



# D5040 NEWSLETTER

Nov 2007 ISSUE

## District Governor

Dean Rohrs  
Tel 604-516-0955  
Fax (604-683-0350  
drohrs@attglobal.net

## Newsletter Editor

Becky Tsukishima  
editor5040@hotmail.com

## District Webmaster

Chu Wu  
chu@sterlingfence.ca

## District Website

www.rotary5040.org

## Inside this issue:

Dean's Digest	1-2
DG Nominee 2010-2011	2
AG Phil Sunshine Coast Clubs Report	3-4
New AG Announcement	4
Nov Foundation Month Foundation Dinner	5
RI 2008 Convention	6
Regional Foundation Seminar	
Global Peace Initiatives	7
Rotary Fellowships	
Ambassadorial Scholars	8
Adventures in Film	
D9250 African Safari	9
D2650 Friendship Exchg	
Rotary Shares Award	
Dist Directory Correction	
Lionsgate Host Program	10
Operation Red Nose	
Quesnel Auction 50th Ann	11
Whistler Having Fun	
DeerLake Mystery Manor	
Global Youth Forum	12
Rotaract District Meet	
Rotaract Cook Book	
World Interact Week	
Oct Attendance Report	13

## DEAN'S DIGEST

Once again a month has passed in the blink of an eye. This amazing journey around our District continues. It really is a magic carpet ride – visiting the clubs in our great province, meeting all these incredible Rotarians and seeing the wonderful projects they do in their communities. I guess I only had an inkling of the vast array and depth of community involvement that Rotarians and their clubs have in their communities and I continue to be astounded at their dedication and commitment. Rotary literally moves mountains when Rotarians have a vision.



DEAN & RHINO ROHRS

I started off this month heading North, and what an adventure. Assistant Governor Bill Sauer took me in hand and drove me where I needed to be. Unfortunately my husband Rhino has had to be in Mexico on business for most of the month and had to miss these trips to the North. I started off in **Kitimat** where for the first time in my life I played golf! Only the Kitimat club could have persuaded me to be out there on this soaked course in my suede shoes attempting to hit this little white ball which would not stay in the air! I was easily distracted by all the amazing mushrooms growing on the course and when the "bear" incident happened was a willing participant! It was a really fun filled day.

**Terrace** embraced me with exciting meetings and the two trips up the valley to Prince Rupert were stunning. We had one glorious day of sun – and nowhere in the world is it as beautiful as that valley with the river and the snow capped peaks. I continue to be awed by the diversity of the towns up there. **Prince Rupert, Smithers, Terrace and Kitimat.** I returned home for Thanksgiving leaving the home of **PDG Art and Lesley Erasmus** where I was thoroughly spoiled. Art does an unbelievable job with a block of home smoked salmon and some cream cheese.

While in Terrace I was part of the first **Rotary Leadership Institute training** session. 20 Rotarians came from Terrace, Kitimat, Prince Rupert and Smithers to attend this Part 1 session. It really was an amazing event – and was repeated in Vancouver 2 weeks later when 35 lower mainland Rotarians were trained. I am really pleased to see this RLI training come to fruition. Hopefully this will soon become what every Rotarians does – gets trained in the business of Rotary.







The Vancouver club visits again highlighted the diversity we have and I spent a fun filled afternoon in Richmond with the folks from the RC of **Richmond Sunrise** as we visited projects and the vast flocks of snow geese. The day culminated in a dinner at the Richmond Funeral Home – again a 1<sup>st</sup> time experience for me!



Somewhere on my travels I knew that I would experience the vagrancies of our BC weather and it surely hit me this past week in Prince George. It snowed for two days and my little rental car had all weather tires. I have a new respect for **PDG Ron Neukomm** as he only lost it once when, as a passenger in my car, driving to **Prince George** airport on Sunday morning, he not so calmly advised me that I should not lock the brakes on icy roads!



As you can see from the pictures **Halloween** was a total hoot in **Prince George** and **Mackenzie**. It even included fingers and worms in the breakfast! I will never look at those folks up in Prince George in the same way again! The 3 clubs in the area came together on Saturday evening for a combined Foundation Dinner. It was a great event despite the weather, and the food – which was a pot-luck dinner – was absolutely delicious. I wish to congratulate the 3 clubs for an outstanding event.



Hopefully the weather will hold for my last trip to Quesnel, Williams Lake and 100 Mile House as my adventures continue.

Wishing you all an exciting Rotary month and see you at the Foundation Dinner in Vancouver on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

Yours in Rotary Service, Dean

## AG PENNY OFFER - DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINEE 2010-2011

On November 4, the District nominating committee met with and interviewed candidates for District Governor 2010-2011.

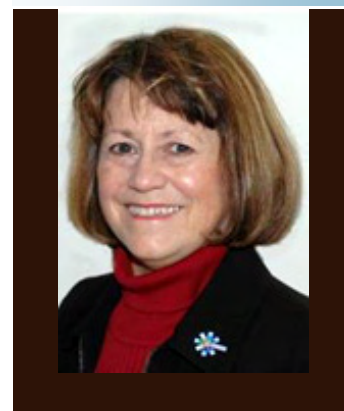
of the committee no later than December 15, 2007.

On behalf of the nominating committee, it is my pleasant duty to announce that the committee has selected AG Penny Offer.

