



The Miner's Lamp

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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.	

Dancing and Tapas



Our guest speakers on Tuesday were Hansi Zihlmann and Tom Robinson of the Rotary Club of Campbell River Daybreak. Hansi is the club champion of a project to provide containers of wheelchairs to disabled people in many countries. Hansi

presented a summary of the Wheelchair Foundation and how his club has raised money to fund containers of 280 wheelchairs shipped from China to the target country. The Campbell River clubs connect with a Rotary club in the target country to make arrangements for distribution after determining who has a need. Hansi and Tom have travelled to countries in South America. A container of 280 wheelchairs costs \$42,000 including shipping costs. In April of the past few years, Hansi and his colleagues have organized an evening that provides participants with a variety of foods dispensed from several stations. Raffles of donated wines result in funds being raised as well as a silent and live auction. A highlight of the evening is music provided by a great group from Victoria who specialize in Latin music. Tickets are sold for \$35 each. In all, the event raises sufficient money to fund a container after expenses are paid. Next year's event will be held in mid April. Hansi will keep us informed of details.

Announcements

Others can stop you temporarily but only you can do it permanently.

- Jill Cornwell is always interested in suggestions for speakers: jcornwell@shaw.ca Jill is also accepting donations of good books for our library at Cumberland Lodge.



- From President Deb: Our club has been invited by the Rotary Club of Langley, our partners in the Liberian project, to a summer BBQ on 5 August. Accommodations will be provided by these Rotarians to anyone interested in attending. Contact Terry Smith: terrysmith@shaw.ca if interested.
- Liz and Elmer have extended an invitation to all of us to join them at their home on Monday, 1 August, to view the fireworks display. Arrive any time after 6:30 PM. This is a potluck, BYOB event. Please bring a chair each as well.
- David Stevens reminded us that there are only 65 days left until our seventh annual Extravaganza Italiana. David showed us two original Brian Scott paintings he has obtained. Each of us is asked to obtain at least five items for the auction.
- Coal cart bench refurbishment project is slated for 9 August - more details to follow.
- Linda reminded us that we have been asked to donate \$40 each to provide prizes for the Extravaganza Italiana.
- **August Greeters:** Debbie and Judy
- **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.

Rotary Moment



Rotarians from France, Côte d'Ivoire Distribute Bed Nets to Fight Malaria



A child carries two insecticide-treated bed nets during an anti-malaria Matching Grant project in Cote d'Ivoire. Photo courtesy of John Kedzierski

Thousands of mothers in western Côte d'Ivoire rushed out of their homes to receive insecticide-treated bed nets during an 11-day anti-malaria campaign initiated by French Rotarians near the town of Man in November. The effort was part of a €56,300 (US\$79,500) Rotary Foundation Matching Grant project sponsored by the Rotary clubs of Garches-Marnes-Vaucresson, Hauts-de-Seine, France, and San Pedro, Côte d'Ivoire. John Kedzierski, project coordinator and a member of the Garches-Marnes-Vaucresson club, joined nine other volunteers in distributing 17,600 nets, which were treated to repel the mosquitoes that carry the parasitic disease. The project benefited more than 50,000 people.

Attendance: 21 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 26 July. We missed the company of: Catherine, Alan, Cathe, Kurt, Adri, Kim, Chantal, Jon, Paul and Alinda. . Visiting Rotarians: Hansi Zihlmann and Tom Robinson of the Rotary Club of Campbell River Daybreak, our guest speakers, Blaine Douglas and Laurie Haines of the Rotary Club of Courtenay and Chip Ross of the Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in August

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.

Parting Shots



Thanks to Deb and Bayne for the bookcase.



David and Chip support a person with a blood disorder in India who sent a gift for David

August Programs

2 - Inspector Tom Gray, RCMP, an update on policing in the Valley 9 - Presidents of the other CV Clubs
16 - Club Assembly with AG Lana Eagle 23 - Lisa Hamilton on Horticultural Therapy
30 - Chip Ross and David Stevens on their experiences at the RI Convention in New Orleans

Chuckle Corner

INNOCENCE IS PRICELESS

One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names and small flags mounted on either side of it. The six-year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, 'Good morning Alex.'

'Good morning Pastor,' he replied, still focused on the plaque. 'Pastor, what is this?'

The pastor said, 'Well son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service.'

Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque. Finally, little Alex's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear asked,

'Which service, the 8:30 or the 11:00?'