



Rotary District 5050



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Message from the District Governor



The new Rotary year begins!

When Rotary works well, it builds on what came before. My thanks to Governor Jane and to all of those who served District 5050 this past year at the District and the club levels!

We have much to do and much to celebrate this Rotary year of **Peace Through Service**.

As Rotary International President, **Sakuji Tanaka** says- everything that we do as Rotarians is for the ultimate goal of peace. Rotarians build peace through example and by putting the needs of others above our own.

We have done much, but we have more to do. These are the **goals for the next year**:

Membership - with an increased emphasis on engaging and retaining members

Public Relations/Image - tell our Rotary stories through traditional and social media

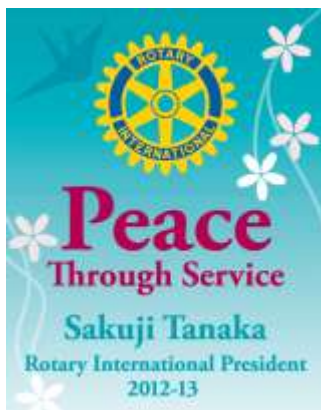
New Generations - strengthen our youth programs and start New Generations clubs and e-Clubs

Support the Rotary Foundation and PolioPlus - finish the fight to eradicate polio while continuing in our many other areas of humanitarian service

July 1, 2012 marks the start of the 25th Anniversary of District 5050. We have many reasons to be proud of our accomplishments during those years and great optimism for what we can do during this anniversary year and as we move forward into the future.

I look forward to celebrating our successes at the iRotary District Conference next year!

District Governor Sean Hogan



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The Peace Arch Journal

The monthly newsletter for Rotary District 5050

Sean Hogan
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, in a manner 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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District 5050 Hike

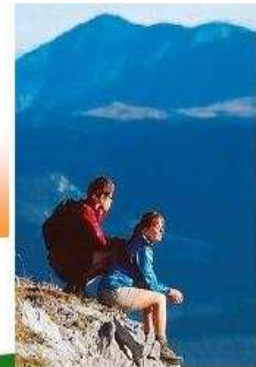
July 14th, 2012

Oyster Dome—(Near Bellingham)

Two Intensity Levels



Moderate to
Difficult
(~ 6 Hours)



Moderate
(~ 3 Hours)



After Hike
BBQ



Click [here](#) to Register

\$9.00 per person (before June 15th)
\$15.00 per person (after June 15th)



To register, email: works_for_you@yahoo.ca

District Conference Media Links

Many Rotarians have requested the to view videos that were shared at the 2012 District Conference. Videos and photos can be found on the Conference FaceBook page- Please clink on links below to view.

[Conference Photo Albums](#) [Conference Videos](#) [Conference FaceBook Page](#)

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NEW CLUB CHARTERED!

Congratulations to the members of the Rotary Club of Whidbey Westside on receiving their charter on June 25.

Charter members: Mary Ball, Celia Black, Rick Brown, John Crowser, Collin Curtis, James Doike-Foreman, Gordy Edberg, Sharon S. Edberg, Jonathan Everidge, Katie Grindon, Ed Halloran, Jane Helten, George T. F. Henny, Steve Hunnell, Gwen Jones, Katherine Lawrence, Clyde Monma, Jerry Morrison, Lauren Pool, Nan Roth, Jonathan S. Sage, Ashley Stockholm, Debbie Torget, Debora Valis, Peggy Zafarana

Your Rotary Club and the Rotary Brand

By Bob Knight, District Public Relations Chair (2012-2013)

As we begin the new Rotary year under the leadership of District Governor Sean Hogan, I want to renew my acquaintance with you as I take on the role of Public Relations Chair. I am looking forward to connecting with you as partners.

It is my desire to have a **Public Relations Corner** in each monthly edition of the *Peace Arch Journal*, and I am inviting you to participate. I am requesting that you send me short articles and pictures describing the ways in which your club has promoted your club and the Rotary brand. My email address is rdkpdk@aol.com.

