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## District 5040 newsletter September 2010

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September is New Generations month. 18 of our clubs in District 5040 are welcoming youth exchange students for the 2010-11 year. Other clubs are planning to set up new Interact Clubs in their local schools or reactivate already existing clubs as the students return to school this month. Erica Tsang the new Rotaract representative in District 5040 is already working to develop stronger relationships between the Rotaract and Rotary clubs. See her story about Rotaract on the District website this month.



Youth are our future. Most of our clubs are engaged in a variety of youth programs including the official [Structured programs](#) of RI, scholarships, exchanges, and many other activities such as the Tweedsmuir Trek run by the Rotary Club of Burns Lake modified this year because of the forest fires in the area. Congratulations to all clubs and Rotarians in District 5040 for all your service to our youth.

DG Penny

### DG Official Club Visits

By August 31st I will have completed 14 club visits mostly outside the lower mainland. We have had two wonderful trips this past month meeting Rotarians in the Cariboo, Prince George and the North West and finishing the month in Burns Lake. On September 1st we finish this latest trip in Smithers before returning to Vancouver for a week of visits. We have another trip to the Cariboo in September and finish the month of September back in Vancouver with more club visits and the special visit by current RI President Ray Klinginsmith to our District.

As all PDG's will tell you, the official club visits are the best part of the job as DG. Thanks to all the Rotarians we have met this past month for their support and their Rotary stories. I wish I could share them all with you . For the Schedule of Visits [click here](#) .

### Rotary Leadership Institute

District 5040 is offering the Rotary Leadership Institute program this fall. On September 25, 2010 Parts 1, 2 & 3 will be offered in metro Vancouver [read more](#). RLI is also being offered in Prince George, please check the events page of the District website for details. The RLI program is for all Rotarians, new and experienced who want to learn more about Rotary locally and internationally. RLI focuses on leadership skills Rotarians can use in Rotary, their profession and in other organizations they work with. RLI is based on a small group, interactive and participatory learning model.

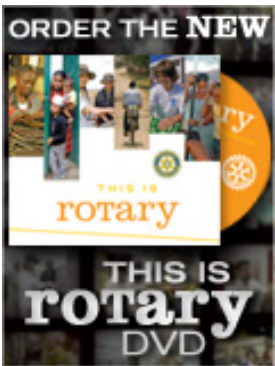


### Rotary Foundation Dinner





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We are very pleased that this year RI President Ray Klinginsmith will be the keynote speaker at the Vancouver area Foundation Dinner on September 29, 2010. I hope every club in district 5040 will be represented at the dinner. Rotarians from districts 5020, 5050 and 5060 have been invited to attend the dinner. Tickets are now on sale at [www.RotaryEvents.ca](http://www.RotaryEvents.ca)



### Assistant Governors Wanted

Are you interested in being considered for an AG position in our district - working for Rotary in a District leadership position? There is an immediate opening for a AG to work in Vancouver to replace DGE Hans Doge. This fall we will be looking for AGs in - Sunshine Coast, Sea to Sky, Richmond/Delta, North Shore and Vancouver. In these areas the positions are to start July 2011, with AG training and working with the incoming club presidents starting in early 2011. The AG is the primary liaison between the clubs and the district governor providing support and information to the clubs and club presidents.

If you are interested in knowing more or being considered for a position as an Assistant Governor please contact DG Penny at [pennyoffer@dccnet.com](mailto:pennyoffer@dccnet.com) or DGE Hans at [hdadj@telus.net](mailto:hdadj@telus.net). We look forward to hearing from you.

### Applications for DG 2013-14

In accordance with the Bylaws of Rotary International nominations are being accepted for Governor of District 5040 for 2013-2014 to take office on July 1, 2013. Nominations must be received by the chair of the nominating committee PDG Gordon Dalglish on or before October 1, 2010. [read more](#)

### Pennies for Polio Challenge

Rotary clubs across District 5040 have accepted the challenge from the RC of Vancouver Quadra to collect Pennies for Polio. Penny pots are popping up at Rotary clubs, long stored rolls of pennies are being donated and there are more than a few nickles, dimes, loonies and toonies being dropped in the collection cans. [Download the flyer](#) with more information on the Pennies for Polio Campaign. Watch this short video first shown at the Montreal convention on why every penny counts. [VIDEO](#)



### Rotary Banners

The Rotary Club of Mackenzie has produced a Membership 3'x 11' missing piece puzzle banner and posted it on their outdoor Bill Board. They are willing to ship it to any club in our District that would like it for a month or so. Contact past president Jim Clefstad at [jimswera@telus.net](mailto:jimswera@telus.net) or current president Lisa Tomich at [tim\\_lisa@telus.net](mailto:tim_lisa@telus.net). They are planning to produce more photo quality banners that could also be passed around to other Rotary Clubs. This is their way of saying thank you to the many Rotary clubs in District 5040 who supported them last year during the difficult times in their community. The RC of Mackenzie is ready to turn the corner thanks to Rotary.



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