The committee extends thanks to the candidates for allowing their names to be proposed, and offers congratulations to Penny on her selection.

Pursuant to the Rotary International Manual of Procedure, the nominee may be challenged, provided such challenge is received by me on behalf

PDG Kevin Conway  
Chair, District 5040 Nominating Committee  
604 940 2296  
[kconway@telus.net](mailto:kconway@telus.net)





# ROTARY CLUBS OF SUNSHINE COAST



AG PHIL CLAXTON

A Rotary welcome from all of us here on the Sunshine Coast, home to five exciting, vibrant, and very active Rotary Clubs. Like all of Rotary, summer has come and gone, the kids are back in school, fall is upon us, and we are in the middle of the most active time of our Rotary year. Following is a taste of what our Clubs are up to. - AG Phil Claxton

**THE PENDER HARBOUR ROTARY CLUB** just finished a very successful **art auction**, a most enjoyable evening at the Garden Bay Pub.

Our **exchange student** - Aldi from Argentina - has settled in very well with her first host family, and enjoyed her first Halloween experience of carving pumpkins.

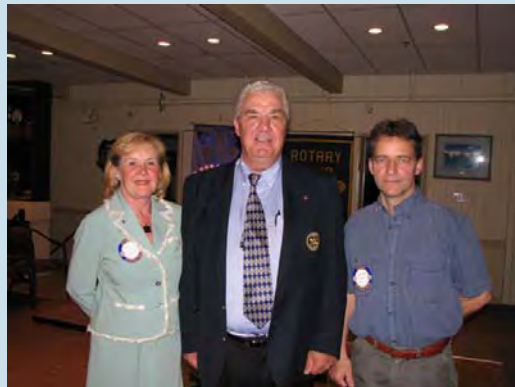
Pender Harbour Rotary Club is continuing with the **lake trails project** and spring will see additions to the trail in terms of signage, more benches and trail maintenance.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF SECHLT** has been very busy with several projects this Fall. The 2008 **Cash Calendar** went to print early September and is on sale earlier than ever. The Club has been working very hard on the **Hackett Park Washroom** project, with the welcome assistance of fellow Rotarians from the Sunshine Coast and Gibsons. Currently, our club is preparing for the November 17 TV Auction with the Gibsons Club. Community donations have been outstanding this year and we look forward to an awesome evening. Our **Foundation Dinner** is November 13 with guest speaker, **Ambassadorial Scholar** Hannah Bernardino from the Philippines. We will be raising monies for another **Shelter Box and mosquito nets for African countries**. Following up on the successful wheelchair-accessible viewing **platform in Cliff Gilker Park**, we are finalizing the plans for our next project, building a wheel-chair accessible fishing ramp at Trout Lake. This will be done in conjunction with the **Salmon Enhancement program** and the Sunshine Coast Regional District.



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF GIBSONS** President Wayne Roy and Past President Don Stuart made a special donation of \$2000 for the **Farnham Family Place** benefiting the citizens of Gibsons, and \$1000 for **School Students of The Festival for Written Arts** to Jane Davidson, Producer of the Festival.

We welcome **new Rotarians** Terry Murphy - Real Estate and Danial Tardif - Reliability Engineering, and Sam Simpson - Notary Public.



The **Charity Golf** for Scholarship Tournament was a great success with \$2,400 raised for scholarships for youth going to Trade school.

So far it's been a great year for the **ROTARY CLUB OF THE SUNSHINE COAST, SECHELT**. We're growing by leaps and bounds. In the past two years we've more than doubled our membership. And the amazing part is the calibre of the new members, they're not just Rotary members, they're Rotarians.

We're very happy to say that phase one of our centennial project opened this September. Built to give the children of Sechelt (and their parents) a place to play on the beautiful waterfront, we're very proud of this new park on the Sunshine Coast. It would never have been possible with the able guidance of our brilliant project director, Rotarian Clark Hamilton. Clark managed to get an extraordinary amount of materials and labour donated by local businesses. The largest donation came from

Construction Aggregates. Through their help we were able to divert the local road to go around the park, the company also provided pea gravel ground cover for the park itself. And Clark also managed to get the land donated by the District of Sechelt and have them as a full partner in the building costs and maintenance of the park. And full credit must be given to our many members who volunteered regularly on this project. We did everything from excavating to raking. And the nicest part of the park aside from the stunning driftwood is the smiles on the faces of the kids who use it regularly.

If you're ever on the glorious Sunshine Coast drop in for lunch. We meet Thursdays at noon at Magellans Restaurant in Sechelt. Come see the club that enthusiasm built.



**ROTARY CLUB OF POWELL RIVER** is in the final stages of completing our Willingdon Beach Band Shell, launching a new Adventures in Film Feb 7-9, 2008, organizing our 2nd Annual Community Christmas Dinner - Dec 5, 2007 and organizing the 64th Annual Powell River Festival of Performing Arts which runs from Feb 29 through March 12, 2008.

We are hosting an exchange student from Sweden while having 2 outgoing exchanges students - one in Thailand and one in the Czech Republic.

Fundraising efforts are Cash Calendar sales, ATV raffle, 2 golf tournaments and Brick sales at the Viewpoint.

Two of our members, Jan Gisborne & Vivica Watson will be in Nigeria in November to participate in 2 days of Polio Immunizations and to attend a 2 day West Africa Project Fair.

