



# The Miner's Lamp

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## Care of the Urban Forest

September is New Generations Month With an Emphasis on Youth

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Our speaker, Verna Mumby, described herself as an urban forester since she provides a variety of services dealing with trees and other plants that people have growing on the same property as their homes or businesses. Although her family had encouraged Verna to pursue a career on their family farm, she was attracted by the lore of trees. Following her post-secondary education and the earning of two degrees, Verna has become an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist, has lived in various parts of Canada and the USA and has been running her business, Mumby's Tree Service Ltd. For the past 7 years

[www.treelady.ca](http://www.treelady.ca) Mumby provides a variety of services to the community, including tree and shrub pruning, tree assessment, tree appraisals, tree inventories, urban forest management and workshops for the lay person on pruning and care of trees. Having established her reputation and expertise, Verna has been called as an expert witness in court cases dealing with damage caused by trees to property. Her presentation led to a number of questions dealing with tree topping, spiral pruning, and location of trees and buildings. The club thanked Verna for joining us for breakfast and for her excellent presentation. Two books in her name were donated to the library we've established at the Cumberland Lodge for the enjoyment of the residents.

## Announcements—What's Happening in our Club—Please Read

- Jill Cornwell continues to be interested in suggestions for speakers: [jcornwell@shaw.ca](mailto:jcornwell@shaw.ca) She is also accepting donations of good books for the Cumberland Lodge Library we have helped establish.
- **2007 Extravaganza Italiana** We are aiming for a target of 200 live and silent auction items so, **please, find sponsors, services and articles ASAP.** Linda has challenged us all to bring in 10 items each—those who do will be entered in a draw for a \$50 gift certificate. John C has **tickets available** for the Extravaganza Italiana. Reserve yours NOW! \$25 per person. Make sure you have some extras to sell to people in our community who will ask you for some. [johnpegc@telus.net](mailto:johnpegc@telus.net) or 339-4068. The Home and Garden Gate in Cumberland and the CV Visitors' Centre on Cliffe also have tickets for sale. If you sell a table of eight, please make sure you pass a name to John so a table can be reserved for the party.
- President Keith encourages all of us to **bring a guest to breakfast** who might be a potential Rotarian. The club will pick up the tab for breakfast. August is the month we emphasize the importance of membership development in Rotary. Nurture existing members and recruit new ones. Because of our club's small size, 2/3 of our total membership currently serves as members of the Executive, Board and on committees. “  
President Keith will make the first member who brings two new members into our club this year, a Paul Harris Fellow. Don't forget to complete the DG's form for points distributed by President Keith. Those who inadvertently left their form on their table when they were passed out can get a new one from our Sgt-at-Arms in exchange for a small contribution.
- Meeting of all Extravaganza Italiana committee members at Linda's house at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, 5 September. Meet at the “Wave” at 5:30 for burger night before the meeting if you wish.  
[oprca@ascentcoaching.com](mailto:oprca@ascentcoaching.com) or **336-2646**
- Debbie announced that she has received more donations for the auction. Keep them coming.
- Gale reminded us that Cops for Cancer Tour de Rock will arrive in our community on 26 September and that we will provide food and drinks for a donation. All proceeds to the campaign. Need volunteers.
- Don't forget the melodrama that Gale is coordinating for Empire Days 2008.
- Alinda Ware will be returning to Kakamega, Kenya and her Rotary club there on 10 September and will be back with us in March 2008. Godspeed, Alinda.
- Reminder to all members of the executive and board that our next meeting will be held at The Miner's Café at 8 AM on Wednesday, 12 September.

### **Speaker (11 September): Wendy Kotilla—Youth and Ecological Project**

## September Cathe Egan and Debbie Lemire

**Greeters' Duties:** Arrive by 6:30 AM, set up room—hang banners, arrange flags, guest register, bell and gavel, name tag box, place sandwich board on sidewalk, greet everyone as people arrive and hand out badges, help with visitors' name tags and make-up cards. At end of meeting, return room to original condition by putting everything away—please don't leave the sandwich board on the sidewalk after the meeting.

## Rotary Moment



### President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson's MESSAGE September 2007

All of us in Rotary know that we're a part of something larger than ourselves. We know that Rotary is an organization that transcends the boundaries of religion, language, and culture. We know that it is a force for peace, goodwill, and fellowship, and we know that it is a force 1.2 million strong. But most Rotarians' involvement in Rotary is made up primarily of club meetings, community projects, and international work through partnerships with other clubs. Because of practical reasons, most Rotarians don't travel to distant countries when they're part of a service project abroad.

What this means, though, is that for most of us, the internationality of Rotary can seem distant, and it can be difficult to fully understand. As a new member of the Rotary Club of Trenton, Ont., I was very happy being part of an organization that I saw doing so much good work locally. I might have stayed focused on that local work for years had there not been an international convention scheduled in Toronto shortly after I joined. That first convention was what really opened my eyes to Rotary. It brought the world of Rotary, the world that stretches far beyond my own club, all together in one place. I saw how truly international an organization Rotary was, and I understood, for the first time, just what I had become a part of – and just how much there was to do, to contribute, and to become.

At a convention, you start to see your own club in context, as part of a network of 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. You're inspired by the work that so many of these clubs are doing, and you bring new knowledge and ideas home to your own club. Most important, perhaps, are the personal connections made at a convention: the friendship and fellowship that will link your club to others for many years to come. The 2008 RI Convention will be held in Los Angeles, a multicultural city that is a fitting site for such an event. If you've already been to a convention, perhaps you need no convincing to register for this one. Los Angeles is a city of stars, and when you come, you will see the Rotary stars, the Hollywood stars, and the stars twinkling in the sky over the Hollywood Bowl. If you've never been to a convention, then I urge you to join Joan and our whole family for a wonderful few days of fellowship and inspiration. I believe this event will change your life, as it did for Joan and me in 1964.

Wilfrid J. (Wilf) Wilkinson President, Rotary International

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## Attendance

Sixteen Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting last week. Visiting Rotarians included: Bayne Mann, Larry Rennison and Chip Ross of the RC of Strathcona Sunrise. Bayne Mann Jr was a guest of his mom and Verna Mumby was our guest speaker.

# Parting Shot—Rotary Eye Chart

**E**<sub>200</sub>

**HGN**<sub>100</sub>

**DMKBW**<sub>50</sub>

**TZVECL**<sub>30</sub>

**ROTARY SHARES**<sub>20</sub>

## Chuckle Corner

### Good Salesman

I learned a lesson in marketing from a man who bought an old boat, a trailer and a motor from me. Thanks," he said as he loaded them up. "I'm planning to resell them."

Good luck, I thought. I had been trying to get rid of them for months. But when I ran into him a few weeks later, he'd sold everything.

"How did you manage that?" I marvelled.

"I took out an ad: 'Heavy-duty boat trailer with free boat.' When the buyer came to get it, I asked if he had a motor. He said no. I told him I happened to have one in my garage. Bought that, too."

### Careful Doc

One of our patients wasn't taking any chances. Prior to her operation, she taped notes to her body for the surgeon... "Take your time," "Don't cut yourself," "No need to rush," "Wash your hands..."

After surgery, as we helped the patient back into her bed, we discovered a new note taped to her, this one from the doctor, "Has anyone seen my wristwatch?"