

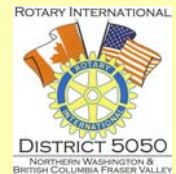


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**District Governor
Larry Stinson**

Message from the District Governor

Greetings Fellow Rotarians:

In a recent message published in *Rotary World*, our International President D.K. Lee reminds us that if we are to reduce child mortality, we must focus not only on the need for clean water, nutritious food and basic health care, but also on the need for an education. It is only through education that children will be able to break out of the ongoing vicious cycle of poverty, to be able to afford the basic necessities of life for themselves and future generations.



DG Larry seen during his visit to the new Burlington (WA) Library in which a book stack was dedicated in his honor.

March is Literacy Month, a time when we focus on Rotary's educational programs and how we in District 5050 can improve literacy in our own communities, as well as internationally.

Many clubs support dictionary projects, supplying dictionaries to elementary school students, or collect and ship containers of books to parts of the world where books are generally unavailable.

A mobile library, started as a Centennial Project, has been making books available to impoverished areas of Guatemala in recent years.

On March 21st, our first District Literacy Seminar will be held in Bellingham. I would encourage every club in the District to send at least one representative to this Seminar and learn how education will Make Dreams Real.

Your Governor, Larry

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NOTE: The following information has been shared with the club president elects.

ATTENDANCE & MAKE-UP GUIDELINES

General: Members should make every effort to attend the club's regular meetings. Members must be present for 60% of the meeting for it to count. The Board has the authority to rule on exceptional circumstances. A member must attend or make-up at least 50% of the club's regular meetings (this was reduced by the 2007 Council on Legislation). 30% of the club's meetings must be attended.

14 Days Makeup: Members can make-up missed meetings 14 days before and 14 days after the regular time of the missed meeting. If traveling outside the country of residence, the time restrictions will not be imposed.

Makeup: The member must produce a standard Rotary makeup form, have an email makeup form, have his or her name recorded in minutes of a committee meeting or contained on a list of attendees of an event. (The 4-Way Test will apply.) A makeup can be made under the following circumstances:

- Another club's meeting,
- A regular meeting of a Rotaract or Interact club,
- A formal activity of a Rotaract or Interact club,
- A Rotary District Conference,
- A Rotary District Assembly,
- A meeting of a District Committee,
- An organized District information or training seminar,
- Participation in a club service project,
- A club-sponsored community event,
- A meeting of the club's Board of Directors,
- A meeting of the service committee to which a member is assigned,
- A meeting of a Rotary Fellowship,
- Participating in an interactive activity through a eClub Web site for 30 minutes.

Excused Absences: The Club's Board of Directors may excuse a member's absence for reasons considered good and sufficient such as:

- Member's years of age and membership in Rotary total 85 years or more (85 factor exempt attendance),
- Serious illness,
- Other extenuating circumstances approved by the Board.

Leave of Absence: Upon written application the Board may excuse a member from attending the meeting of the club for a specified period of time. Under these circumstances the member will be considered absent and will not be credited with attendance.

Detailed descriptions of attendance rules can be found in the Rotary Manual of Procedures and the Secretary's Manual.

Monthly Attendance & Membership Report

The Club Secretary is responsible for reporting club attendance & membership numbers to the District 5050 Secretary each month. The Secretary also maintains a report of individual member attendance percentages.



Jane Helten
Rotary Club of South Whidbey Island, WA

**Assistant Governor for Area G and the District 5050
Governor Nominee for 2011-2012**

Jane was born and raised in Kansas. She is the mother of three grown children, all of whom live in the Midwest.

Being a Graduate Gemologist, she found herself transferred to the Pacific Northwest because of a job offer in 1994. Jane is self employed, president of Creative Window Concepts Inc. and lives in Freeland ,WA, on Whidbey Island.

Jane joined the Rotary family in 2000. She is a member of the Rotary Club of South Whidbey Island where she served as president 2005-2006. She has been a member of the board since July of 2001 serving as Club Service Chair, International Chair, Fund Raising and Membership Chair. She is currently the Director of Membership.

At District level she served as Assistant Governor 2007-08 and is currently Assistant Governor for 2008-2009 for Area G. She is also a member of the visioning team and the RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute) team.

Jane enjoys golfing, kayaking, gardening, gourmet cooking, car club and on the edge activities such as ATV's, hot air ballooning, jet skiing, parasailing and hiking, as well as more mundane things such as movies, a walk on the beach, reading and having friends in for dinner – when time permits.

