound for every pound sold!

You can check out their website for more info on the company and their coffees at:
www.pistolandburnes.com/services_fundraising.html



They also extend an invitation to drop in to their office at #10-8005 Alexander Road, Delta, and see Stephen Hunter (604.946.5767). Stephen says, "...the coffee pot is always on ...drop in for a cuppa!!"

5040 ROTARY SPIRIT....

...Around the District

Rotary District 5040 Awards

Nominations for individuals or clubs for the 2003-2004 District Awards and now due. These should come from the clubs and/or the Assistant Governors, and be sent to Leo Nimsick.

Membership Award

Presented to the club with the highest percentage membership gain.

Best Bulletin Award

Based on the award committee's evaluation of the following:

- ▶ **Appearance:** Does it communicate in a pleasing way?
- ▶ **Readability:** Is the bulletin exciting and fun to read?
- ▶ **Club News:** Does it inform about meetings, member activities, fellowship, projects, youth, finance, committee reports, plans and future events?
- ▶ **District and International News:** Does it report on District, Rotary International and Rotary Foundation plans and programs and other important Rotary communications?
- ▶ **General Interest:** Does it appeal to casual readers and others?

There will be a runner-up award given in addition to the winner award.

Individual Recognition

Recognition at the District Conference of individual Rotarians or friends of Rotary for exemplary service during the Rotary year.

Club Recognition

Recognition at the District Conference of individual Rotary clubs for exemplary service projects during the Rotary year.

District 5040 Governor's Award

See the DG's notes on the next page.

All nominations should be submitted no later than 15th April, for presentation at the District Conference in May.

Leo Nimsick

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Meet Kevin Conway CA - District Governor Nominee 2006 - 2007



District Governor Mary Watson is pleased to announce that Kevin Conway, a member of the Rotary Club of West Vancouver, has been recommended by the nominating committee to be District Governor Nominee who will serve as District Governor in 2006 - 2007.

At the International Convention in Chicago in June 2005, District Governors for 2006 - 2007 will be elected. District Governors also serve as officers of Rotary International during their year as Governor.

Kevin Conway, his wife Jen and their four children came to Canada from Zimbabwe in 1982. He joined PriceWaterhouseCoopers in Vancouver, from where he went on to lead the recovery and expansion of a large agricultural supply company in the Fraser Valley.

It was in District 5050 that he first joined Rotary in 1992, and served in several capacities including club treasurer, club director, and club president in 1998. After a short sabbatical, Kevin and Jen returned to West Vancouver where he serves as the 2003-2004 president of the Rotary Club of West Vancouver. Since 2002, he has chaired the District 5040 Polio Eradication Fundraising Campaign, and will serve as Assistant Governor for the North Shore and Howe Sound in 2004-2005.

Kevin and Jen are Paul Harris Fellows, Rotary Foundation Benefactors, and major donors.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S AWARD

Deadline: APRIL 15th

Recognizing that the strength of the Rotary movement is founded on the service carried out by club members, the purpose of this award will be to provide a means for Rotary Clubs in District 5040 to personally recognize a member of the club for his/her outstanding efforts in service to the club and/or community (local and world).

Eligible Nominees: Candidate for nomination should be Rotarians in good standing in their clubs who have consistently demonstrated their support of the Object of Rotary through participation in a variety of service activities.

Selection Process: The nomination of a candidate to receive this award will be made by the club. The method of selection will be determined by the club. The club president must endorse the nomination and submit it to the District Governor.

Requirements: A fee of \$300 Canadian is to accompany the nomination. This fee will be accumulated in a special fund to be used for a project or projects at the discretion of the District Governor. The Current Plan for the monies in the Special Fund is a Centennial Project.

A special pin and certificate will be available for presentation to the recipient. This award is to allow clubs to honour members for exemplary service and is separate and apart from the Paul Harris Fellowship which is a recognition for a US\$1,000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

Nominations to: marywatson@shaw.ca

Presentation: At the District Conference

Presidential Reminders for March:

- ✓ Complete and submit your Presidential Citation form to DG Mary Watson (fax: 604 266 3417). All clubs should be able to win this honour in 2004.
- ✓ Promote attendance at the District Conference in Williams Lake May 14-16, 2004.
- ✓ Promote attendance for new Rotarians at the Rotary Night School in Vancouver on March 11.
- ✓ The week including March 13th is **World Rotaract Week**. Conduct activities in support of your local Rotaract club or help organize one.
- ✓ March 31st is the last day to submit Matching Grant or District Simplified Grant applications for funding consideration in the current Rotary year.

