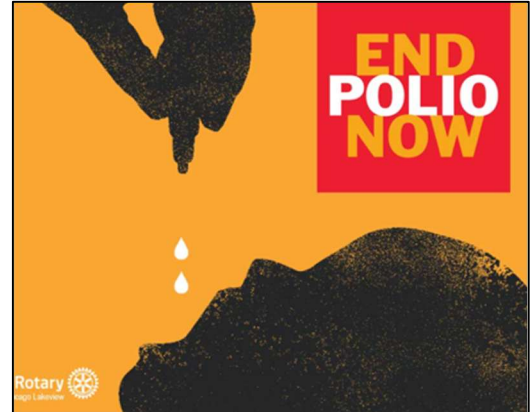


On **October 24, World Polio Day**, Rotary highlights its global End Polio Now campaign. Since launching PolioPlus in 1985, Rotary and partners have reduced polio cases by 99.9%, protecting millions of children. Today, wild poliovirus remains only in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Rotary continues leading efforts to finish eradication and create a polio-free world.

Rotary commits to raising US\$50 million per year, with each dollar matched by two dollars from the Gates Foundation.



We are excited to **welcome Isaac Lara to our Rotary family!** Originally from Mexico, Isaac came to Canada to study Digital Marketing and Business Management and has decided to make Canada his home for the coming years.

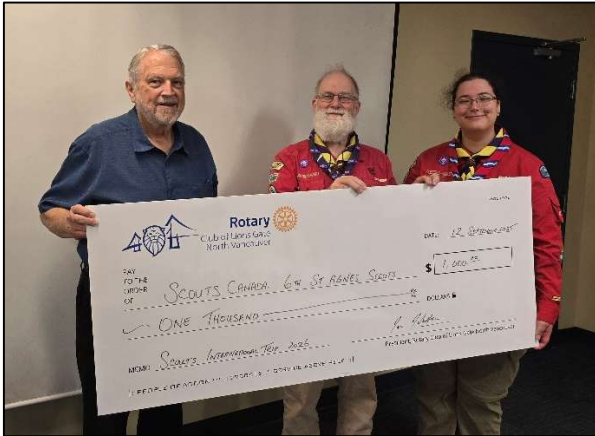
Isaac has a passion for creativity - advertising, photography, and videography - while also excelling in technical areas like analytics and logistics. With his entrepreneurial background, he brings energy, fresh ideas, and enthusiasm to our club

Isaac is sponsored by his Rotary Mentor, Carole Johnston.

Our **Shred-It for Charity** event on September 6 at the District of North Vancouver parking lot was a tremendous success. Thanks to the support of our members and many local residents, we raised funds that will go toward both local and international Rotary causes.

These fundraisers are held twice yearly, with the next scheduled for 18 April 2026. Special thanks to Stan for coordinating - Gilles will take over management moving forward.





On September 12, President Ian, on behalf of the Rotary Club of Lions Gate North Vancouver, presented a \$1,000 donation to Scouters Paul Phillips and Amber Akerberg. The funds support the **6th St. Agnes Scouts'** 2026 contingent traveling to the Kandersteg International Scout Centre in Switzerland - a global hub for adventure, friendship, and international Scouting.

We also thank Scouts Canada for their ongoing support, especially at our North Shore Canada Day celebrations.

On September 13, our club hosted a Rotary information booth at **Parkgate Community Day**, joining more than 50 other exhibitors. The event drew a large crowd and provided a wonderful opportunity to showcase Rotary's impact and highlight the meaningful projects we support both locally and globally. It was inspiring to connect with community members, answer questions, and share how Rotary makes a difference.

A big thank you to everyone who stopped by to learn more about our work!



While at Parkgate Community Day, we were overjoyed to see **Millie - an inspiring young woman** who immigrated from South Africa and received our 2019 Argyle Secondary School Scholarship. She stopped by to thank us for the support that gave her confidence to pursue further education. Today, Millie is happily married, a proud mother of two, and thriving as an Executive Assistant. Stories like hers remind us why we award scholarships each year to North Shore students who overcome challenges to succeed.



Rotary Areas Of Focus



PEACEBUILDING AND
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT



On September 19, fourteen members and friends of our club gathered at **Backpack Buddies** to help fill backpacks with food for children facing food insecurity. Backpack Buddies provides vital weekend meals for vulnerable kids across BC, ensuring no child goes hungry when school meal programs pause.

After a rewarding morning of service, our group enjoyed a lively social lunch together at Wildeye Brewing - a wonderful way to combine fellowship with meaningful community impact.

We are proud to celebrate **Lyn Hillier, who was recently awarded a Paul Harris Fellow pin with multiple sapphire stones** in recognition of her generous support of The Rotary Foundation.

Established in 1957 and named after Rotary founder Paul Harris, this prestigious honour is one of Rotary's highest recognitions. It acknowledges individuals whose contributions help advance Rotary's mission of promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, supporting education, and strengthening communities around the world. Congratulations, Lyn!



Charter member Elko Kroon introduced the **Seniors Lunch and Learn Program** at Silver Harbour on September 24. Once again, this popular monthly workshop was fully subscribed, offering seniors valuable opportunities for learning and connection. Special thanks to Cherian for co-ordinating this important project.

We are also excited to announce that expanded programs in West Vancouver will now be supported by members of the **West Vancouver Sunrise Rotary Club**.

It's inspiring to see local clubs collaborating on such a meaningful initiative.



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

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

<u>Thursday October 2</u> 10:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch and Learn for Seniors (<i>Carole & Jim T</i>) Location: Capilano Community Services – River Room 1733 Lions Gate Lane, North Vancouver
<u>Friday October 3</u> Board 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Club 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Board & Regular Club Meeting Location: Capilano Mall – Second Floor - Community Room 203 935 Marine Drive, North Vancouver
<u>Wednesday October 15</u> 10:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch and Learn for Seniors (<i>West Van Sunrise Members</i>) Location: West Vancouver Seniors Center 695 21 st Street, West Vancouver
<u>Friday October 17</u>	Club Social Location: tbd
<u>Wednesday October 22</u> 10:15 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch and Learn for Seniors (<i>Margaret & Jim T</i>) Location: Silver Harbour 144 East 22 nd Street, North Vancouver
<u>Friday October 24</u> Club 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Regular Club Meeting – Club Strategic Planning Location: Capilano Mall – Second Floor - Community Room 203 935 Marine Drive, North Vancouver
<u>Friday October 31</u> Club 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Regular Club Meeting Location: The Atrium at Parkgate 1188 Parkgate Avenue, North Vancouver
<u>Special Note</u> Thursday November 27	Club Christmas Function – Details to follow Location: The Atrium at Parkgate 1188 Parkgate Avenue, North Vancouver