

March shines a spotlight on Rotary's commitment to Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) - one of our most life-changing Areas of Focus. Access to clean water does far more than quench thirst; it improves health, supports education, empowers women and girls, and creates opportunity for entire communities.

In 2022, our club proudly installed a clean water filtration system at the vocational school we helped build in Bali, Indonesia. That project

ensures students and staff have access to safe, reliable drinking water every day - a simple solution with lasting impact. This was the first clean water in the the community of Catur.

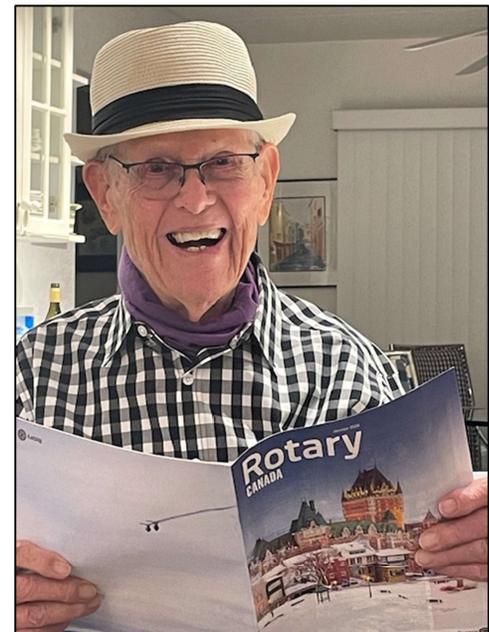
Initiatives like this demonstrate Rotary's global reach and our partnership with communities to deliver sustainable, long-term change. Clean water is not just essential - it is the foundation for dignity, hope, and healthier futures.

On March 2nd our Club marks an extraordinary milestone: **75 years of Rotary service by Ian Evans** - a lifetime defined by commitment, fellowship, and Service Above Self.

Ian joined Rotary in Prince George at just 24 years of age. Few could have imagined that decision would grow into seven and a half decades of steadfast dedication across multiple clubs and communities. Through changing times, Ian's belief in Rotary's ideals never wavered. His story reminds us that Rotary is not simply something we join - it is something we live.

This July, Ian will celebrate another remarkable milestone: his 100th birthday. Even at a century of life, he remains a passionate champion of Rotary values and the power of friendship through service.

We look forward to celebrating in person when Ian returns later this year. His example challenges each of us to ask: what might a lifetime of service look like for me?





One of Rotary's greatest joys is stepping beyond our own club and discovering that the spirit of service truly spans the globe. ***Wherever we travel, Rotary feels like home.***

Last month, Jim and Janice joined fellow Rotarians on a Motorcycle Fellowship adventure through southern India - blending friendship, culture, and service in a uniquely Rotary way. Ian and Carole enjoyed visiting a Rotary meeting in Belize, where Ian shared an update on Rotary World Help and the February shipment of medical and educational

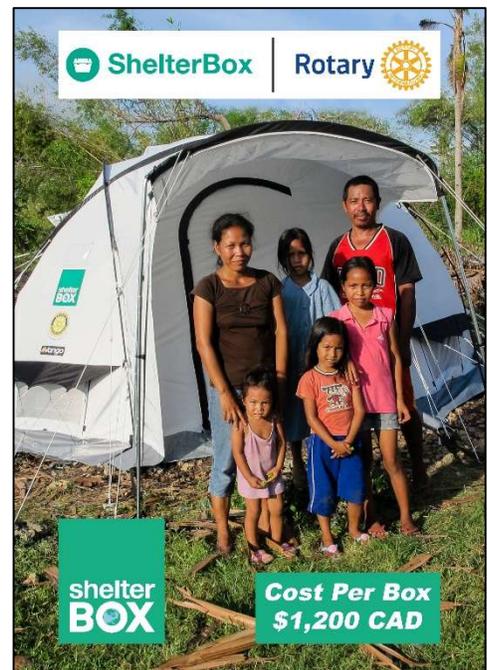
supplies to another region of the Belize. Isaac also dropped in at a Rotary meeting in his hometown of Mexico City.

Different countries. Different cultures. One Rotary family. Experiencing Rotary around the world is both inspiring and deeply rewarding.

Last year, ***ShelterBox celebrated 25 years*** of delivering emergency shelter and essential aid to families devastated by disaster and conflict. Founded in 2000, ShelterBox has since supported more than 3 million people in nearly 100 countries. What began as a grassroots Rotary initiative has grown into a global humanitarian partner, responding to earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, and war.

Today, with more than 120 million people displaced worldwide, the need for safe shelter remains urgent. Tents, shelter kits, solar lights, and water filtration systems provide families with dignity, safety, and hope during crisis.

We are pleased that a ShelterBox representative will join our club on March 11 to share firsthand stories and the continuing impact of this remarkable Rotary-born organization.



**Rotary
Areas
Of
Focus**



Basic Education & Literacy



Maternal & Child Health



Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution



Disease Prevention & Treatment



Water, Sanitation & Hygiene



Community & Economic Development



Support the Environment



On February 19th, the **Interact Club of Windsor Secondary** School hosted its annual Entertainment Night — their largest fundraiser of the year. As always, the Interactors demonstrated remarkable leadership and teamwork, organizing an impressive lineup of student performers, delicious refreshments, and a highly popular Silent Auction filled with tempting items.

An event of this scale takes an army of volunteers and countless hours of preparation. The students rose to the occasion with enthusiasm and professionalism. While final fundraising totals are still being confirmed, it is clear the evening was once again a tremendous success.

Thank you to our club members who came out to support the Interactors, as well as members of the Rotary Club of North Vancouver.

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:

<p><u>Thursday March 5</u> 10:15 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Lunch and Learn for Seniors Location: Capilano Community Services – River Room 1733 Lions Gate Lane, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Saturday & Sunday</u> March 7 & 8</p>	<p>Rotary Leadership Forum - Vancouver Ron, Carole, Deb and Gilles will represent our club</p>
<p><u>Tuesday March 10</u> 11:00 am – 12:00 pm</p>	<p>Call to Celebrate Ian Evans 75th Rotary Anniversary Zoom: Zoom link will be forwarded via email</p>
<p><u>Wednesday March 11</u> Board 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Club 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm</p>	<p>Board & Regular Club Lunch Meeting – ShelterBox Speaker Location: Capilano Mall – Second Floor - Community Room 203 935 Marine Drive, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Wednesday March 18</u> 10:15 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Lunch and Learn for Seniors Location: West Vancouver Seniors Activity Centre 695 21st Street, West Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Wednesday March 25</u> 10:15 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Lunch and Learn for Seniors Location: Silver Harbour 144 E 22nd Street, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Wednesday March 25</u> 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Club Regular Evening Meeting – Speaker Duanita Eleniak Location: The Atrium at Parkgate 1188 Parkgate Avenue, North Vancouver</p>
<p><u>Friday March 27</u> 10:00 am – 12:00 pm 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</p>	<p>Backpack Buddies Packing & Wildeye Brewing Social Lunch Location: 170 Harbour Avenue 1385 Main Street North Vancouver North Vancouver</p>