



READ Society  
and the  
Rotary Club of Saanich



June 30, 2010

**Gala Fundraiser for Youth Literacy on October 23, 2010**

Please take this opportunity to support local and international work in children's literacy. The READ Society and the Rotary Club of Saanich will host a gala evening of music, dinner and a dance at the University Club. Featured guests will include gumboot dancers from Pearson College, Esquimalt Jazz Band and the local dance group Loose Change.

All funds raised will support children and youth from low-income households in Greater Victoria and children's education and well being in developing nations. Profits will be divided equally between the READ Society and the Rotary Club of Saanich.

Over the past 30 years READ's Education Access fund has helped more than 1870 students from low-income households. These children and youth receive an academic assessment, an individual learning program and up to 10 months of remedial support from READ's professional teachers.

The Rotary Club of Saanich is one of 33,000 world wide clubs, and a member of Rotary International with over 1.25 Million members. Rotary pursues its dream of "Peace Through World Understanding" by sponsoring international exchanges and Ambassadorial Scholarships. Collaborating with the READ Society is one way we can improve local and global literacy.

As a business person, you know how self-confidence and strong skills in mathematics, reading, problem solving and writing add to business success. Struggling students who receive additional support are able to develop the skills they need to contribute positively to your community.

For our October gala, we are looking for event sponsors, table sponsors for \$800 and silent auction donations. We also hope you will come and enjoy the dinner and entertainment. Tickets for \$100 will soon be available.

We look forward to receiving your support.

Sincerely,

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Claire Rettie, Executive Director  
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Bill Morley, President,  
Rotary Club of Saanich  
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