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**Rotary**

**DISTRICT 5050**

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## DESEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT MONTH



*Season's Greetings*





# Introducing... District Governor 2019-2020 **BRAD WHITTAKER**



**Brad Whittaker  
and Kim Isaac**

Brad and his wife, Kim Isaac, live with their dog Rosie and three cats in Chilliwack. He has two sets of stepsons who live in B.C.

He has held the position of Director of Research Services and Industry Liaison at the University of the Fraser Valley in Abbotsford for the past 16 years, a record given the number of careers he's had in the past. He has been a high school teacher, college lab instructor, liquor store clerk, house builder, director of a provincial environmental health project, consultant to Health Canada, coordinator for the Fraser Basin Council, manager of a college campus, and co-owner of a public relations and communications firm.

Brad has a BSc in biochemistry, a professional teaching certificate, and a masters' in public administration.

Brad was born and grew up in rural Vancouver Island, an idyllic place for a young lad. He played many different sports and started his volunteer public service as president of the student council in grade 10. He has continued this service in various forms and has been involved as a volunteer in several organizations including president or chair of ElderCollege Chilliwack, Fraser Valley Watersheds Coalition, Chilliwack Social Research and Planning Council, and Chilliwack Community Arts Council.



**Brad Whittaker nominated as District Governor for 2019-20**




**Please join me in congratulating Brad Whittaker who will be Rotary District 5050's District Governor for 2019-2020!**

**Our Rotary District is in great hands!**

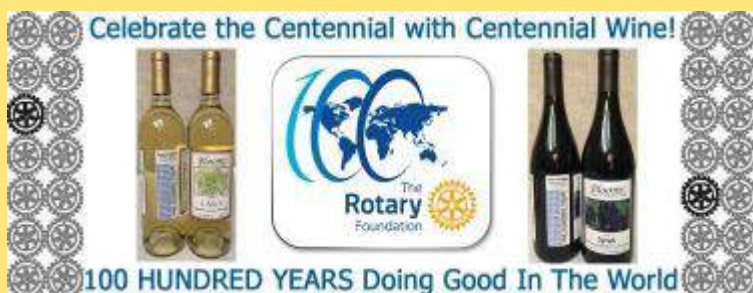
**Scott Dudley, District Governor**

Brad is currently serving as Assistant Governor for the Abbotsford and Mission Rotary clubs. and is a faculty member of the Rotary Leadership Institute. Brad is a member of the Chilliwack Rotary Club.

In 2002, his colleague, Ian Fenwick, invited him to join the Rotary Club of Chilliwack where off key singers were allowed to sing in public. The reason Brad joined Rotary was to network with others, do more locally and become involved in international projects. He has stayed for those reasons but along the way has also discovered friendship, both at the club and district levels. He enjoyed being President of the club in 2012-2013. He currently serves at the district level as Assistant Governor for Area B (Abbotsford-Mission), a member of the faculty of the Rotary Learning Institute, and a member of the Visioning Team.

Brad is humbled and hono(u)red to be nominated as District Governor Nominee Designate. He sees this as a great opportunity to do more, give back, and make a difference. He looks forward to serving each member and each club in the District and helping them have a great Rotary experience.

Brad's hobbies include travel, theatre, gardening (sometimes with a chainsaw), sports (formerly as a jock, now a spectator), and photography. He has survived chasing grizzly bears unarmed, travelling with livestock on the decks of cargo boats, and living in - 40 degrees (C and F) in northern Saskatchewan.



**Thanks to our hard working District 5050 Foundation Chair, Jane Helten, for this wine-derful fundraiser idea! Blooms Winery on Whidbey Island is offering specially labelled wine with net proceeds to The Rotary Foundation. Orders must be made before December 31. Visit the District website for the order form: [www.district5050.org](http://www.district5050.org), Special thanks also to Blooms for making it happen!**

-PDG Sean Hogan





## Celebrate with us in Atlanta John & Judy Germ

*I joined Rotary as an engineer.*

*There are almost as many classifications in the profession of engineering as there are in Rotary, but I happen to be a mechanical engineer. A mechanical engineer calculates the heating and cooling loads for a new building, makes sure the right lights are in the right places, and plans the plumbing so your hot water pipe doesn't end in a drinking fountain.*

*Mechanical engineers don't stand out in a crowd, and they don't call attention to themselves with what they do. You probably haven't thought much about the engineers who designed the buildings you use, the car you drive, or the traffic patterns you follow. But every time you get in an elevator, turn the key in your ignition, or cross the street when the light says go, you are entrusting your life to an*

*engineer somewhere whom you've never met. You trust that your elevator will open at the floor you want it to. You trust that your car will start and stop as it should. You trust that the traffic light is going to turn red before the walk light goes on. Every day, you put your life in the hands of people whose names you do not know and whom you might never meet. You might not think about them at all – but they touch your lives every day.*

*I could draw the same parallel to any number of other vocations – ordinary occupations with the same kind of life-changing impact. In so many ways – some of which we see and some we don't – our vocations allow us to help other people live better, safer, and healthier lives.*

*Just like the work we do in Rotary.*

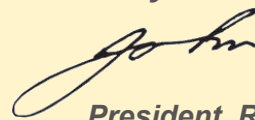
*Through our vocations and in our clubs, in our communities, and*

*across continents, we are touching the lives of people we don't know and might never meet. And in every part of the world, every single day, whether they know it or not, people are living better, safer, and healthier lives because of the work of Rotary.*

*The people we help might not have met a single Rotarian. They might not even know that Rotary exists; but-*

- ▶ *They are drinking clean water from a bore well that Rotary dug.*
- ▶ *They're learning to read with books that Rotary gave them.*
- ▶ *They're living lives that are better, happier, and healthier.*

*because of  
Rotary Serving Humanity.*



**John F. Germ**  
President, Rotary International



# THE PEACE ARCH JOURNAL

The Monthly Newsletter of District 5050  
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## Scott Dudley District 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 and beyond.

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**.

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## THEME OF THE MONTH DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Rotary's top priority is the eradication of polio, but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. They set up health camps and training facilities in undeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria. They also design and build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who can't afford to pay for health care.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.

### EVERY ROTARIAN CAN

### LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR EFFORTS TO END POLIO

### BROWSE ROTARY SHOWCASE FOR MEMBER PROJECTS HELPING TO FIGHT DISEASE

### FIND A PROJECT TO SPONSOR ON ROTARY IDEAS

### CONTACT MANAGER FOR DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



YEARS OF DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

1917 - 2017

**100 YEARS OF DOING GOOD**  
Our commitment continues for  
another century and beyond!

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## Rotary Day at the UN Highlights role of business in building a better world

**12th November 2016**

From the United Nations' earliest days in the aftermath of World War II, the organization's humanitarian mission has always dovetailed with Rotary's efforts to administer aid and build peace. This year's Rotary Day at the United Nations, 12 November, will highlight the role businesses can play in that collaboration as we work toward a more just and equitable world.

The theme of this year's gathering at UN headquarters in New York City, "Responsible Business, Resilient Societies," recognized Rotary's role at the intersection of commerce and cause. As leaders in their professions and communities, Rotary members often use their professional skills and networks to advance social causes, particularly economic development.

The six Rotary Responsible Business honorees and two business partners were recognized at the UN gathering for their inclusive business practices and outstanding contributions to improving their communities.

### Honorees:



**JUAN SILVA BEAUPERTHUY, Rotary Club of Chacao, Venezuela:** For 25 years, Beaupertuy has helped keep disadvantaged youths on the right track through Queremos Graduarnos, an education program focused on mentoring and skill development, with support from his engineering firm. Today, the program serves over 700 students in 18 schools.



**JEAN-PAUL FAURE, Rotary Club of Cagnes-Grimaldi, France:** To encourage young professionals and provide promising new businesses with training and funding, Faure launched a business contest called Le Trophée du Rotary. Now in its seventh year, the program has drawn support from a major bank and has kept past participants involved as mentors.



**SURESH GOKLANEY, Rotary Club of Bombay, India:** Goklaney, executive vice chair of a large manufacturer of UV water purification systems, has led efforts to provide clean water in rural villages and impoverished urban areas throughout India. The project has also established centers where local women can sell clean water to generate income.



**ANNEMARIE MOSTERT, Rotary Club of Southern Africa, South Africa:** Mostert formed Sesego Cares, a Johannesburg-based nonprofit, in 2005 to offer education and job training, and to teach entrepreneurship and leadership development to women and children. She also worked with TOMS Shoes to mobilize 70 clubs in the country and provide 1.3 million pairs of its shoes.



**STEPHANIE WOOLLARD, Rotary Club of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia:** After meeting seven illiterate craftspeople during a visit to Nepal, Woollard founded Seven Women to help Nepalese women make products to sell abroad. The program, which has trained and employed more than 1,000 women in the last decade, also teaches basic bookkeeping and computer skills.



**LARRY WRIGHT, Rotary Club of Taylor, Michigan, USA:** A master gardener, Wright started his landscaping business with a bank loan in the 1970s. In 2013, he led an effort to adapt a microfinance model, which had succeeded abroad, to support entrepreneurs in bankruptcy-era Detroit, offering microloans, business classes, and mentorship.

### Business partners:

**Coca-Cola Pakistan** has supported the Rotary Pakistan National PolioPlus Charitable Trust since 2010 to promote vaccinations and awareness, particularly through publicity and projects to provide clean water, in one of the few remaining polio-endemic countries.

**Mercantil Banco Universal** supports a project that has trained 6,000 students in 40 universities across Venezuela in social responsibility and leadership, with the goal of encouraging students to use their academic knowledge to respond to the challenges of underserved communities.

The Responsible Business program, drew 1,500 participants, will include a recognition ceremony for the honorees, as well as panel discussions and youth activities.

Speakers and breakout sessions focused on aspects of responsible business, such as education, innovation, partnerships, the needs of the world's poorest people, the empowerment of women and youths, and how these issues relate to the Sustainable Development Goals, the UN's ambitious framework for eliminating global poverty by 2030.



(Above) John Hewko and Per Saxegaard of Business for Peace Foundation are at Rotary Day at the United Nations discussing the idea of responsible business.

**WATCH THIS VIDEO**

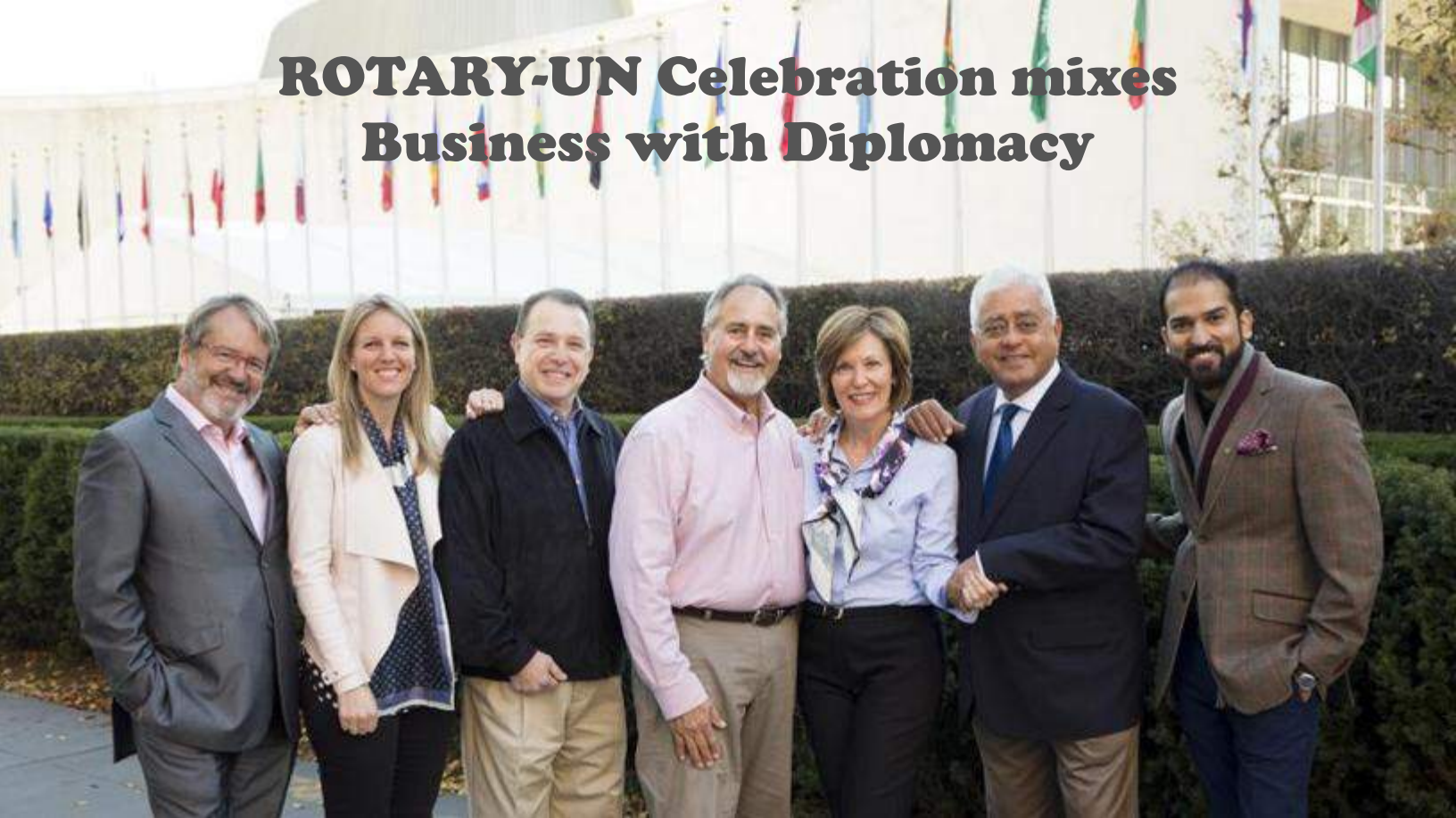
(Below) John Hewko and Fahad Qadir of Coca-Cola discuss best practices for becoming a responsible business and how Coca-Cola and Rotary work together to improve communities.