Let me know who the Public Relations Chair is for your club, and I encourage your club to subscribe to the Rotary PR Tips newsletter at:

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningAClub/InformingTheCommunity/Pages/PRTipemailnewsletter.aspx>

This year we will be sending press releases to our traditional print media sites; however, we are bringing Rotarians together who understand the worlds of Facebook, Twitter, Blog, etc. I am looking forward to this time with you. I want to invite you to be one of my Facebook friends at Robert Knight (Bob Knight).

District 5050 International Projects - Partners Wanted

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

Club	Project	\$Needed	Location
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This list has been left blank on purpose. Please contact Jack Rae to have your projects listed here.

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



Special Volunteer Appeal 21 June 2012

Two special appeals for volunteers.

First, Reconstructive surgeons in Rwanda are needed. Please forward this appeal widely to Rotary clubs and to the medical profession. Surgeons, anesthetists, nurses and other non-medical support staff will be needed. See the message from Past Rotary International President Raja Saboo below.

Second, NID volunteers are needed. Polio still exists in the world. Many children in developed countries are no longer being immunized and therefore are at risk of infection from travelers to endemic countries. The only way to eradicate this crippling disease is to immunize all children in the world. Rotary International has been leading this effort for more than 25 years. With cooperation from World Health Organization, Centers for Disease Control and many world governments, success is near. Volunteer teams are needed. No medical expertise is required. See the list of NIDs (National Immunization Days) below and consider being a part of this historic effort. You will always be glad you did.

Polio NID Dates Announced: Volunteers Needed!

Many people have asked about the next opportunities to participate in National Polio Immunization Days (NID). We all hope that soon we will see the worldwide eradication of this dread disabling disease. Until then, the children of the world will not be safe and the 25 year signature humanitarian mission of Rotary International must go forward.

Volunteers from other countries are always appreciated by onsite Rotarians. Thousands of people who have gone on previous NIDs will always remember putting the drops of polio vaccine into the mouths of young children. No Medical experience is required. The following dates for Nigeria were provided by the Evanston office of Dr. Carol Pandak. Anyone who wishes to be a part of one of these highly rewarding humanitarian events may **get more information from ROTA West Region Chairman Chief Michael Olawale-Cole** at olawacole@yahoo.com or **from Carol Pandak** at carol.pandak@rotary.org. NID volunteers travel at their own expense and with groups of like-minded volunteers.

At the request of the Health Minister of Rwanda, a medical mission is contemplated for a group of plastic surgeons to repair damaged bodies resulting from the unrest there in the mid 1990's. Past Rotary International President Raja Saboo will be organizing a group of doctors from India and would welcome surgeons from other countries to build a truly international team.

PRIP Saboo expects that the medical mission would take place some time between mid-November 2012 and be completed by mid-April 2013. The actual length of time a surgeon would remain in Rwanda would will also depend upon the suitability of the host country, our own team building process and the funding arrangement. Inquiries should be sent to PRIP Saboo. rksaboo@kddl.com



For background, see the following message sent from Rwanda by PRIP Saboo:

"Last night we had a major Rotary event at which the Health Minister of Rwanda was present. This was the third meeting we had with her in the course of our stay. She was extraordinarily helpful and friendly person who has not spared any words to admire and praise Rotary. She gave a challenge and I think she was also speaking on behalf of the President and the First Lady of the country. What she spoke very emotionally is something that we need to pay attention to. As you may know, Rwanda went through genocide in which more than a million people were butchered in hundred days. Those stories are just horrible and one cannot have enough courage to listen to all of them. Anyway the health minister indicated that there are at least 2900 such people who have been disfigured bodily, their faces totally distorted and their appearance being so gruesome that they have confined themselves to their homes and are not able to come out of their houses so as not to show their body or faces to the public. The other side of it is that the government is also afraid that if they would come out, their appearance itself might trigger a revengeful action which might lead to yet another violence, disturbing the very articulated peace process that the country is going through. Can Rotary do something for them? This was the question that the Health Minister put. I discussed this matter with the Rotarians of Rwanda including Governor Fred ne Tiabu Tatumila who happens to belong to Congo and they are all excited about it."