Once again, our Rotarians are hosting a Job Shadowing day where 25 students will have an opportunity to choose or not, a potential career path.



**GIBSONS AND POWELL RIVER INTERACT CLUBS** are off to yet another exciting year with both new and veteran members, and all the enthusiasm that youth brings to Rotary. Gibsons is celebrating the 16th year of Interact Club of Elphinstone Secondary, and Powell River is busy fundraising to improve literacy and health standards. (Pic: 8 Interactors including new members, Christian, Kyle and Natalie, Rotary Advisor Glyn-den Cross and Teacher Advisor Ian Thomson)

## NEW ASSISTANT GOVERNORS TO TAKE OFFICE JULY 1, 2008

Welcome to the new Assistant Governors that will be taking office on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008. They will be working with the Assistant Governors that they are taking over from so please welcome them into your clubs and start involving them as much as you can.

- **Sunshine Coast** - Wayne Roy of Gibsons Rotary Club, taking over from AG Phil Claxton
- **Sea to Sky** - Sheri Davis of Squamish Rotary Club, taking over from AG Bernie Lalor-Morton
- **Northwest** - Nancy Wilson of Prince Rupert Rotary Club, taking over from AG Bill Sauer
- **Lower Mainland** - Don Kavanagh of Vancouver Rotary, taking over from AG Penny Offer on 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2007. Don will be sharing the Lower Mainland clubs with a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lower Mainland AG that is still to be appointed).
- **Executive Assistant Governor** - Sue Godey of North Vancouver Lions Gate Rotary Club, filling the position that was vacated by the loss of AG Sue Smith.



# CELEBRATE THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary Clubs in District 5040 support and participate in Rotary Foundation programs. **November is Foundation month.** It is the time in the Rotary year to focus on our Foundation that supports Rotary clubs with matching grants for International Projects, District Simplified Grants for local community projects and educational and humanitarian programs around the world.

**Matching Grants** – Provide matching funds for the international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts. This year Rotary and Rotaract clubs from the Williams Lake area are supporting a Malaria Prevention project in Tanzania. The money they have raised has been matched by the Rotary Foundation to buy mosquito nets to cover the beds of children. The Richmond Club is applying for a matching grant to refurbish a school in Granada which was damaged by a hurricane. They are also fund raising to buy an ambulance which will be used in Calcutta, India.

District 5040 still has **over \$40,000** to spend on international projects this Rotary year. This is **your chance** to make a difference in a developing country.

**District Simplified Grants** – Support the service activities of districts locally and abroad. This program has been so successful that we have already allocated the \$14,000 available to our Rotary clubs. The community projects are very worthwhile and we want to thank all of the clubs that submitted applications.

**Volunteer Service Grants** – Support the international travel of qualified Rotarians and their spouses to provide a needed service or plan a necessary project in a community. To date, we have received two VSG applications for our Hearing Project in Uganda. If you have an opportunity to serve abroad, consider applying for a VSG.

**Group Study Exchange (GSE)** – Annual awards are made to paired Rotary districts to cover travel expenses for a team of non-Rotarians from a variety of professions. Rotarian hosts organize a four week itinerary of vocational, educational and cultural points of interest. Our GSE this year is with District 9200 in Africa. Our team will fly to Tanzania and tour the area. The team of 4 will be led by Rotarian Nancy Nikolai with Sandra Harper as the alternate team leader. In their spare time, if they have any, they hope to take a safari, visit Mount Kilimanjaro and the Serengeti.

**World Peace Fellowships** – Each year, up to 60 scholars are sponsored to study at one of the six Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution for a master's-level degree. We are thrilled to inform you that our candidate, **Julia Smith**, was selected. Julia was nominated by the Rotary Club of Squamish. She will study as a graduate student for two years at the University of Bradford in England. Julia has been a volunteer in her community and in Kenya. former Rotary Youth Exchange student from District 5040 to South Africa.



PDG Mary Watson  
District TRF Chair



Julia Smith  
World Peace Fellowships

## LOWER MAINLAND FOUNDATION DINNER - Nov 23, 2007

**Dinner Tickets:** \$70 per person with each club requested to sell at least 10 tickets. Help to fill a table for your club or encourage them to fill 2 tables. We have sold 120 tickets to date and need to sell another 180 to meet our target. Remember the theme is James Bond – 007 and the dress is casual black and white.

**Silent Auction Items:** Club Presidents and Foundation Chairs, please provide us with silent auction items. Thank you to the clubs that have already agreed to donate to our silent auction. The items include: wine baskets, golf shirts, crystal, B&B in Whistler and the Sunshine Coast.

**Live Auction Items:** We are introducing a live auction for some very exclusive items which have been donated. They include:

- **Tour and gourmet dinner for SIX** in an 1890 restored executive railroad car at the West Coast Railway Heritage Park in Squamish.
- **Private limo and a gift certificate for \$400** towards a dinner for up to 6 people at the award winning **William Tell Restaurant**.
- **One week at a luxury beach home in Melbourne, Florida** (20 miles south of Cape Kennedy).
- Ski in and ski out for **one week at a luxury condo for 6 in Whistler**.

Please donate generously to our annual Foundation Dinner. We are counting on your support.