**WATCH THIS VIDEO**



# ROTARY-UN Celebration mixes Business with Diplomacy



**The Rotary Responsible Business honorees are, from left: Jean-Paul Faure, Stephanie Woollard, Mercantil Banco Universal representative Luis Calvo Blesa, Larry Wright, Annemarie Mostert, Suresh Goklaney, and Coca-Cola Pakistan representative Fahad Qadir. (Not pictured: Juan Silva Beauperthuy.)**

Photo Credit: Monika Lozinska/Rotary International

Outside the United Nations building in midtown Manhattan stands an imposing sculpture of a man wielding a sword in one hand and raising a hammer with the other. It reflects a shared goal that Rotary and the United Nations celebrated at the organizations' annual meeting on Saturday, 12 November: to use our strengths and tools to build a more peaceful and just world.

The theme of this year's Rotary Day at the United Nations, "Responsible Business, Resilient Societies," emphasizes Rotary's role as a global network of business leaders using the tools of their trades to build stronger, more prosperous communities.

In his introductory remarks, Rotary International President John F. Germ drew the crowd's attention to the statue, "Let Us Beat Our Swords Into Ploughshares," as he set the tone for the day, which included breakout sessions and keynote addresses on aspects of responsible business, or the philosophy that for-profit enterprise can contribute to positive social and economic development.

"Here is where the UN and Rotary International are working side by side, equipping communities with the tools they need, and empowering them with the will to use those tools far and wide," he said.

Per Saxegaard, founder and chairman of the Oslo-based

Business for Peace Foundation, gave a keynote address on the complex relationship between business and broader society, marked by both tension and opportunity. Despite the perception that profit alone motivates enterprise, he says, commercial success and social progress are closely intertwined.

"Societal needs define markets," he said. "I have met many entrepreneurs in my career, and they all have one thing in common: They see a problem, and they say 'I can fix that, and I can do it cheaper and better.' That is the engine of innovation in business. We need that energy to solve the problems at hand," such as hunger or illiteracy. He pointed to the Sustainable Development Goals, the UN's ambitious roadmap for eliminating poverty by 2030 and highlighted the opportunity for businesses to help achieve them.

Other speakers included UN Under Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs Kim Won-soo and UNICEF polio chief Reza Houssaini, who provided an update on the polio eradication campaign.

John Hewko, general secretary of Rotary International, introduced eight Rotary Responsible Business honorees, six individuals and two corporate partners whose inclusive business practices are bringing employment, mentoring, education, and innovation to their communities.



# Making Health Your New "High" in Life

## Making Health Your New "High" in Life



### DRUG ADDICTION

Most people don't know why or how other people become addicted to drugs. They misinterpret that those who use drugs lack moral principles or willpower and that they could stop their drug at choice. But sometimes the reality is far different from the judgments we make at first glance, drug addiction is a complex disease!! And quitting usually takes more than good intentions or a strong will. Drugs change the brain in ways that make quitting difficult, even for those who want to. Fortunately, we know more than ever about how drugs affect the brain and have found treatments that can help people rehabilitate and lead productive lives.

**See how the Rotaract Club of Caduceus together with their sibling Rotaractors and Interactors in Mumbai, India, takes the message to the people.**



### Their mission?

**Taking healthcare where it's needed the most!**



### FIGHTING POLIO

Health workers like Hina work on the front lines against polio in Pakistan. She is immunizing a population on the move and fighting back against the disease.

[READ HER STORY >>](#)

### Rotary saved to fight disease



Rotary Peace Fellow Cody Griggers (University of Queensland 2010-12) lives in the Liberian capital of Monrovia, where he serves as a Communications Officer for UNICEF Liberia, focusing on the Ebola emergency response. "My current work is helping to shine the light on the realities Liberians are facing on the ground as they struggle with one of the greatest public health emergencies in history."



The Rotary Club of Truro worked for three months to help rebuild and provide necessary equipment and furniture for a primary school in Cameroon.

## The Worlds Greatest Meal to Help End Polio

**As of November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
There have been  
3,394 registered events in  
72 countries.**

**More than  
191,100 participants  
worldwide raised  
USD \$2,305,763.90.**

**A TOTAL OF  
USD \$6,917,291.70  
with Matching Grant from  
THE BILL AND MELINDA  
GATES FOUNDATION**

**This translated to  
ENOUGH FUNDS TO BUY  
MORE THAN 11,528,000  
POLIO VACCINATIONS!  
TIME LEFT TO REACH  
US\$7 MILLION  
4 WEEKS & 4 DAYS  
BY JANUARY 1ST 2017**

### TYPE OF EVENTS

**'Greatest Meal' events have ranged  
from:**

**Small (two people having lunch) to  
large lavish dinners**

**A street BBQ to a romantic dinner  
on Valentine's Day**

**A virtual meal**

**Special collections at frugal meals  
in place of a Rotary Club's regular  
meals**

**Meal time raffles and auctions**

**Events have brought in  
small amounts of \$10 up to \$10,000.**

**Events have been registered by  
Interact, Rotaract, Rotary and Inner  
Wheel Clubs, as well as by individual  
Rotarians and non-Rotarians.**



## CHILLIWACK ROTARY Celebrating Rotary Foundation

PDG Dave Robinson speaking about the Rotary Foundation at the clubs meeting.



## "Rotary at Work" Celebration Celebration of inclusive employers in Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope



## SURREY ROTARY Benin Water Wells

Dennis Fierbach is wrapping up our Benin Water Well project and has prepared a DVD of the events at each well that he will be placing on line for members to view. In addition a shorter version will be placed on of FaceBook. At the club's November meeting he presented president Ed with a plaque from Gain (who actually installed the wells and provided the training) thanking the Rotary Club of Surrey for our Funding of 5 water wells.



## WHITE ROCK PENINSULA ROTARY Newest Member Inducted

District Governor Scott Dudley and District Governor Elect Lindagene Coyle inducted our newest member Karen Moore.







It is all ears - Participants attentively listening to  
Past District Governors Bill Robson (below left) and Rod Thompson (below right)



**Congratulations to  
Beth Barlow and Kim McLandress  
OUR NEWEST GRADUATES**



**JOIN LEADERS  
EXCHANGE IDEAS  
TAKE ACTION**

## Rotary Leadership Institute 2016

Another fabulous day of fellowship and learning at the Rotary Leadership Institute in District 5050 on November 19th.

Did you miss the chance to attend one of Rotary's top learning events?

**MARK THESE DATES FOR THE NEW YEAR  
ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLI)  
PARTS ONE, TWO AND THREE**

**REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN**

**JANUARY 21, 2017**

**Best Western Skagit Valley Inn  
and Conference Centre,  
MOUNT VERNON, WA**

▼ **Members continue discussion through lunch time** ▼







ROTARY CLUB OF CHILLIWACK

## WORLD'S GREATEST MEAL

### Event #3150 from Canada

Number of participants in the meal :      Total donation to TRF Polio Plus program:

**130**

**US\$3,595**

**Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley**  
(accompanied by his wife PDG Juliet Riseley)  
was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the  
Rotary Club of Chilliwack on Friday October 21, 2016.

An additional charge to our regular meeting cost was added to allocate to the WGM. This was \$7 CDN per ticket, which then received the Government of Canada match of two times and the Gates Foundation match of two times - giving \$35 per ticket CDN to the Polio Plus campaign and our WGM event. This translates into \$3,595 USD using the current Rotary official exchange rate.



*Message from Carol Tichelman,  
President, Rotary Club of Chilliwack*

#### ROTARY CLUB OF EVERETT

## Rotary Honors Four Students of the Month

The Rotary Club of Everett on November 15 honored Everett students Rayna LaFave-Clark and Zachary Demars of Cascade High School, Emmerson Hunter of Sequoia High School and Michael Larson of Everett High School as Rotary Students of the Month.

Each month the club recognizes outstanding area high school students for their accomplishments and their promise.

LaFave-Clark wants to fight cancer, and will study for a career as an oncologist. Demars is seeking a career that combines innovation and service to others. Hunter, who is ASC president at Sequoia, hopes for a career in fashion design. After a difficult childhood, Larson was encouraged by his older brother to develop his leadership skills. He plans to attend the University of Washington, Gonzaga or Pepperdine.



**EMMERSON HUNTER**  
of Sequoia High School



**MICHAEL LARSON**  
of Everett High School



**RAYNA LAFAVE-CLARK**  
of Cascade High School



**ZACHARY DEMARS**  
of Cascade High School

In May 2016 the Rotary Club of Everett provided \$180,300 in scholarships to students from the Everett area. In September the club kicked off its Centennial Year celebrations by committing \$100,000 in grants and other support for college-bound students in the Everett School District's AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) program.

Read "ROTARY HONORS TEENS" in

**CLICK HERE**

**HeraldNet**  
EVERETT, WASHINGTON





ARLINGTON

## Meno Halloween Party Fireside 2016

Friday night October 28, 2016 the Meno's hosted their annual Halloween Party and Fireside for the Rotary Club of Arlington and their families. It was a great night of gathering together to share in the fun of Halloween.

Rotarians sampled some wonderful chilis, ate great food and enjoyed Kimberly's cobbler.

The kids had a great time playing and the costumes were creative and fun. In all, it was a great night for Rotarians and their families to gather together and enjoy the fun of the Holiday.

The Winners of our annual Halloween Costume Contest were:



**MARK AND JOLA BARNETT with  
THE BEST COUPLES COSTUME  
dressed as Pirates**

*Fellowship is wonderful;  
it illuminates life's  
pathway;  
spreads good cheer;  
and is worth high price.*

*Paul Harris*



**Together  
WE  
Achieve  
More**



## PORT COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL Best Businesses Recognized

The best businesses in Port Coquitlam — as voted on by the public — were celebrated by the city at a special ceremony this week.

What's On! PoCo magazine co-owned by Angela Andersen, one of the past presidents of Rotary Club of Port Coquitlam Centennial, scored the home-based business award.

What's On! PoCo has been also a strong supporter of our Club, giving free coverage in each issue of the magazine.

What's On! Helps businesses connect!

**(Right) Port Coquitlam  
Centennial Rotary Club's Past  
President Angela Andersen is all  
smiles when she won the Award  
for one of the Best Home Based  
Businesses in Port Coquitlam.**



**MATT ROLF with the MOST  
CREATIVE COSTUME as  
Buddy the Elf**



**JOHN SIMIYU with the MOST  
AUTHENTIC COSTUME as a Wild  
West Sheriff .**



## Grade Road Repaired

The rebuilding of Grade Road between the 30th St NE/ Catherine Drive intersection and the 32nd St NE intersection is complete. When the installation of a guardrail on the east side of the roadway is done the City will reopen the roadway. It has been closed since a year ago this month due to the undermining of the roadway by Catherine Creek which runs alongside the road on the east side. The creek had been eroding the earth under the road for a long time. The City had been monitoring this, but, one Monday morning, it was decided--rightly so--that the lack of dirt created a huge hazard for the traveling public.

Because of environmental issues and the requirements related to fish spawning streams, the City as forced to delay the rebuilding of the road until there was very little flowing water in the Creek. Marshbank Construction of Lake Stevens was given the contract to rebuild. Local company, local jobs. Here are photos of the finished road. In a recent memo, City Councilman Sam Low thanked residents along and adjacent to Grade Road for their patience for the past twelve months.

Broad view of the edge of the creek adjacent to Grade Road. The creek is by the logs and heads south to the standing trees. The

large grey rock pile in the forefront is to disperse the runoff from the road surface. There's three of these in this section.



This is a close up of the rip rap in the creek bed.

These stalks will soon grow into bushes that will be used by numerous animal life in the stream bed.



# Lydia

## PLACE

*every family  
deserves a home*

ROTARY CLUB OF BELLINGHAM

## Raise the Roof

### PROJECT DETAILS:

The Rotary Club of Bellingham support of this project will add a full second story to the existing facility, providing 900 additional square feet of program space for the expansion of the Parent Support Program and Family Services Program. This expansion is badly needed and long overdue. Lydia Place has doubled its capacity and programming in recent years, while the physical space has remained unchanged. Lydia Place is committed to our mission and dedicated to "Strengthening Families, Building Futures"

The Rotary Club of Bellingham is raising \$100,000 to fund the second phase of a two-part building project for Lydia Place. The first phase, an \$80,000 remodel of the program space next to the Transitional Living Facility is being funded by Bellingham Bay Rotary. Our \$100,000 contribution will add a full second story, 900 square feet, housing the Parent Support and Family Services Program.