Scheduled dates in Nigeria

30TH JUNE - 3RD JULY 2012 -
Sub National Immunization Plus Days (High Risk States only)
11TH - 14TH AUGUST, 2012 -
Sub National Immunization Plus Days (High Risk States only)
6TH - 9TH OCTOBER, 2012 -
Sub National Immunization Plus Days (High Risk States only)
1ST - 4TH DECEMBER, 2012 -
Sub National Immunization Plus Days (High Risk States only)

More about African NIDs:

ROTA South Region Chair June Weber has provided a chart from the World Health Organization (WHO) showing proposed NID dates up to May of 2013.



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2012 Golfun Golf Tournament

Please join us on August 24, 2012 for Rotary District 5050's "Golfun" Golf Tournament to benefit the Rotary Foundation & Polio Plus .



We will have a great day of golf at the beautiful **Homestead Farms Golf and Country Club** in Lynden, WA (www.homesteadfarmsgolf.com).

The event will include a 4-person scramble, goodie bags, prizes, a raffle and an awards dinner following the golf tournament.

Special Offer: Included with your online registration is a 1-year subscription to Golf Digest (a \$10 value).

To register for Golfun, please go to the District Website.

Invite your friends to play by clicking on the "Tell a Friend" button and you can send them a link to this site automatically.

Thank you for your support of the Rotary Foundation & Polio Plus.

Date: August 19, 2011

Times: 11:00 am

Fees: Individual Golfer:
\$125.00

Polio Plus: A September Musical Celebration **A Rotary Encore Performance**



SPECIAL GUEST KEYNOTE SPEAKER!

We are pleased to announce Past Rotary International President, **RAY KLINGINSMITH**, as our Keynote speaker for this event!

NEW THIS YEAR!

Special guest soloist **Mark Donnelly** (Mr. O'Canada!) will be joining us from North of the 49th to make for a truly unforgettable evening!

McIntyre Hall Performing Arts Center, 2501 East College Way, Mount Vernon, WA 98273

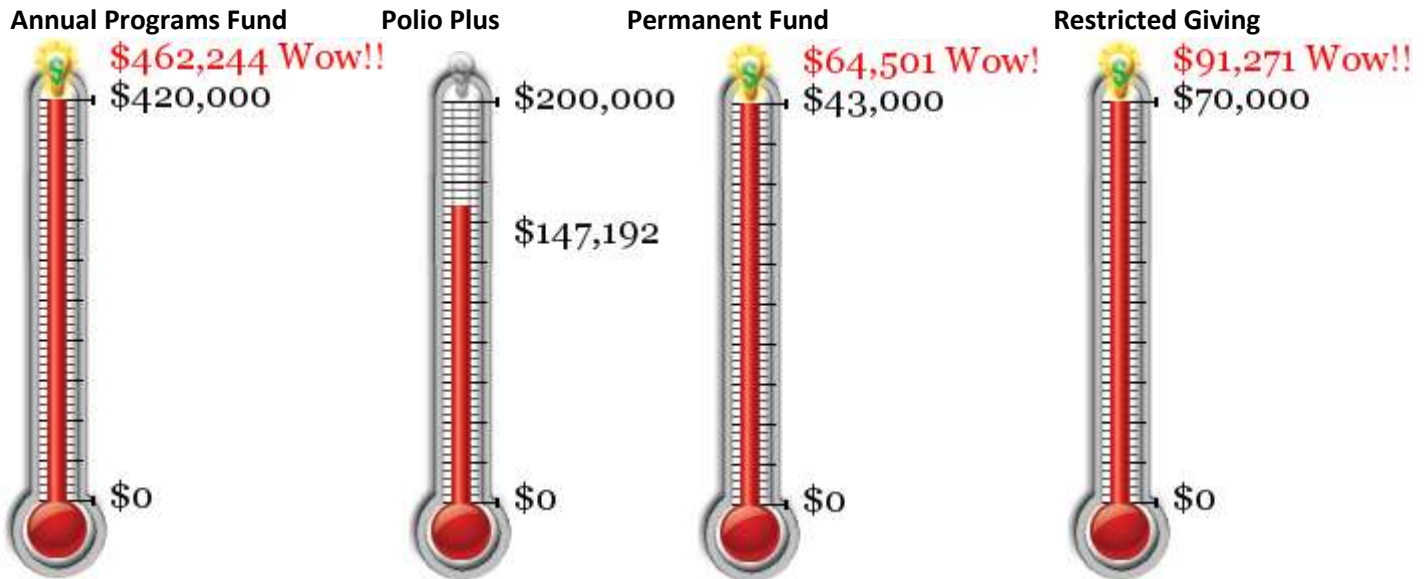
Thursday, September 6th & Friday, September 7th, 2012 at 6:00 pm

