

Rotary District 5050

Peace Arch Journal

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Message from the District Governor





October is Vocation Month

During October, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on this important avenue of Rotary service. This is an excellent time for Rotarians to reflect on ways to apply their professional skills and high ethical standards to serve others.

Here are some ideas for your use during October to promote vocational service.

- Consider planning special activities for October in celebration of Vocational Service Month.
- Consider volunteering as a tutor or mentor to help students or community members reach their vocational potential, or providing your expertise directly to help those in need, locally or abroad.
- Conduct a program to recognize high ethical standards and public values in the community.
- Organize at least one professional networking event in which club members can meet other local professionals and introduce them to Rotary.
- Sponsor a career day in which club members bring young people to their places of business to inform them about career opportunities.

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The Peace Arch Journal

The monthly newsletter for Rotary District 5050

Jane Helten Governor

This 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, а manner in complementary to shared efforts at placing Service Above Self.

Please send news and articles and photographs to:

editor.paj@gmail.com by the 21st day of the month for possible inclusion in the next issue.

Long articles may be truncated and all articles submitted may be edited before publication. Not all articles and photos submitted will be published.

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 Work with our Rotaract leaders to develop mentor relationships between Rotarians and Rotaractors. Invite Rotaractors to give a "classification" talk your Rotary club meeting based on their profession.

We are very fortunate to have two Rotarian's dedicated to Vocational Service at the District level. They have been working extremely hard to develop this avenue of Service. Please do not hesitate to call on them for help and information.

Beverly Harrington, <u>bev_harrington@msn.com</u> and

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If you would like other helpful information:

• Link to An Introduction to Vocational Service: http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/255en.pdf

• Link to the sign up page to the newsletters: http://www.rotary.org/en/mediaandnews/newsletters/morenewsletters/Pages/ridefault.aspx

"Reach Within To Embrace Humanity"

Jane Helten DG

District Homelessness Grant (USA only)

The mission of this matching grant is twofold. We want to provide matching funds to clubs for projects that will help end family homelessness in our region. Secondly, as Rotarians, we are seeking to become better educated in this serious local issue. This \$100,000.00 funding came through a dialog that began in the strong of 2010 with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. These discussions included our neighboring Districts (District 5020 and District 5030). All three of these Rotary Districts applied for a grant and each of our Districts were successful.

This is an important distinction, a grant was awarded to District 5050 and the grant we are discussing is a grant from District 5050 to successful grant applying clubs. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation have strict guidelines that prohibit our clubs from suggesting they have been awarded funding from the Gates Foundation. Please keep this in mind with regards to PR or any presentations at your club meetings.

Applications and instructions for this grant can be found at www.district5050.org.

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The First Ever (and maybe Last Ever)

Peace Arch Journal Photo Contest

Correctly name the two "water babies" in the photograph below, and your name will be entered into a draw for a \$100 Visa Gift Card. Send your entries to: editor.paj@gmail.com by Oct. 23, 2011.



Canadian Rotary Centennial Afghanistan Challenge

The Canadian Rotary Centennial Afghanistan Challenge is a program that built a school in Afghanistan with your help and with the help of all Canadian Rotarians and our American Rotarians in our International Districts. The program continues to improve the school's services through projects that offer teacher training and additional equipment for classrooms. The committee is calling on Rotarians across Canada to become speakers at their local high schools.

Your club is being asked to assign a speaker, and help raise awareness on the cultural differences and on Rotary's efforts in international development. No doubt your club has a relationship with schools in your community. You can help to teach students about the rebuilding efforts in Afghanistan, the new school project, and the 100th anniversary of Rotary in Canada. Speaker kits and speaker notes are available.

Visit <<u>http://www.AfghanistanSchool.ca</u>> to order your Speaker Kit TODAY!"

District 5050 International Projects - Partners Wanted

The following is a list of clubs and international projects in need of partners:

Club Sedro-Wooley	Project Wood Stoves and Water Filters Garden, Well and Latrine 100+ Latrines Contact: Carl Garrison carig@gecorp.net	\$Needed tbd tbd tbd	Location Honduras Burkina Faso S.W. India
Anacortes	Dental care for school children Contact: Dr Von and Betty Kuehn vonbetty@comcast.net	\$4,000	Guatemala
Burlington	Youth Experiencing Leadership participation in humanitarian service projects Contact: Bev Harrington bev_harrington@msn.com	ongoing	Guatemala
Lake Stevens	Medical/Dental clinic and Community Education Centre Contact: Barbara Knowles knowlesbarb@gmail.com	\$15,000+	Guatemala
White Rock	Eye Care Clinic and Equipment Contact: Michelle Elliott michelle@spectrumoptometry.com	\$15,000	Honduras
White Rock	Water and Sanitation for Nigeria Boarding School Contact: Clifford Grant clifford@shaw.ca	\$12,000	Nigeria
Semiahmoo	Help for Haiti Hunger and Malnutrition Consortium Contact: Lynn Morfitt lynnmorfitt@shaw.ca	ongoing	Haiti