Don Kavanagh – Chair – [don\\_kavanagh@hotmail.com](mailto:don_kavanagh@hotmail.com)

Peter Beynon – Tickets – [peterbeynon@shaw.ca](mailto:peterbeynon@shaw.ca)

Mary Watson – Auction Items – [marywatson7@gmail.com](mailto:marywatson7@gmail.com)

## DONATE GENEROUSLY, WE ARE COUNTING ON YOUR SUPPORT!!!



**Register Early and Save !!!**

First deadline:  
**Dec. 15, 2007 \$265**

Second deadline:  
**Mar. 31, 2008 \$305**

99th Annual Rotary International Convention, Los Angeles, California, USA, 15-18 June 2008

**Do you know . . .**

- Within a 45-mile radius of L.A., there are 182 Rotary Clubs and 8,600 Rotarians.
- You can complete all convention forms online by login to [RI Member Access](#). Confirmation materials will be e-mailed to you.
- Find out everything you need to know about the convention from [www.rotary2008.com](http://www.rotary2008.com)
- By participating in an RI Convention, you'll gain a broader appreciation of Rotary's global impact and strengthen your commitment to service. And seeing how Rotary Shares may move your invited guests to become Rotarians too.



**Attending the convention and proudly showing off you are Canadian Rotarians . . .**

Wear the special "Zone 22 WILF Apparel" at the convention. Rotarian Nick Jordan of the Rotary Club of New Westminster Royal City has created this special line. The distinctive red golf shirts (\$50.00) and red vests (\$55.00) have the Zone 22 logo on the back and a maple leaf Rotary wheel design on the front. Additional embroidery can be added to include the District number. This clothing is designed and sold by Creative Embroidery from Vancouver, a licensed RI vendor. Visit their website at [www.Creative-Embroidery.com](http://www.Creative-Embroidery.com)

**Zone 22 will be hosting the RI Convention in Montreal at the Palais de Congress June 20-24, 2010**

**D5040 TO HOST REGIONAL ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR**

**Register Early for the January 18, 2008 seminar... The same seminar was sold out last year**

District 5040 will welcome Rotarians from the nine districts in western Canada, Alaska and the US Pacific Northwest to a Rotary Foundation Regional Seminar. The seminar will be held at the Delta Vancouver Airport Hotel in Richmond.

All Rotarians in D5040 are invited to attend this seminar. It is particularly important for Rotarians involved in the programs of the Rotary Foundation to attend. The Regional Rotary Foundation seminar aims to give Rotary leaders the tools, knowledge and skills to support and participate in Foundation programs. This seminar will provide the latest information on Foundation programs and policies.

**Seminar topics include:**

- The Annual Program Fund
- The Permanent Fund
- Education programs
- Grants, matching, volunteer, 3-H & district simplified
- donor recognition Foundation Alumni
- Updates on Foundation programs

**Who participates?**

- District Rotary Foundation committee chairs
- The eight district Foundation sub-committee chairs and members
- DG, DGE & DGN
- AG and district leadership team
- Club Rotary Foundation Committee Chair
- Club leaders
- All interested Rotarians

[www.RotaryEvents.ca](http://www.RotaryEvents.ca)



# ROTARY PEACE CHALLENGE

Rotary International  
Peace Summit  
April 25-27, 2008

**Global Peace Initiative** - This article is intended to stimulate the interested and the inquisitive mind to the importance of the need for peace around the world. Rotary International through Rotary Clubs around the world raise money each year on projects addressing homelessness, clean water, food for the hungry, shelter boxes, education and so on. When we seriously look at the **root causes** of these fundamental deficiencies to human existence it appears that some sort of political conflict or inter-country conflict is behind the disruption of local economic development initiatives, hindering the independent development of technology and expertise to grow food for local markets or to dig clean water wells for local consumption. It is sad that people are not able to get along without forceful mediation methods to bring about peaceful solutions to disagreements.

Peace is one of humanity's most precious needs. The United Nations defines its Mission on the concept of peace. In part,

**peace is about promoting human rights and development.** In 1981 the International Day of Peace was established by the United Nations as an annual observance of global non-violence and cease fire.

Around the world, many teachers are already practicing **peace education** without calling it by name. Historically, in various parts of the world, peace education has been referred to as Education for Conflict Resolution, International Understanding and Human Rights, Global Education, Critical Pedagogy, Education for Liberation and Empowerment, Social Justice Education, Disarmament and Development Education and more.

A culture of peace will be achieved when citizens of the world understand global problems, have the skills to resolve conflict and struggle for justice non-violently, live by international standards of human rights and equity, appreciate cultural diversity, and respect the Earth and each

other. Such learning can only be achieved with systematic education for peace.

A better world starts right here, in our back yards, our homes, our schools and communities. It starts with you the parent, the business professional, the Rotarian. We must all work together to achieve a worldwide movement for peace, everywhere. Please **be part of the solution.** Join Rotary International for a **celebration of Peace** at the [Rotary International Peace Summit](#) in April 2008. In preparation of that celebration think about what the Clubs in District 5040 can do to promote peace in your communities, in your schools and in your homes. Won't you join us, please help!

Orville A. Nicke  
D5040 Rotary Peace  
Challenge Co-ordinator  
President , Rotary Club of  
Tsawwassen & Point Roberts  
[OrvNickel@msn.com](mailto:OrvNickel@msn.com)

## Rotary Fellowships & Rotary Action Groups



Already a member?  
Let's hear about your experiences  
and adventures with Rotary  
Fellowships and Rotary Action Groups.

