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Message from the District Governor

Fellow Rotarians,

The Rotary year is rolling along quickly for me. Arlene and I are one-third of the way through our club visits. We really enjoy the friendliness and hospitality of the Rotarians we meet, and hearing about and seeing projects the clubs have done. Each club is unique, and each one is accomplishing great things.

Thank you to all who supported Golfun this year. Congratulations to DGE Jane Helten and her team of volunteers for doing an excellent job. The home hosting experience was great. So far we are close to raising \$70,000 for Polio Plus from club and individual donations. I hope that figure will be reached or surpassed before the end of the year. I would like to see the soccer ball for the Kick Out Polio campaign covered with names and contributions so we will have an impressive presentation for President Ray Klinginsmith on September 29.

I extend an official welcome to our new district administrator, Julie Frauenholtz from the Everett club. She is a "quick study" and will be able to carry on the good work conducted by Linda Murray, our previous administrator. I want to offer my personal thanks, and the appreciation of the district, to Linda for all the work she did for us the past three years. I found her to be helpful, very cooperative, and always friendly and encouraging. She is not retiring from district level duties, though. Linda has accepted the position of GSE Outbound Team Coordinator, and is also available for club presentations as leader of our GSE team to India. I look forward to my continued work with these two fine Rotarians.

September is New Generations month, and I hope your clubs are actively supporting youth programs this year. RYLA, Rotaract, Interact, GSE, Ambassadorial Scholars and Peace Scholars are all programs supported by TRF, and our district is also involved in Youth Exchange and Adventures in Leadership. I visited one club which regularly invites Interactors to attend their meetings, and would encourage clubs to invite Rotaractors to your meetings when possible.

Have a great month and enjoy any summer weather we may still receive. Here in Langley, BC, fall appears to have arrived early.

Wayne A. Wiebe, District Governor 2010-2011

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White Rock's Traditional Gift



**The
District
Governor's
Rock**

**Presented to DG Wayne Wiebe
by Shaun Cronn**



The Peace Arch Journal



The monthly newsletter for District 5050

Wayne Wiebe
Governor

The monthly publication is a service to District club officers and members. It is intended as a source of news and opinion from throughout the district.

The mission of *The Peace Arch Journal* 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. The maximum number of words should be 250. 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.

It is requested that articles be submitted by the 15th of the month prior to the month of publication.

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Article provided by Club President Maureen Boyd.

Giving Honour to Country

On July 1, 2010, the Rotary Club of Coquitlam hosted its 3rd Citizenship Ceremony.

The tradition started in 2007 when our incoming president of that year, Paty Thorleifson, became a Canadian citizen herself.

This event is one of the highlights of the year for our club as we celebrate with our new citizens who have chosen Canada as their home and who look to the future with hope and excitement.

Our club members greet the candidates, guide them to their seats, give out memento pens, and offer information about Rotary. The president of our club is part of the platform party and delivers a welcome speech to the new citizens.

After the ceremony is over, the president then welcomes everyone to a reception hosted by our club. A Canada Day cake is ceremonially cut by the members of the platform party and shared with everyone present.



(left to right) Judge Marie Bourgeois, Citizenship Clerk Kaila Rothkop, Member of Provincial Legislative Assembly Iain Black, Club President Maureen, and Mayor & Club Rotarian Richard Stewart, seen cutting the Canadian Day cake.



Monterrico, Guatemala, Clinic & Education Center Project

Send Off Program

A Invitation to Attend a Special Breakfast Meeting Friday, September 17, 2010, at 7:15 a.m.

Lake Stevens School District Administration Building, Lower Level
12302 22nd Street NE, Lake Stevens, Washington

There will be a complimentary continental breakfast for all attendees.
Donations are requested to the Monterrico Clinic

The Rotary Club of Lake Stevens/Granite Falls, WA, is looking for Rotary clubs who would like to be involved in an international Rotary project.

For information visit their club's web site at:

<http://www.lakestevensrotary.org/>

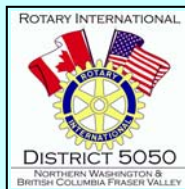
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District 5050 Events

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October 2, 2010

Mount Vernon, WA

November 6, 2010

Delta, BC

Rotary Leadership Institute
 Parts I, II, & III - \$85.00

October 9, 2010

Membership Seminar

Fox Hall at Hampton Inn
 Bellingham, WA

October 23, 2010

Foundation Seminar
 Bellingham, WA

November 20, 2010

District 5050 Foundation Dinner
 "the Pink Palace"
 Surrey, B.C.