The Rotary Club of Whatcom County North has \$50,000 (that's right fifty thousand dollars) available to support other clubs with international projects but needing partners to meet their objectives. This may also be an opportunity for those clubs with projects in the Future Vision project districts and therefore unable to obtain matching grants. The procedure and selection process for receiving these contributions will be provided to those clubs interested. In the meantime please provide information on current international projects, both those looking for partners and those not requiring additional help, to: Jack Rae, Chair District 5050 International Projects Committee at bettyjackrae@shaw.ca

RYLA and YAIL

The youth leadership programs, YAIL and RYLA, kicked off the new Rotary year with a joint meeting in September (New Generations month). Nita Hollick, Chair of Youth Adventures In Leadership advised that YAIL will be held from January 13 - 15, 2012. Clubs can expect information and application forms to come in late September or early October.

Clubs are asked to sponsor a young person in the 10th or 11th Grades - preferably one male and one female candidate. Club presidents are asked to encourage members to look for candidates in local schools and youth programs - family members of Rotarians are also eligible. For more information, contact Nita (<u>nita@yourpromo.net</u>).

One order of the joint agenda was hiring someone to completely redesign the website and registration process for both programs. Expect those websites to be in place by mid-October; further information will follow.

Patty Klassen, Chair of the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards advised that RYLA will be held between April 26 - 29, 2012. Application forms will be out after mid-January next year but clubs are encouraged to start looking for potential candidates between the ages of 18 and 25 for next year.

Nita and Patty are both looking for new committee members, in particular more representation from US clubs. Contact either or both of them if you are interested in being part of two off our best Rotary programs and seeing the difference we make in the lives of young people.



back row: Rotaract Chair, Ray Paquet, Past District Governor Gary Hollick, , RYLA Chair, Patty Klassen, Amit Sodhi, Paula Broderick, YAIL Chair Nita Hollick **front row:** New Generations Chair, Frank Jarvis, Denny Hollick, Kassandra Linklater

Youth Exchange with DGE Sean Hogan

Carol and I welcomed our newest daughter on Wednesday, August 31 at 4:00 pm. Her name is Aurore. She is 17 years old and arrived by plane from Laval, France.

Aurore is our club's Youth Exchange student and we are her first host-parents. She had a big smile on her face as she greeted us, and was dressed in her bright blue jacket with only a smattering of the pins that will cover it completely by the time she returns home next July.

Aurore fit right into our family. She and our 21 year old son, John, both have an interest in juggling and she was soon showing him how to ride the unicycle he received for Christmas a few years back but never learned to use.



She has some basic English, and we have some even more basic French, so conversations are filled with wording suggestions, gestures and laughs. She has had a few intimidating days with meeting us, visiting the North Delta Rotary club on her second day and starting Grade 12 in her new school, but kept up her smile throughout. We took her to the PNE fair and she had an even bigger smile.

As part of the Youth Exchange program, our club was able to send a local student, Rose Marie, on a year long adventure in another country (in her case, it turned out to be France but it could have been one of several countries).

The Rotary Youth Exchange program is life changing not only for those who travel, but also for the families and clubs who have the opportunity to host them.

If you would like the opportunity to enrich the lives of young people, as well as your own, consider sponsoring a Youth Exchange student. For more information, contact our District's Youth Exchange Chair, Jason Jakubec at *jirotary@shaw.ca* and/or email me *at shogan@buckleyhogan.com*.



"Peace is Possible"

LET ME TELL YOU A STORY

"All's well that ends well". It seems that some fellow by the name of William Shakespeare wrote a little story dealing with that title. Well with the story of "Remembering 911", all went well and all ended well. What better way could we start this final newsletter than to let all know we started with a positive and ended on a big positive. The Composer, Rick Vale, gave us an incredibly beautiful piece of music filled with meaning and emotion which was heard and preformed for the first time in McIntyre Hall. The Director, Dave Cross, brought together a talented group of musicians, vocal and instrumental, and molded them into a fifty plus piece orchestra and eighty plus voice choir that preformed at a professional level that deserved and received six standing ovations. Each musician approached the music with a passion that made every note they delivered seem special to those who watched and listened with a feeling of respect, honor, love and a tear or two in their eyes. The speakers brought words of strength, inspiration and understanding to wrap around the entire "Remembering 911" event. Most, if not all who attended, left with a feeling of hope, love and knowing that "Peace is Possible". Yes, no truer words could be spoken than "Alls Well That Ends Well".