Please submit articles for publication  
to: PDG Dave Kirk  
email: [dbkirk@telus.net](mailto:dbkirk@telus.net)  
District 5040 Fellowships Chair  
Member, International Travel and  
Hosting Fellowship

### Resources

Rotary Fellowships and Rotary Action Groups should not be the best kept secret in Rotary, but they are! In spite of their low profile, these Fellowships and Action Groups continue to increase in number and in their effectiveness.

Each Rotary Fellowship and Action Group will focus on a specific interest or objective. Their common objective is to provide Rotarians with the opportunity to network with other Rotarians with whom they share like interests.

Rotary was organized to provide fellowship and grew on the concepts of fellowship and service to others. These continue to be the source of Rotary's strength. To learn more about Rotary Fellowships and Rotary Action Groups and how they benefit you, your club and Rotary's global mission go to:

- [Materials for a Rotary Fellowships Club Program](#)
- [How did your club observe June: Rotary Fellowships month?](#)
- [Click here to suggest a new Rotary Fellowship](#)
- [Here are some suggestions for new Rotary Fellowships](#)
- and [www.rotaryfellowships.org](http://www.rotaryfellowships.org)



## Attending UBC - North

**Kayoni Arao**, Japan      Studying Counselling/Psychology      Counsellor Kathi Travers, Prince George

## Attending UBC - Vancouver

**Haruka Tanabe**, Japan      Studying International Relations      Counsellors Pamela & Robert Rickey, Vancouver Quadra

**Kayo Shibata**, Japan      Studying Language & Literacy - Education      Counsellor Fay Mirminachi, West Vancouver

**Marcus Holzmaier**, Germany      Studying Environmental Design      Counsellor Earle Newton, Vancouver

## Attending SFU - Burnaby

**Hanna Bernadino**, Philippines      Studying Art and Education      Counsellor Richard Molstead, New West-Royal City

## Attending BCIT - Burnaby

**Tatyana Zhivaykina**, E. Russia      Studying Foreign Language      Counsellor Jane Leporte, Burnaby Deer Lake

## Attending King George International College Vancouver

**Soo Jung Byoun**, S. Korea      Studying Sociology      Counsellor PDG Sonia Wolowidnyk, North Vancouver

The Rotary Club of Burnaby Deer Lake sponsored an orientation event September 8<sup>th</sup> at the summer home of Karen & Glenn Harrison on Bowyer Island. see pictures as well as some of the other students that could not attend this event.

I would encourage every club to invite a scholar to one of your meetings. the students in the lower mainland will be in atten-

dance at our Foundation Dinner November 23<sup>rd</sup> - **Get to know them.**

Jacci Mctavish,  
Ambassadorial/cultural coordinator,  
District 5040



## D5040 LATEST "ADVENTURES IN" PROGRAM



In conjunction with the Powell River Film Festival Society and School District 47, the '**Adventures in Film**' program for students aged 15 to 19 promises to be an exciting educational experience combining many facets of the filmmaking process. The adventure camp will include workshops with professional filmmakers, screening of films, and hands on production experience utilizing School District 47's brand new cutting edge media arts facility.

For a **\$400 registration fee**, participants will be receiving practical experience from industry professionals, accommodation and meals plus access to all film festival events (travel costs are separate). The program will run from **February 7 to 9, 2008**, with youth travelling Feb. 6 & 10.

School Districts across the province of British Colum-

bia have been notified of this new program and Clubs interested in sending a participant are urged to **contact their local High School for students wanting to join**. Once names have been selected, please submit registration form and fee to the Film Festival by December 14.

Registration form [www.rotary5040.org](http://www.rotary5040.org).  
More information visit [www.prfilmfestival.ca](http://www.prfilmfestival.ca)  
or contact Michelle Hignell at 1-877-330-8118 or email [michelle@prfilmfestival.ca](mailto:michelle@prfilmfestival.ca).





# ONCE IN A LIFE TIME - ROTARY UNIQUE AFRICAN SAFARI

The Rotary Club of Polokwane **D9250**, South Africa invites Rotarians or friends to enjoy a once in a life time experience by participating in our Unique African Safari. Participants will experience **close encounters with Africa's exciting and wonderful wildlife** whilst enjoying true Rotary fellowship with South African Rotarians. At all times they will be accompanied by an experienced South African Rotarian guide. **All funds generated will support the Rotary Club of Polokwane's Charity Projects.**

The Safaris, scheduled for **May and September 2008**, include stays in the Letaba Camp of the world famous **Kruger National Park** and at the luxurious 5 Star **Kings Camp Lodge** set in the adjacent Timbavati Game Reserve, domain of Af-

rica's Big Five, **Lion, Elephant, Leopard, Rhino and Buffalo**. Abundant plains game and birdlife abound.

To date the Rotary Club has organised **ten highly successful safaris** with participants from all around the world. These Unique African Safaris are **limited to "EIGHT PEOPLE"** at the incredible price of only **US\$2880\*** per person all inclusive, so do not hesitate to be part of this exciting event.

"I'm still on Cloud 9! I can't thank you enough for the trip of a lifetime. I was very excited about the trip as visiting Africa has been a dream of mine for many, many years; however, I had no idea it would be like that. I assumed we'd be looking at animals thru binocs from quite

a distance. To be surrounded by a pride of lions is something I will never, never forget! I realize that it's an experience very few people are privileged to have had." - Sandi Hulstrom USA - September 2006 Safari.