January 29, 2011

Pre-PETS



Plaque carved by a disabled man in Barillas

The following article was submitted by Pete Kinch, Executive Director Hands for Peacemaking Foundation (HFPF) and Member/Past President of the Rotary Club of Everett-Port Gardner, WA.

Hands For Peacemaking Foundation Turns 25!

Established in 1985 by Leon Aller, Snohomish family physician and Rotarian along with his wife Virginia, Hands For Peacemaking has focused its efforts on serving the needs of rural Mayan Indian villagers of the highland area of NW Guatemala.

The organization celebrated its 25 years of serving the people of one of the prime coffee growing areas of Guatemala by opening the new 4,500 square foot Aller Skill Center in

honor of the organization's founders.

Besides its work in the villages, HFPF employs nine people to manufacture key products used by local villagers. For example, the team has in the last four years built over 10,000 school desks in the back yard of the Mission House. With the opening of the new Aller Center, construction of school desks will move inside along with the production of the new "Aller" high efficiency stove. To date, the organization has constructed and installed over 200 Aller stoves in surrounding villages. HFPF has orders pending for over 300 custom designed latrines that will dramatically improve sanitary conditions in rural villages.

Hands For Peacemaking has been an international partner for several Rotary clubs in District 5050 including Snohomish, Marysville Noon, Everett-Port Gardner, South Everett-Mukilteo, Burlington, White Rock Peninsula PHS as well as other Rotary clubs and churches in the area.

The organization not only works with groups who want to sponsor a project; they also provide Work Week "hands on" experiences for groups that want to be directly involved in helping people who live in extreme poverty. These 10-day adventures are highly successful, and most groups attend year after year because they are touched by the warmth of people in the villages and the personal satisfaction they receive through their work. Applications for 2011 Work Weeks are being accepted at this time.

The goal of Hands For Peacemaking Foundation is to help villagers learn "how to fish" by teaching them new skills and providing the tools necessary for them to become self-sufficient.

Hands For Peacemaking Foundation can be reached at:

PO Box 964, Everett, WA 98206 Phone: (425) 348-3030

www.HandsForPeacemaking.org



Rotary International Regional Coordinators



PDG Larry Jubie

The regional coordinator position is something new as one of the changes approved by the 2010 R.I. Council on Legislation. PDG (District 5040 for 2007-2008) Dean Rohrs is the Regional Coordinator for Rotary Zone 24 West. She is from Burnaby, B.C.

PDG Larry Jubie's new title is Assistant to the Area Regional Coordinator. He will be assisting RC Dean Rohrs by working with Districts 5040, 5050 and 5060 in helping to implement the Strategic Plan, and in other areas such as membership and literacy as needed.

Larry commented, "I am still trying to get a grasp of what exactly needs to be done."

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Touring the Irish Castle in Dublin on Saturday, August 28, 2010.

Back row (l to r): William Freitas, host, Susan Rai, David Sadler, & Debe Franz. Front row: Maureen Hari, Julia Nygra, & Hostess.

Photo copied from:
www.ireland5050.blogspot.com



Rob Martin and then we adjourned to the next room for a presentation by the GSE Team.

The team leader, Debe Franz, is past president of the Rotary Club of Lake Stevens/Granite Falls, WA. Beyond PDG Rob and Debe in the right photo from left to right is William Freitas, originally from Brazil who now coordinates projects and teaches seminars with Washington State University; Maureen Hari, a customer service manager at Farm Credit Canada; Julia Nygra, a victim services caseworker with the RCMP; Susan Rai, an emergency service advisor for the Abbotsford Emergency Program; and David Sadler, a child and youth engagement coordinator for the City of Surrey, B.C.



