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The Miner's Lamp

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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Consider bringing a guest to a meeting or two during the month to share Rotary and peak interest in becoming involved.

Our meeting on Tuesday was highlighted by an official visit by the Assistant Governor of Area 1B, Lana Eagle. Lana has been a Rotarian for seventeen years, having started as a member of the Rotary Club of Port Hardy. She is now a member of the Rotary Club of Campbell River. Lana spoke about how much Rotarians enjoy in the way of a sense of similar purpose. She encouraged us to attend meetings of the other five clubs in area 1B. The RC of Campbell River Daybreak meets at the Royal Coachman Neighbourhood Pub at 7 AM on Tuesdays, the RC of Courtenay at the Westerly Hotel at noon on Tuesdays, The RC of Campbell River at the Discovery Inn at noon on Wednesdays and the RC of Comox at D'Esterre House in Comox at 6:30 PM on Thursdays. Lana discussed the fact that although we are all Rotary clubs, each of us has our own unique character. She pointed out that our District is a large, international district that "shines" in the world of Rotary and within the district, Area 1B "shines" very brightly as well. Lana suggested that those of us who may be hesitant to step forward to become involved should not hesitate to do so. Fellowship and service are at the heart of Rotary.

"The reason many good people are not Rotarians is simple – nobody ever asked them.". ~Cliff Dochterman, Past President of Rotary International

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

- From President Deb: Those who have done makeups were thanked. Paul, Penny, Liz, Deb and Bayne were guests of the RC of Langley on the weekend and had a great time at their barbecue. Deb presented special pins to each club member to celebrate women in Rotary. Bent Harder is planning a cleanup of Rotary projects in the valley on 3 and 10 September. More details tba.
- President Deb welcomed Jerod Hendry a young man we have agreed to sponsor as an Ambassadorial Scholar. Jerod is about to begin his final year at UVic to earn his baccalaureate degree and hopes to enter an MBA program at a university in Africa.
- Linda spoke about the progress on Drug Awareness Rulers, which are expected to be completed on Friday, 19 August. News releases will be organized by our club and the RCMP. A project of all 6 clubs in Area 1B.
- Sunday 25 September has been declared Car-Free Sunday in the Comox Valley. We will provide traffic control for 4 hours on that day. Enough volunteers raised their hands. We will work in Cumberland.
- Linda is looking into a venue for our fall rhodo and plant sale to be held on Sunday, 11 September. A number of people raised their hands as volunteers.
- Christine circulated a list of all the donors to our Extravaganza Italiana in previous years and asked that people indicate which businesses will be approached by whom. Liz will work on putting the document on our website. Debbie reminded us that there are only six weeks to collect donations and give them to her before the event. Linda reminded everyone of her request for $40 from each of us for the balloons and gift bags; 14 people have met that commitment so far. John C reported that 164 tickets have been sold/reserved so they are going fast.
- David Stevens announced another coal cart bench work party to be held on Wednesday, 17 August at Village Public Works. Several people volunteered to help at 3 - 3:30 PM.
- Liz announced a croquet/bocce ball social at Cathe Egan's tentative scheduled for Saturday, 17 September. More details tba.
- [illegible]: Debbie and Judy
- [illegible] 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.

Community service and leadership opportunities are just a couple of reasons to join Rotary.

Invite a guest to Rotary. Offer a non-Rotarian friend a ride to a Rotary meeting. It's Membership Month. Membership is everybody's business.

The RI Strategic Plan helps clubs keep and find new members.

Strive for a Presidential Citation and get your club recognized for meeting membership goals.

: 22 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 16 August. We missed the company of: Catherine, jay, Cathe, Steve, Kurt, Adri, Keith and Jon. Visiting Rotarians: Assistant Governor Area 1B, Lana Eagle a member of the Rotary Club of Campbell River and Cliff Piercy of the Rotary club of Courtenay. Guests: Charlie Sallis, Jerod Hendry, Alan Burgess and Megan Haas.

Birthdays: 1 Leslie Baird, 4 Linda Oprica, 9 Rob Neal, 28 Jill Cornwell.
Anniversaries: 1 Alan and Angie deJersey, 7 David and Kathrine Stevens, 24 Leslie and John Baird and Robb and Brenda Flannery . Best wishes to all from our club.

Chantal presented banners from Montreal Clubs where she did makeups.

AG Lana presented the Presidential Citation to Past President Alan.

23 - Lisa Hamilton on Horticultural Therapy 30 - Chip Ross and David Stevens on their experiences at the RI Convention in New Orleans

An older woman was sipping a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she said:

"I love you so much, I don't know how I could ever live without you" ... Her husband asked,

"is that you, or the wine talking?"... She replied,

"Its me ... talking to the wine."