For complete details go to: <http://www.poliopluscelebration.org/>

Rotary's Success Depends on a Strong "Foundation"

As a District we are now over \$169 per capita for Annual Giving

2011-12 Goals



Is your club an Every Rotarian Ever Year (EREY) club?



36 clubs are over \$100 per capita for Annual Giving

1. San Juan Island, WA \$799.35
2. White Rock, BC \$521.33
3. Cloverdale, BC \$482.45
4. Abbotsford-Sumas, BC \$444.34
5. North Delta, BC \$385.20
6. Stanwood/Camano Island, WA \$343.94
7. Semiahmoo, BC \$304.10
8. LaConner, WA \$298.75
9. Langley Central, BC \$294.28
10. South Everett/Mukilteo \$288.96
11. Fidalgo Island, WA \$239.84
12. Chilliwack, BC \$236.99
13. Abbotsford, BC \$235.37
14. Marysville Sunrise, WA \$212.67
15. Langley, BC \$202.71
16. Coquitlam, BC \$196.75
17. Port Coquitlam, BC \$192.67
18. Whatcom County North \$180.44
19. Snohomish, WA \$172.50
20. Port Moody, BC \$163.96
21. Burlington, WA \$159.30
22. Everett, WA \$158.73
23. White Rock Millennium \$154.44
24. North Whidbey Island Sunrise, WA \$145.53
25. Mount Baker, WA \$144.59
26. Arlington, WA \$142.51
27. Langley Sunrise, BC \$132.74
28. Surrey, BC \$128.80
29. Marysville, EA \$124.77
30. Bellingham Bay, WA \$121.92
31. S Whidbey Island, WA \$119.12
32. Bellingham Sunrise \$109.78
33. Abbotsford-Matsqui, BC \$109.59
34. Sedro Woolley, WA \$106.48
35. Bellingham, WA \$104.50
36. Lake Stevens and Granite Falls, WA \$104.40

If every member, of these 34 clubs, contributes any amount to the Annual Giving Fund of the Rotary Foundation, they will all receive Every Rotarian, Every Year banners.

Top ten clubs in Polio contributions per member:

1. San Juan Island, WA \$459.68
2. Arlington, WA \$314.91
3. Stanwood/Camano Island, WA \$244.27
4. White Rock Millennium, BC \$160.56
5. Abbotsford-Sumas, BC \$154.00
6. Langley Central, BC \$127.74
7. LaConner, WA \$121.60
8. Marysville Sunrise, WA \$108.00
9. Mission, BC 100.06
10. North Delta, BC \$97.58

Rotary International announced in January that Rotarians worldwide have raised about \$202.6 million for Rotary's Challenge from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Although, we have met the Gates Foundation's Challenge, funds are still needed to eradicate Polio from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria. We are very close to eradicating Polio.

Rotary Club of White Rock Installation

White Rock Rotary, the peninsula’s oldest Rotary club, presented the prestigious Paul Harris Fellow Award to several outstanding community volunteers and philanthropists at its recent Installation Celebration that saw the gavel passed from current President Ian Lagasse to incoming President Jaqui Joys.

Accepting the gavel from outgoing President Ian Lagasse, Jaqui Joys, the new President of the Rotary Club of White Rock for 2012-2013, shared her vision for the coming term.