Note from Bill Robson,
 District 5050 Rotary Foundation Chair

During the Rotary Year clubs can qualify for four types of banner recognition

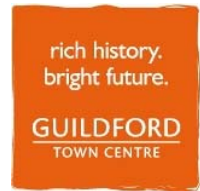
- Every Rotarian, Every Year Club (every active member contributes some amount to the Annual Programs Fund (APF); club achieves an overall \$100 per capita minimum).
- Highest per capita APF contributions in the district (top three clubs; US \$50 per capita).
- 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club (every active member a Paul Harris Fellow; club recognition granted one time only).
- 100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club (every active member contributes \$100 or more to the APF).

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Books Sales in District 5050

Surrey, B.C.: The 7th Annual Surrey-Guildford Book Sale at the end of September

The book sale will take place in the Guildford Mall at 2695 Town Centre, Surrey, from Sunday, September 26 to Saturday, October 2, 2010.

For information about the event contact D. Sears, a member of the Rotary Club of Surrey-Guildford at (604) 3213-4143 or by email at djsears@shaw.ca.



Chilliwack, B.C.: The 25th Annual Chilliwack Book Sale in October, 2010.

The book sale will take place in the Chilliwack Mall, 45610 Luckakuck Way, Chilliwack, from Sunday, October 17 to Saturday, October 23, 2010.

There's something for everyone, including over 100,000 good quality books: soft and hard cover, fiction and non-fiction. There will be harlequins, children's books, non-fictions sorted by subject matter, collector books, CDs, DVDs, and record albums.

Find further information at: <http://www.chilliwackrotarybooksale.org/>

The following is based on a letter from PDG Dave Robinson, Chair of the Canadian Rotary Centennial Project Committee

Canadian Centennial Project Fund Raising Goals Exceeded

Congratulations on the efforts that have resulted in surpassing the fund raising goal established in January 2009, when it was agreed to adopt the Afghanistan school as the Canadian Centennial Project. A special thanks from the Committee to the nine districts that surpassed their "Share" objective.



Greg Mortenson at the RI Convention 2010

With special thanks to PRID John Eberhard, I was able to meet privately during the Montreal International Convention with Greg Mortenson, author of the best selling books *Three Cups of Tea* and *Turning Stones Into Schools*. He was very interested and excited about our project and plans to visit the school during one of his upcoming trips to Afghanistan. As we should have surplus monies available, he suggested we first use these funds to ensure an adequate number of teachers are trained and the Committee has agreed. Greg has offered to use his contacts with the Department of Education to assist us. Additionally, we are getting quotes to repair the water system at the school, and construct toilet facilities for the teachers. We will be looking for Matching Grant opportunities after the school opens.

We expect to have the school ready for the first group of 2,000 students on September 20th. We recently learned the school district may try to increase the overall attendance from 4,000 to 5,000.

The other day I finished reading Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish's best selling book *I Shall Not Hate* (a very interesting read by the way), and in it he writes "to create change in an entire society, women must be educated and empowered.....talking is good but it is not enough. We must act.....So what can you do? You can do a lot.....You can support foundations who do good work. You can volunteer for humanitarian organizations.....You can do many things to move the world towards greater harmony."

I believe your efforts and those of the Rotarians in your districts in building this school will move that part of the world towards greater harmony. For me, the opportunity to serve with you in this extremely worthwhile project has been a privilege. Please accept my best wishes to each of you as you continue along your Rotary journey.

God Bless!

WRR PDG Dave Robinson

Photographs of the school were taken during the week of August 23, 2010.



Partnering with Rotary Heli-Golf Fundraiser Produces Results

On August 12, 2010, Langley Rotary Club President David Truman presented cheques to two organizations in which the amounts were based on their share of the funds raised, from tickets sold, as a result of their direct participation in the 2010 Rotary Heli-Golf Rotary fundraiser, held July 1 at Langley Airport.



(On the left) Walnut Grove Senior Secondary School Dry Grad (as in non-alcoholic party) chair Linda Candelaria received a cheque for \$3,736, to help with staging a successful event for graduating students.



(On the right) Langley Lodge senior care facility manager Patrick Matiwski and director Dale Ball were presented a cheque for \$2,972, to assist in upgrading their senior citizens facility.

