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July - A New Rotary Year

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Rotary begins a new year this month. Highlights will include an official visit from DG Bob Martin and Jan Martin.

Five Years Remembered

We reviewed five years' of service by having members talk about why they joined Rotary and the events that were highlights since they have been Rotarians. Lots of sharing and laughs as we watched a summary of the past five years that were displayed as a Powerpoint slideshow.

Greg Ehman Paul Harris Fellow



It was a fitting way to end our last meeting of 2009 - 2010 when Linda presented Greg Ehman with the pin and certificate that identifies him as our newest Paul Harris Fellow. Greg was a Rotary Youth Exchange Student in his teens and a GSE Team member to Germany earlier this year. He and his family are in the process of moving to Golden and we all know that he will become involved as a Rotarian in that community.

Announcements

Educate a boy, and you educate an individual. Educate a girl, and you educate a community. ~African proverb

- 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 Alan: DG Bob Martin will pay an official visit to our club on Tuesday, 13 July. Thanks to Gale and Jay for their service as greeters during the month of June.



- Acting President Linda reminded us all that Treasurer John will be sending in all Rotary Foundation contributions received since 1 January. Reminder that our Extravaganza Italiana 2010 will take place on 2 October so start thinking about getting donations for the auction. Brad and Heather and Ainsley have sold their house and have left for their new adventure. Brad and Heather have established an annual scholarship for \$500 for a Cumberland student attending Vanier. Big Timeout is 14 and 15 August and we have the opportunity to hold a barbecue on the evening of 14 August and a pancake breakfast the next morning to help the Boys and Girls Club raise funds for a new van. We will be helping paint the CRI on 20 to 22 August and we will run a bar for a wedding reception on Saturday, 21 August to raise funds for the club.
- Gale asked for volunteers to help Dodie organize a picnic for about 45 people from CYMC on Saturday, 3 July from 5 to 7:30 PM.
- **July Greeters:** Christine Dickinson and John Challender.
- **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



What's New for Clubs and Districts

A new Rotary year is beginning, and with it a number of changes to the way clubs and districts do business.

The annual per capita dues that Rotary clubs pay to Rotary International will increase to US\$50 in 2010-11, as established by the 2007 Council on Legislation. The 2010 Council approved a \$1 increase for the three subsequent years. The 2010 Council took several other actions that will go into effect 1 July:

- * E-clubs will become a permanent part of Rotary International after years of participating in a pilot project.
- * New Generations Service will join the other Avenues of Service
- * Rotarians in North America will have the choice of receiving either an electronic or print version of The Rotarian magazine.

Here are some changes that will primarily affect Rotary districts:

- * District assemblies must be held in March, April, or May, and presidents-elect training seminars in February or March.
- * The chair of the nominating committee for district governor must notify the current governor of the committee's candidate within 24 hours, and the governor must inform clubs within 72 hours.

Here are some changes that will primary affect Rotary clubs:

- * No club may limit membership based on sexual orientation.
- * The immediate past club president will be considered a club officer and a member of the board.
- * The RI Board may suspend or terminate the membership of any club that retains any member who has misused funds of the Rotary Foundation.
- * Clubs accepting a transferring or former Rotarian must first secure a certificate from the former member's club confirming that person's membership.

Source : Rotary International News / Courtesy : eFlash_Rotary

Attendance

Only 17 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 29 June. Visiting Rotarian: Bent Harder of the RC of Courtenay. Guests: Chantal's parents Laurier and Irene Levasseur , Dawn Ramsay and her daughter Sam McKay, who was the first recipient of the Triple A Award, Greg Ehman GSE Team Member and Liz' guest Guillermo Mier.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in July

Birthdays: 8 David Stevens, 13 Jon Toogood. Anniversaries: 3 Linda Oprica and David Muir, 11 Kim Sleno and Charlie Sallis, 28 Brad and Heather McKinnon. Best wishes to everyone.

Parting Shot



Sam McKay, a grade 8 student from Cumberland Middle School was the first recipient of the new, annual Triple A Award recognizing all round students at the school. A \$100 honourarium accompanies the award.

July Programs

6 July - President's vision
20 July - Club Assembly

13 July - DG Bob Martin Official Visit
27 July - 2010 RI Convention Report, David, John & Jon

Chuckle Corner



A TOUGH OLD COWBOY FROM SOUTH TEXAS COUNSELLED HIS GRANDSON THAT IF HE WANTED TO LIVE A LONG LIFE, THE SECRET WAS TO SPRINKLE A PINCH OF GUN POWDER ON HIS OATMEAL EVERY MORNING. THE GRANDSON DID THIS RELIGIOUSLY TO THE AGE OF 103 WHEN HE DIED. HE LEFT BEHIND 14 CHILDREN, 30 GRANDCHILDREN, 45 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, 25 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND A 15-FOOT CRATER WHERE THE CREMATORIUM USED TO BE. SORTA BRINGS A TEAR TO YOUR EYE, DON'T IT?