### LYDIA PLACE HISTORY

Lydia Place is a 501(c)3 community based non-profit corporation established in 1989 by a small but dedicated group of local women who wanted to help homeless mothers with children. Lydia Place has been serving homeless families in our community for over 26 years and now serves over 300 households a year. Lydia Place has doubled its capacity and deepened its breath of services to meet the growing and changing needs of the community. Today, in addition to the original Transitional Housing Program, Lydia Place now operates the Supportive Services Program, the Community Re-Housing Program, Family Services Program, the Baker Place Campus, and our newest addition, the Parent Support Program. These programs are collaborations with our various community partners including United Way of Whatcom County, Bellingham Housing

Authority, Opportunity Council, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services, Whatcom County, and the City of Bellingham.

### GOVERNANCE

Lydia Place is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors and relies heavily on our local community for financial and in-kind support. Lydia Place maintains a very diverse funding stream: 76% of our annual budget comes from the community (Whatcom County Health Department (12%), Bellingham Housing Authority (10%) and the City of Bellingham (10%). Additional support comes from: fund raising events (18%), private donations (11%), revenue from the Lydia Place Wise Buys thrift store (8%), and local foundations (7%). Roughly 80% of our services are provided to homeless families in the City of Bellingham.







## A Scary Halloween Night in Surrey-Newton

The dark Halloween nights are always scary. Yet the first time in Surrey this darkness fell on 23 October, a week for the official date for Halloween.

Little did the Rotarians bargain for, when District Governor Scott Dudley walked in dressed as a Surgeon carrying a donation box marked "Human Organ".

**It is not uncommon that a District Governor may solicit monetary donations during his visit to Rotary Clubs. Human Organ Donations? There is always a first time in Rotary!**



**Lesson learned:** If you celebrate Halloween before than anyone else, all the unwanted, scary guests (ghosts?) may walk in.

The good thing is, DG Scott related his story to the Rotarians, the height of the moment when he turned a "TRUE ROTATIAN".







## ROTARY CLUB OF ABBOTSFORD-SUMAS Guatemala Literacy School Bus Program

The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas is requesting District 5050 Rotary Club's to assist us in providing the much needed funds for the District 5050 Literacy Library Bus in Guatemala that has been operational for a number of years.

### Background:

On February 2015 a container of 280 new wheelchairs were delivered and distributed by six Rotary club members and the CEO of Inspired by Vision with the assistance of the host clubs, Guatemala City Rotary Club and Antigua Rotary Club.

On that trip we delivered a cheque from the Rotary Club Abbotsford-Sumas for \$2,500.00 and a cheque that was written by District 5050 to support the Literacy School Bus in Guatemala.

I had the honour to present the cheques to Rotarian Rigoberto Zamora of Antigua Guatemala on behalf of the Rotary Clubs. The District 5050 cheque was from funding by the LaConner Rotary Club and I believe the Tri-Cities Rotary Club?!

### The Target:

Next year (February 20 - 27, 2017) The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas along with members from the Rotary Abbotsford club, Rotary Abbotsford -Matsqui club and the Rotary Chilliwack club, are delivering and distributing another container of 280 new wheelchairs to Guatemala.

### The Goal:

The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas club members have committed \$2,500.00 to present to Rotarian Rigoberto Zamora (Antigua), to ensure we help in a small way in the continuation of this much needed Literacy Program.

We had the opportunity in February 2015 to go out on the bus into the back country of Antigua and see the excitement on the children's faces when the



bus arrived at their school. Each class room had only 20 minutes to read the books on the school bus before the next class arrived.

FYI: the one "school" we stopped at (see photo's below) held 350 students with 3 teachers !

The children come to the school in rags and change back into their own "cloths" before walking home into their villages. The students are washed at the school, given uniforms to change into before class that must be left at the school each day.

I am hoping other Rotary Club's will once again help in keeping this important school literacy library bus keeps running.



With no books in the schools, this is the only opportunity that is available currently to provide reading material for the children. Literacy Matters to get these children out of poverty, to change their lives and the lives of their families!

We have provided some photo's for the District 5050 club's to review. We cannot stress enough how important and crucial this program is for the children in this developing country !!

Any financial assistance the District 5050 Rotary Club's can provide will be much appreciate by the children of Guatemala.

Please send donation to Rotary Abbotsford-Sumas Guatemala Literacy Program c/o Michael Adkins, #101-P.O. Box 8000, Abbotsford, BC V2S 6H1







**MISSION YOUTH WERE THE BIG WINNERS** when the Rotary Club of Mission brought Illusionist Murray Hatfield to the stage at the Clarke Theatre recently. Overwhelming support by businesses and individuals in the community allowed the club to hand out many free tickets to children through Mission schools, and raise \$13,000 earmarked for youth programs.

Hatfield performed an afternoon and evening show targeted at families. Young and older alike were thrilled with the many feats of illusion presented at the two shows. Added thrills were provided by the local

### ROTARY CLUB OF LANGLEY SUNRISE Rwanda Mission Banquet



Paul and Elizabeth are two of our members who have moved to Rwanda to immerse themselves in a life of Service.

Pretty amazing people doing incredible work. But they need our help! They are having a Banquet on Saturday to raise awareness and funds

for their current projects.

Please join us for a Rwandan Mission Banquet with The Royal Heirs to hear what the Johnsons have accomplished in the last year in Rwanda.

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magicians who entertained in the lobby during intermission.

The success of the fund-raiser gives the club the ability to get its Starfish Pack Program off the ground. Started in Abbotsford, the program is aimed at school children who partake in school breakfast and lunch programs. While the school programs help during the week, the children often go hungry on the weekends. The Starfish Packs are filled with nutritious food and send home with the children on Fridays. They bring back the empty pack on Mondays, and it is filled again for the next weekend. The recent fund-raiser not only provided the club with the program start-up costs, but it also raised awareness among many community businesses and individuals.

Rotarian Louise Lacerte said the generosity of Mission businesses and individuals was overwhelming. In addition to sponsoring the fund-raising event, some have already come forward to sponsor a pack for the coming year, she said. Each Starfish Pack costs about \$525 for the year.

In addition to the Starfish Pack, funds from the fund-raiser will go to a variety of programs focused on youth development. The focus of the club this is building strong community through developing its youth.

Contact: [lacertela@shaw.ca](mailto:lacertela@shaw.ca), Ph: 604-302-5480

### ROTARY CLUB OF ABBORSFORD 5 Community Charities Funded



**(L-R):** Bev Olfert, Abbotsford Youth Commission, Rotary President Sara Lawson, Liz Harris, Fraser Valley Health Care Foundation, Melissa VanGenderen, Emmanuel Free Reformed Church, Sophia Suderman, Abbotsford Arts Council and Bev Hasenpflug, Chair of Rotary's Community Grants Committee.

The Rotary Club of Abbotsford had a packed house on Tuesday as cheques were presented to 4 of the 5 community charities being awarded funding to help support local initiatives that will benefit children, youth and seniors in Abbotsford. This support is made possible thanks to the Rotary Club of Abbotsford's annual Million Dollar Hole-in-One event held this past June.

"A total of \$15,000 dollars is now being given back to the community with acknowledgement and thanks to the many wonderful sponsors, donors, volunteers and participants who supported this year's Hole-in-One event in being such a great success and it brings me great joy to present funding to these 5 community organizations on behalf of our Rotary Club" expressed President Sara Lawson.

President Sara went on to say "These 5 recipients are examples of the tremendous people in Abbotsford who are adding value to people's lives, every day, and that is something our club supports wholeheartedly! Keep up the amazing work that you are doing in our community!"





**ROTARY CLUB OF ABBOTSFORD-SUMAS**

## Wheelchair Delivery to Guatemala

On February 2015, with six members of the Abbotsford-Sumas Rotary Club and with the wheelchairs purchased by the Rotary Chilliwack and Rotary Club Abbotsford plus our club's partner Inspired by Vision (Grand Prairie) a container of 280 new wheelchairs were delivered to Guatemala City & Antigua, Guatemala. The hard work on the -ground in Guatemala was done by our club partnering with Rotary Club's of Guatemala City and Rotary Club of Antigua for the needs assessments and arrangements for the wheelchair delivery prior to the Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas arrival.

The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas is currently in the process of delivering another 280 new wheelchairs to Guatemala to be distributed February 2017, to individuals and hospitals that are in dire need of them. Once again a number of Rotary Club members along with our partner Inspired By Vision, will travel to Guatemala City and Antigua in February 2017 to assemble the wheelchairs and personally deliver them to 280 recipients. This delivery however has additional partners. The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Sumas is honored and proud to announce the Rotary Club of Chilliwack, the Rotary Club of Abbotsford, the Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Matsqui and Inspired by Vision (Grand Prairie) are partners in this financial and hands on project. These are no ordinary wheelchairs. They are crafted to be extra durable and to endure the harsh terrain of rural roads and the tests of time.

Thanks to the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation, these special wheelchairs can be delivered anywhere in the world at this incredibly low cost of \$195.00 per chair (they retail for over \$600.00). If you wish to donate to the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation, please contact Rotary Abbotsford-Sumas c/o Dr. Ron Lewis at rlewiso1@shaw.ca or Michael (Mike) Adkins at adkinsfamily@shaw.ca

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## Anacortes Rotary raises \$80,000 to support mental health program

The Anacortes Rotary Club recently raised \$80,000 that will help fund a social worker as part of the Mental Health Intervention Program in the Anacortes School District.

"Rotary's support for this program really exceeded our expectation, an amazing response," Anacortes School District Superintendent Mark Wenzel said in a press release. "We have a critical need for mental health therapy and social work in our schools.

This contribution will have direct, lasting impact on the well-being and future success of our students."

The money was part of \$110,000 raised at the club's annual fundraiser, which about 200 people attended.

The previous raise the paddle record amount was \$46,000 (raised for the mental health program in 2013).

"I am proud of our community and our club for setting a new club fundraising record," Anacortes Rotary President Kevin Meenaghan said in a press release. "Especially fantastic is that every dollar for the Mental Health Program returns to the community for a much-needed program."

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**William ( Bill ) Dyke**  
**Paul Harris Fellow**  
**Bequest Society member**  
**Past President of Rotary Club of White Rock**  
**Past President Pioneer of Rotary District 5050**  
**District 5050 Foundation Past Chairman**

*Regretfully advise that our long serving Rotarian William (Bill) Dyke PHF of Rotary club White Rock passed away Friday evening May His Soul Rest In Peace Sympathy and Condolences to Family*



## ABBOTSFORD-SUMAS ROTARY Rotarian of the Year



President Tom congratulating member Ralph Payne as our club's Rotarian of the year in honor of Don Funk who was an amazing Rotarian and a member of the Abbotsford club. Ralph is a hard working Rotarian and a charter member of the Rotary club of Abbotsford-Sumas. Thank you Ralph for your service to Rotary.

### LAKE STEVENS

## Paul Harris Awards

Another exciting moment during the District Governor's visit to our Club on November 3, included the presentation of Paul Harris awards to Jim Haugen and Gary O'Rielly. Jim Haugen's was a Paul Harris award plus 7 and Gary O'Rielly was given a Paul Harris award plus 3. Each received a Paul Harris pin presented by District Governor Scott Dudley.



Pictured above : Scott Dudley, District 5050 Governor; Gary O'Rielly; Marc Baker, Assistant District Governor: and Jim Haugen.



The Surrey-Newton Rotary Club thanks everyone for their support and participation with their first annual Polio Walk this Thanksgiving weekend. We would like to our first sponsor Bruce Kehler of Canex Building Supplies for contributing in honour of his late father Abraham Kehler (1923-1990), who struggled with Polio when he was 6 years old. Despite his condition, he learned to crawl, walk and run again. Throughout the day we received many generous donations, one of which was from Mr. & Mrs. Sran Gurdev Singh Bal who not only matched our grand total for the day, but nearly tripled it. We are incredibly appreciative of everyone who helped make the event a success

and made the world one step closer to the complete eradication of Polio.

The Club raised \$7,500, with matching funds of \$15,000 from Bill & Melinda Gates, plus \$15,000 matching from Government of Canada a total of \$37,500 has been raised for Polio Fund.

340,909 children will receive polio vaccination with this contribution.



## PITCH-IN WEEK

APRIL 22-29, 2017

We have had great support from my local Rotary club of Semiahmoo (White Rock) in the past for PITCH-IN WEEK clean up events. It is our 50th anniversary this year and thanks to sponsorship from Tim Horton's we expect even more volunteers than the 632,253 Canadians that participated last year. We will be providing free garbage and recycling bags, information for successful clean ups and more!

I know as a member of the community services committee our club does seasonal clean ups around highways, parks etc. I was wondering if there is a contact person so I could offer these free bags to clubs in our district that do similar cleanups, educational activities, or community beautification projects.

Please let me know at your convenience and thanks for PITCHING IN!