President David & Linda Candelaria

Dale Ball, David, & Patrick Matiwski

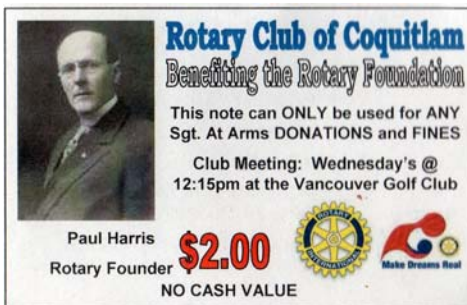
This was the 18th year Rotary has staged Heli-Golf at Langley Airport on Canada Day. Tens of thousands of dollars have been raised, with all funds going to local qualified organizations. For more information about the above project, contact Eric Bysouth at 604-534-3133 or by email at erenb@shaw.ca.

The following idea submitted by Club President Maureen Boyd

Pre-Paid Happy Buck Chits for The Rotary Foundation

I would like to introduce Rotarians to our *Happy Bucks* at the Rotary Club of Coquitlam. The money that is raised by the Sergeant-At Arms is sent to The Rotary Foundation. Any donation over \$20 is recorded by our treasurer, and the donor receives a tax receipt from the Foundation as well as Paul Harris recognition points.

As you know, most fines and happy dollars are in small amounts, usually one or two or five dollars. To receive recognition for these small donations which add up over the year, one of our members, Carl Severson, came up with the idea of Happy Bucks which are sold at a cost of \$20 for ten \$2 chits. The \$20 donation is recorded at the time of purchase, and the chits can be used for Sergeant-At-Arms fines or for Happy Dollars. At the time of use, they have no value and are not noted. (This idea may be already implemented by other clubs in the form of plastic coins which serve the same purpose.)



A sample of the front side of one of the chits. On the back side are found the words of the Four Way Test.



Gym equipment from Chilliwack to Ethiopia

The Rotary Club of Chilliwack, BC, secured a TRF Grant (using District Designated Funds) to pay for the shipping of a container-load of equipment to a YMCA facility in Northern Ethiopia.

On Wednesday August 4, 2010, 24 members of the club and six YMCA volunteers helped to inventory and load the equipment into a specially-outfitted shipping container. The donation of the YMCA gym equipment is "unquestionably heavenly," says Yirgalem Ambachew Yetemegn, the club's president in Bahir Dar. In an email to Carol Tichelman he said the equipment will benefit young people with physical health and keep them from doing drugs.



Along with the gym equipment (stationary bikes, universal gyms, dumb bells and bar bells, ping pong equipment and mats for gymnastics), 63 boxes of books for English as a second language programs were also loaded into the container.

Thanks to AG Carol Tichelman for the article.

Global Polio Eradication Initiative

Editor's Note: The September, 2010, **END POLIO NOW** newsletter of The Rotary Foundation included the web site address of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative: www.polioeradication.org. Partners: WHO, Rotary, CDC, & unicef.

The following is one of the reports downloaded from the above web site:

26 August 2010

Polio eradication staff mobilized to support Pakistan flood relief

Health system could take years to recover following flood damage "beyond imagination"

Polio eradication staff and resources have been mobilized en masse to support the response to the devastating floods directly affecting one in 10 people in Pakistan. All polio-funded technical staff - polio epidemiologists and surveillance officers - have relocated to the worst-affected areas of the country to assist in the recovery. These staff are focused on three main areas: a rapid assessment of the extent of damage to health facilities; the establishment of early warning systems for disease outbreaks; and, the planning, delivery and monitoring of broad immunization activities in internally-displaced persons camps.



Photograph from: WHO/Syed Haider

Pakistan polio team leader Dr Ni'ma Abid said the extent of the flood damage was "really beyond imagination" and had had an enormous impact on health systems in the country. He said the immunization cold chain system had been severely affected, and would take "a long time" to be rehabilitated. While controlling outbreaks of disease and conducting immunizations were a necessary focus, "the priority is still for food and shelter more than anything else". Dr Abid said that within the health industry, a "significant number of health workers are affected, their houses are affected - it's very difficult, a very big challenge".

Currently, the Ministry of Health's strategy is to vaccinate all displaced children under 5 years with measles vaccine and oral polio vaccine (OPV). To date, 340,081 children have been immunized with OPV in flood-affected areas, 316,540 with measles and 255,920 have received Vitamin A. BCG, pentavalent, TT and Hepatitis B have also been given.