South Whidbey Island Rotary Club President George Henny shared the following in his club’s weekly bulletin:

*“WOW! Congratulations to **Jane Helten** on her successful nomination as District Governor for Rotary Year 2011 - 2012! It is a well-deserved honor. Jane has worked very hard both within our club and in the district as the Assistant Governor for Area G. She has been an excellent ambassador of Rotary, and has represented our club well at every level. It is a great honor for our club to have a District Governor rise from our ranks. It was only 8 years ago when Jane joined our club. She set to the work at hand, and has always been positively encouraging and motivating, yet willing and able to hold people accountable to their commitments. I can tell you that that balance is not easy to master within a volunteer organization, but Jane handles it adroitly.”*

South Whidbey Shows Its Foundation Support

On January 26th The Rotary Club of South Whidbey Island honored Paul Harris Fellows in its 4th annual PHF event. Held at the Prima Bistro in Langley, Washington, the evening served up an enjoyable blend of outstanding food and superb support of The Rotary Foundation. Over half of the club’s 73 members are full Paul Harris Fellows. Members and guests enjoyed fellowship and an evening with special guests PDG Harv and Jan Jubie, and DGE Larry and Linda Jubie.

DGE Larry Jubie presented Lauren Pool, Rick Brown, and John Plakos with their fist PHF. Todd Bitts also earned his first PHF, but was unable to attend. DGE Larry awarded Bill Lewis with his PHF plus 2 pin. Topping off the evening, PDG Harv Jubie presented Club President George Henny with his first PHF pin, and Jane Helten with her PHF plus 5 pin. The Paul Harris Society pin recognizes individuals who have made a commitment to significant ongoing annual giving support to The Rotary Foundation.



The Rotary Club of South Whidbey Island continues to support The Rotary Foundation and encourages PHF sustaining members to become full Paul Harris Fellows with the club matching the first \$500.00 toward their PHF pin. The evening event has been a way to recognize the generosity of its club members, along with the promotion of “Every Rotarian Every Year” and Paul Harris sustaining member contributions.

Photo: PDG Harv Jubie, DGN Jane Helten and DGE Larry Jubie.

The Peace Arch Journal
District 5050

Larry Stinson Governor

The *Peace Arch Journal* is published monthly as a service to District club officers and members. It is intended as a source of news and opinion from throughout the district.

The mission is to promote communication, understanding, fellowship, and fun beyond club meetings, in a manner complementary to shared efforts at placing *Service Above Self*.

Please send articles and news in MS Word docs, with or without pictures, attached to emails and make some kind of reference to Rotary in the subject line. Note that the editor is not a professional journalist, and he appreciates conservation of space in order to meet the sender's needs and the editor's time.

Deadline is the 15th of the month.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is from the February, 2009, edition of *Interactive*. It was obtained through the following Rotary web site: <http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/Newsletters/Interactive/Pages/200902/Feature.aspx>

Get connected with Rotary's social networking

Andrew Wright of the Rotary Club of Cary-Kildaire, Cary, North Carolina, USA, uses *Twitter* to connect with Rotarians and Rotaract clubs from around the world. Wright's club was so excited about their use of *Twitter* that they made two videos extolling its virtues, which they posted on *YouTube*. He said that the club uses the social networking site to contact Rotarians and Rotaractors all over the globe, but the really exciting part of it is being able to link up with other clubs on projects.

"We asked the question, 'Would anyone be interested in partnering with our club on an international service project?'" Wright said. "Within minutes of asking that question, we had a positive response from a club in India. The opportunity could be huge for us."

Wright's club is just one of many who have used social networking as a valuable tool. Rotary International now has a presence on several sites, including *Facebook*, *YouTube*, *LinkedIn*, and *Twitter*. As of 12 February, RI had 18,418 fans on its official *Facebook* page. Like many Rotarians, Todd Laurie, of the Rotary Club of University Hills, Denver, Colorado, found that demands from his professional life often took a toll on his ability to keep in touch with other members of his club.

"I was already fairly active on *LinkedIn*. When *LinkedIn* added the group dimension to their Web site, it felt like a great opportunity to find other Rotarians with whom I would be able to connect," he says.