### Contact

Jessica Crane, Program Manager  
PITCH-IN CANADA Volunteer Society

Registration for Pitch-In Week  
(April 22nd-29th 2017)  
opens January 15th, 2017

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**In lieu of the regular meeting on Thursday November 24, 2016, members of the Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Matsqui volunteered at the Salvation Army shelter serving dinner to the homeless.**



## **ROTARY CLUB OF WHITE ROCK President Raj at Rotary Club of Chisinau, Moldova**

**President Raj is in Moldova on a World Bank assignment. During his stay at Chisinau, he attended the meeting of the Rotary Cosmo Club of Chisinau. Here is a photo of President Raj with the President of the Chisinau Club with a couple of other members of that club.**



## **SURREY-NEWTON ROTARY CLUB Annual Food Drive 2016-17**

**The Rotary Club of Surrey-Newton held their 4th Annual Food Drive in the parking lot of the Gurdhwara Sahib Dashmesh on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 11:00 am to 6:00 pm**

**We collected food totaling 7 tons worth to approximately \$41,508 that went towards the Surrey Food Bank. For the Starfish program \$3,500-4,000 of food was collected. Throughout the day \$8,000 cash donation were also collected.**

**In total this successful food drive donations was approximately worth \$52,000.00!!!**



**A Rotary  WOW!**



## ROTARY CLUB OF LANGLEY Community Grants

Pictured below, Treasurer David Truman presents cheques for \$7500 to Pat Matowski of Langley Lodge, and \$10,000 to Karin Massar of the Langley Memorial Hospital Foundation.



## Bequest Society members

Club President Allan Richmond and Joan Richmond are thanked by District Governor Scott Dudley for supporting the Rotary Foundation by joining the Bequest Society.



## CLOVERDALE Morning Service with 3 smiles



## Paul Harris Fellow

One of the pleasant duties of District Governor Scott Dudley on his official visit was to award Paul Harris Fellowships to Trisha Evans and Bob Hillmer for their service to the club. They are joined by Past District Governor Wayne Wiebe.



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## MEADOW RIDGE

# Rotary Club delivers dictionaries to Grade 4 students

The Rotary Club of Meadow Ridge began delivering 1,050 brand-new illustrated dictionaries to Grade 4 classrooms across the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District.

The Usborne dictionaries contain more than 10,000 entries and thousands of colour illustrations.

“These are beautifully illustrated dictionaries that will draw students in and bring images to the words they are learning. Far beyond spelling skills, these dictionaries will allow students to wander through a world of words,” said Janet Smith, district helping teacher for early learning and literacy. “Providing access to high-quality books for children fosters a love of reading and nurtures literate generations.”

Every Grade 4 student in SD42 will receive a dictionary and there is no cost to parents or schools for the books.

The Rotary Club of Meadow Ridge is a long-time supporter of SD42 schools, providing scholarships and fundraising for school facilities and educational tools, such as playgrounds, sports fields and musical instruments.



**Grade 4 students were all smiles after receiving their new illustrated dictionaries.**



**Matt DeBruyn of the Rotary Club of Meadow Ridge, presenting the dictionaries to the students.**

“Our club feels the dictionary project is a great way to promote literacy in our own community,” said Matt DeBruyn of the Rotary Club of Meadow Ridge. “The quality of this Usborne Illustrated Dictionary is such that we expect it to actually inspire further learning – beyond simple item descriptions and spelling.”

**DeBruyn says the club is committed to running the dictionary project for at least three years, starting with the 2016/17 school year.**

## LANGLEY

# Medical Equipment and Supplies for Ukraine.

On November 12, members of the club and numerous volunteers loaded a container of Medical Goods and Supplies, destined for Odessa, Ukraine.

The club is paying for the shipping cost, while all the goods, valued at over \$300,000 were donated to Rotary World Help from various sources.

Rotary World Help is a registered charity operated by 35 BC Rotary Clubs.

**As of October, 2016**

**The Rotary World has shipped**

**353**

**containers to**

**61**

**countries**

**with an estimated value of**

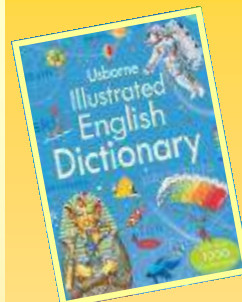
**\$124,254,000**

**benefitting**

**10,590,00**

**people.**

*Still counting...*



## About The Dictionary 4 Life Initiative

**Who is the Dictionary 4 Life aimed at?**

Primarily grade 4 & 5 children. The local Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows project is aimed at only grade 4.

### How will it benefit a child?

By using dictionaries efficiently children explore spellings, meanings and derivations for example by using alphabetical order, abbreviations and definitions with understanding. One of the most positive aspects of being able to use a dictionary is that it helps to develop autonomy and confidence in the learner — one of the core goals of education. It promotes books and the printed word. It will be a “possession” for the child. It will enable both first and second language users to extend and improve the accuracy of their vocabulary. It should help children with their homework in secondary education. In some homes it may also form a reference work for all the family.





The Rotary Club of Stanwood-Camano Island is excited about having the opportunity to work with these local student leaders where the two groups will be able to work with each other on projects, share ideas, and the Rotary Club will be able to take advantage of the energy that the students will provide.

## Christmas Spirits alive in Abbotsford-Masqui



Great community spirit this morning (Friday, November 25) at the Quality Hotel and Conference Center at the Toys For Tots Christmas Breakfast. The Rotary Club of Abbotsford-Matsqui was happy to participate and through the generosity of club members donated three boxes of toys, \$100 in gift certificates and \$690 in cash. A great way to kick off the Season.

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Former Editor of the Peace Arch Journal Bob Knight carving the beautiful roasted turkey, while his wife Pat is busy talking by phone with their daughter in Florida.

*Picture by courtesy of their grandson Branden*



Another "cellfie" from Branden. Pat is still busy chatting on the phone, and Bob is still carving the same leg of the Turkey.





*"Thanksgiving is a time for sharing and The Rotary Foundation is about sharing."*

*Rotarians have an attitude of gratitude and it was on display at this meeting and with these amazing Rotary clubs."*

**Chris Offer**  
Endowment/Major Gifts  
Advisor, Zone 24 West

Wonderful opportunity yesterday to meet many enthusiastic and generous Rotarians in Stockton, California. I was the speaker at their 43rd Annual Rotary Clubs of Stockton All City Thanksgiving Luncheon. The 4 clubs joined together for this event.



**Let's celebrate  
100 YEARS ANNIVERSARY  
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**WE BUILD COMMUNITIES  
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**WE ARE ROTARIANS!**

**WE MAKE IT HAPPEN!**





## Responsible investing for doing good

Rotarians frequently ask if The Rotary Foundation practices socially responsible investing by screening or restricting certain investments based on social, environmental, or political criteria. The answer is yes – and no.

Yes, the Foundation considers both financial and social returns when making an investment decision. Our Investment Committee encourages our investment consultant and its managers to invest in companies that comply with laws, regulations, ethical standards, and national or international norms and are aligned with Rotary values.

We also consider how each of our investment managers incorporates socially responsible investing as part of their process. Currently seven of these managers, responsible for about 36 percent of the Foundation's total assets, were signatories to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment. These principles offer possible actions for incorporating environmental, social, and governance issues – such as climate change, public and workplace safety, and shareholder rights – into investment practice. Following these principles could reduce risk, improve returns, and better align our portfolio with our mission.

Does this mean the Foundation will categorically exclude specific companies or industries from investment? That's where the "no" part of my answer comes in. Given Rotary's diverse membership and its various cultural beliefs, agreeing on such restrictions would be extremely difficult.

The Trustees of The Rotary Foundation and the Rotarian financial experts on our Investment Committee take their job very seriously. Rotarians have entrusted us with millions of dollars that they have designated to do good in the world. Our capacity to provide clean water and education, improve health care and economic development, and promote peace depends heavily on our investment income. So it is especially important that we invest your gifts wisely.

Because The Rotary Foundation belongs to all of us, we believe strongly in transparency. To that end, we have posted a wealth of information on [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org). You can find audited statements for the Foundation for the past three years and tax returns for the past six years, along with extensive material on investment practices, philosophy, and historical returns. I hope this detailed information will reinforce your confidence in our Foundation and inspire your continued generosity.

*Kalyan Banerjee*

**Kalyan Banerjee**  
Foundation Trustee Chair

Every Canadian Rotary club planning a Global Grant should watch this video. The video should also be watched by the leadership in every District with Canadian Rotary clubs. This is a must watch for District Global Grants Chairs and DRFC in Districts with Canadian Rotary clubs. With support from the Government of Canada and The Rotary Foundation a match of **6.5 to 1** is possible for your Global Grants. Learn how!!



<b>A) Rotary Club cash</b>	<b>\$ 1.00</b>
<b>B) TRF 5% administrative fees on "cash" money*</b>	<b>\$ 0.05</b>
<b>C) District Designated Fund amount</b>	<b>\$ 1.00</b>
<b>D) Government of Canada Funds (\$1 to \$1 for A+C)</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>
<b>E) World Fund (\$1 to \$2 for A+D)</b>	<b>\$ 1.50</b>
<b>F) World Fund (\$1 to \$1 for C)</b>	<b>\$ 1.00</b>
<b>Total Net available for projects</b>	<b>\$ 6.50</b>

\* The TRF 5% administrative fee is not included in the total

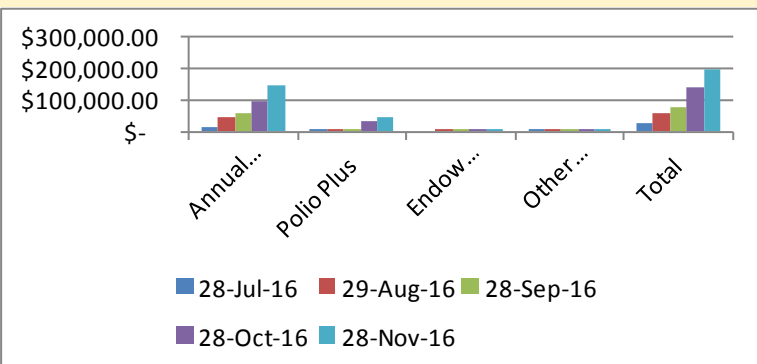


## Rotary service started here.

One of Rotary's earliest service projects was installing public toilets in Chicago. More than 100 years later, over 21 million people have access to sanitation around the world due to Rotary projects.



	JULY 2016	AUGUST 2016	SEPTEMBER 2016	OCTOBER 2016	NOVEMBER 2016
<b>Annual Giving</b>	\$ 14,468.32	\$ 45,626.43	\$ 56,622.76	\$ 95,294.46	\$ 144,454.34
<b>PolioPlus</b>	\$ 3,206.24	\$ 5,415.95	\$ 8,736.68	\$ 32,533.48	\$ 42,698.05
<b>Endowment</b>	\$ -	\$ 78.13	\$ 1,078.13	\$ 2,078.13	\$ 2,378.13
<b>Other Funds</b>	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 8,297.62	\$ 8,297.62	\$ 8,297.62	\$ 8,297.62
<b>Total combined giving</b>	\$ 23,924.56	\$ 59,418.13	\$ 74,735.19	\$ 138,203.69	\$ 197,828.14



## Annual Giving Honor Roll

Clubs over \$100 per capita:

1	White Rock	BC	\$ 214.92
2	Stanwood/Camano Island	WA	\$ 205.50
3	San Juan Island	WA	\$ 195.24
4	Langley	BC	\$ 94.73
5	South Whidbey	WA	\$ 185.42
6	La Conner	WA	\$ 176.18
7	Lake Stevens	WA	\$ 143.39
8	Abbotsford-Sumas	BC	\$ 136.01
9	Surrey	BC	\$ 128.57
10	North Whidbey Island Sunrise	WA	\$ 108.39

## PolioPlus Contributions Honor Roll

Clubs above \$100 per capita:

1	Abbotsford-Sumas	BC	\$ 166.22
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## ROTARY FOUNDATION

### Board of Trustees Decisions

#### September 2016

The Rotary Foundation Trustees met 12-13 September in Evanston, Illinois, USA, reviewing six committee reports and recording 49 decisions. Here are the highlights:

### ADMINISTRATION

The Trustees:

Elected Trustee Ron D. Burton as their chair-elect in 2017-18 and Trustee Barry Rassin as their vice chair in 2017-18

Agreed to a Rotary Foundation-branded tie and scarf, and an areas of focus-branded tie and scarf, to be available for sale beginning 1 July 2017

### FUND DEVELOPMENT

The Trustees endorsed a comprehensive \$315 million fundraising goal for 2017-18.

## PROGRAMS

The Trustees:

Agreed to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Lufthansa to help grow its Entrepreneurship Camp model for a term ending in 2020

Agreed to end Rotary's partnership with World Vision regarding the India Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools Target Challenge

Approved a three-year pilot beginning 1 January 2017 to allow low-cost shelters and simple schools within eligible global grant projects.

