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May 6 - 8, 2011 River Rock Richmond www.RotaryEvents.ca

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April is Magazine month. The Rotarian and Rotary Canada are outstanding sources of information about the work and programs of Rotary. They are excellent tools for membership recruitment and promoting Rotary. Share the magazine with potential new members, contribute copies to the waiting rooms of local health practitioners, legal and financial advisors.



The Rotary magazines are tools that inform Rotarians on innovative and diverse projects around the world. This month the first digital edition of the Rotarian has been launched. Check out the new digital edition for mention of the RC of Steveston-Richmond. Did you know that 100 years of the Rotarian are available on Google?

The Rotarian and Rotary Canada - read them and share them.



Contact DG Penny at PennyOffer@dccnet.com

Rotary Round Up - A video invitation from DG Penny to join Penny's Posse for the Rotary Round Up on Friday May 6 at the district conference. Dust off your blue denim, dig out your stetson and get ready to party. We will kick off Conference 2011 in style. The off the wall entertainment of Vancouver Theatre Sports will follow conference rule #1 -"Have Fun!" VIEW VIDEO



Training Opportunities - three regional District Assemblies will be held for club officers and all interested Rotarians. Three Future Vision grant seminars are scheduled. Every club must send two (2) members to a FV seminar to qualify to receive district or global grants in 2011-12.

District Assembly - Metro Vancouver - April 2 - REGISTER Future Vision - Grant Seminar - Metro Vancover - April 3 - REGISTER District Assembly - Cariboo-North - April 9 - REGISTER Future Vision - Grant Seminar - Cariboo-North - April 10 - REGISTER District Assembly - Northwest - April 16 - REGISTER Future Vision - Grant Seminar - Northwest - April 17 - REGISTER

The Rotary Foundation prides itself on being responsive to the challenges that confront humanity. Rotarians, through their ROTARIAN spirit of volunteerism and generous philanthropy, remain at the heart of the Foundation's mission to eradicate polio and further

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its humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs worldwide. We hope that every Rotarian will take this opportunity to participate in their Rotary



<u>Upcoming</u> <u>Club & District Events</u>

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Foundation and help to grow and sustain the Foundation's many wonderful programs. If you have made a donation this Rotary year - thank you. If you are still waiting to send your gift, today is a wonderful day to make your donation. The best way is online at www.trsfcanada.org.

Empower Your Rotary Club with RI Resources for Membership Development. Looking for tools to assist you in recruiting new members and retaining current members. Start by <u>downloading</u> this list of resources available from RI many are free in a PDF format.

Friendship Exchange - Contemplating a trip in September 2011? Why not join a D5040 Rotary Friendship Exchange group traveling to D7490 (northern New Jersey) September 7 to 21! You will be home hosted by Rotarians and shown many places of interest in and around their District – to name a few; New York City, the Pennsylvania Dutch country, New Jersey's beautiful coast, and historic Philadelphia. We will visit Rotary meetings and enjoy other fun events, making new friends along the way.read more about the D5040 exchange and read more on the RI website

Rotary Leadership Institute - Parts 1, 2 and 3 of RLI are being offered on May 6 in Richmond prior to the start of the District conference. This is to reduce cost and travel time for Rotarians outside of Metro Vancouver. A separate registration is required. Register before April 22 the cost is \$85. After April 22 the cost is \$95. REGISTER



District Conference 2011 - now is the time to book your room for May 6-8, 2011 for the district conference. You can extend your stay pre and post conference. The conference will be held at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond. The River Rock is a 4 star hotel, located on the Canada Line with quick access to YVR, Richmond Centre and downtown Vancouver. The hotel is on the river. The preferred Rotary rate is only \$159 for a one bedroom suite this includes a full buffet breakfast for one. Buffet breakfast coupons are available for additional guests in the room for only \$10 per day. To book your room visit the hotel page at www.RotaryEvents.ca

How many Rotarians in Canada? There are 26,424 Rotarians in Canada. Did you know that India is now the second largest Rotary country with 112,118 members. The USA is the largest with 353,142 members. How many Rotarians in Germany? Italy or Japan? Download a list of Rotary membership by country. Use it for Rotary trivia at your club.

Literacy and PR recognition. At the District Conference we will be recognizing clubs for their literacy projects this year and for their media stories before April 15th. For your club's literacy story, email information to Frances Kolotyluk information is available on the website in the February Literacy Matters. If your club had a story in the local media send it to Becky Tsukishima for the website Hall of Fame. Check out the March 13th website story on the District website.

Chamber of Commerce - Rotary clubs are encouraged to maintain a close liaison with their local Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is a great place to recruit members and promote Rotary events. Hosting or sponsoring a Chamber event is a positive way to advance the vocational aspect of Rotary and to keep an eye out for community leaders who are looking for an opportunity to become involved in their community. Several clubs in District 5040 are doing this with good success. This includes placing their club brochure in new Chamber member welcome kits, sending out Rotary information to all Chamber members and hosting a "Rotary" product spotlight at a Chamber meeting.

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