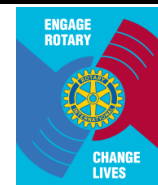


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TODAY: **There will be no Lunch Meeting on May 6th, replaced by Fireside on May 9th.**

NEXT WEEK: David Hobson - "Overcoming the fear of public speaking"

Happy Birthday

May 9: Walter Volpatti

Happy Anniversary

May 8: Ted & Doris Gagel

Invocation

May 13	Terry Becker
May 20	Brian Bekar

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
May 9	6pm	Fireside @ our Club President Adrienne Dale's home	10295 248th St. Maple Ridge
Aug. 31	10am – 3pm	Rotary Duck Race	Maple Ridge Park
Oct. 11	6pm	OktoberFest	Pitt Meadows Heritage Hall

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I've had a unique opportunity to be a part of the polio eradication campaign from its very beginnings, more than a quarter century ago, to where we are now, which is truly "this close" to the end.

None of us knew back then how long eradication would take, or how many obstacles we'd meet along the way. I'm not sure how we would have felt about taking on the challenge if we had known. But there is one thing I know for sure: that every single day of the last 29 years has been worth it. Because over those years, we have saved millions of children from being paralyzed by polio. There's no way to put a price tag on that. And today, we are closer than ever to a world in which no child will be paralyzed, ever again.

It's been a long race to the finish line. That line is now in sight. But we'll only cross it if we keep moving forward. And the only way to do that is with the help of every single Rotarian, everywhere in the world.

The first thing we need is your voice, and your advocacy. Think ahead to World Polio Day, on 24 October: What can your club and district do to raise awareness? Write letters to your elected officials, hold a purple pinkie fundraiser, plan an event with a local school. If you or someone you know has a story to tell about polio, share it at www.endpolionow.org/stories. The most important thing is to keep the momentum going. Let your

community, and the world, know that the fight against polio is at its most critical stage yet.

I'm glad to report that the End Polio Now – Make History Today campaign is going well. Rotary met the terms of the new agreement with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and received US\$70 million in matching funds in January, which will be fully committed in this calendar year. We have four more years of this agreement remaining, during which the Gates Foundation will match two-to-one every dollar Rotary spends on polio, to a maximum of \$35 million per year. I encourage all of you to do what you can to help us make the most of this opportunity. I know that together, we can engage Rotary to end polio – and change the world, forever.

Ron D. Burton
RI President 2013-14

UPCOMING SPEAKER

On Tuesday May 27 our guest speaker will be Ms. Wanda Morris, Executive Director of Dying With Dignity Canada (DWD).

She made the case for medically assisted dying to the Parliamentary Committee on Compassionate and Palliative Care and gave testimony in the BC Supreme Court Case (where Gloria Taylor was a co-plaintiff) for aid in dying.

DWD is a member-based charity with over 3,000 members and supporters Canada. Their mission is to improve quality of dying and expand end-of-life choices.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Adrienne opened the meeting, Brian Johnston led the anthem and Eric Mollema gave an impromptu invocation.

Guests:

Peter Davies, Dave Speirs, Kris Grasty and Gale Yip

It was a big day for cheques:



Angie presented a \$500 cheque to the Maple Ridge Canada Planning Committee to support their efforts in making the Canada Day celebration a big success. July 1st from 10am to 3pm in Memorial Peace Park.



The Maple Ridge Concert Band built the band stand 20 years ago. We are supporting a spruce up job to the tune of \$750.



A brand new group called the North Fraser Air Show Society is planning a free air show in conjunction with the Pitt Meadows Airport Day. Part of the program concerns careers in aviation. Isn't it great to see a group of people rally around a shared passion and bring it to the community?

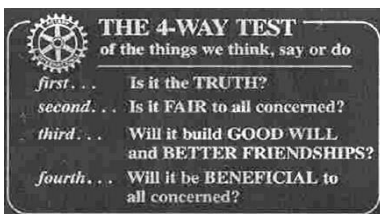
Fines:

Who knew that Mark Vosper, Executive Director of our Hospice Society, had such a mean streak? He quizzed us on some rubbish from a recently published rag (tongue firmly up against the buccal mucosa) called "The Rotarian" and our performance was less than stellar. When will we all learn to bring the Rotarian to meetings to stymie vindictive fine masters?

Rotary Moment: Using the 4-way test in Professional Life

Patrick O'Brien talked about a mutual fund sales technique called the Deferred Sales Charge or DSC. This method can be used to tie an investor to a particular fund company for 7 years. The sales person, often called an advisor, gets a special commission for helping the fund company often without the knowledge of the investor. The investor must pay an exit fee in the event that they wish to redeem their funds and move on before the 7 years are up. Rotarians would not want to be involved in this practice as it contravenes all 4 of the four way test tenets.

While it is good to talk about the things we avoid, maybe the next person could come at this from a more positive light. For instance, Patrick sends out a card acknowledging all referrals. This practice is supported by all 4 of the principles of the test-It is truthful, fair, builds friendships and is beneficial to all.



Speaker: Sue Fleming about the Intergenerational Garden



The Intergenerational Garden can be found on Edge Street across from St. Patrick's School and Eric Langton Elem. in Maple Ridge.

Photograph by Maria Rantanen/TIMES



Eric Langton kindergarten kids check out ladybugs in raised flower area in centre of Intergenerational Garden.

Image by: Phil Melnychuk/THE NEWS

Maple Ridge owns an empty lot at the corner of Edge and 121st, very near to Eric Langton Elementary. This land is being used as a teaching garden and a way for seniors and children to rumble over plants.

Sue is the director/coordinator. Children from the school and various groups learn by working in the garden about plants/food production from members of the R.M. Seniors Society who are also gardeners with the Maple Ridge Garden Club. Produce is shared. This is the first full year and the program is very successful so far.



The program is supported via the federal government via the New Horizons program and locally by CEED, TD Friends of the Environment, Golden Ears Feast, and selling flowers from the garden, and books.

50/50:

Betty Levens decided to pick the 2 of Hearts to keep the 50/50 draw going for Brian Bekar, who should be back next week. Thanks Betty.

Submitted by Patrick O'Brien

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Our enjoyment was at Peak Performance! But we also experienced lots of new things.