

Community



MEET THE STEWARDS OF HOPE

Clockwise: Jodi McBride, executive director at Read Right Society takes a moment to discuss new programs; Theresa Cooke (left) with Mandy Arbuckle, Rec Centre assistant manager, was the first to donate to the Recreation Culture & Airpark Services new donation and In Memory Of Program. A new wall has been placed near the front entrance of the Rec Centre acknowledging donations made for special projects and upgrades to the facility; Don Wiens (left) and Hank de Meulder, two local entrepreneurs not known to ever see eye-to-eye, were outbidding each other over a purple light bulb when suddenly peace broke out. They spontaneously agreed to a joint purchase of this anti-violence light bulb and to not engage in any conflicting attitudes for the month of October. That experience has made them both see the light - they wish to pass this on to others by making their peace bulb available for the Hospital Auxiliary Auction on November 7. With the stipulation that this bulb can only be purchased jointly by two opposing bidders. The winning bid and the runner-up each pay half of the combined total, signifying they have seen the light and agree to share the bulb and not allow any violence to erupt. If you think this is confusing try to imagine what Don and Hank had to go through to get to this point. Enjoy the auction; look for the purple bulb and keep the peace; Ebi Fazzari (left) manager at Rona was awarded for his inclusive hiring practices during Rotary at Work BC Celebration & Recognition Evening in Chilliwack; to his right, Bob Plowright, area governor at Rotary District 5050 and Hondo Stroyan, president of the Hope Rotary Club (Photos submitted)

