

OCTOBER DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, October 14, 2014
Langley Golf & Banquet Centre
21550 - 44 Avenue, Langley

New location for October only.

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Municipal Election

Mayoral Candidate Debate

Join us in the lead up to the November 15 Municipal Election! This meeting will feature the Mayoral Candidates from the City of Langley and the Township of Langley.

Registration and Networking: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Dinner and presentations to follow.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BEFORE 5:00 PM ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9th.

Members: \$35⁰⁰ + GST ~ Non Members: \$50⁰⁰ + GST
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Rotary



The Rotary Club of Langley is Langley's original Rotary club, established in 1958. Our club meets at the Coast Hotel & Convention Centre on Thursday evenings for fellowship, to become educated on local, national and international initiatives by invited speakers, and to organize and execute projects and initiatives. The club is focused on helping Langley's youth and seniors, as well as on projects aiding those in need in far-away lands.

Our current community projects:

The RCL works with community organizations to help those in need. A few examples of our local funding and collaborative initiative are:

- **Langley School District Foundation:** to fund scholarships, bursaries, transportation, costs for career exploration, school meal programs, and school playground construction.
- **Nikomekl Elementary School:** library books
- **Gordon Greenwood School:** technology
- **Secondary School Students:** Youth Adventures in Leadership
- **Post-Secondary Students:** Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp



- **Kwantlen Polytechnic University:** three permanent scholarships
- **Langley Memorial Hospital:** defibrillators, nasalaryngoscope,

\$15,000 for the new maternity wing.

- **Derek Doubleday Arboretum** in partnership with Langley City and with members of the Arboretum & Botanical Society.
- **Brookwood Seniors Centre:** upgraded washrooms; built a wheelchair ramp to the upper floor; constructed a storage shed.
- **Gateway of Hope:** Cook training program and computers. Many other Langley support groups were aided.
- Promoted development of **McLeod Athletic Park.** Secured funding to construct the Rotary Field House. Assistance with development of **Langley Lodge.**

Our International Projects

- **PolioPlus:** Reduced polio cases by over 99% since 1979. Rotarians helped immunize more than two billion children against polio in 122 countries. For \$0.60, a child is protected against this crippling disease.
- **Mexico: Tepehua Maternal Prenatal Health:** \$15,000 over three years; Ajijic "Hope House" carpentry workshop.
- **Partnership with the other three Rotary clubs** in Aldergrove/Langley focusing on health and sanitation with matching grants from The Rotary Foundation: \$58,000 of medical equipment for a hospital in Zimbabwe; Peoples Foundation of Sierra Leone Health Project; Electrical hook ups and clean water project in Kenya.

2014-2015 major initiatives:

- **"Fall Gala and Auction" is on Saturday 6 pm November 8th here at the Coast Capital Hotel Convention Centre.**



Our inaugural event will be a milestone of events for Langley and 300+ guests will enjoy an evening of great entertainment, food, LIVE and silent auctions of a scale unseen in Langley. Generated

by the iconic event, proceeds will benefit Wounded Warriors Canada as we reach out to our veterans who need our support coming home suffering with debilitating mental and physical injury. We currently seek sponsorships, auction items and attendees! Tickets are \$75 and there will be great food and entertainment. Please view the event website and share at www.langleyrotaryauction.org.

- **NEW Members:** Have fun learning about our Langley community and international friends, enjoy great comradery, enjoy opportunity for leadership development and education and be part of a network of people who make a powerful positive impact on your community. It's simple, all ages, call or email us, come to a meeting and enjoy being part of something
- Phone: 604-635-4410. Website: www.clubrunner.ca
About Rotary: <https://www.rotary.org/en#2>
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Sincerely, Jason Coroy, Rotary Club of Langley,
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Since participating in the Board Planning Retreat in July, the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs have been meeting to plan and coordinate our activity for this term with a focus on member engagement, improving member services and advocating for change to government regulations and taxation affecting business.



communities are facing currently and in the next few years as we experience a significant amount of development and population growth demands. I encourage you to help them visualize the business aspect of the issues in addition to the personal aspects. A strong business climate helps ensure success of the whole community.