Add on trips to other destinations in Southern Africa can be arranged.

For more details and a full itinerary contact Rotarian Charles Hardy at "[charlois@mweb.co.za](mailto:charlois@mweb.co.za) or phone +27 15 299 8520(W) +27 15 295 4154 (H).

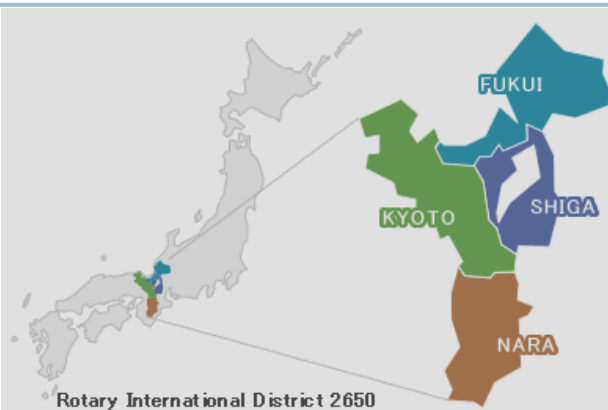
\* Excludes international and domestic flights to and from Johannesburg.



## FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE WITH D2650 IN JAPAN

Friendship Exchange is an International Exchange Program for Rotarians and their families to experience other cultures by staying in the homes of Rotarians in other countries. We have received a request for a Friendship exchange with District 2650 in Japan. This district includes the ancient cities of Kyoto and Nara. The scenery is beautiful and they have a very interesting culture to experience first-hand.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Watson at [marywatson7@gmail.com](mailto:marywatson7@gmail.com)



### NORTH VANCOUVER LIONS GATE ROTRARIAN RECEIVED ROTARY SHARES AWARD

**Elko Kroon** was very surprised when DG Dean announced he is the award recipient. Elko was recognized for his many years of service to the club, his status as the only Charter member left in the Club, and his quiet way of "sharing Rotary".

### DISTRICT DIRECTORY EMAIL CORRECTION

**Angiola Stefanis, RYLA Chair**  
7880 Goodlad Street  
Burnaby, BC, V6E 2H6  
Tel: 604.522.2251

"Email: [thebeans@shaw.ca](mailto:thebeans@shaw.ca)"

# LIONSGATE ROTARY PLAYS HOST TO NEW CANADIANS

AS a businessman and father of five, **Mohammad Tavangar** is busy enough, but he wanted to do more. So, the West Vancouver resident recently joined the Rotary Club of Lions Gate in what has become a unique partnership between the club and the **North Shore Multicultural Society**.



"Through the Host program, newcomers feel more welcome in the community and settle more quickly and easily. Connecting with a community group like Rotary through the Host program provides newcomers from a professional background with a chance to socialize and network with their peers," explained Rosy Janze, Host program co-ordinator.

Through the society's **Host program**, the Rotary club has taken in three newcomers as members. The Host program invites community volunteers to provide friendship and support to newcomers through weekly visits and activities.

So far, the matchups have been one-on-one, and the Rotary Club of Lions Gate is only the second community group to host more than one newcomer at once. (Since January 2006, **Hollyburn Rotaract**, in West Vancouver has hosted six newcomers.)

Tavangar, who came to Canada in 2001, said he wanted to **join Rotary to meet new people and to help others** through the club's various service projects. In his home country of Iran, he used his contracting skills to help build schools and a hospital, among other volunteer work.

"We wanted to welcome diversity to our club. And it's great for our club to see the cultural differences and the similarities that we have, and what they've gone through and the obstacles they've faced with their new language and the culture and all of that," said Club President Terry Lehouillier, adding that the members have learned as much from Tavangar as he has from them. And they've especially enjoyed a number of traditional Persian dishes Tavangar and his wife Sedigheh Ghamari have brought to the meetings. "It's been great and we'd certainly like to continue it and start again with even a new group I'm sure in the future," she added.

Excerpt from [North Shore News](#), see complete article and program contact info from [Lionsgate website](#)

## ARE YOU READY FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY? OPERATION RED NOSE IS GETTING READY FOR ANOTHER SEASON.



This unique program is dedicated against drinking and driving. Essentially, it is a **volunteer driving service** provided during the Christmas Holiday Season to all drivers who have been drinking or who do not feel fit to drive their own vehicle back home.

**Northshore Rotary Clubs, Tsawwassen and Prince George Nechako Rotary Club** have been actively volunteering to provide safe rides for the past years. In 2006, 208 North Shore volunteers provided 295 safe rides. They drove

a total of 7,535 kilometers, and raised over \$20,000 to support youth programs on the North Shore. In BC overall, the service provided over 4,000 safe rides and raised over \$75,000 to support youth programs in BC.

To kick off Operation Red Nose, **PG Nechako Rotary Club** President Larry Parker and Mardeanne Pirhonen from Norgate Autobody dropped the puck during the Nov 4th game, Prince George Cougars against Red Deer Rebel. The club also gave out red noses at the game. [Prince George Citizen](#) featured their program on the Nov 4 issue. See article in the district website under Media Mention.

This year, with the support of the [BC Crime Prevention Association](#) and provincial sponsors ICBC, [Autoplan Broker Road Safety Program](#) and [CTV](#), Operation Red Nose will be providing safe rides to 9 BC communities on Nov 30, Dec 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 and 31. Visit [ORN](#) to become a volunteer, need a ride Home or reserve ride for a party.



