



# The Miner's Lamp

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## L'Arche

June is: Recreational and Vocational Fellowship Month.

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Our guest speakers last week were Andre Ruel and Jennifer Pass of L'Arche Comox Valley, an organization that provides normal living for people with developmental disabilities. The founder of L'Arche is Canadian Jean Vanier, son of Georges P. Vanier, former Governor-General of Canada. Vanier started the movement in France by taking two people out of a "mental institution" and

integrating them into everyday living in the community. There are 130 L'Arche homes in 30 countries around the world. Using a well prepared Powerpoint presentation, our speakers provided insights into the organization and its funding.. [www.larche.com](http://www.larche.com)



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

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- 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.
- President Dave reminded us that our **2007 Extravaganza Italiana** needs to occupy our thoughts. Find sponsors, services and articles for the auction, etc. Linda has a new 3-part form to be used when an item for the event is obtained. **Remember—I form for each item.** Linda will store items until the auction so please make sure that she gets them. **Please do not leave items you obtain at The Miner's Café—we do not have the room.** Everyone to canvass potential donors.
- President Dave encouraged all of us to **bring a guest to breakfast** who might be a potential Rotarian. The club will pick up the tab for breakfast. Don't just invite someone—bring someone.
- John C handed out 2007—2008 club directories. Those

## Rotary Moment

### Convention Opens, Celebrating Rotary's Power to Realize Dreams

By Antoinette Tuscano

Salt Lake City — A year of traveling as Rotary International president has given William B. Boyd perspective on what makes projects successful. Both large-scale efforts, like eradicating

polio, and smaller initiatives, like microcredit projects, start with a dream, he said at the convention's opening keynote yesterday, but it is dedication and hard work that make dreams reality.

Quoting Eleanor Roosevelt, Boyd said, "'The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.' But I think she should have gone further and said, 'and work for their dreams.'" The strength of Rotary is in its ability to unite so many individuals from different parts of the world, giving club members a creative power unmatched in other organizations. "We talk blindly of 1.2 million Rotarians, but we're all individuals," said Boyd. "The strength of Rotary comes from each of us dreaming our own dreams, and, when you put it all together, you get the greatness and power of Rotary."

Utah Governor Jon M. Huntsman Jr. welcomed more than 15,000 Rotarians, including Chip Ross, from 147 countries to the biggest convention ever to be held in Salt Lake City and the first RI Convention in Utah since 1919.

Marked with international flair, the opening also featured Maori singers and dancers performing a sacred wero ceremony to honour Boyd, a New Zealander whose term as

## Parting Shots



President Dave thanked everyone in the club for a great year of service to humanity.



One last time, we paid tribute to our RYE student, Anatol Gudenus at his last meeting.