After searching the site for and recruiting other members who listed Rotary as one of their interests or activities, Laurie started several online discussions about member retention and club identity. Rotarians responded enthusiastically. "I was connected again!" exclaims Laurie. "And the ideas that were being shared were invaluable. So much information and so many ideas were quickly being communicated across the globe." In less than a year, Laurie's forum had attracted more than 1,500 Rotarians. Many were joining as a way to help them meet up during their travels, get involved with Rotary club projects and grants programs, and learn about guest speakers for their club meetings. The forum eventually formed the basis for RI's official *LinkedIn* group.

Laurie says that the best part of social networking is its ease and global appeal.

"The almost real-time communications, the ease of finding and connecting with other Rotarians from around the world, the realization that Rotary really is this big, and we are all part of the same Rotary family is indeed awesome!"

From Zones 22, 23 & 24 Membership Newsletter, February, 2009

Ways to Lead With the Three C's

- **Connection:** Service-oriented people are the lifeblood of Rotary, and we know them through our churches, business contacts, professional associations and social interactions. Make a short list of at least 3 people who are committed to service and make it a point to connect each of them to Rotary and your club. Encourage at least 3 other members of your club to do the same.
- **Cooperation:** Consider asking a newer member of your club to co-chair or shadow the leader of one of your club projects. Your project gains another set of skills and expertise, and involving a newer member ensures continuity for the project and helps to develop your club's leadership bench strength.
- **Community:** Strive for a balance of local community service and international community service in your club's projects. Or combine both in one initiative, such as the Gates Challenge Grant for Polio Eradication.



Gene Vickers in back; Brittany, Heather, and Celeste in middle row; and Brianna with Gene's grand dog, Hampton.

Example of the *Family of Rotary*

The Greatest Thing I Ever Did!

By Gene Vickers, District 5050 Membership Extension Chair

Aside from marrying the woman (Heather) of my dreams 33 years ago and growing and learning with our amazing children (Brianna, Brittany and Celeste), who in spite of me grew up to be amazing young adults, what is the greatest thing I have ever done?"

Some would ask: "Was it becoming a Rotarian?" That was certainly one of the smartest things I have ever done. Perhaps you may ask, "Was it when you were chosen as "Citizen of the Year" or "Volunteer of the Year", etc. These awards are special, but they are recognitions of the efforts of my Rotary Club, and I was fortunate enough to have been singled out.

What is the greatest thing I have ever done? It was starting the Rotary Clubs of Port Moody and Port Coquitlam Centennial. I look back and see two communities that have grown exponentially as a result of caring Rotarians in their community. Because of just those two clubs, people are receiving fresh drinking water, people have mobility as a result of donations of wheel chairs, children have received polio vaccinations, four young adults received Ambassadorial Scholarships, several students witnessed the time of their life as exchange students, seniors have been cared for, many scholarships have been provided, and countless literacy projects have been implemented. If a person attempted to list all the profound things these clubs have

accomplished, it would astonish even the most seasoned Rotarians. I am proud of these two clubs, as I am of every other new club that starts.

Why don't more Rotarians start new clubs? Many intend to, but are usually driven off by the skeptics who say, "We're not ready yet; let's wait until our club gets stronger; there is only so much money to go around the community; one more club will just be another drain to the community funding; or it will hurt our club!" If you begin to start a new club, you will hear these statements of resistance. I was fortunate to have two dear friends, Leo Nimsick and Jack Frisk, who stood behind me and reassured me to keep my eyes on the big picture. Service above Self!

I was told by members of my own Rotary Club, "There are only so many funding resources in our community; when we start a new club, it taps into those resources." The fact is that we found new innovative ways to raise funds, we got our community more involved, and we raised more money than ever. Many of those people who were asked for funding became Rotarians. Our clubs became stronger as a result of the new clubs. "We're not ready"—that's simply a cop-out!

As Rotarians, we're the leaders in our community. We make this world a better place. If you ask someone the question, "Why aren't you in Rotary?" the most common answer will be, "I was never asked." Sometimes you will hear, "I'd like to join Rotary, but I can't make your meeting times." One more opportunity to meet in your community opens the doors to a new group of leaders. **Make Dreams Real.** Commit to doing the most proactive Rotary project you may ever do. Gather a team of like-minded individuals and start a new club in your community.

