



# The Miner's Lamp

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



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October is Vocational Service Month in Rotary

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*October is the month when Rotarians focus on ways to use their vocations as a means of serving others. We can all find ways to contribute to our clubs and communities by using our talents and resources to promote the ideals of Rotary.*

## ROTAPLAST POSTPONED



As we began to gather for our meeting at the Gatehouse Bistro, we discovered that it and parts of Cumberland were suffering from a power outage, so Debbie generously offered her office and we got our business done!

## 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.
- 200 donations is our target for our Extravaganza Italiana. President Linda has set a deadline of 11 October for all donations to be "in hand". 170 received so far - excellent quality donations. Please get your ask in gear! All tickets are sold. If you get a panic request for some, have people call John C at: 250-339-4068. Chantal has been mentoring members and parents of the Orca Swim club who will serve and work other jobs at the event. Looks like we have extra volunteers to help with auction presentation, etc. Set up of the hall will begin at noon on Friday, 17 October, and carry over into Saturday as required.
- If your dues are still due then you didn't pay by the end of September. Speak to treasurer John to make arrangements.
- An anonymous family has offered \$600 toward the purchase of a Rotary ShelterBox (total cost \$1,200). Individuals will receive a tax receipt from ShelterBox Canada for their personal donations.
- 3 Paul Harris ties available from President Linda (blue, green and burgundy) for a donation to foundation.
- Cumberland Ready Mix's decorated truck will help us raise funds for the Paramedic Volunteer Bike Squad. Included will be a pancake breakfast on 13 December at Comox Centre Mall. More details to follow. Santa will be delivered in the truck twice and we'll be involved seeking donations.
- Due to the move of our meeting to Debbie's office last week, please pay John Jones for the 7 October meeting, if you attended, on 14 October. Remember our meeting fee is now \$10.
- Jon Toogood mentioned Rotary ShelterBoxes to some acquaintances and they became so excited that sufficient donations for two boxes have been pledged! Well done, Jon.
- Rotarians who are planning donations to ShelterBox or the Hospice Society must give their money to John Jones prior to 1 December in order to be eligible for a 2008 tax receipt.
- Board meeting—9 October at 7:15 AM at Island Timber Frame.
- **Program 14 October:** Final Extravaganza Italiana Meeting
- **October Greeters:** Courtnay Jackson and Debbie Lemire
- **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.



Thomas Wilby and Jack Haney arrived in Vancouver after completing the first crossing of Canada by automobile - 14 October 1912.

# Rotary Moment



## Avenues of Service

For years, Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self has been channelled through the four Avenues of Service, which form the foundation of club activity. To get started on a project, think broadly about how our club and its members could contribute within each avenue.

### **Club Service**

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs.

### **Vocational Service**

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process.

### **Community Service**

Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

### **International Service**

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.

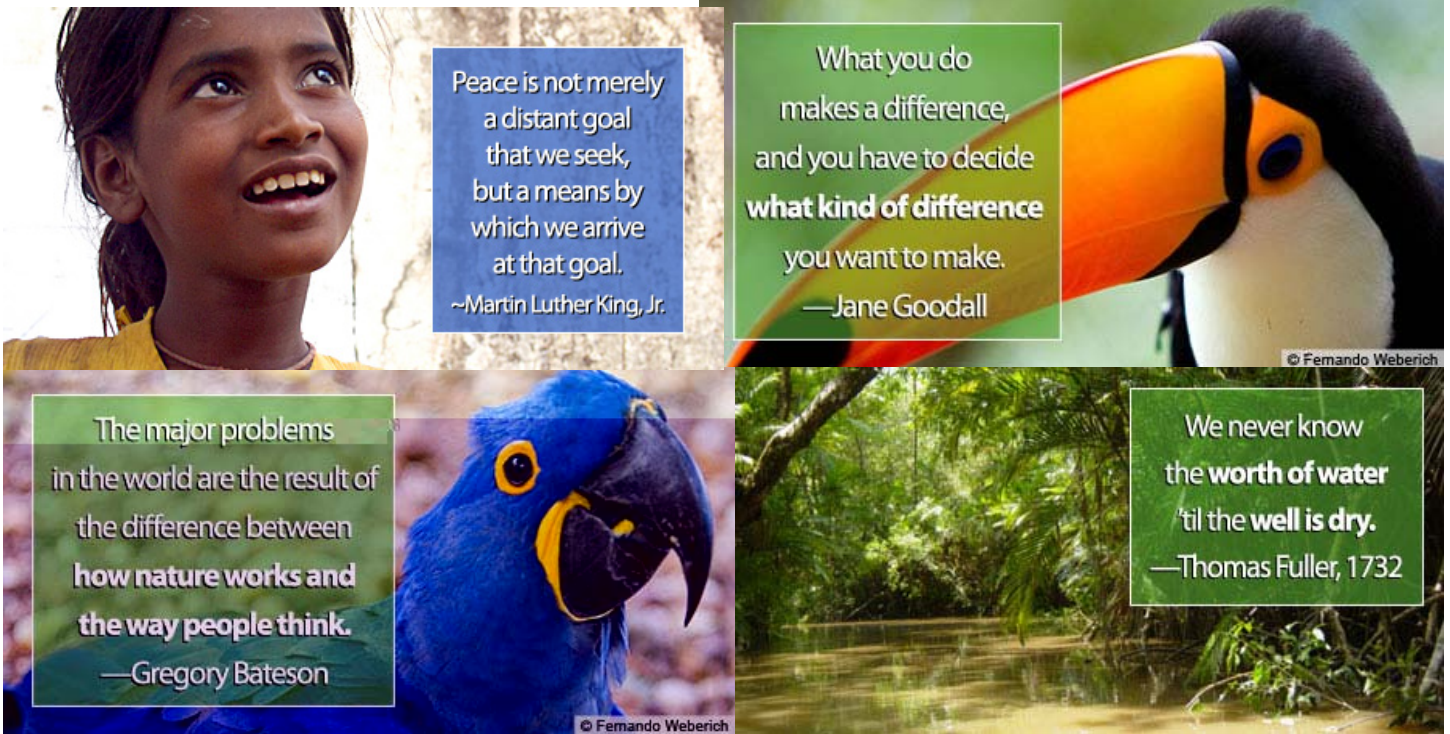
## Attendance

19 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting last week. Visiting Rotarians: Bent Harder and Chip Ross.

## October Birthdays

Birthdays: 7 October: Bill Armstrong, 20 October: Alinda Ware. No one in our club is celebrating an anniversary in October. Best wishes Bill and Alinda from all of us.

# Parting Shots



## Chuckle Corner

### HOW TO GET A BUILDING NAMED AFTER YOU

An American tourist in Tel Aviv was about to enter the impressive Mann Auditorium to take in a concert by the Israel Philharmonic.

He was admiring the unique architecture, the sweeping lines of the entrance and the modern decor throughout the building. Finally, he turned to his escort and asked if the building were named for Thomas Mann, the world-famous author.

"No," his friend said, "It's named for Fredric Mann, from Philadelphia."

"Really? I never heard of him. What did he write?"

"A cheque."