THE MONETARY STORY

The monetary goals also ended well. All expenses incurred have or will be paid in a timely manner. We will also have a goodly amount of funds to direct to the two scholarships we choose to fund. The Rotary International "Peace and Conflict Resolution" scholarship and the "First Responders" scholarship at Skagit Valley College. We had hoped to end up with \$70,000.00 which would have fully funded both scholarships. We will fall short of that amount, the exact amount will not be know until we close the books on "Remembering 911". If the after glow of "Remembering 911" is still burning a bit within your heart additional donations would be welcome. 100% of those donations received, at this point, will go directly to the two scholarships. Please direct any funds to "Remembering 911" PO Box 911 Burlington, WA 98233. These funds qualify as tax deductible under the IRS code 501 c-3 and you will receive written confirmation of funds received. Thank you for you consideration.

THE DVD – CD STORY

Many people have contacted us saying that they were sorry they missed the "Remembering 911" event, especially after talking with someone who attended. Well, we can perhaps fill that void a bit by making available to anyone a DVD or a CD of the entire event. As we speak they are being completed in the recording studios of technicians and will be ready for delivery in about two to three weeks. The CD's are priced at \$10.00 each and the DVD's at \$15.00 each. A check, in the correct amount for items wanted, made out to "Remembering 911" and mailed to "Remembering 911" / PO Box 911 / Burlington, WA 98233 will secure an order for you. As soon as the CD's and DVD's are produced they will be mailed directly to you. Please include an accurate and clearly written address of where you would like your items sent. Thanks again.

THE THANK YOU STORY

It would be impossible to pass out all the thanks that are well deserved by literally hundreds of generous people. Let us make an honest effort and try. Thanks to local vendors who gave most generously of "in-kind" contributions, individuals, businesses and organizations who stepped up and became "Major Sponsors", leaders in the community who came aboard with enthusiasm as "Advisory Board" members, those 100 plus fabulous musicians who freely gave hours of their time, numerous volunteers who worked behind the scenes in unnoticed places and finally to a Core team that guided and kept on track the "Remembering 911" event insuring that we roll into the final station and stopped at a destination called SUCCESS

THE WONDERFUL "QUOTE" STORY

Let us share some of the words that were received as follow: "WOW, What an Experience!!!!!!!"; "An experience we will cherish and remember for a long time"; "My wife stated "It was the best performance of any kind I have experienced"; "The Remembering 911 project at McIntyre Hall was elegant, moving and far exceeded spectacular"; "It was wonderful"; "Enjoyed every aspect of the performance, a beautiful and moving tribute"; "This was a weekend of many blessings and I am very grateful"; "A beautiful experience – I was sad when the last note was sung".

THE GOOD ENDING STORY

Don't you just love things that have a good ending? Well, "Remembering 911" ended in the good column. Dave and I had a wonderful ride for the past couple of years and again we give our heart felt thanks to all those who gave so much. Perhaps our lives will cross paths again sometime down the road of life and we can together enjoy a time of **PEACE**, **FRIENDSHIP and LOVE**.

Event Chair

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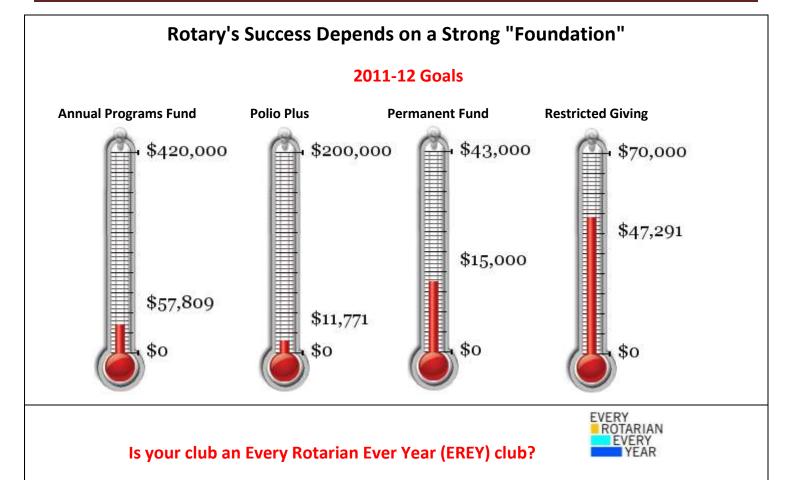


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RI President Kalyan Banerjee and DG Jane Helten's goal for The Rotary Foundation this year is EREY in which <u>every Rotarian</u> gives SOMETHING, to the Annual Giving Program of the Rotary Foundation, while averaging \$100.00 per capita to the Annual Fund. It is DG's Jane's goal to have District 5050 become an EREY district. In order to do so, everyone has to participate.