Your District Membership Extension Chair, Gene Vickers is waiting to help. Call him at 604 230-8030 or send him an email at info@genevickers.com. For some great ideas read the most recent addition of "Membership Matters".. Go to: <http://www.clubrunner.ca/zonedata/22/html/686/MEMBERSHIP%20MATTERS%20-%20February%202009.pdf>



Surrey-Guildford Rotarians & other volunteers at a Free Eye Clinic
Gary Johanson (sitting); Anup Jubbal (2nd from left); Bruce Derbyshire (far right)

Update on the Canadian Eyesight Global Project

Support provided by the Rotary Club of Surrey-Guildford, B.C.
Information provided by PCP Anup Jubbal asjubbal@CanadianEyesight.org

Two free eye clinics are being held in the Vancouver, B.C. area. One is on March 14, 2009, at Kwantlen University, Surrey, and the second is at the Sikh Temple, during the historic Sikh Festival of Vaiskhi, on April 11, 2009.

Rotarians David and Mrs. Hothi, members of the Rotary Club of Whiterock Millenium, just returned from a visit to the site for an eye hospital in Amritsar, India.

Anup Jubbal will be speaking at the noon meeting of the Rotary Club of Arlington, WA, on Wednesday, March 12, 2009, and will have an exhibit at the R.I. Convention in Birmingham, England.

Earlier PAJ articles can be found in the April (page 8), May (page 5) and August (page 7).

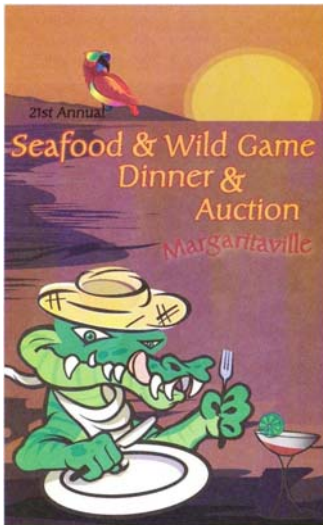
Visitation to District 5050 Rotary Club Events

Comments and Photographs by Bob Knight

Readers of the monthly editions of the *Peace Arch Journal* should know that I like to visit other Rotary clubs because I think it is fun and to encourage each of us to do the same. It is good fellowship, and we can learn so much from each other.

Margaritaville: 21st Annual Seafood & Wild Game Dinner & Auction

On January 31, 2009, friends of the Rotary Club of Skagit-Mount Vernon gathered together in the foyer of Skagit Valley College's beautiful McIntyre Hall (a facility that was built through the support of the Rotary clubs in the Burlington and Mount Vernon area of Washington). According to Club President Jim Stewart, the event supported their charities through the receipt of around \$110,000.



Program cover



A room full of fellowship



Arlington's Kari Hansen



Skagit's Club President Jim Stewart greeting guests

The Rotary Club of Lake Stevens-Granite Falls (WA) February 6, 2009



If for no other reason, visit this club to experience Past Club President and the perennial Sergeant-at-Arms, John Morrison. In the middle photo John is going after the "men's table". John and PCP Loren Hole (far right in the photo) were featured in the December, 2006, "Getting our kicks on Route 66".



CPE Debbie Franz gave report on Pre-PETS seminar that she attended on January 31, 2009

The Rotary Club of Snohomish (WA) 2nd Annual Crab Feed

The event was held on February 7, 2009, in the parish hall at St. John's Episcopal Church. Thanks to the people who attended the dinner and participated in the silent auction, the Rotarians obtained about \$2,400 for their charities.



CP Todd Smith, CS Jane Gunnyon & CPE Brian Berard DGE Larry Jubie as auction winner



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Registration is at the building on the right

Annual District Assembly
Saturday, April 4, 2009
From 8:00 a.m. to - 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per person Register at District web site.

The new District 5050 Training Team is working hard behind the scenes to put on an informative & interactive 2009 District 5050 Assembly. Along with many of the most popular programs offered in past years, we are adding new program topics. Lunch will be provided.

The district is flying in all the way from Fairbanks, Alaska, PDG Alana Bergh. She is the 2008 – 2010 Regional Rotary International Membership Coordinator from

Zone 22 Far West, so be sure to have your membership chair and committee members at the District Assembly this year.

This is a great chance for new board members to learn about their roles. The Assembly is also great for new members wanting to learn more about the world of Rotary. There will be workshops on many topics including: Club Service, International Service, Community Service; Vocational Service, as well as sessions for presidents-elect, treasurers, secretaries and membership chairs. There will also be sessions on Youth Exchange, Ambassadorial Scholarships, RYLA and Rotaract, literacy, public relations, fund raising, protocol, club programs, and World Community Service Grants and more!