Rotarians Garry Howse & Jason Blackman, pose with Tyler Marsh, 8 left, Jaymes Pattie, 8 and Bryce Blackman, 5 (Dave Milne Photo)



# QUESNEL ROTARY AUCTION 50 YEARS IN THE MAKING



**Frank Burns, Ed McAneeley, Peter Gook Quesnel Rotarians at 1957 Radio Auction**

This year marks the **50th Anniversary** of The Rotary Club of Quesnel Auction. From a one night event in 1957 that was broadcast on radio only, their auction has grown to a 3 night event. Money raised at the first auction went to support the 1957 Centennial project, the Quesnel Civic Arena.

The 2007 auction will be held at the North Cariboo Community Campus on Nov 26, 27 & 28, from 7pm to 11pm. It will be broadcast on the Wolf Radio and Shaw Cable TV.

This year, the club will designate the funds raised at the auction to a much needed **upgrade of the sound system at the Quesnel Seniors Centre**, a project that will greatly enhance the experience of community events held at the centre.

The club is asking for **your support**, if you wish to pledge an item for the Auction, please download the pledge form from the their [website](#) or browse through their auction items online and place your bid

by phone.

So far, they have raised:

- \$20,000 for the Quesnel Search and Rescue command centre
- \$20,000 for disabled accessibility equipment for the Quesnel and District Recreation Centre pool
- \$100,000 for the HOSPICE
- \$23,250 for the BAKER LODGE BUS, and
- \$20,000 for YOUTH SOCCER FIELDS

## BURNABY DEERLAKE'S SPOOKY METROPOLIS MYSTERY MANOR



**Rotarians Janice Froese ready to reach out and grab someone at the door of her ghoulish lair**

Beside the ramshackle picket fence lies a corpse who had an unfortunate encounter with a torture rack. Just inside the fence stand the ghoulish gatekeepers of a decrepit house of horrors.

This is the site of Metropolis Mystery Manor, a haunted house in the Grand Court that spooks any passersby who venture inside until Halloween. It is a **fundraiser for the Burnaby-Deer Lake Rotary**.

Designed by professional set decorators with **Brock Lumsden Design**, the manor has offered scary sights to children for a few years at its current location, and a few years be-

fore in another, said Rotary member and sometimes manor gatekeeper Janice Froese.

A professional design **ensures safety** for the children and teenagers who enter, and scary sights like chained-up demons, corpse brides, and the remains of other grisly events.

"Some of the teenage girls who come through are real screamers," said Froese.

"People appear at the railings above to see what's going on."

The money raised every year by the Burnaby-Deer Lake Rotary Club at Mystery Manor

funds everything from scholarships for high school students, to lunch and snack programs and outings for children at needy Burnaby schools, said Froese.

Rotary members like Froese help out, acting as gatekeepers, with about a dozen needed to run the house daily.

"It's a way to get away from your career and have fun," said Froese, a chartered accountant, before slinking back to her post by the door.

-Excerpt from [Burnaby News-leader](#), visit [Deer Lake website](#) for complete article.

## WHISTLER ROTARY CLUBS ENJOYED A FUN DAY ON SEP 23



# TERRACE ROTARACT HOSTED GLOBAL YOUTH FORUM



On October 26<sup>th</sup> the Rotaract Club of Terrace Skeena Valley hosted a Global Youth Forum for **grade 11 and 12 students** throughout the Northwest. In total 18 students and 2 chaperones from 3 Northern BC communities, Terrace, Smithers and Prince Rupert were in attendance.

Students heard **presentations** from Nathan Cullen-MP Skeena Riding, Joe Knockaert-Director of the Pacific Regional Office of CIDA, Kristin Patten-Outreach Coordinator from One Sky, Sarah Zimmerman from the Rotary Club of Terrace and Hali Downs a past participant of the Youth Challenge International program and former high school graduate from Terrace.

Students **learned about the power they have as youth in Canada**, Canada's role in international development, the projects

that One Sky is involved in and sustainable development, Rotary Youth Exchange Program, the Youth Challenge International program, and other opportunities for youth to get involved in international and community development. Every student parted from the event with T-shirts, participant bags, maps of the developing world and **enormous new knowledge**.

The event was an overall success with **students leaving inspired and informed**. The club hopes to host a similar event in the future and is looking into hosting a Model UN for high school students in the next school year.

The Rotaract Club would like to thank the Terrace community for their outpouring support to make this event successful.

## ROTARACT DISTRICT MEET

On Sunday, **Nov 18, 2007**, you are invited to attend the Rotaract District Meet from **2:30 to 5:30pm with potluck**. Location to be announced. This is a great opportunity to meet and share experiences. In addition, to meet sponsoring Rotarians and their clubs, they are hoping the President and at least one other club member of each club can join them. Please RSVP to District Rotaract Rep, Melina Tai at [melinatai@hotmail.com](mailto:melinatai@hotmail.com)

If your club has not sponsored a Rotaract club yet, why not attend a meeting and it might inspire you.

## ROTARACT COOK BOOK

The New West Rotaract Club is trying to collect 80 recipes from Rotary members in District 5040 in order to publish a Multicultural Cookbook. So far they have only collected 15 recipes and are in need of many, many more! The money raised will be used to fund a PlayPump for a nursery school in South Africa.