Approved PolioPlus grants to WHO and UNICEF for operational support, technical assistance, surveillance, and social mobilization activities in Afghanistan, Cameroon, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo, Nigeria, Pakistan, Somalia, and South Sudan

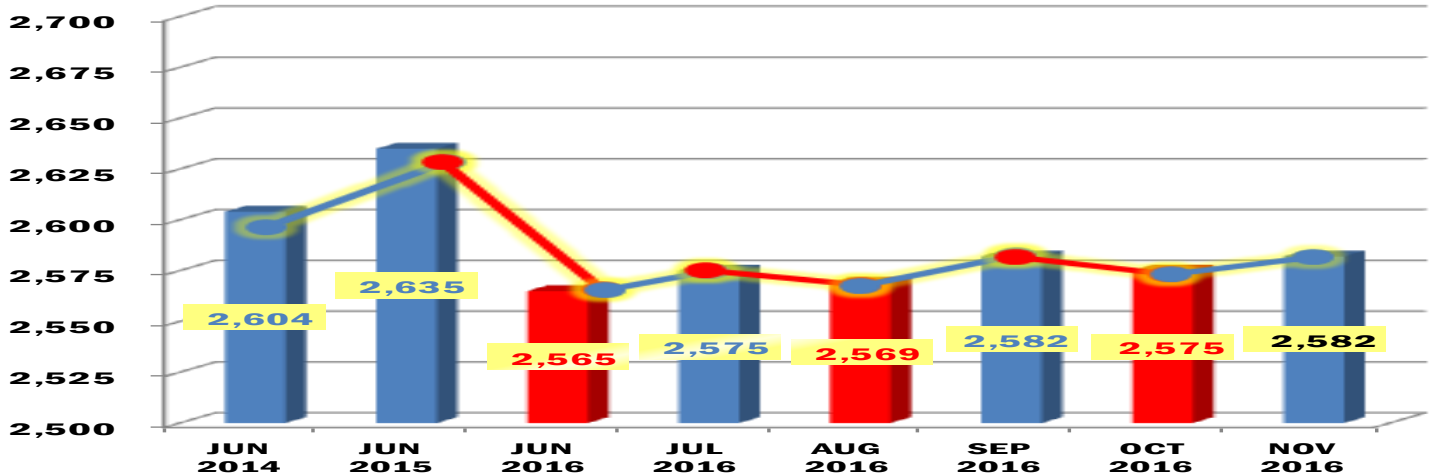
Selected the Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award recipient and the Rotary Alumni Association of the Year Award, to be announced at the 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta.

## FINANCE

The Trustees accepted the 2015-16 audited financial statements and report on The Rotary Foundation's financial results.



## DISTRICT 5050 MEMBERSHIP AT A GLANCE



# Members      Change

July 2013	2,604	●
July 2014	2,635	▲
July 2015	2,565	▼
July 2016	2,575	▲
Aug 2016	2,569	▼
Sep 2016	2,584	▲
OCT 2016	2,575	▼
NOV 2016	2,582	▲

Congratulations to the following clubs that had a net membership growth in October-November

Anacortes  
Everett  
La Conner  
North Whidbey Island  
Port Coquitlam Centennial  
San Juan Island

Accolades as well to the 18 clubs that have had net growth over July 1, 2016.

Overall club retention levels are high !

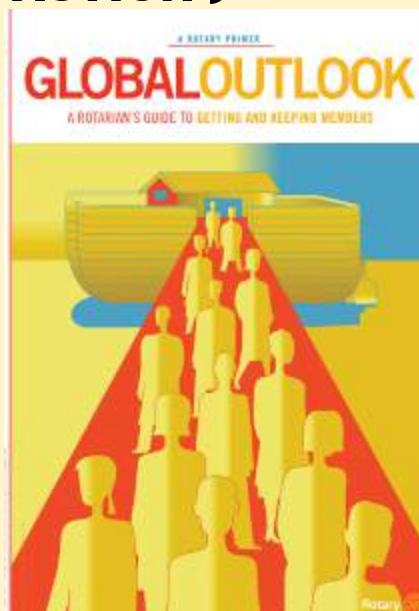
Lindagene Coyle, DG Elect District 5050  
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### TOP 10 FOR ATTENDANCE OCTOBER 2016

1.	Chilliwack	101.56%
2.	Everett-Port Gardner	100.00%
3.	Abbotsford-Sumas	90.42%
4.	Chilliwack	89.00%
5.	Meadow Ridge	82.93%
6.	Abbotsford-Matsqui	81.80%
7.	Surrey Central City	81.25%
8.	Whidbey Westside	80.00%
9.	Semiahmoo (White Rock)	79.84%
10.	Whatcom County North	77.65%

### TAKE ACTION

Not sure why your club is shrinking? Ask these questions:



1. Is my club's meeting time, format, and location convenient for members with families or younger professionals still building their careers?
2. How well does my club reflect the age, gender, and professional diversity of my community?
3. Whose interests are reflected in my club's programs?
4. Do ceremonial activities take time away from speakers, club business, project planning, and networking?
5. Does my club have a plan in place to contact guests after they



# BREAKING NEWS

**November 19, 2016 - Rotary General Secretary John Hewko and his staff biked 104 miles in the Ride to End Polio at the El Tour de Tucson. Together they raised more than \$8 million to end polio.**



## Seven Decades of Service began in a Dorm Room

In January 1946, just months after the end of World War II, The Rotary Foundation embarked on a mission to help heal the wounds from the conflict. The Foundation decided to nurture an understanding of other nations and cultures by providing scholarships to promising graduate students. The inaugural class began its year of postgraduate study abroad in the fall of 1947. That class was funded through donations to a memorial fund set up to honor Rotary founder Paul Harris, who had died earlier in the year. They were the first of more than 42,000 collegians to be granted scholarships by the Foundation over the following seven decades.

The only surviving member of the 1947-48 class of scholars is

Renán Domínguez, who had been nudged by his father, a charter member of the Rotary Club of Mérida, Mexico, to apply for the program as he was finishing his bachelor's degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He studied engineering, though he was confounded by American football and the size – and furnishings – of dorm rooms. “Every-body wonders how we can sleep on hammocks without falling off, and I wonder how everybody here manages not to fall out of the beds, which are less safe,” he mused to *The Rotarian* in a March 1948 article.

A sprightly 90, Domínguez now resides with his wife, Teresita, in Concord, Calif., driving an hour each way to attend meetings of the Rotary Club of South San Francisco. In 2013 the club began a scholarship bearing his name to help cover expenses for a high school exchange with the Rotary Club of Kishiwada in Japan. “He’ll latch on to a need and he’ll push it along,” says John Henry Fullen of his club’s senior member. “He does it in a friendly, firm, and kind way. He’s part of the lifeblood of the club.”

As a structural engineer, Domínguez worked with architects to design buildings so they don’t fall down, especially critical in the earthquake-prone Bay Area. Besides work on Rotary Plaza, a 180-plus-unit complex created and still managed by the club for low-income seniors, another crown in his career was consulting on the construction of the auditorium at the Marin County Civic Center, an enduringly futuristic Frank Lloyd Wright project. Solid footings, he says, provide the support for fanciful flourishes in concrete and steel, but service to others – as embodied by Rotary – is an undergirding of a great life. He shared his memories of his Rotary scholarship year at Illinois with *The Rotarian*.

[Read More](#)



## MEMBER'S SPOT LIGHT

# Do Nguyen Builds Schools and Understanding



Three days after he was born, Do Nguyen's family fled its small Vietnamese village during the First Indochina War. He didn't have access to school until they returned nine years later. He made up for lost time, completing high school and then college. But after he came to the United States in 1974 to earn a graduate degree, the capture of Saigon by the North Vietnamese prevented him from returning.

In the decades that followed, Nguyen

became an American citizen, co-founded a chain of video stores, and discovered Rotary, where he's now a member of the Rotary Club of Maumee, Ohio, USA, and the governor of District 6600. All the while, he dreamed of building schools in Vietnam.

Nguyen's dream has been coming true through the DOVE (Development of Vietnam Endeavors) Fund, a nonprofit he helped found in 2000. Since then, DOVE has built more

than 50 schools in Vietnam, along with 11 day care centers and three medical clinics. Nguyen has made more than 15 trips with the organization, many of whose members are Rotarians, veterans of the Vietnam War, or both.

On one visit, seeing a veteran connect with the chairman of a workshop for the blind over their bullet scars gave Nguyen's work a new meaning. "I knew then that the mission of DOVE is more than humanitarian work," he says.

**"It is about bringing love, peace, healing, and understanding between the people of Vietnam and the people of the United States."**

## Sewing skills ease job woes in Kwazulu-Natal

By Anne Stein | The Rotarian | 1-Nov-2016

**Rotarians partner with a South African group to teach sewing, computers, textiles, welding, and woodwork to Zulu people. The cost of a sewing class is \$1,323.**

Hillcrest Rotarians have co-sponsored four sewing courses, each lasting 15 sessions, for Zulu seniors or others who are unable to travel to industrial areas for employment. "There's not a lot of work available, so people have to travel for jobs. That can require taxis or buses, which are expensive," explains past District Governor Peter Dupen.

The participants – 10 or so in each class – learned to sew basic items such as cushion covers, napkins, and pillowcases on hand-operated machines. The community selected the best students from the first three classes to participate in the fourth, which used electric sewing machines donated by Embocraft and the Rotary clubs of Hillcrest, Winnipeg, Man., and Royston, England.

Hillcrest Rotarians, assisted by the Winnipeg club, made upgrades to the Phakama community center, home to the sewing training class – providing a meeting place for seniors, a kitchen area, and a day care center on the other side of the building. The club also added upgraded toilets and wash basins.



The sewing project has been a success, Dupen says, and the participants have sold a number of the items they made. Next, Rotarians will offer training to sew uniforms for the community's schoolchildren – giving the craftspeople some income and making uniforms more affordable to locals. "The whole project is very positive, and we're so happy to work with them," Dupen says.

While the picturesque Valley of 1,000 Hills outside Durban, South Africa, offers stunning scenery to visitors, job prospects for the Zulu people who live on tribal land there are bleak. Three years ago, the nearby Rotary Club of Hillcrest addressed the unemployment rate by partnering with Embocraft, a skills training group serving the province of KwaZulu-Natal. The group offers classes in sewing, computers, textiles, welding, and woodwork, with the goal of alleviating poverty.



## How Rotary Ideas brings projects to life

Members of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay, Jamaica, identified a need in their community and wanted to do something about it, but they lacked the funds to tackle the problem on their own. Read about their use of Rotary Ideas to raise funds for the project, which ultimately led to a global grant to provide 11 schools and a children's home with proper indoor bathroom facilities and drinking water.





## Rotarian fighting for Flint

The Rotary Club of Flint honored Rotarian Larry Reynolds, above, president and CEO of Mott Children's Health Center, and Mona Hanna-Attisha, director of the pediatric residency program at the nearby Hurley Medical Center, in pushing the city and state governments to admit that the lead problem was real and then in leading the cleanup efforts.

[READ MORE ON ROTARY.ORG](http://www.rotary.org)

## What does it mean to be human?

By Misaki Otani, member of Interact in District 5170 (California, USA)



## From where I stand:

Rita Lopidia | 25 October 2016



Rita Lopidia (Bradford Rotary Peace Centre 2015-17) presented at the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) open debate on women, peace, and security last week. Her moving testimony called on the UNSC to "prioritize women and girls' protection."

It was the year end, December 2013. We had many successes to celebrate—we had managed to mobilize more than 50 per cent women voters for the referendum and contributed towards the draft National Action Plan on UN Security Council resolution 1325. As I was finishing dinner with my colleagues, we heard the first gunshots. South Sudan had lapsed into conflict.

In early 2014, I traveled to Addis, Ethiopia, to attend the first meeting of civil society groups from South Sudan and the region. For months, we advocated to get women involved in the peace process. Finally, we got accredited to be part of the official delegation—seven men and seven women from civil society—after the ceasefire was signed. The ceasefire negotiation was seen as a tough job, a man's job. 'Women can come later,' they said.

Patriarchal attitudes are a major barrier to women's participation in peace processes. But so is the lack of resources and practical support for women's participation. Peace negotiations often take place in another country. Women need resources to travel, to access the process and stay long enough to advocate effectively.

Just before conflict broke out again in July 2016, the National Action Plan on women, peace and security was passed. We are using it now as an advocacy tool. But to implement it, we need political will and some measure of stability. Right now, even in Juba, when you leave your home, you don't know if you will return alive, dead, or raped.

One woman told me, 'I've been raped several times...I still have to go out and find food for my children. On a lucky day, I go out and nothing happens. On a bad day, I go out and I get raped.'

The best part of my youth has been spent working for peace. Now it feels like everyone is slowly giving up on South Sudan. But giving up is not an option for me."

[Read more stories in the "From where I stand..." editorial series.](#)

Interact members in my district are raising \$120,000 this year to aid Syrian refugees overseas and refugee resettlement in the San Francisco Bay Area. We are also raising awareness, planning service projects, and working to break the stigma associated with refugees.

## Why did we chose this project?

The main reason is because this crisis is covered a lot in the media, and the issue appears out of our hands, therefore we don't take action. This project focuses on how Interactors can make an impact internationally from their local communities. Also because this crisis is so complex, like many world issues, we're striving to educate our fellow Interactors on ways they can mindfully approach these issues and make a sustainable impact.

On a more emotional level, "What does it mean to be a human?" This is the question I ask all Interactors. Refugees are often dehumanized and looked upon as a problem. We want to break that stigma, and really

reach the core of the human connection that ties us all together.

Love, kindness, respect. Whatever your response to what it means to be a human — that is what Syrian refugees are lacking right now. It's an emotional issue, but one that drives us to seek change. As Interactors, it reminds us of our shared values, and why we value service. Why we spend countless hours planning events to raise funds, and why we care so much. Because in the end it makes you feel something. That undying connection we all have as humans, regardless of the borders that separate us.

As a district, we raise thousands of dollars every year for our international service project, but it's about more than the money. It's about the statement that we're making together.

**You are a human,  
and so am I.  
We are humans,  
and so are Syrian refugees.**



# When I give to Rotary, I get so much more back

By *Stephanie Witkowski,*  
*Rotary Club of Honolulu Pau Hana*

At 28 years old, I decided to become a Rotarian, because Rotary changed my life.

