



The Miner's Lamp

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January

is Rotary Awareness
Month

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January is the month that all Rotarians should be talking to family, associates and friends about the work of Rotary, in particular about our club and we should invite guests to attend our meetings to learn more and participate in service above self.

Resolutions—Resolutions!



My wife asked: "What are you doing today?"

I said, "Nothing."

She said, "You did that yesterday."

I said, "I didn't finished."



Several declared their resolutions following Jill's declaration that she intends to be less judgemental!

Announcements

- Jill Cornwell is always interested in suggestions for speakers: jcornwell@shaw.ca
She is always accepting donations of good books for our library at Cumberland Lodge.



- **From President Linda:** Thanks to Dodie and Wayne for providing breakfast and dinner respectively on Christmas Day to the on-duty paramedics. Total raised by our breakfasts and other fundraisers for the paramedics bike squad was \$2960. Included were \$124 from the photographer at the Driftwood Mall who gave \$2 for every photo taken with Santa on 20 December. Linda gave Rod Woods, the driver of the CRM decorated truck, a thank you card and \$100 for his support of our fundraising.
Board Meeting - Island Timber Frame 7:15 AM on Thursday, 15 January. The couple who were staying at Linda's Village Hideaway have donated \$1200 to purchase a Rotary ShelterBox as a thank you for the kindness that they have been extended as they start their new life in our community!

- Kurt distributed measuring tapes to all of us because we are all "dietary sinners" and need to get our girths within healthy limits: 31.5" for ladies and 35" for men because more people are killed by too much food in our society than by war and accidents combined. Just about every disease that occurs in obese people is attributable to their obesity. On that cheery note some of us adjusted our list of resolutions!
- Liz announced that the lady who was her mother's caregiver is looking for employment in Canada if anyone knows of a position she could fill, please contact Liz.
- Bob McQuillan reminded us that the District 5020 Rotary Exchange Students Conference will begin with an all-clubs' dinner at the Westerly on 11 February. Host families are required for about 35 students from 11 to 14 February inclusive. Jon Toogood is our representative on the planning committee and will accept volunteers to act as hosts
- **Program 13 January:** Club Assembly
- **January Greeters:** Stefan Pletscher and Jon Toogood.
- **Greeters' Duties:** Arrive by 6:30 AM, set up room, greet everyone as people arrive and hand out badges, help with visitors' name tags and make-up cards. Return room to original setup.

Rotary Moment

Promote Our Foundation's Good Work

Dear Family of Rotary,

If the general public were aware of half of the good work our Rotary Foundation does, I'm convinced we would be inundated with contributions and prospective members. That's why one of our goals for 2008-09 is to work with Rotary International to enhance our public image.



How can we do this? One way is by working with local media to publicize our humanitarian projects. Make sure that people in the communities where we work know that The Rotary Foundation and local Rotarians are behind that new water well or health clinic or school. Publicize the international projects your club is sponsoring with Foundation grants. Invite the media to meet with a visiting Group Study Exchange team or an Ambassadorial Scholar studying in your community. All of us have inspirational Rotary stories to tell. Let's make sure we share them with others.

In recent years, our Foundation's presence on the international stage has grown enormously, thanks to our role in global polio eradication. It's time to bring the news of our achievements to the local level. January is Rotary Awareness Month, an excellent time to inform our communities about the many ways that The Rotary Foundation is doing good in the world.

Jonathan Majiyagbe
Foundation Trustee Chair

Attendance

16 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 6 January. Visiting Rotarian: Bob McQuillan of the RC of Strathcona Sunrise.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays: 4 January: Dave Bossom, 10 January: Deb Nolan, 30 January: Robb Flannery.
Anniversaries: Rob and Margaret Neal: 30 January. Best wishes to everyone from all of us.

Parting Shots



Could this be Anatol in the near future as he prepares to become a member of the Austrian Armed Forces' Alpine Corps?

Chuckle Corner - West Coast Snow Removal Equipment



Cumberland Centennial Rocks!