If you would be interested in sharing about a Rotary topic with your fellow Rotarians, there still are some openings for program speakers. If you would like to be considered for a presentation, or if you have other questions regarding the District Assembly, contact District Trainer Beverlee at 604 533 0084 or by her email at Beverlee@telus.net. You can also locate information from the 2008 District Assembly by going to the district web site, www.district5050.org, for the May, 2008, edition of the Peace Arch Journal..



Photo at the meeting of the Rotary Club of Jeremie

On the left side: (blue shirt) PDG (D7980) Dick Benson & (white shirt) Jack Rae. In back row: (directly behind Dick & Jack) Jeremie Club Secretary & Past President Dr. Royneid Bourdeau. & (back and to the right in an orange shirt) Club President Jean Gaetan Cadet.

A Visit to Haiti: by Jack and Betty Rae

We visited Haiti on behalf of District 5050 Help for Haiti Consortium (H4HC), a group of five Surrey/White Rock clubs in partnership with the Rotary Club of Jeremie (Haiti). It was formed about five years ago to help address the vast and varied needs in and around the town of Jeremie.

During our visit we received briefings and tours to project sites by two NGOs (Non-governmental organizations)—Foundation for International Development Assistance and the Haitian Health Foundation. We wanted to learn more about the H4HC projects, including present and future needs and opportunities, and we especially wanted to meet the wonderful, dedicated, and helpful people who are connected to these ventures. As part of the experience, we took hundreds of photos, and we have many pages of notes. Our heads are filled with information, impressions and ideas. We hope to condense it all into a logical and informative presentation, which we will happily present to any interested club, organization or group.

We have been asked, "Why Haiti?" Well, why not? A guiding bit of philosophy for us is, "All lives, no matter where they are lived, are of equal value." The lives we saw there were those of abandoned children (some being taken care of, some just left on the streets); hard working subsistence farmers, and struggling; dedicated people doing their best to help with few and sporadic resources. These lives still have *equal value* no matter what their circumstances. So, why not Haiti!!!!

Before departing on this trip we were often wished a wonderful time; a great holiday, an enjoyable time in the sunshine. We would respond that this was to be a working trip, a volunteer activity, not a holiday. And it was a busy, very busy working trip; but it was also a great and wonderful experience. So I guess our well-wishers had it right after all.

References: www.fida-pch.org and www.haitianhealthfoundation.org.

Editor's Note:

Betty and Jack Rae can be contacted by email at: bettyjackrae@shaw.ca. Original article amended for space..

Another benefit of Rotary membership

A space amended personal experience article by PDG (5020) Dick Drew



We live in Maple Ridge B.C., near Vancouver, and several thousand miles north of Montego Bay, Jamaica. While visiting there on a cruise ship with 12 members of our family, a freak accident happened to our 46 year old son, Mitch Drew. The accident, as shared below, drove home to me the benefit of being a Rotarian and the importance of always wearing your Rotary pin.

Our cruise ship, "Voyager of the Seas," has a large ice skating rink. Our son, his wife and their 13 year old daughter were ice skating. Mitch, who is a good skater, hooked an edge and fell backwards, striking his head on the ice and knocking himself unconscious for several minutes. He was taken to the ship's hospital for x rays.

The ship's doctor ordered an ambulance to take him to Montego Bay hospital for a CAT scan. Because the ship was sailing in 30 minutes for Galveston, Texas, Mitch would be left ashore in Jamaica. I stayed with him. Then the confusion really began.

While I tried to rush through the endless paperwork involved with us remaining in Jamaica, my son was suffering and sweltering in the ambulance on the dock.

When the cruise line's port agent offered his assistance, I pointed to the Rotary pin on my shirt collar and handed him my Rotary business card. Then I asked if he would locate a Rotarian so I would have a reliable contact in Jamaica. He disappeared and returned two minutes later with a big smiling Jamaican. "Here," he said, "he's a Rotarian." When I asked how he knew, he replied, "He always wears the same pin you wear."

The Rotarian was **Keith Azzan**, president of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay East. Keith is also owner/operator of "**Pirates Market**," a large gift shop on the pier. Keith spoke with the immigration people and hurried us along. He assured me my son was being taken to a very good, small private hospital. He warned me the hospital was expensive and asked, "Do you need any money?" Fortunately I had my trusty well-worn VISA card. Keith handed me his card. "This is my cell number," he said. "Call me anytime tonight." Within minutes, I was in the passenger seat of the ambulance, siren wailing, speeding on the left side of a narrow two lane highway, wearing no seatbelts and feeling certain this would be my last automobile ride.

