



# The Miner's Lamp

Bringing the Light of Service to the Community and the World Through Rotary



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## January is Rotary Awareness Month

Rotarians are encouraged to enhance the public image of Rotary. Wear your Rotary pin and talk about Rotary to your friends and family. Highlight the work that Rotary has done and is doing to serve others in the community and the world.

## Welcome Cathe Egan, Our Newest Rotarian

In a brief but dignified ceremony, and without too many big words, President Mac inducted our newest member, Cathe Egan. Cathe is a welcome addition to our club, bringing with her a diversity of experience in organizing and managing programmes and events. Each of us should take a few minutes to welcome her and get to know her better. Welcome Cathe!



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## Comox Valley ElderCollege Exposed



Our programme last week was an expose of Comox Valley ElderCollege presented by our own John C, who is the Vice-Chair of the ElderCollege Executive Committee. Begun in 1999 as an idea by a group led by Betty Emery, North Island College embraced ElderCollege as a part of the Comox Valley Campus in celebration of the United Nations' International Year of the Older Person. With membership reaching 655, it is the largest programme at North Island College. Members must be at least 55 years of age to enroll.

## Lantern Parade Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Service Director Steve Galbraith informed the club that the parade will be on Friday, 17 February. Everyone is urged to come out and participate. The parade will start at the CRI Hall and end at the Park. Premier to attend.

Each, last Saturday, Jan thru Apr. Host 4 people once, dine out twice. Extra Saturday is a backup. So far, Bill A, Dodie and Jill, John C, Dave K, Deb, Chip, Dave S, Pauline, Cathe, Jon, Mac and Keith have signed up. A simple way to get to know one another better. It is **not** a cooking contest. Contact John: 339-4068 or [johnpegc@telus.net](mailto:johnpegc@telus.net)

## Rotary Moment

“So long as there is one hungry child, one ignorant man, one discouraged youth, so long as there is misunderstanding or conflict anywhere, so long as there is a choice friend who has not been found, there is a reason for Rotary” Robert L. Evans, RI President, 1966-1967

## Still Looking for a Sergeant-at-Arms

President-Elect Dave will be attending pre-PETS (Presidents-Elect Training Seminar) in Qualicum, soon to be followed by PETS in Seatac, WA, so a replacement for him as Sergeant-at-Arms is needed. The successful candidate will begin his/her duties on 1 July with some on-the-job training opportunities likely available before then. Please talk to Mac or Dave if you are interested.

## Announcements and Correspondence

Mac read a letter of thanks from the Salvation Army recognizing our sponsorship of a Christmas family. He also read a card from the actual family expressing their thanks. A big thank you to Gale for organizing our participation and to Bill and Rhonda for looking after buying the gifts for the family.

Jill invites everyone to be on the alert for potential speakers and to pass names and topics to her at: 336-2882, 336-8524 or [jcornwell@insurancetres.ca](mailto:jcornwell@insurancetres.ca)

Speakers: 17 Jan—Sharon Conway—From Job Wave & Triumph; 24 Jan—Mary Young—Wachiay Friendship; 31 Jan—Laurie Baird— CPR Machines and 7 Feb —Bev Derrick —CV Film

Dave S met with the Trail Keepers led by Gwynne Sproule and looked at the trails in the Chinatown area. 1st phase would start at the hairpin and end at the apple orchard then to the RR grade along the pond where the proposed oriental bridge will be built and out to Perseverance bridge, 1/2 way to lake.

A signup sheet is available for the Rotary Curling Day to be held on Sunday, 19 March, starting at 8 AM. For \$35 per person one can enjoy 3 games of 4 ends each and dinner. Dinner only is \$20 per person. Entrants to bring a wrapped prize. Contact John C if interested. [johnpegc@telus.net](mailto:johnpegc@telus.net) or 339-4068.



## Attendance—10 January

Nineteen members, three visiting Rotarians: Laurie Haines of the Rotary Club of Courtenay, and Merv Kristoff and Al Bergquist of the Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Deb celebrated her birthday on 10 January, and Kim celebrated hers on 11 January.