The Every Rotarian, Every Year banner is awarded to clubs that achieve a minimum of \$100.00 per capita and 100% participation with every active member contributing some amount to the Annual Programs Fund during the Rotary year. If every member of each club had contributed any amount to Annual Programs Fund, they would ALL receive the EREY banner. And, if every active member personally contributes \$100 or more to the Annual Programs Fund during the Rotary year, the club would ALSO receive the **100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member** club banner.

34 of the 57 clubs (59%) in our District contributed \$100 or more per capita for 2010-2011. Our goal is for 100% of the clubs in our District to achieve \$100 per capita with everyone contributing something. Help us to "Reach Within To Embrace Humanity".

Three clubs are over \$100 per capita for 2011-2012, based on the previous term's membership: 1. San Juan Island \$283.93 2. Stanwood/Camano Island \$126.61 3. Marysville Sunrise \$124.00

November is Foundation Month!

The District Foundation Dinner is 19 November at the Bellingham Golf & CC.

International Night



The Rotary Club of Port Coquitlam Centennial will be holding its annual International Night at 6.00pm on October 15, 2011 at the Terry Fox High School in Port Coquitlam. This is an opportunity for you and your Rotary Club members to experience the culture and food of India.

We are honoured to be welcoming the Consul General of India, Mr. Ashok Das, to our event who will also be our keynote speaker.

Please join us for a true "Evening in Bollywood" experience, enjoy authentic Indian delicacies and food, and soak up some Indian culture as you take in the many performances and presentations we have planned.

Tickets are just \$40.00 each and are available by phoning me at <u>604 945 6627</u> or by e-mail at <u>barrie@barrieseaton.com</u>

Thank you in advance for your support of this unique Rotary event and we look forward to seeing you on October 15, 2011.

barrie@barrieseaton.com. www.pocorotary.ca

South Surrey - White Rock Terry Fox Run

Despite the early morning rain, the 31st SSWR Terry Fox Run started out with a cheer. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of White Rock, Rotarians and friends, cheered on the runners as they walked, sprinted, rode and jogged to the finish line.



Dave White (left) had just completed his 31st run and at the finish line is accompanied by other runners: his wife Dayna, Rotarian Jaqui Joys, friends and clients of Dave - Brian Skare and Justin Duck.

Terry Fox was an inspiration for Dave when he started running at the age of 10. Dave's hopes of becoming an Olympian runner were shattered when, in his teens, he was badly hurt in a car accident. It was that memory of Terry Fox's determination that eventually got Dave through his difficulties and pointed him in a new direction of healing. "Terry Fox helped me to break down the barriers I was facing, giving me the strength to keep on going ".

Jaqui Joys, Rotary Club of White Rock

And the Winner Was......The Rotary Club of White Rock!

Saturday, Sept. 10th brought the community out to enjoy the White Rock Business Improvement Association Uptown Block party. Performers, artisans and local businesses took over the streets from the Central Plaza to the Whale Wall.

Once again, the Rotary Club of White Rock participated in the Chilli Cook-Off partnering with Jimmy Flynn's Celtic Snug. Chef Richard prepared an award winning Irish Chili. People were entertained by Celtic musicians and Irish dancers.

Our efforts paid off and we, using our stage name, Celtic Warriors, were awarded first prize for the best chilli. Accepting the award from Stuart Wilson of the Rotary Club of White Rock Millennium, Paul McDonough, owner of Jimmy Flynn's, Jaqui Joys and Derek Lucas of the Rotary Club of White Rock.



Speakers Bureau

This section of the PAJ lists speakers who are willing to be part of your club's program. Do you know of a good speaker? Send the information to: editor.paj@gmail.com

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Jack Rae	International Projects	Both	(604) 536-8578 bettyjackrae@shaw.ca
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Membership and Attendance Highlights for July 2011

- The number of members in District 5050 as of 31 July 2011 was 2771, a decrease of 21 since 31 Jul 2010.
- Average Attendance for the district July was 69.0%; YTD is 69.0%. Last year the average was 70.9%
- The club with the best attendance in July was White Rock Millennium with 91.7%. Second was Chilliwack with 87%.