At the hospital another round of paperwork began. The admitting clerk required several detailed explanations before she fully understood that Mitch had suffered an ice skating injury. She is likely still laughing as she tells her friends about an "ice skating injury on a ship where the poor man fell and split open his head." Even before the paperwork was completed, I was called to the reception area: "There are two men here to see you." They were the Rotary club president **Keith Azzan** and club secretary **Govind Chulani**. They remained with me until they were convinced that everything was under control. They told me to call either one of them should I need assistance.

Keith returned later to enquire where I would sleep. I had noticed a Holiday Inn about two miles from the hospital, and I said that I would register there. He informed me that the annual world famous **Jamaican Jazz Festival** was underway, and that the Holiday Inn was headquarters for the event. Although it was doubtful I could get a room there, or anywhere else on the Island, Keith explained that his Rotary club had, until recently when the hotel renovated and removed the meeting room, held their meetings at the Holiday Inn for years. Although it was nearing 10:00 p.m., Keith felt the manager, whom he knew quite well, would still be there. The manager explained that the hotel was "booked solid," but they did have a room for "emergency purposes." Keith convinced him this was indeed an emergency, and I was booked in. Then Keith and I went for an authentic Jamaican dinner of BBQ pork ribs and chicken with sweet potatoes. Over dinner in an outdoor restaurant, an interesting place off the road called *Schotchies* that tourists seldom see, we shared Rotary stories and experiences.

My son was released from the hospital the following day, and we flew to Texas that afternoon to await the arrival of the ship and our family two days later.

I have kept in touch by email and telephone with both Keith and Govind. I will always remember the immediate response and caring consideration of these two outstanding Rotarians who came to the aid of a Rotarian in need.

Rotary is indeed an incredible organization made of up incredible people.

On your next trip to Jamaica visit Keith Azzan at his "Pirates Market" gift store, and Govind Chulani at his "El Caribe" Diamond Discount Centre. Tell them you heard of their generous deed to a Rotarian in need.

And always remember to wear your Rotary pin.

"Don't leave home without it!"



Keith Azzan & Govind Chulani
President Secretary

Rotary District 5050

Membership & Attendance: December 2008

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Rotary Club of...	Meetings Held	Attendance				Membership		
		This Month %	Rank	Year to Date %	Rank	Start of Year	Present	Change
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Abbotsford-Matsqui	3 of 3	54.00	=49	68.83	32	30	26	-4
Abbotsford-Sumas	3 of 3	90.67	6	85.35	5	24	27	+3
Aldergrove	3 of 3	85.10	8	74.60	16	29	29	-
Anacortes	3 of 3	62.50	42	69.14	=30	59	64	+5
Arlington	3 of 3	82.00	=10	65.67	43	67	72	+5
Bellingham	0 of 0	68.17	=33	71.59	26	180	181	+1
Bellingham Bay	3 of 3	49.40	53	56.74	55	120	117	-3
Bellingham Sunrise	2 of 2	75.00	=19	67.50	36	43	43	-
Burlington	3 of 3	57.14	48	64.18	=45	77	70	-7
Burlington Mid-Day	4 of 4	65.00	=38	72.00	24	27	26	-1
Chilliwack	3 of 3	82.60	9	87.30	3	195	192	-3
Chilliwack Fraser	2 of 2	60.00	43	64.33	44	78	72	-6
Chilliwack Mt. Cheam	3 of 3	66.67	35	66.21	38	62	65	+3
Cloverdale	3 of 3	64.00	41	67.50	35	21	24	+3
Coquitlam	3 of 3	74.24	22	73.23	22	48	49	+1
Coquitlam Sunrise	4 of 4	91.00	5	74.75	15	25	27	+2
Everett	3 of 5	65.38	37	65.84	42	190	191	+1
Everett-Port Gardner	2 of 2	54.00	=49	62.50	49	42	45	+3
Fidalgo Island	4 of 4	52.92	51	66.20	39	49	51	+2
Haney	0 of 0	65.00	=38	62.50	50	42	44	+2
Hope	3 of 3	97.20	2	82.43	7	13	12	-1
La Conner	4 of 4	70.00	=27	78.30	10	49	45	-4
Lake Stevens	3 of 3	59.65	44	63.30	48	44	39	-5
Langley	3 of 3	71.43	26	63.86	47	32	28	-4
Langley Central	3 of 3	71.73	25	67.82	33	77	76	-1
Langley Sunrise	3 of 3	86.30	7	84.70	6	19	17	-2
Marysville Morning	2 of 2	70.00	=27	75.33	14	17	17	-
Marysville Noon	4 of 4	95.63	3	80.56	9	75	63	-12
Meadow Ridge	3 of 5	70.37	=27	67.69	34	45	45	-
Mission	4 of 4	68.50	32	75.87	13	33	33	-
Mission Midday	5 of 5	75.20	=19	71.25	28	28	27	-1
Monroe	4 of 4	76.00	=16	85.83	4	29	26	-3
Mount Baker	5 of 5	78.00	15	81.00	8	59	55	-4
Mt. Vernon	4 of 4	73.00	=23	69.00	=30	46	44	-2
North Delta	3 of 3	58.73	45	60.37	52	43	43	-
North Whidbey Island Sunrise	2 of 2	80.00	=13	73.33	21	30	33	+3
Oak Harbor	3 of 3	50.00	52	57.50	53	95	92	-3
Port Coquitlam Centennial	0 of 0	0.00	=54	66.00	=40	24	24	-
Port Moody	4 of 4	57.48	47	66.98	37	46	50	+4
San Juan Island (Friday Harbor)	0 of 0	0.00	=54	90.40	1	27	27	-
Sedro Woolley	2 of 2	73.00	=23	61.33	51	97	101	+4
Semiahmoo (White Rock)	2 of 2	81.00	12	71.33	27	49	55	+6
Skagit (Mount Vernon)	5 of 5	94.00	4	73.83	20	70	73	+3
Snohomish	3 of 3	82.00	=10	77.67	12	24	23	-1
South Everett-Mukilteo	2 of 2	100.00	1	90.33	2	65	63	-2