I grew up in a small town in Oregon, USA, and was a young leader in my school. When I was 15 years old, I applied to attend a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards event in Rotary's District 5110 to learn more about myself and what leadership meant to me. During that amazing week-long experience, I learned not only about how to be a better leader for my school and community, but about Rotary itself.

One of the things I learned about Rotary was the organization's commitment to international service through the Rotary Youth Exchange program. I had always dreamed of learning about another culture through an international experience with students my age. So when I was 17 years old, I applied to be a Rotary Youth Exchange student. In District 5110, they have a wonderful tradition of selecting the student's host country for them, and then SURPRISE! In 2005, I was off for a life-changing year in Slovakia.

Most students who have the incredible opportunity to study abroad speak of the experience as a pivotal moment in their life. That was certainly the case for me. While living with a host family, and studying at the local high school, I learned so much more about what it meant to be a global citizen and what my goals for my life were.

During this year, I began to appreciate different cultures and languages and what they offer to our world as a whole. This path over time led to a BA in cross-cultural communication, a



**Stephanie Witkowski, middle in blue shirt, during her Rotary Youth Exchange in Slovakia.**

Fulbright Teaching Assistant in Slovakia at age 23, followed by three years of graduate study in linguistics. My Rotary Youth Exchange experience set me on a path toward my current career (as a revitalization linguist for a Native American Tribe.)

During my educational and professional pursuits, I always kept my connection to Rotary. In summers during college, I served as a RYLA camp counselor. I wanted to give back to the next generation of young leaders and inspire them. But the truth is, I always came away as inspired by the youth and their commitment to Service Above Self.

Finally, this May, I joined Rotary to once again give back to an organization that gave so much to me. But again, I find that when I give to Rotary, I end up receiving so much more.

***Stephanie is one of 13,594 people who used Rotary's Member Center in 2015-16 to express their interest in Rotary.***



**Stephanie Witkowski during her induction into the Rotary Club of Honolulu Pau Hana.**

## Another Record for the Rotary Family

SALT LAKE CITY | 30 OCTOBER 2016



## ROTARACTOR JENNA BUSCEMI



Jenna together with Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors and resettled refugees from around the Salt Lake City area got to be a part of a Guinness World Records for the most people in a human image of

a cog (the Rotary logo)!

It looked so much fun and they needed 250 to make a record and they had 412 people there!!





# Rotary Around the World

## Building peace and helping refugees in Nigeria



### Rotary Expansion through Service

**ROTARY CLUBS IN THE PHILIPPINES** held a coastal cleanup to preserve the miles of beaches that line their country and **created a new Rotary club.**



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF YOLA-AUN** is located on the campus of the American University of Nigeria, smack dab in the region where Boko Haram is most active. Club members, who include a good number of University professors and staff, know the importance of peace. The club is working with Rotary members from New England to help families living in a refugee camp, displaced by the violence.



### 2016-17 Rotary Alumni Global Service Award.

**ROTARY HAS AWARDED DR. SADAOKO OGATA**, the former High Commissioner for UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, with the 2016-17 Rotary Alumni Global Service Award. She was a Rotary Foundation scholar in 1951-52 and has since dedicated her life to helping others on an international scale.

**An act of kindness by a [#Rotary](#) club made a world of difference to Apostolos Mamatas.**



**APOSTOLOS MAMATAS** arrived in America armed with a full scholarship to study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. But things quickly turned bleak as his funding got delayed, and he had to work odd jobs to live. He slept wherever he could, frequently outside at the port in Boston. A Rotarian working on campus offered him a place to stay until his scholarship was sorted out.

[\*\*READ MORE\*\*](#)



## Teaching women to sew

**SHAMLU DUDEJA** founded the nonprofit Self Help Enterprise to train women in sewing that had little opportunity for employment. Today, more than 800 women are part of the organization which sells their good on the global market.





This project between [Heifer International](http://www.heiferinternational.org) and Rotary members in Arkansas has brought more local produce to the state and increased profits for farmers like Joe Carr.

Read their story: <http://on.rotary.org/2flkxmKv>

#### INTERACT CLUB OF CHILLIWACK

### Rotary's Partner in Serving Humanity



**RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS  
DIRECTLY RESULTS IN  
MEMBERSHIP  
PARTICIPATION,  
GROTH AND RETENTION**

#### ROTARY CLUBS OF ABBOTSFORD, ABBOTSFORD-SUMAS & ABBOTSFORD-MATSQUI

### Members Honoured



November 17, 2016 the three Rotary Clubs in Abbotsford got together to honour members of their respective clubs with the annual Don Funk Awards for Rotarians of the Year.

It was a great evening, with Don's brother Ken Funk (*pictured at top*) giving those gathered a wonderful presentation about the "Rotoplast Initiative" where Rotarians participate in clinics in third-world countries to help children by eliminating the burdens of cleft lips and palates.

**The Don Funk Awards were presented to:**



**RALPH PAYNE**

of the Abbotsford-Sumas Club  
congratulated by  
Club President  
Tom McMillan

**RAJ PATARA**

of the Abbotsford-Matsqui Club  
congratulated by  
Club President  
Mike Welte

**RON KELLY**

of the Abbotsford Club  
congratulated by  
Club President  
Sara Lawson



World Interact Week is celebrated every year during the week of 5 November to commemorate the founding of the first Interact club in 1962.

### INTERACT CLUB OF CHILLIWACK



**2016/2017 Interact Cabinet of  
Interact Club of Chilliwack**

### LORD TWEEDSMUIR SECONDARY SCHOOL (LTSS) INTERACT CLUB, CLOVERDALE



< **Awesome Ugly Sweaters! Who else is showing their Christmas Spirit?**

**Buying toys for the disadvantaged children! >**

**Christmas Hamper for the needy!>**



### INTERACT CLUB OF FOREST RIDGE



This new Interact Club has started off strong and began recruiting early in the year. They have started holding meetings and are planning more worthwhile community events this year. Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club is proud to be their sponsoring Rotary Club.



**MAKING A DIFFERENCE WORLDWIDE!**





## District 5050 Rotary Youth Exchange Outbound Students Report



Austria has been amazing so far and I'm eternally grateful to have this opportunity. It has been so fun meeting the other exchange students and going on the Rotary trips has been my favorite part so far.

One week after I arrived I went to a two week language camp with the other exchange students. It was so fun to meet everyone and I become instant friends with so many of them. The camp took place in small town about an hour from where I live by the Traunsee ( a beautiful mountain lake). We were all so close by the end of camp it was hard to say goodbye.

Three weeks later, and at the end of my first week of school, we had another Rotary gathering. This time for we went for a weekend hiking trip in the mountains in a place called Tauplitz. Tauplitz was very beautiful although it was pouring rain the whole trip so the hiking was a bit cold, but exquisite none the less. It was so fun to see everyone again

and we also met the exchange students which arrived last January (mostly from Australia, New Zealand, South America, and one from South Africa), which we call the "Oldies". It was hard again to say goodbye but three weeks later we had another weekend trip and this time to Vienna. The first night in Vienna we went to an Opera which was really fun. The next day we went on a tour around the city and saw all the beautiful and famous sites.

We leave again next Wednesday for a three-day trip to Prague, Dresden, and Berlin, and I'm so excited!!

I have had school for a bit over a month now and although my German is still not the best I find myself understanding more and more every day. I also feel I am becoming much closer with my school friends, which is exciting!

My host family is extremely nice and I am so lucky to have them. They help me so much to learn the language and are so supportive. They also always applaud my efforts to speak the language.

Here are some pictures of Salzburg, but if you would like to see more pictures here is the link to my blog:

<https://sarahroddenblog.wordpress.com>



Thank you so much again for providing me with this experience, I have had an amazing time so far and cannot wait for more adventures to come!

Sarah Rodden  
*Sarah Rodden is being hosted by  
the Rotary Club of Tauplitz, Austria.*





EACH ROTARIAN:  
**REACH ONE, KEEP ONE**

## 6 ingredients for membership growth

*By Quentin Wodon, a member of the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C., USA*

Let's admit it: achieving a high growth rate (negative or positive) is easier with a small club. Still, after more than five years of almost continuous decline in membership, my club was excited to report a 60 percent growth in membership from July to October. We had 18 members on 1 July. Now we have 29, with 11 new members inducted in the first trimester of the new Rotary year.

**How did we do it? Let me share our recipe:**

### **INGREDIENT 1:**

**Less meetings, more service and public events.**

### **INGREDIENT 2:**

**Better service opportunities.**

### **INGREDIENT 3:**

**Lower cost.**

### **INGREDIENT 4:**

**Stronger public image.**

### **INGREDIENT 5:**

**Strategic planning.**

### **INGREDIENT 6:**

**Luck.**

Part of our gain in membership was just luck, as two new members transferred from other clubs due to changes in jobs and the location of their workplace. What's great is that they bring with them a lot of experience in Rotary.

It remains to be seen whether we will continue on the path of membership growth for the rest of the year. We expect some members to relocate, so we will need to recruit more members to compensate. But we are making progress, and we have exciting initiatives coming up that should help us become better known in the community, make a larger difference for the less fortunate, and hopefully continue to grow.

**READ MORE ON "ROTARY VOICES"**



**ON WORLD POLIO DAY, Rotary members in Nigeria hosted an end polio now rally to support the global effort to end the disease forever.**



## Polio Day in Ukraine



**ROTARY in Ukraine is participating in celebrating World Polio Day – 2016. This teaser demonstrates the most spectacular moments of the Flash-mob and Flight over the Dnieper river in Kyiv, Ukraine. We are 'This close' to 'End Polio Now', but, until full eradication of poliomyelitis worldwide is confirmed, every child has to be protected from this disease! In Ukraine and all over the world!**

**Congratulations to Ukrainian Rotary members on their great World Polio Day event. Nice work!**



# UN-Rotary work together for peace

*By Doug Vincent, Rotary Club of Woodstock-Oxford, Ontario, Canada*

We celebrated a great United Nations Day at Toronto City Hall on 23 October, hosted by the United Nations Association in Canada Toronto Branch. President Syed Khusro did an excellent job of coordinating the event and including Rotary.

A highlight for me was the outdoor ceremony, where the flag of the United Nations was raised over Toronto accompanied by the Canadian national anthem. Yes, the UN flag now flies over the city of Toronto. The release of several white doves symbolized our hope for world peace.

The UN Association had a great idea for engaging participants. Each Sustainable Development Goal was mounted on a card for display. Attendees were invited to select their favorite and have a selfie taken with Syed and I. An enjoyable time of fellowship and visitation ended the event, with refreshments and cake cutting.

It was great to be part of this event and continue to build a relationship between Rotary and the United Nations Association in Canada. We will be introducing them to Rotary clubs in the greater Toronto area with a view of sharing program resources and possible membership development for both organizations. [View videos and photos of the event](#) on my Facebook page.



**Doug Vincent, right, and Syed Khusro, President of the UN Association in Canada Toronto Branch.**



Rotary International was one of 42 organizations invited to serve as consultant to the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco in 1945. Each organization had seats for three representatives—one "consultant" and two "associate consultants." Rotary International's eleven representatives served three at a time, in rotation.

RI's consultants to the United States delegation:

- Philip Lovejoy, Chicago, Illinois, RI General Secretary, 1942-52
- Richard H. Wells, Pocatello, Idaho, 1944-45 RI President
- Lester B. Struthers, Chicago, Illinois, RI Assistant Secretary
- Tom J. Davis, Butte, Montana, 1941-42 RI President
- Charles L. Wheeler, San Francisco, California, 1943-44 RI President
- J. Raymond Tiffany, Hoboken, New Jersey, 1942-43 RI Vice President
- Cyrus P. Barnum, Minneapolis, Minnesota, RI Assistant Secretary
- Walter D. Head, Montclair, New Jersey, 1939-40 RI President
- Allen D. Albert, Paris, Illinois, 1915-16 RI President
- Luther H. Hodges, New York, New York, 1967-68 RI President
- Leland D. Case, Chicago, Illinois, Editor, The Rotarian

Rotarians from many other countries also attended the conference as delegates or consultants. Today, Rotary International appoints Rotarians to act as special representatives to the United Nations and its other agencies and publicizes its value as an advocate for peace.



# Global Projects need your support



## Play4More

Global United States

Goal: 15,000.00 USD

### YOUR CONTRIBUTION

**10.00 USD**

20 vests for vaccination volunteers

**30.00 USD:**

200 doses of polio vaccine

**50.00 USD:**

2 coolers for vaccination refrigeration

[More details](#)



## Early Childhood Development (ECD) Practitioner Training

Haenertsburg in the north-east Limpopo  
Province South Africa

Goal: 58,000 USD

### YOUR CONTRIBUTION

**Global Partner: 28,000 USD**

The Rotary Club of Haenertsburg intends to apply for a Global Grant to fund the training of 15 locally resident ECD practitioners, and we are looking for an international partner to join us in this project through a cash contribution of \$28,000.