Rising to the Challenge

As of August 6, 2010, US\$144 million has been raised toward Rotary's US\$200 million challenge.

Polio Facts & Figures:

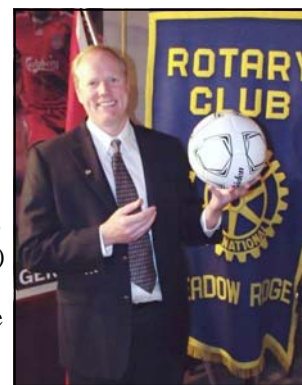
<u>Area</u>	<u>Number of cases in 2010</u>
Afghanistan	13
India	30
Nigeria	6
Pakistan	39
<u>Non-endemic countries</u>	<u>530</u>
Worldwide Total:	618



Based on an August 18, 2010, message by DG Wayne Wiebe to District 5050 Club Presidents

"Kick Out Polio"

Have you heard of a soccer ball traveling around Africa? Well, we have our own soccer ball campaign being spearheaded by Patrick O'Brien and the Meadowridge club. The idea is to encourage all clubs to donate to Polio Plus this Rotary year (now) and have their name and the amount contributed printed on one of the panels on the soccer ball. Clubs which have donated through Golfun would qualify.



If your club has made a commitment to support Polio Plus through Golfun, but has not yet sent the money because you've not yet held your fundraiser, you still qualify to be included on the ball. When a club commits to send money, we believe it will be done! Individuals who have contributed fairly large amounts (\$500+) would also be eligible to be included in this promotion.

We want to present the ball to RI President Ray Klinginsmith on September 29, to show our commitment to eradicating polio. Our two contacts for this will be Patrick O'Brien at 604-467-5321 or at patrick.obrien@rbc.com, and AG Lee Harman, Polio Plus Chair, at 425-422-5406 or rlh@wavecable.com.

Let's work together to Kick Out Polio!



Rotary District's Golfun 2010

The article was submitted by Golfun Chair, District Governor-elect Jane Helten
Photographs were taken by a variety of persons (thanks to them all)

A spectacular day dawned on August 21, 2010 at the Useless Bay Golf and Country Club on Whidbey Island, Washington, USA.



A record number of golfers took to the course, with 144 registered and one team a no show.



DG-E Jane Helten



The Golfers



DG Wayne Wiebe

A putting contest was held at 11AM and raised \$309.00. Frank Pizzuto won the putter in a playoff at end of the 18 holes of play.



All teams were handicapped this year.

The winners of the overall trophy, with a score of 39, went to the team from the Rotary Club of South Everett/Mukilteo, WA. See with Jane Helten are (left to right) Mike Bartlett, Paul Kulle, Mike Stephenson, and PDG John Bosch.

The PAR TEE GIRLS from Maryville won the co-ed team with a score of 39 and consisted of Jodi Widmann., Lisa Bundy, Marjean Penny, and Donna Muller.

Adam Richardson had the men's longest drive and won the Titlest driver. Terry Becker, who had the women's longest drive was awarded a driver.



The highlight of the event was the check presented to DG Wayne for \$85,000.00 in foundation donations. This grew to \$95,000.00 from the donations given the day of the event. This amount represents \$70,000.00 in club and individual donations to Polio Plus plus the District's pledge of \$25,000.00 toward the Polio Plus program. It was a great event enjoyed by all!

If you would like to see the pictures from the great day of golfing go to:

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/South-Whidbey-Rotary/115120571840286?ref=ts>