The Advocacy Committee is seeking input from the membership for additional issues that we can research, make recommendations for change and advance to any level of government – municipal, regional, provincial or federal. Please contact Executive Director Lynn Whitehouse at the Chamber Office with your issue. We do ask that you include your name and contact information in case the committee requires more information or clarification input from you on the topic. Your information will be kept confidential and the recommendations will be advanced as a Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce issue.

The Board has scheduled a number of Candidates Meetings to provide an opportunity to meet directly with the candidates for Mayor and Councillor in both the City and the Township of Langley. The format is still being determined as we need to modify according to the number of candidates running and our time constraints. I would like to specifically draw your attention to the date of the October meeting, being one week earlier October 14, 2014, just following Thanksgiving. This resolves the conflict with the Celebration of Excellence. This meeting will feature the candidates running for Mayor in both the City and the Township. Please also note, that due to the date change, the location has also been changed to the Langley Golf & Banquet Centre at 216th St. and 44th Ave. Please be sure to schedule the new date and location in your calendars! We strongly request that all members submit your suggestions for topics or questions to be presented to the candidates at the meetings. These meetings are organized for the benefit of members to hear from the candidates and understand their opinions on specific topics.

Vice-President Scott Johnston and I will travel to Charlottetown, PEI to attend the Canadian Chamber of Commerce AGM & Conference where we will participate in the policy sessions to form the national advocacy agenda for Canadian businesses and communities. Of particular interest will be the introduction of the resolution calling for improved navigation and flood control on the Fraser River that was submitted by 14 lower mainland chambers, including Langley. A copy of this resolution will be posted on our website on our return following the meetings.

Next month is also Small Business Month in British Columbia and we have a number of unique programs scheduled.

For the next couple of months we will be focusing on the 2014 municipal elections and our 'Your Voice – Your Vote' campaign aimed to increase voter engagement and turnout at the polls. While businesses themselves do not have a vote, we want to encourage you to actively participate in the process by engaging in dialogue with your employees regarding the importance of the election process, the role it plays for our local economy and impact on the business climate. Please help encourage your employees to understand the challenges our

On Thursday October 9 in partnership with the Fraser Valley Chambers and Public Works and Government Services Canada we will host the first Small Business Expo at the Langley Event Centre. This is a free tradeshow that brings various government departments and organizations that support small businesses through funding, training and various other resources. There are many programs available that can often help you get the extra help you need, and possibly help someone else find employment or training. I encourage you to take the time to attend this unique opportunity to meet with numerous service providers.

On Wednesday October 22 we will recognize outstanding businesses and business people in our community at the annual Celebration of Excellence. This is a very special evening where nominees will be presented plaques in recognition of their nomination and the Business Excellence Awards will be presented to the finalist in each category. The agenda includes a cocktail reception, gourmet dining, entertainment and incredible décor to make it a memorable event for all who attend. We could not host such a gala without the generous support of our many sponsors to whom we are extremely grateful. We encourage our members to join us for this very special evening – please contact the Chamber Office for tickets or more information!

*Kristine Simpson,
President*



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The Small Business Information Expo is a free tradeshow that brings together various organizations and government departments

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November 12th, 2014

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HD Stafford Good Citizen of the Year

Honouring the one who contributes the most towards bringing together education, business and citizens to make a difference in the community. Since 1980, the Chamber of Commerce has offered the HD Stafford Good Citizen of the Year Award to a deserving resident of the Langley area to thank them and recognize their outstanding contribution to the community.

This award honours the memory of the late Harold Stafford who epitomized what a good citizen should be. Mr. Stafford dedicated an enormous amount of time and effort, and worked relentlessly on new initiatives to make Langley a better place to live and conduct business. Whatever project or cause Harold Stafford became involved in he attacked it with admirable tenacity and



would not let it go until he had seen the project through to a successful and meaningful completion. The Good Citizen of the Year Award will be presented at the Chamber's December Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, December 9, 2014.

Nominations close Friday, November 21, 2014. Nomination forms are available by contacting the Chamber office at 604-530-6656 or info@langleychamber.com, or download a copy from the Chamber website: www.langleychamber.com.

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