[More Details](#)



## LIBRARY for BAKAKENG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Purok 7, Bakakeng, Baguio City Philippines

### YOUR CONTRIBUTION

**Contribute Materials**

[Details](#)



## Rural Clinic Renovation

Maphiveni, Lubombo Region Swaziland

Community meetings brought to light the difficulty the communities had in accessing health care. Access to functional health care is a major issue for rural isolated communities in Swaziland. Swaziland has the highest HIV rate in the world at approximately 27%. With access to care and treatment, HIV becomes another manageable disease. As HIV is managed, other non-communicable disease become evident in the population. But the problem of access to health care remains. The clinic will provide access to an entire area that is under-served and still struggles to access care.

### YOUR CONTRIBUTION

**International Partner:**

**Looking for a total of \$31000 USD**



## Provision of Toilets, Washrooms in the Slum Areas/Rural Areas/Schools

Slum Areas/Rural Areas/Schools of  
Jalandhar, Punjab, India and  
surrounding areas. India

### YOUR CONTRIBUTION

**International Partner: 5500**

Project already primarily approved by TRF. At the financial approval stage, it was realised that the International contribution cannot be less than 30%. RC Invercargill Sunrise, USA (9980) is the International Partner who already have committed 5000 USD.

[More details](#)



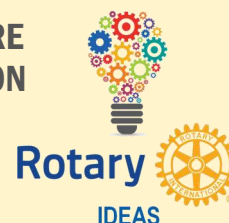
## Basic Schools improvement (Water, Sanitation, Reading and Computer Literacy)

Brong Ahafo Region Ghana

This project involves three components, libraries, computer laboratories and mechanized borehole water systems for basic schools (Creche, Kindergarten, Primary and Junior High). The overall goal is to provide comprehensive school improvements in rural and deprived basic schools to enhance academic performance and enhance the pupils chances of progressing to higher levels of education.

[More details](#)

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# It is not "YOUR" Project



## Discussing an economic and community development project in Uganda

By **Dr. Francis "Tusu" Tusubira**, a member of the Rotary Club of Kampala-North, Uganda



**How many times do we hear Rotary members say, "we have our project in Kireberebe Kisunkaana?"**

**Let us get one thing right when dealing with economic and community development.**

**And I will call this lesson one:**

## It is not YOUR project.

It is a community project that you are supporting. Along these lines, I thought sharing a few experiential lessons is not a bad idea.

### Lesson two:

A community where disease is a challenge will lose so much time being sick that they cannot focus usefully on any other initiative that will help them develop. You cannot address economic and community development if you have not addressed basic health.

### Lesson three:

A community that does not have clean water, and which does not understand the relationship between "dirty water" and disease will have resultant health challenges: diarrhea, eye diseases, cholera, etc. You might as well have a comprehensive Water, Health, and Sanitation component as part of your project.

### Lesson four:

We all know that illiteracy can be a major barrier, if not a full block, to any efforts related to development. This really means economic and community development must also look at the literacy and numeracy environment (along with the ability to interpret, create linkages, and apply what is read to personal empowerment and development).

### Lesson five:

Poverty is state of mind. If you do not address the mindset of those that have accepted poverty as their lot, all the rest is a waste of time. This is an intangible challenge and the solution must be in addressing the mind.

When the ground is fertile in terms of the elements above, enablers like skills development (chances are that these will relate to agriculture and other income generating opportunities in rural communities) can be introduced. Or all the elements can move simultaneously to create synergy. Microcredit, for example, is an enabler, not a solution. One realizes soon on in life (if one is lucky) that money is never a solution. Giving money to the poor does not make them rich: it makes them poor people with some transient cash.

What is clear is that in all the above, dedicated expertise will be required. So will partners with knowledge and experience in handling the different aspects. Cooperating organizations are now recognized as one of the key features of sustainable economic and community development. This does not mean Rotary members do nothing; they must also dig in and apply their skills. But being a Rotarian is not a full time job so we need a helping expert hand.

So you see, economic and community development is a totality approach, not a one-dimensional intervention. Which leads to one last lesson:

### Lesson six:

It is not the things we give to or put in communities that create sustainability. It is what the community does in response to what we do as Rotary members.

This is behavioral change. We are just catalysts, not part of the reaction. It is NOT our project. It is THEIR project. Lesson six is not so much a lesson, actually, as a truism.

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## Rotarians report Email Scam

**Some Rotarians have reported receiving a scam email asking them to click a link to update names and contact information in a directory.**



**The email, which stems from a g-mail account, is not from Rotary.**

Rotary News | 17-Nov-2016





Photo Credit: Rotary International/Alyce Henson

## Rotary Foundation named World's Outstanding Foundation for 2016

The Association of Fundraising Professionals has recognized The Rotary Foundation with its annual Award for Outstanding Foundation.

The award honors organizations that show philanthropic commitment and leadership through financial support, innovation, encouragement of others, and involvement in public affairs. Some of the boldest names in American giving — Kellogg, Komen, and MacArthur, among others —are past honorees.

"We are honored to receive this recognition from the AFP, which gives us even more reason to celebrate during our Foundation's centennial year," says Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Kalyan Banerjee. "The continued strong support of Rotary members will help us keep our promise of a polio-free world for all children and enable the Foundation to carry out its mission of advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace. We look forward to another 100 years of Rotary members taking action to make communities better around the world."

The announcement came on 15 November, known to industry professionals since the 1980s as National Philanthropy Day. The award will be presented in early 2017 at the AFP's annual conference in San Francisco.

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair-elect Paul Netzel is set to accept the award on Rotary's behalf, and Eric Schmelling, director of fund development at Rotary, will speak at the conference. The event is expected to draw more than 3,400 senior-level fundraising professionals from 33 countries.

"While almost everyone is familiar with Rotary, not everyone may realize just how much of an impact Rotary and The Rotary Foundation have had on countless people and communities across the globe," says Jason Lee, AFP president and CEO. "On behalf of the entire charitable sector and people around the world, all of us at AFP are honored to be able to recognize The Rotary Foundation as our 2016 Outstanding Foundation."

AFP's committee of judges cited Rotary's comprehensive campaign to eradicate polio as a major driver of the selection. They also mentioned that Rotary applies a methodical, purposeful approach to support a wide variety of causes, from providing clean water to educating the next generation of peace professionals.

## ARCH KLUMPH'S HOMETOWN RAISES OVER \$2 MILLION THROUGH CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Rotary members in Cleveland, Ohio, USA, celebrated 100 years of The Rotary Foundation on 23 October with a banquet and a concert by The Cleveland Orchestra that have so far raised more than \$2.1 million for the Foundation's next century of good work.

Arch Klumph, a Cleveland Rotarian, planted the seed for The Rotary Foundation in 1917, with his idea of having an endowment fund dedicated to "doing good in the world." Today's District 6630 leaders thought that a concert was a fitting way to honor Klumph and mark the centennial because of Klumph's love of music. Klumph performed in several predecessors of The Cleveland Orchestra.

"We felt very strongly that here in the home of Arch Klumph we needed to take stock of what the Foundation has accomplished this past 100 years. It's almost impossible to quantify," says Mike Johns, an event organizer and past RI director. "If you look at where we are and where we are going, we've just scratched the surface on what we can do."

The banquet inducted four couples into the Arch Klumph Society for giving \$250,000 or more to the Foundation over their lifetimes: Geoff and Kim Goll, Rotary Club of Salem, Ohio; Frank H. and Nancy Lyon Porter, Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio; Edna and Martin Sutter, Rotary Club of Fort Bonifacio Global City, Makati City, Philippines; and Norman R. and Marjory A. Veliquette, Rotary Club of Elk Rapids, Michigan, USA.

The Porters, who were inducted posthumously, contributed \$500,000 toward polio eradication, Rotary's top priority. The Golls have also directed \$200,000 of their contributions to PolioPlus.

Johns says the event was designed to educate the community about The Rotary Foundation. Videos interspersed between musical pieces highlighted Rotary's work and the fight to end polio.

**"We had a lot of people there who didn't know what Rotary was, and they made a great discovery," he says. "I think Rotary members around the world should really reach out to the public this year and show them what our Foundation does."**



Associate Conductor Brett Mitchell leads The Cleveland Orchestra at the benefit concert in Severance Hall, which was completed in 1931 and has been called one of the world's most beautiful concert halls.





# ROTARY IS A FAMILY THAT UNITES

After a long flight from London, I arrived in Durban, South Africa, in 2011 to begin a year as a [Rotary Youth Exchange](#) student, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Canterbury and hosted by Westville Rotary. I did not know what or who would be greeting me, so I had a bit of anxiety which I can clearly remember to this day.

In hindsight, of course, I had nothing to fear as I stepped off the plane into King Shaka International Airport. What followed was an adventure like nothing I had ever experienced before. Enjoying many opportunities to volunteer made me feel as though I was making a contribution to the world. And taking time to listen to my hosts, I learned a lot about South Africa.

## The meaning of kindness

But by far the most memorable part of the trip was the people. Rotary members and their families inspired me, and those interactions had a lasting impact on me. Rotarians showed me the meaning of kindness, generosity, and love. I thank Rotary and the wonderful people in South Africa for giving me first-hand experience of our shared core values. It was the best introduction anyone could hope to have into the global family.

Prior to my exchange year, I had been a member of Interact since age 16, and then a member of Rotaract, twice president of both clubs. I had the opportunity to speak at many district conferences and visit many more Rotary clubs with the aim of encouraging Rotarians to continue to support young people.

*By Mark Wilson, Rotary Club of London*

## New member

In August of this year, at 26, I became a Rotarian, inducted into the Rotary Club of London. Not long after, RI President John Germ emailed me: "Mark: your story is a great one," encouraging me to share it.

The moral to my story is that we are a family and we should never lose sight of that. Not unlike any family that has lasted this long, we have learned that love and a common cause can unite despite our disparities. As we continue to grow, we must continue to embrace all who seek to serve humanity, regardless of age, gender, sexuality, ability, religion, race or otherwise. In a world that is becoming increasingly divisive, Rotary International must continue to shine, as it always has, as a beacon of peace, unity, fellowship, and friendship.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



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**Why is "Family" a focus of the Rotary Clubs?**

**Because Rotary is about community.**

The community we live in, the worldwide community and the community of Rotarians. When we share in community, your problems become my problems and your joys – my joys.

Therefore, Rotary families matter to Rotary, the family of Rotarians and the Rotarian's family. If we are to live out the Rotary ideal, to create a better world, we must start with the family. We need to care for all the members of our Rotary family, because without each other there is no community.

Because we want to increase Rotarian satisfaction, improve retention, involve more people in Rotary events, make service projects more successful, and have greater support for International projects, we place emphasis on family!





## Giving hope to a girl with a hole in her heart

By **Wayne Kauffman**,  
Rotary Club of  
Edmonton Riverview,  
Alberta, Canada

Esperanza is the Spanish word for "hope."



When I think about what motivates me to serve as a Rotary Foundation chair for my district, I am drawn to this word, which is the name of one of our recent projects. To me, hope is really at the core of our Rotary Foundation.

Our Esperanza project is in its 20th year, and sends Canadian medical and dental teams to provide vocational training and medical care to the people of Cuenca, Ecuador. It is led by Dr. Tom Greidanus, a member of the Rotary Club of Edmonton Riverview.

The teams train and mentor orthopedic surgeons, physiotherapists, nurses, dentists and dental students. They:

- Educate parents and family members on proper care of infants and children to avoid preventable hip problems
- Provide hip and knee replacements to approximately 40 impoverished adults from the region

- Give pediatric orthopedic surgeries to about 15 children to correct hip and leg deformities

- Provide patients with dental screening and care, if needed, and follow-up care for patients from previous years

- Provide dental care and education to approximately 200 children attending schools in remote villages in the area.

Notwithstanding the success and impact of this project, there are still other acts of humanity that arise during the course of the mission. For example, during the project I learned of a little girl named Natalie who was diagnosed, in rough medical terms, with a hole in her heart. Her situation was determined by a pediatric cardiologist who happened to accompany her husband (a pediatric orthopedic surgeon) on the mission one year. Her prognosis was not good.

A two-year effort was made to find a surgeon in Cuenca to perform the surgery and restore Natalie back to health. There were many setbacks and disappointments, but through perseverance and determination and the hard work of Rotarians and doctors, this child now has "Esperanza."

You see, it's more than the success of our global grants and related projects. It's the connections that happen. And all of that happens when people choose to do good in the world through The Rotary Foundation.

## Rotary's World Polio Day event continues to grow!

Participation in this year's World Polio Day live-streamed event continued the growth registered since it began in 2014.

Rotary, the world's leading advocacy organization on polio eradication, held this year's program on 24 October at the headquarters of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. The event brought some of the biggest names in the campaign together to highlight the progress that has been made and to discuss what further action is needed to end the disease for good.

Here is a summary of this year's World Polio Day event, by the numbers:

- The streamed program was viewed **100,131 times -- an 86 percent increase** over last year's viewership.
- New this year, more than **170,000 viewers** watched a series of Facebook Live videos recorded on-site throughout the day, featuring U.S. Paralympian and polio survivor Dennis Ogbe, Time Editor at large Jeffery Kluger, and Rotary International President John F. Germ.
- Rotary members around the globe registered a total of **1,460 local World Polio Day events** at [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org).
- **Media coverage doubled** compared with last year, with stories in National Geographic, Time, the Wall Street Journal, and People, and on "The Today Show" television program and National Public Radio.
- End Polio Now online donations the week of the event **increased by 8 percent** over last year, to more than \$209,000.