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Rotary Club of...	Meetings Held	Attendance				Membership		
		This Month %	Rank	Year to Date %	Rank	Start of Year	Present	Change
South Whidbey Island	4 of 4	65.30	=38	74.16	19	73	73	-
Stanwood-Camano Island	2 of 2	68.00	=33	64.00	=45	44	42	-2
Surrey	0 of 0	58.00	46	56.83	54	25	24	-1
Surrey-Guildford	2 of 2	70.00	=27	66.17	=40	23	23	-
Whatcom County North	3 of 3	66.14	36	78.08	11	58	59	+1
White Rock	3 of 3	80.00	=13	74.33	17	58	60	+2
White Rock Millennium	3 of 3	75.76	18	70.42	29	21	21	-
White Rock Peninsula PHS	4 of 4	76.47	=16	71.77	25	23	21	-2
White Rock-Peace Arch	5 of 5	69.43	31	74.33	18	32	32	-
Totals						2967	2945	-22

No report received from:

Rotary Club of Port Coquitlam Centennial

Rotary Club of San Juan Island (Friday Harbor)

Highlights for the Month of December, 2008

- Total number of members in District 5050 as of December 31, 2008 was 2,945 (versus 2,974 as of December 31, 2007).
- District membership decrease by 4 member (net) for the month of October, 2008 (versus a net decrease of 2 members in December, 2007).
- Average Attendance for the District for the month of December, 2008 was 70.52 % (versus average attendance of 74.77 % for December, 2007).

CLUB ATTENDANCE:

The top 5 clubs for attendance for the six (6) months YTD to December 31, 2008 were:

1. San Juan Island (Friday Harbor) 90.40%
2. South Everett-Mukilteo 90.33%
3. Chilliwack 87.30 %
4. Monroe 85.83 %
5. Abbotsford-Sumas 85.35 %

No club had less than 50% attendance in October, 2008.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The top clubs for membership growth/net increase in members for the YTD to December 31, 2008 were:

1. Semiahmoo (White Rock), + 6
2. Arlington, Anacortes + 5
3. Port Moody, Sedro-Woolley + 4

The seven largest clubs in our District and number of members as of October 31, 2008, were:

1. Chilliwack 192 - 3
2. Everett 191 + 1
3. Bellingham 181 + 1
4. Bellingham Bay 117 - 3
5. Sedro-Woolley 101 + 4
6. Oak Harbor 92 - 3
7. Langley Central 76 - 1

District 5050 Number of Members as of:

Month/Year	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009
December 31	3,040	3,016	2,974	2,945