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New Generations is the newest avenue of service in Rotary and this month Rotarians place emphasis on youth—activities for young people through Interact, Rotaract and Youth Exchange and by encouraging young adults to learn about Rotary and by becoming Rotarians.



Our speaker on Tuesday was Vivian Doubt of the LUSH Valley Food Action Society. The LUSH Valley Food Action Society is a non-profit charitable community food security partner whose knowledge and experience strives to

reflect the cultural, political and economic diversity and the potential of the Comox Valley food system. The organization seeks to respond holistically to hunger, malnutrition and food insecurity in the Comox Valley, focusing on using local resources to meet local food system needs. They implement and support in partnership with the community practical, food related projects as a way to educate, encourage and empower the people of the Comox Valley towards personal wellness, community health and environmental stewardship. They believe that public health, social justice and ecological sustainability are inextricably linked. Vivian provided an interesting presentation of the work of this volunteer organization. For more information see:

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Life is what's coming...not what was.

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



- From President Alan: Board meeting on 9 September at 7:AM at Carmie's.
- Linda reminder us that the photo booth will be in place at the Extravaganza Italiana and for \$200 up to 3 businesses can have their names and logos appear on photos people have taken. Two opportunities are available. Contact Linda if interested. Keith is sponsoring the program. Reminder of gift bags contents and gift certificates to Kim. Bill Ranson of the Wandering Moose will coordinate the food service. Set up will begin at 5:00 PM on Friday evening, 1 October to allow time and space for the decorators to complete their work. Donations have reached 35 so we have 2 1/2 weeks to get the remainder in to Keith with completed paperwork. 285 tickets have been sold. Max is 292. Do not sell tickets without checking with John C.
- Painting at CRI will take place from 7 to 11 September beginning early each morning. Signup sheet will be available next week.
- _____: Judythe McQuillan and Catherine Bell.
- _____ 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.



Rotarians are reaching out to victims of the heavy monsoon rains in Pakistan, as the country continues to cope with its worst flooding in decades. Major rivers have flooded valleys in about one-third of the country, claiming as many as 1,600 lives and washing away bridges, roads, and entire villages. The United Nations estimates that more than four million people have been left homeless.

"The people of Pakistan were not prepared for a disaster like this to reach this magnitude. Each day it seemed to get worse," says Shehzad Ahmed, governor of District 3272 (Afghanistan; Pakistan). "It's difficult for me to imagine how we're going to cope with this situation."

Millions of children face diarrhea, cholera, and upper respiratory infections from contaminated water and insects. Eight million people are still in urgent need of humanitarian aid. The UN predicts that the economic cost of the floods could reach billions of dollars.

"While most Rotarians in my district weren't terribly affected, we still have a moral obligation to help those who are suffering," Ahmed says. He adds that clubs in his district are collecting food, safe drinking water, and medicine. Ahmed also formed a district disaster relief committee of past district governors, governors-elect, and governors-nominee, as well as other leaders, to oversee long-term recovery efforts. "We've received tremendous support so far from clubs and districts all over the world," he says. "Rotarians are motivating each other and their friends to contribute generously toward this noble cause."

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20 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 31 August. Visiting Rotarians: Freya Boughton of the RC of Maui, Willie Bought of the RC of Valley Isle Sunset, Chip Ross and Michael Syer of the RC of Strathcona Sunrise. Visitors: Adri Pretorius and Chris Toogood, guests of Jon Toogood.

Birthdays: 3 Gale Wheeler. Anniversaries: 1 David and Jane Bossom, 14 John and Judy Jones. Best wishes to everyone.



Visiting Rotarians from Maui, Freya Boughton of the Rotary Club of Maui and her husband, Willie Boughton, of the Rotary Club of Valley Isle Sunset presented a banner to President Alan.

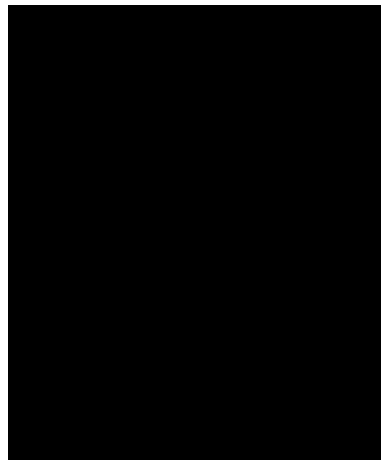
7 - Extravaganza Italiana Preparations - Linda Oprica

14 - Club Assembly

21 - Seanna McLeod on her recent trip to Haiti

28 - Mercy Ships - Tom Mahoney

An Interview With "Stormin" Norman



In a recent interview, General Norman Schwarzkopf was asked if he thought there were room for forgiveness toward the people who harboured and abetted the terrorists who perpetrated the 9/11 attacks on America. His answer was classic Schwarzkopf:

The General said, "I believe that forgiving them is God's function ... OUR job is to arrange the meeting."