Deadline  
2 December

## 8TH ANNUAL INTERACT VIDEO AWARDS!

Encourage your Interact club to make a video, tell their story, and inspire the world. Best video receives \$500 towards their next service project. <http://on.rotary.org/2d3ilGv>





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# A REFRESHED ROTARY.ORG

In January, visitors to Rotary.org will discover a new, contemporary site that tells Rotary's story in a fresh and exciting way. It's the first step in a two-part process to refresh our entire website: first the public site, Rotary.org, and then My Rotary.

Some of the changes will be obvious: a modern design, increased use of imagery and graphics to tell our stories, and better organization of content to help readers find out who we are and what we're doing. Other changes, like the improved speed of the site, will be a welcome surprise.

We believe these changes will more clearly show that Rotary is making the world a better place — and will persuade potential members and donors to support our work by joining a club, volunteering on a project, or donating to a cause.

Here's a sneak peek at what you'll see in January. We've taken our **Areas of Focus** page and, through photography and simple, clear language, showcased our causes in a way that people everywhere can understand and relate to. Come back in January to see all the improvements we've made to Rotary.org.



## International Youth Internship Program

The total amount of funding available under the International Youth Internship Program (IYIP) call for proposals is valued at up to twenty-three million six-hundred thousand Canadian dollars (C\$23,600,000) over four years. Global Affairs Canada may fund any number of proposals, up to the maximum funding available. The deadline for submitting a proposal for this call is February 7, 2017, before 3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5).

## International Aboriginal Youth Internships initiative

The total amount of funding available under the International Aboriginal Youth Internships initiative (IAYI) call for proposals is valued at up to ten million five-hundred thousand Canadian dollars (C\$10,500,000) over five years. Global Affairs Canada may fund any number of proposals, up to the maximum funding available. The deadline for submitting a proposal for this call is March 28, 2017, before 3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5).



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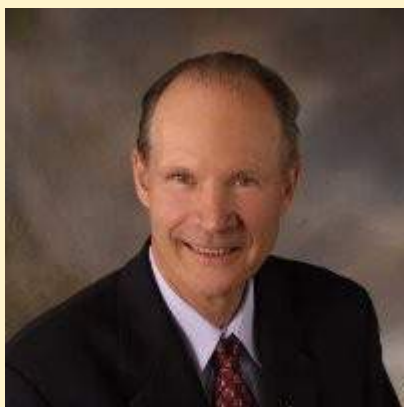


## CONFERENCE "MAKE IT HAPPEN"

From Thursday May 4 to Sunday, May 7  
At Seattle Marriott Waterfront Hotel.

### GUEST SPEAKERS

## Greg Yank appointed as the RI President's Representative to our "Make It Happen" Conference



Greg Yank is a Rotary International Director-nominee. He will serve on the RI board from July 2017 to 2019. He will be one of 17 directors serving in this capacity.

An active Rotarian since 1978, Greg Yank has been a member in three different Rotary Clubs – Kirkwood, MO, Muskegon, MI and O'Fallon, IL. He served as President of the O'Fallon, Illinois Rotary club in 1992-93. He has been Governor of District 6510 twice in 2001-2002 and again in 2010-11. District 6510 is comprised of 48 clubs and 1600 members in Southern Illinois.

He currently is the Regional Membership Plan Project Plan Lead (Membership Chair) for Zones 30 and 31 and the chair of district 6510's Club Visioning Initiative. He served as an International Training Leader twice, Membership Coordinator for Zone 29 and Rotary Institute Chair.

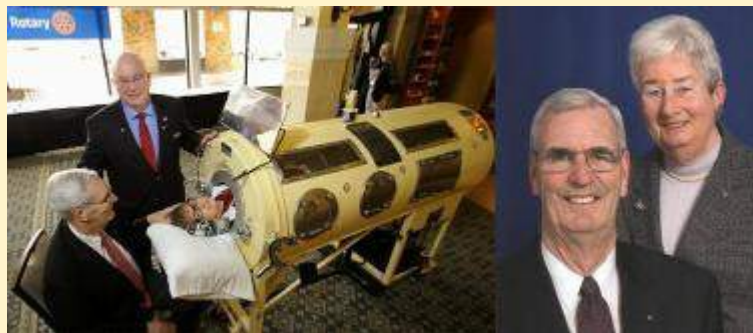
Greg is married to past district Governor Catherine Taylor Yank. The Yanks are members of the Arch Klumph, Paul Harris and Bequest Societies. Greg was honored to receive the Service above Self Award in 2014.

The Yanks are avid St. Louis Cardinal Baseball fans. Greg has been a proud Green Bay Packer fan since 1957 and owns one share of the team. Catherine is the owner of Jim Taylor Inc. a roofing contracting company located in Belleville, IL. The Yanks have three grown children, one who works in the family business, and three grandchildren.

Professionally, Greg is a business coach working with seven business owners on a monthly basis. He is the principal in GY Consulting & Facilitation Services specializing in business coaching, strategy, facilitation, strategic governance and board development/education.

Greg is also actively involved in his community. He is a member of Memorial Hospital's Foundation board and its investment committee; a Commissioner of the Metro East Parks and Recreation Board; the community facilitator BEST (Building Educational Success Together); the Advisory Board for the Nielsen Healthcare Group in St. Louis. and is a Board Member of the O'Fallon Shiloh Chamber of Commerce and chairperson of its strategic planning committee

## Dr. Bob Scott and his wife, Ann



Bob Scott served as Chair of the International PolioPlus Committee from 2006 to 2014. Bob has also served as District Governor, RI Vice President and Chair of the Rotary Foundation. Bob continues to be an active Rotarian and Polio Warrior and will share his personal stories and a polio update as we enter the final stages of our fight to eliminate polio.

During his eight years as RI PolioPlus Chair, Bob and his wife Ann traveled thousands of miles around the globe. He is credited with having raised millions of dollars from world leaders in the fight to end polio.

District 7070 in southern Ontario, home District to Bob Scott, has created the Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award to be presented to an individual or organization that is making a difference in the fight against disease. The first recipient of the award is Bill Gates, who was on hand to receive it late last month.



**In February 2015, Rotary District 7070 named the award to honor Dr. Bob Scott, past PolioPlus Chair and past RI vice president, for his work as Rotary's global ambassador in support of Rotary's fight to end polio.**





**December 2016**

## **WATER WARS**

A battle over water rights was destroying an Oregon community until a Rotarian found a way to bring it together.

### **The Rotarian Conversation with Annie Leonard**

The head of Greenpeace USA launched a movement that has made millions rethink their consumption.

## **A few choice words**

Making even the simplest decision seems tougher than ever. Would an app help?

## **In case of emergency**

Rotary partners with ShelterBox to aid devastated communities. Meet the members on the front lines.

## **MORE FROM THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE ROTARIAN**

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## **Rotary News** **November 2016**

**Published by Rotary District 3141**  
**(Bangladesh, India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka)**

# **Rotary News** *from Great Britain & Ireland*

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## **“Crazy, Mad Dreamer”**

The Big Interview – Ade Adepitan on his challenges and the triumphs at Rio

## **Sheltering the World**

ShelterBox CEO Chris Warham tells Rotary magazine about how the organisation continues to adapt to provide shelter for people hit by devastating disasters, along with other recent news from the field.



## **Helping The Innocent In Syria**

Hand in Hand for Syria is an aid agency working on the ground in Syria and they are really making a difference to people's lives. A founder tells Rotary magazine what they do.



## **Polio in Pakistan** **Failure Is Not An Option**

The Technical Advisory Group for Polio in Pakistan (TAG) met in Islamabad to deliberate on efforts to stop transmission of the polio virus. A report by Judith Diment, member of the International PolioPlus Committee reports on a successful delegation to Pakistan.



## **The Gift of Life - Rotary Good News Week**

In the Mbale region of Uganda, there is high incidence of death in pregnant women and their unborn child and one Rotary member set out to change that.



## 2016-17 PRE-PETS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2016

Silver Reef Conference Centre, 4876 Haxton Way,  
Ferndale,

## MILLION DOLLAR DINNER

JANUARY 9, 2017

Tsawwassen Springs, 5099 Springs Blvd, Delta, BC

## ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017  
MT. VERNON

## GRANTS SEMINAR (USA)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11  
Bellingham Golf & Country Club

## 2017 PETS

### PACIFIC NORTH-WEST PETS PRESIDENT ELECTS SEMINAR

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017

Doubletree Hotel - Seatac Airport  
18740 International Boulevard, Seattle, WA

## ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2017  
Sunrise Conference Centre (also called 5 Star Catering)  
5640 188th Street, Surrey, BC

## DISTRICT TRAINING SEMINAR

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017  
Kwantlen Polytechnic University,  
12666 72 Ave, Surrey, BC

## DISTRICT 5050 "MAKE IT HAPPEN" CONFERENCE

From Thursday May 4 to Sunday, May 7  
At Seattle Marriott Waterfront Hotel.

A series of 8 short videos on a variety of Rotary Foundation topics are available to view and download. These short videos are an excellent resource for new member orientation, online training, club programs or for use as E-Club programs. The videos are all about 10 minutes. Presenters include RI President 2017-18 Ian Riseley, PDG Juliet Riseley, E/MGA Chris Offer, RRFC Betty Screpnek, RPIC Sean Hogan and Annual Giving Officer Chris Boyce. They were recorded in Vancouver on October 22, 2016 at the Wosk Centre for Dialogue at the Understanding – The Rotary Foundation Regional Seminar. <https://sway.com/yUU7I7uOgnxOjpgB>



## ATLANTA 2017 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

SATURDAY JUNE 10 ◀•▶ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

### MEET ME IN ATLANTA GEORGIA

This will be a Convention not to be missed as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of The Rotary Foundation and, we hope, the long anticipated final case of polio!

We expect many local Rotarians to join us - the cost for a North American Convention is very affordable, and we've got lots to celebrate. So, join fellow Rotarians from District 5050 and around the world.

**REGISTRATION** is easy - just go to <http://www.riconvention.org/> and click the Register button.

**Early bird deadline is Dec 15, 2016**

**SAVE MONEY!!!**

## PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCES 2017

9-10  
JUNE  
2017

**Georgia World Congress Center**  
285 Andrew Young International Blvd NW, Atlanta,  
Georgia 30313

Keynote speaker is Dr. Bernice A. King, chief executive officer of The Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change and the youngest daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King.

For more information and to register, visit <http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/presidential-peace-conference>

10-14  
JUNE  
2017

**@ RI Convention 2017**  
Atlanta, Georgia





**JAN  
28**

## SKAGIT 2017 Seafood & Wild Game Dinner & Auction

Saint Joseph Center  
215 N 15th Street, Mount Vernon, WA  
Kentucky Derby style  
Tickets and details are available at  
[www.skagitrotary.com](http://www.skagitrotary.com).

**MAR  
11**

## COQUITLAM 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SPORTS DINNER



Hard Rock Casino  
Vancouver  
2080 United Boulevard  
Coquitlam, BC

**DEC  
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## CHILLIWACK-FRASER Rotary Christmas Parade



SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB

TICKET \$100  
ADMISSION FOR ONE



25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
**OYSTERFEST**  
Dinner & Auction  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2016  
BELLINGHAM GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
6:00-10:00PM

**MAY  
6**

## EVERETT Rotary-AVID\* Walkathon

9:00 - 11:00 AM  
ESD - Memorial Stadium  
3900 Broadway, Everett, WA

\*AVID—Advancement Via Individual Determination

**DEC  
3**

## LA CONNER 2016 Santa Breakfast

Maple Hall - 104 Commercial Street,  
La Conner WA  
Adults \$7 Children \$3  
Gluten Free option available  
**Buy Tickets NOW!**

**FEB  
10**

## EVERETT Rotary Ski Fellowship at Stevens Pass

Joe Gaffney will be having his  
motor home for a pre-funk get  
together!

**MAY  
11**

## PORT MOODY Search for the Perfect Pint

7:00 - 9:00 PM  
Galleria - Port Moody City Hall  
100 Newport Drive  
Port Moody, BC

**DEC  
7**

## PORT COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL Youth Services Turkey Dinner



Wilson Centre  
2150 Wilson Avenue  
Port Coquitlam

**FEB  
11**



**MAY  
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## PORT COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL 2017 Rotary May Day Parade

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Downtown Port Coquitlam

A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!

**DEC  
13**

## EVERETT Founder's Day



Walt Price Student  
Fitness Center  
Everett Community  
College  
2000 Tower  
Everett, WA

**FEB  
26**

## PORT COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL Winter Blues Festival



*In aid of Starfish Backpack  
Program feeding hungry  
children in Port Coquitlam*

2:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
Riverside Secondary  
School, 2215 Reeve Street

**10 - 14 JUNE, 2017**

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION &  
ROTARY FOUNDATION  
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



**DEC  
28**

## EVERETT Rotary-Silvertip Hockey Benefiting Dawson

5:00 - 9:00 PM  
Comcast (Xfinity) Arena, 2000 Hewitt  
Everett, WA 98201

**MAR  
4**

## ABBOTSFORD-SUMAS 6<sup>TH</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner & 7:00 PM Dance

Bradner Hall,  
5305 Bradner Road  
Abbotsford

Tickets \$50  
(includes Dinner  
and Dance)

## ROTARY CLUB OF ST ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT 2017

SUNDAY 11 JUNE - THURSDAY 17 JUNE

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