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MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

Today (May 30): Jack Emberly - Environmental matters

Next Week (June 6):

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
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CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
June 4	4 pm	Fireside at Matt DeBruyn's home	12593 Garibaldi St. Maple Ridge
June 10-14		Rotary International Convention	Atlanta
June 27	5:30 pm	Club Executive Installation	Chances Casino, Maple Ridge
Aug. 13		Rotary Duck Race	Maple Ridge Park – Alouette River

2017 ROTARY DUCK RACE, AUG 13, 2017, MAPLE RIDGE PARK!

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

This month, students at Laity View and Maple Ridge Elementary School learn how to apply the Rotary Four-Way Test to make the right decision, when faced with a challenging situation.

Over the past seven years Rotarians from the Meadow Ridge Rotary Club have visited various elementary schools in Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge to introduce the Rotary code of ethics.

What is the Rotary code of ethics? It is called the Four-Way Test. Upon becoming a member of a Rotary Club, one commits to ask him- or herself, with every thought, spoken word or deed, four questions:

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LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Notes were taken by Eric, who was standing in for Patrick, who was standing in for Laurie.

Mark Vosper's invocation went as follows:

"As we gather here today as members of Rotary, we pray that we are ever mindful of opportunities to render our service to fellow citizens and to our community. Keeping in mind always the enduring values of life, exerting our efforts in those areas and on those things upon which future generations can build with confidence. Let us continue to strive to make a better world. Amen."

Profound Mark, profound...

President Ineke announced that it was **Youth Services Month!**

Youth Service is important because youth are our future. Youth will be running our country and the world, and are the future of Rotary. For Rotary and its ideals of service as a worthy enterprise to survive and thrive beyond our lifetime, Rotarians must be involved in Youth Service.

President Ineke's quote was from Tommy Cooper:



Guests: Tom Manion & Todd Hovey

Happy & Sad Dollars:

- Matt held forth about his name tag, blah, blah. He also regaled the members on a Four-Way Test story about a Husky propane tank, something about a flat fee. He then rallied and announced that the last Four-Way Test day in the schools is at Maple Ridge Elementary on Friday.
- Dave Rempel spoke from the grave as he has had people crying about his demise the whole week. It seems that tidings of his demise were premature and greatly exaggerated.
- Libby's granddaughter got them lost on the way to her friend's house. As Libby was at the meeting, we can assume that this was of a temporary nature.

Eric auctioned off some stray gift cards from The Frogstone Grill, which Libby obligingly purchased at \$50 each.

Mike Davies was our fine master and fined everyone who did not have their badges on, and everyone who spent money outside of Maple Ridge over the weekend.

A guilty looking Deb Hyslop was the mystery greeter. Deb sitting quietly in her chair should have been a dead give-away!

President Ineke announced:

1. Wine festival had a post-event meeting. *From the Grave* Dave mentioned a date of April 28, 2018 for reference. Dave also added that this year's profit stood around \$16,000, and that the committee would propose 2 projects to benefit from the proceeds.
2. Libby's installation is on June 27, 2017 at Chances, starting at 5:30 pm. Libby did not look all that certain about the arrangements...
3. Rotary News page was in the News last week.

Committee announcements:

- Adrienne announced a true bonfire "fireside" at Matt's home on June 4, 2017, from 4 pm onwards. Everyone is to bring their own appies, chairs, etc.
- Incoming executives' meeting at Libby's house this evening.

Speaker: Brian Bekar.

Brian spoke eloquently, if briefly, about his background, and his involvement with Pacific Blasting and Mark's Work Warehouse. The attending members thoroughly enjoyed his presentation. Other members, who want further details, can obtain it from Brain personally. Thanks Brian!

50/50

Surprise, surprise, Brian drew the ticket, but then lucked out with the 10 of spades.

After President Ineke's parting quote by Bill Clinton:

"Being president is like running a cemetery: you've got a lot of people under you and nobody's listening."

Submitted by Eric Mollema