



The Miner's Lamp

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CLUB ASSEMBLY

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.

A very happy president Linda beamed at us this morning as we began our final meeting before our major fundraiser, our Extravaganza Italiana, to be held on Saturday, 18 October in the Cumberland Recreation Hall. All 300 tickets have been sold and we have received more than 200 donations of auction items from the generous people of our great community. One of several quilts purchased by our club from a group of wonderful quilters in South Africa was held up for all to see by Judythe and Dave. It is called:

“Elizabeth’s Butterfly” and should be a big hit with our patrons. Set up starts on Friday at noon so if you weren’t at our meeting, please make a note. We plan to most everything done by 6 PM and then on Saturday we’ll finish what wasn’t completed on Friday. Teardown and cleanup will begin at 9 AM Sunday.



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

- Jill Cornwell continues to be interested in suggestions for speakers: 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- **Program 21 October:** Chantal Stefan - Everyone Deserves A Smile - EDAS
- **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.



The British Columbia Sports Hall of Fame opened in the BC Pavilion at the Pacific National Exhibition on 21 October 1971. It is currently housed at BC Place.

<http://www.bcsportshalloffame.com/>

Remember to Vote!

Rotary Moment



Child Mortality Conference Draws 10,000 in Korea -

By Susie O. Ma

RI President Dong Kurn Lee presented a cheque on behalf of Korean Rotarians for ₩500 million (US\$431,890) to two organizations working to reduce childhood mortality.—Photo courtesy Rotary Korea

Nearly 10,000 Korean Rotarians gathered on 2 September to pledge their commitment to reducing child mortality, the focus of RI President Dong Kurn Lee's service emphases for 2008-09. "Together, we can save a child who is at the threshold of death," Lee told the audience at the Kintex Convention Centre in Ilsan, Korea. On behalf of the assembled Rotarians, Lee presented a cheque for ₩500 million (US\$431,890) to two Korean organizations working to reduce child mortality, Korea Foundation for International Healthcare and Community Chest of Korea. The groups will match the funds with the goal of building a small hospital dedicated to mother and child care in Africa.

Conference attendees spent the morning in a symposium on child mortality with medical and academic experts and a UNICEF representative. In the afternoon, Rotarians heard from the heads of several nongovernmental organizations, such as World Vision Korea. "It was awesome to see 10,000 Rotarians gathered in one place to get energized and educated about reducing child mortality," said Past District Governor Sang Koo Yun.

Korean President Myung-bak Lee, a Rotarian, and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon sent video messages to the gathering. Reducing child mortality is one of the UN's Millennium Development Goals. "I am heartened that President D.K. Lee and Rotary International have also taken up this issue," Ban said. "I am sure this will bring the same energy and dedication as Rotary has marshalled in the fight against polio." At the end of the event, Rotarians adopted a statement on child mortality. A second presidential conference on child mortality will be held in Singapore on 6 March.

Source: Rotary International News / Courtesy: eFlash_Rotary

Attendance

20 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting last week. Visiting Rotarians: Laurie Haines and Ted Woodland of the RC of Courtenay. Guest: Bayne Mann, guest of his Mom, Deb.

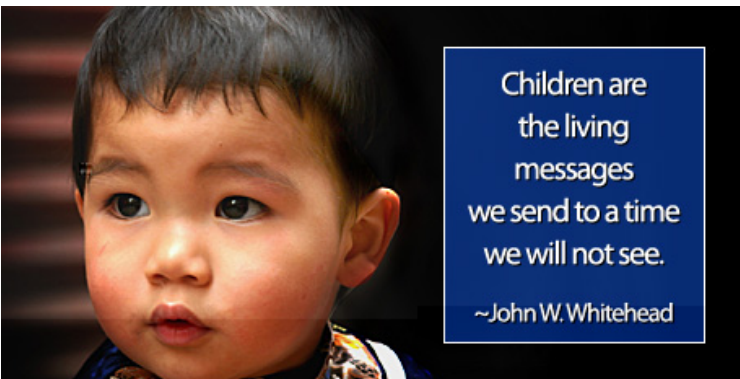
October Birthdays

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

Parting Shots



Sharing Rotary at our meeting on 14 October



Children are
the living
messages
we send to a time
we will not see.
~John W. Whitehead



Chuckle Corner

A Couple of Short Ones

The reason politicians try so hard to get re-elected is that they would hate to have to make a living under the laws they've passed.

THE DONATION:

Father O'Malley answers the phone. "Hello, is this Father O'Malley?" "It is!"

"This is the Tax Department. Can you help us?" "I can!"

"Do you know a Ted Houlihan?" "I do!"

"Is he a member of your congregation?" "He is!"

"Did he donate \$10,000 to the church?" "He will."