

The Miner's Lamp



1 June 2010
Volume 23, Issue 1

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Rhodos at the Smith's | 1 |
| Announcements | 2 |
| Rotary Moment | 3 |
| Attendance | 3 |
| Birthdays | 3 |
| Parting Shot - Feature | 4 |
| June Programs | 4 |
| Chuckle Corner | 4 |

Rotary Fellowships connect Rotarians with similar interests. There are many fellowships, the details of which can be found by visiting:

[_____](#) and [_____](#) searching for fellowships.



Charlie Explains the Process



Our meeting started without ceremony at 7 AM with the arrival of President Steve. It was great to see Kim among us. Charlie explained that there are some 1200 rhodos in one gallon pots ready for sale. He further explained that the plants (see photo lower left) were propagated in 2007 and have been made ready for sale by him and volunteer Rotarians and family members. Bob and Adela Smith consider that the plants in pots all belong to Rotary and the proceeds from their sale can fund projects.

I've learned that ultimately 'takers' lose and 'givers' win.

~Anonymous

Jill Cornwell is always interested in suggestions for speakers: _____ Jill is also accepting donations of good books for our library at Cumberland Lodge.



From President Steve: Reminder that our first of two rhodo sales will be at the Driftwood Mall from 9 AM until noon on Saturday, 29 May with the second sale at the same place and time on Saturday, 5 June. Last GWCTD will be held on Saturday evening, 29

May. Liz will send out e-mail messages to those attending this week. See Linda for tickets for our Installation Dinner to be held at the Kingfisher on Tuesday, 8 June. Cocktails at 6 PM followed by dinner at 7 PM. Tickets \$30 per person from Linda. Dress: Smart Casual.

From the editor: names of club members will be drawn at random and featured in our newsletter from time to time (see Page 4). Anyone wishing to provide a profile to feature in the Rotary Moment, please send it to the editor at:

_____: Gale Wheeler and Jay Dahlgren

_____ 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 founder Paul P. Harris had a little-known romance before he met his future wife, Jean. Grace Irene Mann was from a prominent family in Florida. Harris met her in 1905 on a visit to see his friend and former employer George C. Clark in Jacksonville.

Harris and Mann exchanged letters in which they shared affection, gossiped, and discussed their families, theology, and philosophy. He told her about searching for a meeting place for the Rotary Club of Chicago and offered details of the club's constitution. Mann replied to his tales of Rotary with enthusiasm:

"I take great interest in the Constitution and By laws of your Rotary Club because you have written them. ... I think you have covered everything in a concise and compact form. ... The By-laws are especially good."

According to the letters, the idea of marriage was broached in the fall of 1906, though Mann's family ultimately discouraged her from settling down with Harris. Their correspondence ended in May 1907. In his final letter to Mann, Harris wrote:

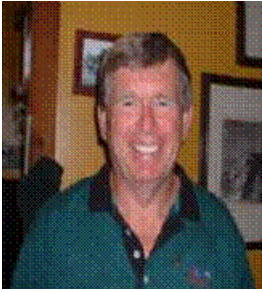
"I certainly am interested in your future and I desire you to make a great girl of yourself and I am sure you will. ... You will be happy. Yours very truly, Paul P. Harris"

Harris returned the letters he received from her, as was the custom. When Mann married John Murrell Bell in June 1910, she stored the correspondence in the attic of her sister May Mann Jennings. The letters remained there until the home was demolished in 1963, at which time they were given to Mann's eldest daughter, Elizabeth.

In 1997, Mann's daughter Grace Bell Rogers donated the letters to Rotary International Source : Rotary International News / Courtesy : eFlash_Rotary

Only 10 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 25 May. Visiting Rotarian: Elmer Phillipson of the RC of Strathcona Sunrise. Guests: Kathy Stevens, David's spouse and Jackie Roach, Chantal's guest.

Birthdays: 24 Brad McKinnon, 29 Judythe McQuillan. Anniversaries: 8 Kurt and Sheila Nielsen, 26 Gale Wheeler and Percy Wood. Best wishes to everyone.



Charter member, Bill Armstrong, and his spouse Rhonda have played key roles in our club. Bill, one of three charter members from the sponsoring, Sunrise club, helped provide a source of Rotary knowledge for our fledgling club. He and Rhonda looked after the silent auction in the early days of our Extravaganza Italiana and collected money and bought gifts for the Christmas families. Bill agreed to serve as our third president but had to withdraw when his new dental practice required his undivided attention. Bill recently announced that he and his office staff will provide dental health care at no charge to the homeless through the Care-A-Van program. We are privileged to have Bill and Rhonda in our circle of friends.

1 June - Wendy, John Howard Society, Kidsmart Program

8 June - Installation Dinner Kingfisher

15 June - David Salzano - BC Securities Commission

22 June - Greg Ehman - GSE Adventure

29 June - 5th anniversary of the Club in the orchard - Memories by charter and long-time members

Little Bruce and Jenny were only 10 years old, but they knew they were in love.

One day they decided that they wanted to get married, so Bruce went to Jenny's father to ask him for her hand. Bruce bravely walked up to him and said, "Mr. Smith, me and Jenny are in love and I want to ask you for her hand in marriage."

Thinking that this was just the cutest thing, Mr. Smith replied: "Well Bruce, you two are only 10. Where will you two live?"

Without even taking a moment to think about it, Bruce replied, "In Jenny's room. It's bigger than mine and we can both fit in there nicely."

Still thinking this was just adorable, Mr. Smith said with a huge grin, "Okay, then how will you live? You're not old enough to get a job. You'll need to support Jenny."

Again, Bruce instantly replied, "Our allowance. Jenny makes five bucks a week and I make 10 bucks a week. That's about 60 bucks a month, so that should do us just fine."

Mr. Smith was impressed Bruce has put so much thought into this. "Well Bruce, it seems like you have everything figured out. I just have one more question. What will you do if the two of you should have little children of your own?"

Bruce shrugged his shoulders and said, "Well, we've been lucky so far."

Mr. Smith no longer thought little Bruce was so cute and adorable.