Rotary District 5050 Statistics

Prepared by District Secretary Dennis Ratcliff



Monthly Attendance Report for July, 2010

Club Name	Members as of June, 2010	New Members This Month	Terminations This Month	Total Members This Month	Number of Meetings This Month	Gain/Loss This Month	YTD Gain/Loss	Attendance Percentage
Abbotsford	57	0	0	57	4	0	0	66.00 %
Abbotsford-Matsqui	29	0	2	27	4	-2	-2	52.00 %
Abbotsford-Sumas	25	3	0	26	4	3	1	72.16 %
Aldergrove	27	1	0	28	4	1	1	67.40 %
Anacortes	71	0	1	70	4	-1	-1	74.59 %
Arlington	70	0	0	71	5	0	1	52.06 %
Bellingham	168	0	0	168	3	0	0	64.50 %
Bellingham Bay	111	0	0	111	4	0	0	62.74 %
Bellingham Sunrise	45	0	2	43	5	-2	-2	60.00 %
Burlington	65	0	1	60	5	-1	-5	46.85 %
Burlington Mid-Day	37	0	0	36	4	0	-1	49.00 %
Chilliwack	186	2	3	185	5	-1	-1	81.00 %
Chilliwack Mt. Cheam	68	0	1	67	4	-1	-1	57.42 %
Chilliwack/Fraser	68	0	0	68	0	0	0	0.00 %
Cloverdale	24	0	0	22	4	0	-2	56.00 %
Coquitlam	42	0	0	42	4	0	0	60.71 %
Coquitlam Sunrise	29	0	1	29	4	-1	0	66.30 %
Everett	170	3	0	173	4	3	3	67.09 %
Everett-Port Gardner	40	0	0	40	0	0	0	0.00 %
Fidalgo Island	37	0	0	37	4	0	0	83.82 %
Haney	44	1	1	43	4	0	-1	61.00 %
Hope	13	1	0	14	4	1	1	77.70 %
LaConner	48	0	0	33	3	0	-15	53.53 %
Lake Stevens/Granite Fall	34	0	0	29	5	0	-5	64.00 %
Langley	31	0	1	30	4	-1	-1	75.00 %
Langley Central	73	1	0	74	4	1	1	54.90 %
Langley Sunrise	27	0	0	27	4	0	0	81.50 %
Marysville	65	0	0	65	4	0	0	67.69 %
Marysville Sunrise	16	0	0	15	5	0	-1	76.00 %
Meadow Ridge	48	1	1	48	4	0	0	53.44 %
Mission Middy	34	0	0	26	4	0	-8	73.00 %
Mission Morning	32	0	4	28	4	-4	-4	82.10 %

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Monroe	27	2	0	31	4	2	4	84.00 %
Mount Baker Rotary	61	0	0	61	4	0	0	79.00 %
Mount Vernon	47	0	0	47	4	0	0	70.00 %
North Delta	42	4	1	45	4	3	3	75.86 %
North Whidbey Island Sunr	34	0	2	31	4	-2	-3	71.72 %
Oak Harbor	92	0	0	90	3	0	-2	49.60 %
Port Coquitlam Centennial	25	1	0	23	4	1	-2	57.00 %
Port Moody	39	0	1	38	4	-1	-1	70.40 %
San Juan Island	28	0	0	28	4	0	0	82.14 %
Sedro Woolley	89	0	0	88	5	0	-1	58.87 %
Semiahmoo (White Rock)	58	0	0	58	4	0	0	70.61 %
Skagit (Mount Vernon)	66	0	0	66	4	0	0	52.00 %
Snohomish	16	1	0	16	4	1	0	78.00 %
South Everett/Mukilteo	62	0	0	62	5	0	0	64.00 %
South Whidbey Island	68	0	0	68	0	0	0	0.00 %
Stanwood/Camano Island	33	0	0	33	4	0	0	60.00 %
Surrey	17	3	0	20	4	3	3	80.52 %
Surrey-Fraser Heights	29	0	0	29	4	0	0	32.69 %
Surrey-Guildford	23	0	0	23	0	0	0	0.00 %
Surrey-Newton	35	3	2	38	3	1	3	41.45 %
Whatcom County North	51	3	0	54	4	3	3	84.62 %
White Rock	65	2	0	67	4	2	2	66.53 %
White Rock Millennium	27	0	0	25	4	0	-2	76.00 %
White Rock Peninsula	14	0	0	14	4	0	0	71.43 %
White Rock-Peace Arch	33	2	0	35	4	2	2	73.31 %
Totals	2915	34	24	2882	216	10	-33	
Average attendance percentage								61 %

Highlights for the Month of July, 2010

- Total number of members in District 5050 as of July 31, 2010, was 2,882 (versus 2,918 as of July 31, 2009).
- July, 2010: Inducted 34 new members and terminated 24 members.
- Average Attendance for the District for the month of July, 2010, was 61% (versus average attendance of 67.31% for July, 2009)