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Literacy and numeracy have always been priorities for Rotarians. Our club has provided support to Cumberland Elementary and Royston Elementary Schools to help with their programs.

GP Vanier Legacy Garden



Our guest speaker on Tuesday was Mr. Murray McRae, Vice-Principal at GP Vanier Secondary School. His topic was about a project that the school has developed to celebrate Earth Day, which this year will be celebrated on 22 April. With Murray's guidance, a number of students and staff members have put

together a program for Earth Day that will include inaugurating a "Legacy Garden" at the front of the school. The garden will occupy a 40 foot by 30 foot space that will feature mainly native plants, large rock features and other elements that will create a welcoming space for all to visit, sit,, eat lunch, talk and enjoy their surroundings. Murray invited us to visit the celebrations on 22 April. The project needs about \$1200 to \$1500.

Announcements

Anyone who asks a question might risk being a fool for 5 minutes, but a person who doesn't ask is a fool forever.

- 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 Steve:** Letter from the Prostate Cancer Support Group will be considered by the Board. Letter from the Cumberland Youngsters' Easter Egg Hunt seeking support. Moved by Linda, seconded by John C that we donate \$100 - Carried.



Participants in the event will donate to the food bank. Anyone else who would like to donate, please contact Linda for details. Snowshoe Blast on 28 March. Our team: Stefan, Kurt, Bill and his son, Greg and President Steve. Pledges are welcome and sheets were circulated. Contact President Steve if you didn't get a chance to pledge. Rotary Club of Campbell River Daybreak is holding a Tapas Evening on Saturday evening, 27 March at NIC campus in Campbell River, no time given. Saturday, 3 April is the Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise's Skyrocket Sale.

- Rob announced that he will officially become a Canadian citizen on 17 April.
- Gail announced that Christine has completed the new member requirements and so coughed up her red ribbon.
- Liz announced that there have been a several schedule changes for the GWCTD events and she will e-mail those changes to those affected later today.
- **March Greeters:** Linda Oprica and Keith Tatton.
- **Greeters' Duties:** Arrive by 6:30 AM, set up room, greet everyone as people arrive and hand out badges, with visitors' name tags and make-up cards. Return room to original setup.



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Rotary Moment



A Sad Moment

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of Joan Wilkinson, wife of our 2007-2008 RI President Wilf. Wilf is a member of the Rotary Club of Trenton, ON.

Joan was a delightful and deeply caring person. She was a superb complement to Wilf and totally supportive of him throughout his Rotary presidency. We will all miss her.

Our thoughts and prayers are with PRIP Wilf and the entire Wilkinson Family. Source : ROTI / Courtesy : eFlash_Rotary

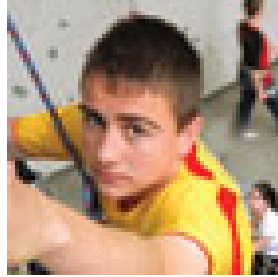
Attendance

20 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on Visiting Rotarians: Bayne Mann and Chip Ross of the Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise. Guests: Bayne Mann, guest of his mom, Deb Nolan, Greg Ehman GSE to Germany outbound member and Murray McRae Vice-Principal of GP Vanier Secondary School, our guest speaker.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in March

Birthdays: 4 Chantal Stefan, 22 Debbie Lemire and 26 Kurt Nielsen. Anniversary: Annemarie and Stefan Pletscher. Our best wishes to everyone.

Parting Shot



Literacy project puts the writing on the wall. German Rotary club uses 30-foot-high climbing wall to get students motivated to learn.

March Programs

30 - Andrea Grieg - Team Terrific

Remember When?



**You got your windshield cleaned, oil checked
and gas pumped without asking, all for free,
every time?**