“In the coming year, we will look for projects closer to home to see where we can be of service in our own community,” said Jaqui. “There are five clubs on the Peninsula and we will plan some of our events as multi-club projects. Already we have done a beach clean-up and we are now in the process of planning an August picnic for disadvantaged children. We will also continue to develop our New Generations program as they are the future of Rotary.”



Left to Right: Rotary Club of White Rock Paul Harris Award recipients Jean Buchanan, Milton Carrasco (with wife Valery) and Patricia Johnston with Rotarian Robert Harris who was recently honoured by Rotary International. Incoming Rotary Club of White Rock President for 2012-2013 Jaqui Joys who will replace the bell with a gong for calling meetings to order.

\$38,000 in Scholarships Awarded

Mount Baker Rotary awarded 19 x \$2000 scholarships to graduating high school students.



Past District Governor Larry Jubie Presents a matching check for \$10,000 to New Way Ministries at the June 12 Mount Baker Rotary meeting.



Gala Concert & Dinner for the Great Blue Heron Reserve

As you may know the Rotary Interpretive Centre was given by the Rotary Club of Chilliwack and is located at the Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve. Of course, as Rotarians we are extremely proud of this successful Rotary undertaking.

The Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve Society* is sponsoring a gala event featuring World Famous recording artist Al Stewart** and guitarist extraordinaire Dave Nachmonoff. All proceeds will benefit the Society. The Society supports the preservation of the wetlands and wildlife of the Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve. The Great Blue Heron is a species at risk whose habitat includes areas throughout southern British Columbia and the western United States.

On September 7th, the Society is hosting an intimate concert and elegant dinner at The Conservatory at Minter Gardens, a 32 acre world class show garden. Cocktails at 6. Dinner at 7, Concert at 8. Please see the poster on page 9 for more details.

There is a hotel package with transportation available to complement your stay. If you can't make it to the event you can still support the good work of the Society by passing this note on to a few friends that you think may be interested.

*The Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve Society is a registered non-profit society staffed by volunteers. Please visit www.chilliwackblueheron.com to learn more.

**Al Stewart continues his career as a prolific and talented songwriter and entertainer. His accompanying guitarist and vocalist Dave Nachmanoff will "WOW" you. Al Stewart is perhaps most famous for his signature song and multimillion seller "The Year of the Cat". However numerous other songs, including "Time Passages" achieved platinum status.

Al Stewart Biography: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Al_Stewart

YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=QM7LR46srQU

submitted by Mike Hamel, Rotary Club of Chilliwack



GREAT BLUE HERON
NATURE RESERVE

Warmly invites you to celebrate our 10th Anniversary at a
Gala Concert and Dinner
with
Al Stewart & Dave Nachmanoff
(creator of "Time Passages" and "Year of the Cat")



Friday, September 7, 2012
The Conservatory at Minter Gardens
52892 Bunker Road, Rosedale, B.C.

- 6pm bar
- 7pm dinner
- 8pm concert

Share a memorable evening with friends!

Tickets are \$125 and include a \$40 tax receipt. To purchase tickets go to: www.chilliwackblueheron.com and click on "Events" or call (604) 823-6603.



ROYALTY
INTERNATIONAL

The Rotary Interpretive Centre was gifted by The Rotary Club of Chilliwack and is located at The Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve.

All proceeds to support the Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve
Generously sponsored by:



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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Wayne Leach	TRF Permanent Fund	Can	(604) 313-1102 wayneleach@me.com
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Frank Jarvis	New Generations	Both	(604) 591-6685 franktalk@shaw.ca

Membership and Attendance Highlights for May 2012

- The number of members in District 5050 as of 30 May. 2012 was 2805, an increase of 13 YTD.
- Average Attendance for the district in May was 73.9%; YTD is 73.4%. Last year the average was 70.9%
- **The club with the best attendance in May was Skagit Mount Vernon with 97%.** Second was Abbotsford-Matsqui with 93%. Third was Lake Stevens with 89.6%.