



The Four Way Flasher



Meadow Ridge Rotary Club

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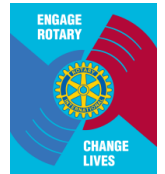
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December is Family Month

TODAY: Business Meeting / AGM – Election of 2013/14 Officers

NEXT WEEK: Karen Pighin – The ACT

No meetings on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31



Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Dec. 10: Peter & Ineke Boekhorst

Invocation

Dec. 10

Doris Gagel

Dec. 17

Deborah Hyslop

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Dec. 14	10am – 4pm	Christmas Tree Sale for Nicaragua Project – Only \$30; \$25 w. coupon	Maple Ridge Canadian Tire
Dec. 15	8pm	CP Christmas Train – assemble at Billy Miner Pub	
Jan. 3	6pm	“Pub Night” at the Legion, in support for those going to Nicaragua	12101 224 St.

‘THANK YOU’ LETTER FROM KEVIN NOSWORTHY

Madame President, I wanted to thank you and all the members of the Meadow Ridge Rotary for the Paul Harris Award presented to me at yesterday's lunch. I was truly humbled by this honour, and although I am not a paid up member of the club my heart has never left the club, its members or the reason they work tireless hours to make our community and our world a better place.

Special thanks to Dr. Marco as I know he had a lot to do with this, I am truly blessed from the friendships that I have gained through my time spent with this club.

I will always be there for you and any of the club members who may be in need of a little support, and one day I look forward to returning as a full member of your club. Once again my heartfelt thanks.

Yours Truly,
Kevin Nosworthy

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Guests



Our guests for the day were:

Lila Jane Terwiel, and Kevin and Debbie Nosworthy.

Happy and Sad

Ineke Boekhorst advised that **Sharon Kyle** had been in the hospital and therefore was unable to attend club meetings for a while.

Ineke also advised that she had attended an event at Eric Langton Elementary School where they sold six cyclamen plants. Our Club had given money to that school for the construction of a playground, and Ineke's attendance was good public relations for our Club.

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$415.00 + 1/2 of today's sales, 31 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

Kevin Nosworthy gave five happy bucks, stating that he was happy to visit the Club on the invitation of **Marco Terwiel**.

Marco [who obviously made great effort to attend the meeting despite his weakened condition] also gave five bucks, saying that he was pleased to be at the meeting among friends. Marco then called upon Kevin Nosworthy and presented him with Kevin's second Paul Harris Pin, obtained by Marco as a result of Marco's prior donations to the Rotary Foundation. Marco noted that, despite being out of the club, Kevin was still a Rotarian at heart and continues to assist the club in such things as the Duck Race and Oktoberfest.



Program

School teacher **Julie Hearn** attended **with her enthusiastic students from Alouette Elementary School** who presented us with our program.

Julie stated that she, herself, has a soft spot for a Rotary. At the age of 18, while living in Ontario, she was a member of the Rotoract Club. When she moved to Calgary at an early age, she started a new Rotoract Club in that city.

The students all participated in speaking to the Club and told us about **The Wheelhouse** program at their school.



As stated on the program's website and by the students themselves:

The Wheelhouse is a classroom where students are both challenged and supported in becoming life-long learners and responsible citizens. Students in this program take action in their community, develop greater self-confidence, and have a strong sense of care in their classmates and school. In the Wheelhouse, everyone is encouraged to work hard, ask questions, share experiences, take risks and learn from mistakes along the way.

Core Program Components

Student-Centered Learning Environment.

Students make choices in their learning and collaborate on projects and student learning is built around individual needs.

Community Connections ('Field Studies')

By participating in community events, visiting local businesses, and working together with community leaders, students are connected to the community where learning extends beyond the classroom while students gain awareness of community.

Leadership Development

Strong focus on developing leadership skills, taking action to make a difference, developing confidence, building good global citizens.

Technology Supported Learning

Learners are supported by technology as they participate in the District's one-to-one iPad program. Each student is issued an iPad for his/her personal use throughout the year.

The following were some of the comments of the students who spoke to us:

- "This year will beat all other years (of my schooling)."
- "We go on outings every Tuesday with all our classmates. Before, I didn't know there was a police station in Maple Ridge. This year has been the most fun of any year in school"
- "Everyone has a chance to be a leader" "We had a chance to go and meet the Mayor"
- "We have been to the Greg Moore Centre, and to Whonnock Lake where we had to track and identify the sounds that we heard in a five minute period - it was challenging"
- "We are taught problem-solving - to accept responsibility for our mistakes, have a positive attitude and accept constructive criticism"
- "We are taught to be leaders in the school"
- "A Boss says 'go' - A Leader says 'let's go' "
- "If you (Club members) with your contacts know any interesting places where we could take our Tuesday outings, please let us know".

At the conclusion of the presentation, Julie Hearn advised that the students had themselves put the program together. They are taught to think deeper – outside of the box.

Here you can learn more about the Wheelhouse Project: <http://schools.sd42.ca/wheelhouse/>

Julie can be contacted at 604-358-8838, or at jhearn@sd42.ca

50/50

Guest **Kevin Nosworthy** drew the winning ticket and donated the proceeds to the Club's **Nicaragua project**.

Submitted by Laurie Anderson

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT PATRICK'S HOME



Last Friday we had lovely Christmas Party at Patrick and Stefanie's home.

Here President Adrienne present to our hosts a Christmas plant as a token of our thanks to opening their house for the party.