

# NEWSLETTER

ROTARY CLUB OF LIONS GATE NORTH VANCOUVER

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## **March 2025 is Rotary International's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month.**

This theme highlights the importance of clean water, sanitation, and hygiene in preventing disease and improving lives. Rotary clubs worldwide engage in projects that provide safe water, sanitation facilities, and hygiene education to create sustainable change and support healthier communities.

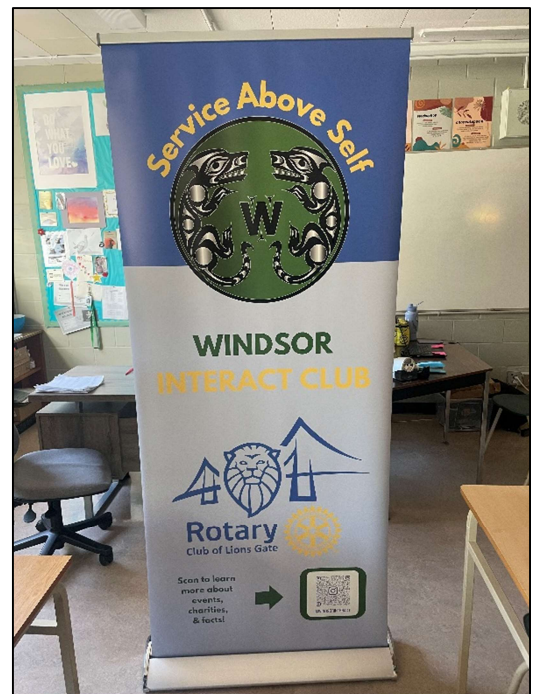
Thanks to our fundraising efforts, in 2022 our club installed a clean water filtration system at the Catur Youth Vocational School for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Youth in Bali,

Indonesia. This became Catur's first clean water supply in the whole village. Previously, all clean water had to be transported by tank or purchased in plastic bottles.

Shirley reports that **Windsor Secondary Interact Club** has had a new pull-up banner created. Our club funded the purchase as part of our ongoing support.

Interactors thanked Ms. Cedar for her amazing work. Interact Club Co-President Shivani said *"Her dedication and effort have brought our vision to life, and the result is absolutely incredible. This banner represents all the hard work and passion that each of us contributes to the club. It's something we can all be proud of, and I can't wait for us to showcase it at our events and meetings moving forward."*

Rotary Interact Clubs are youth-led organizations promoting leadership, community service, global goodwill, and personal development through volunteer projects and teamwork.





March 2nd marks a remarkable milestone - **Ian Evans' 75th anniversary as a Rotarian.**

Having joined Rotary on March 2nd, 1951, Ian has been a steadfast and inspiring member of our club.

Congratulations, Ian, on this incredible achievement! We look forward to celebrating with you upon your return.

\* \* \* 75 YEARS \* \* \*

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Cherian shared the exciting news that the Club has been awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Federal Government to support the ongoing operation of our monthly **Seniors Lunch and Learn** sessions at Silver Harbour from March 2025 to March 2026.



Thanks to Carole and Anne Marie for co-ordinating this month's session



President Ian and District Governor Nominee Designate Ron attended the Pacific Northwest **Presidents Elect**

**Learning** Conference (PELS) in Seattle on February 21-23. As the largest PELS event in the Rotary world, it brought together representatives from 10 Districts.

However, this will be the final year that District 5040 participates in the combined regional training event. Rising costs due to exchange rates and visa challenges for some members have led to the decision. Moving forward, the District will conduct local training sessions, eliminating the need for cross-border travel and reducing expenses - an approach already adopted by many Districts worldwide.

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Stan and Ian participated in a Work-Integrated Learning workshop at **Capilano University** on February 26. The WIP project seeks to investigate how the local businesses and community groups could support work-integrated learning opportunities for CapU students.



It is hoped that CapU students may be able to provide Project and/or Event Management support as part of their work experience requirements. There will be further follow up in the coming weeks.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our partners who support us throughout the year. Your assistance helps make our work possible. Thank you.



**UPCOMING SCHEDULE:**

<p><u>Thursday March 6</u> 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Networking Meetup (Bring a friend or colleague)</b> Location: Seymour's Pub and Grill 720 Lillooet Road, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Friday March 14</u> 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Board &amp; Regular Club Meeting - District Governor Visit</b> Location: Capilano Mall – Second Floor - Community Room 203 935 Marine Drive, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Friday March 21</u> 10:00 am – 1:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Backpack Buddies</b> packing session at 10:00 am followed by lunch at Wildeye Brewing at 12:00 noon Locations: Backpack Buddies Wildeye Brewing 170 Harbour Ave. 1385 Main St</p>
<p><u>Wednesday March 26</u> 11:00 am – 12:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Lunch and Learn for Seniors – Topic: About Rotary</b> Location: Silver Harbour Centre 144 22<sup>nd</sup> Street East, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Friday March 28</u> 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Board Meeting -Speaker: Ross Cooper "Membership"</b> Location: Capilano Mall – Second Floor - Community Room 203 935 Marine Drive, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Friday March 29</u> 10:00 am – 2:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Fundraiser "Shred-It for Charity"</b> Location: District of North Vancouver Parking Lot 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver</p>

Everyone is welcome to join us at all these events.

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