5040 ROTARY SPIRIT....

Membership and Attendance

District 5040 Membership and Attendance to February 2004

Membership		Club	Attendance (%)			
July, 2003	Year to date		Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Year to date
44	44	100 MILE HOUSE	80	75		72
51	53	BURNABY	65	54		59
22	22	BURNABY DEER LAKE	87	68	70	77
32	30	BURNABY METROTOWN	48	65	68	64
24	29	BURNS LAKE	71	69		74
4	4	DELTA 2000	90	75		84
16	16	FORT ST. JAMES	44	52	58	52
47	43	GIBSONS	70	55		62
17	14	KITIMAT	54	61	61	56
47	51	LADNER	70	100	70	83
19	21	MACKENZIE	64	62		61
52	47	NEW WESTMINSTER	73	67	71	66
34	35	NEW WESTMINSTER ROYAL CITY	74	73	69	73
30	37	NORTH VANCOUVER	75	68		70
32	31	NORTH VANCOUVER LIONS GATE	69	71	66	69
n/a	22	PENDER HARBOUR (MADIERA PARK)				
50	50	POWELL RIVER	92	75	86	78
85	86	PRINCE GEORGE	77	60		63
74	70	PRINCE GEORGE NECHAKO	59	67		63
18	20	PRINCE GEORGE NEW CALEDONIA	89			85
63	60	PRINCE GEORGE YELLOWHEAD	81	80		74
53	57	PRINCE RUPERT	87	71		74
44	37	PRINCE RUPERT HECATE STRAIGHT	54	71	66	59
40	37	QUESNEL	78	68	67	68
34	34	QUESNEL SUNRISE				54
37	33	RICHMOND	71	69	75	69
41	42	RICHMOND SUNRISE	78	89	86	86
22	24	RICHMOND SUNSET				68
37	36	SECHLT	76	82		68
28	21	SMITHERS	78			74
23	24	SMITHERS - ALPINE	54			59
53	56	SQUAMISH	66	59		48
34	34	STEVESTON	96	84		87
28	27	SUNSHINE COAST - SECHLT	55	62	60	60
56	50	TERRACE	58	63	63	65
36	35	TERRACE SKEENA VALLEY	60	58	57	66
73	71	TSAWWASSEN	70	70		68
160	154	VANCOUVER	56	57	61	57
41	45	VANCOUVER ARBUTUS	60	63	69	65
22	12	VANCOUVER CAMBIE	38	50		63
45	41	VANCOUVER CHINATOWN	78	81		80
17	17	VANCOUVER COLLINGWOOD	85	88	82	84
29	30	VANCOUVER FRASERVIEW	60	58	55	57
19	20	VANCOUVER QUADRA	69	75	63	75
26	27	VANCOUVER SOUTH	66	70	63	59
25	24	VANCOUVER SUNRISE	92	82	69	71
12	11	VANDERHOOF	73	70	73	67
39	38	WEST VANCOUVER	79	61	66	69
21	22	WEST VANCOUVER SUNRISE	86			81
48	44	WHISTLER	68	74		70
28	25	WHISTLER MILLENNIUM	92			87
60	51	WILLIAMS LAKE	51	63	56	51
18	18	WILLIAMS LAKE DAYBREAK	63	60		73
2010	1982	DISTRICT AVERAGE/TOTAL	69	68	67	67



*March 11, 2004
Thursday*

ROTARY NIGHT SCHOOL

*Registration 6:30 pm
Seminar 7:00 pm to
9:30 pm*

- U The Basics of Rotary
- U Rotary youth programs
- U Rotary history
- U What do all those acronyms mean?
- U The 4 Way Test & Object of Rotary
- U Attendance & make up rules
- U Rotary's organization—top to bottom
- U What does The Rotary Foundation do?
- U International & local service projects
- U The basics of Foundation grants
- U Scholarships & Exchanges

Who Should Attend?

Every Rotarian with less than two years service and every Rotarian who wants to learn more about Rotary should attend.

Registration is \$5.00

All participants receive a copy of:

- ABCs of Rotary
- Rotary Basis
- Foundation Quick Guide
- Rotary fact sheets

For information contact:
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*At the corner of East 49th and Tyne, two blocks
west of Boundary & Imperial*