If you would like to submit a recipe please visit [www.nwrotaract.org/cookbook](http://www.nwrotaract.org/cookbook) and fill out the web form. Deadline is midnight December 31, 2007. For more information please contact Kirtida Lad, New Westminster Rotaract Secretary at [kirtida.lad@gmail.com](mailto:kirtida.lad@gmail.com).

## CELEBRATE WORLD INTERACT WEEK NOV 5-11, 2007

During World Interact Week, Interactors and Rotarians worldwide commemorate the charter of the first Interact club in 1962. By **completing four designated projects**, Interact clubs and their Rotary club sponsors can **receive special recognition from RI**.

### World Interact Week projects:

1. Give a presentation, or write an inspiring letter about Interact, to a Rotary club that doesn't sponsor an Interact club.
2. Invite Rotarians to an Interact club meeting.
3. Invite Interactors to a weekly Rotary club meeting.

4. Conduct a joint Rotary/Interact project to increase awareness of Interact in the community.

**Celebrate** World Interact Week with your club and submit the World Interact Week Celebration [Recognition Form](#) (Word), or [download the PDF](#), to Rotary International by 15 December 2007 in order to Receive Recognition from RI.



Interact



Monthly Attendance Report For October, 2007

Club Name	Members as of June, 2007	New Members This Month	Terminations This Month	Total Members This Month	#f Meetings This Month	Gain/Loss This Month	YTD Gain/Loss	Attendance Percentage
100 Mile House	30	2	0	31	0	2	1	86.00 %
Burnaby	45	1	0	50	4	1	5	46.00 %
Burnaby Deer Lake	13	0	0	0	0	0	-13	0.00 %
Burnaby Metrotown	19	0	0	24	5	0	5	63.64 %
Burns Lake	25	0	0	0	0	0	-25	0.00 %
Fort St. James	15	0	0	0	0	0	-15	0.00 %
Gibsons	36	1	0	37	0	1	1	58.70 %
Kitimat	19	0	0	20	4	0	1	81.00 %
Ladner (Delta)	34	1	1	38	5	0	4	82.00 %
Lionsgate (North Van)	32	0	0	29	4	0	-3	75.00 %
Mackenzie	12	1	1	11	5	0	-1	71.11 %
New West - Royal City	44	0	0	0	0	0	-44	0.00 %
New Westminster	51	0	0	0	0	0	-51	0.00 %
North Vancouver	38	0	0	32	5	0	-6	63.00 %
Pemberton	16	2	0	20	5	2	4	66.00 %
Pender Harbour Madeira Pk	30	0	0	0	0	0	-30	0.00 %
Powell River	34	0	0	33	0	0	-1	72.10 %
Prince George	70	0	2	65	5	-2	-5	92.30 %
Prince George Nechako	41	0	0	0	0	0	-41	0.00 %
Prince George Yellowhead	51	0	1	56	4	-1	5	71.00 %
Prince Rupert	51	0	0	54	4	0	3	72.72 %
Prince Rupert Hecate Stra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Quesnel	40	1	0	39	4	1	-1	60.00 %
Quesnel Sunrise 2000	26	0	0	0	0	0	-26	0.00 %
Richmond	29	0	0	27	5	0	-2	51.85 %
Richmond Sunrise	43	0	0	45	4	0	2	88.89 %
Richmond Sunset	23	0	0	0	0	0	-23	0.00 %
Sechelt	30	1	0	29	5	1	-1	71.00 %
Smithers	17	0	0	17	4	0	0	64.00 %
Smithers Alpine	0	0	0	21	6	0	21	61.00 %
Squamish	58	0	0	0	0	0	-58	0.00 %
Steveston (Richmond)	33	0	0	0	0	0	-33	0.00 %
Sunshine Coast-Sechelt	33	0	0	0	0	0	-33	0.00 %
Terrace	47	0	0	0	0	0	-47	0.00 %
Terrace-Skeena Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Tsawwassen	75	0	1	74	4	-1	-1	82.00 %
Vancouver	127	1	0	127	5	1	0	52.00 %
Vancouver Arbutus	36	0	0	31	4	0	-5	68.00 %
Vancouver Cambie	21	2	0	26	4	2	5	70.00 %
Vancouver Centennial	19	0	0	0	0	0	-19	0.00 %
Vancouver Chinatown	40	0	0	40	5	0	0	68.00 %
Vancouver Fraserview	20	0	0	31	4	0	11	30.00 %
Vancouver Quadra	25	0	0	26	0	0	1	78.00 %
Vancouver South	18	0	0	0	0	0	-18	0.00 %
Vancouver Sunrise	25	0	1	23	5	-1	-2	70.34 %
Vancouver Yaletown (Prov)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Vanderhoof	9	0	0	9	5	0	0	80.00 %
West Vancouver	25	1	0	28	6	1	3	61.00 %
West Vancouver Sunrise	16	2	2	16	4	0	0	83.00 %
Whistler	0	0	0	50	5	0	50	65.00 %
Whistler Millennium	0	3	0	20	4	3	20	100.00 %
Williams Lake	0	1	1	39	5	0	39	57.00 %
Williams Lake Daybreak	18	0	0	0	0	0	-18	0.00 %
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1559</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1218</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-341</b>	

Average attendance percentage

68.36 %