



Rattler for Feb. 16, 2018. Your scribe: Pauline Buck

Speaker: Mike Morgan, Langley School District Principal for Indigenous Studies, in charge of reconciliation.

Mike described reconciliation as the establishment and maintenance of trust and respect for relationships between aboriginal and non-aboriginal people. And he should know — raised in Haida Gwaii as a non-aboriginal kid with white and indigenous relatives, Mike grew up speaking Haida and hearing family members from both cultures agree and disagree about the possibility of reconciliation.

He says reconciliation is a relationship we're all in and the best hope for it to work starts in the schools — with conversations that extend from the classrooms to students' homes. Many parents aren't comfortable hearing what their kids are saying, and some call Mike to complain — which, to Mike, is a great sign that the program is working, that discussions are taking place. Mike commended Rotary members **Cecelia Reekie** and **Paul Guiton**, who are part of the **Reconciliation** group in Langley and work diligently on the admirably named reconciliation.

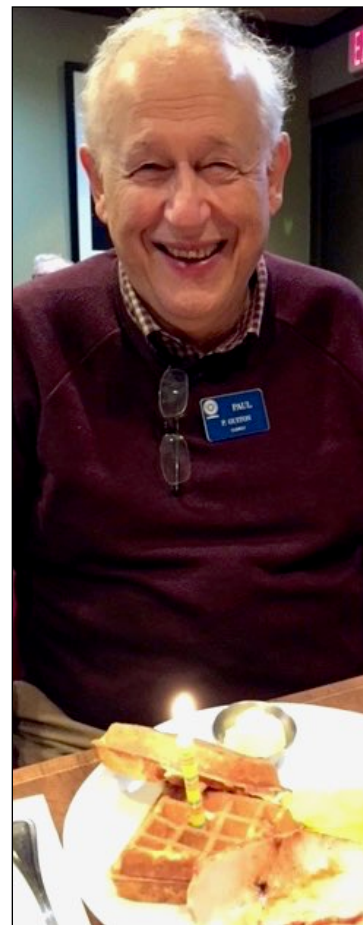
Club news from Wes's amazing PowerPoint chronicle was similar to last week's revelations, except for:

Finances: Gus reported we had received \$6,300. from the B.C. gaming branch. **Other grants:** Bev and Karen have been working on the \$2,500. Township grant that will support Betty Gilbert's summer learning project.

Membership: Gus was talking so didn't hear **Howie** announce that his half-price membership drive was going well. Howie then rescinded that announcement when he noticed Gus was suddenly paying attention.

Christmas Lights: Charlie is working with some guy named Dave to see if Dave can upgrade our decorations to LED lights and what that would cost.

Community events: Langley Volunteers Bureau's first AGM, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 19 at Timm's Community Centre. Aldergrove Business Association's social mingler Feb. 22 5:30 to 7:30 at Boston Pizza. Langley Parks & Rec. open house Feb. 22 7-9 p.m. at Parkside Elementary re. upgrades to the Philip Jackman Spray Park.



Newly minted septuagenarian Pastor Paul received a candle on his waffle (69 candles MIA).

Service above self, in-deed!!

Why is Janet holding a banana and sharing a laugh with Colin?

Well, when Susan told Janet the White Spot didn't have any bananas (Janet rashly asked if she could have one with her quinoa breakfast, duh), Colin quietly dashed across to Save-On and bought this single beauty. No wonder our club thinks so highly of this kind, generous, active member!



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Happy . . . and sad



Garth was happy that his son was coming to visit. **Colin** was happy and relieved that LAPS' new Isoasis would be opening on time and within its tight budget. **Janet** was happy that her major back-yard cleanup was finally under way. **Angie** was having more company, but, since they were Wayne's relatives, she was happy that Wayne had to do all the work.

Pauline was happy to be representing the Volunteer Cancer Drivers' Society at the Langley Volunteers' AGM. **Paul** was happy that his daughter and son were arriving for his birthday celebration. **Bev** was very happy to have attended Michelle

Obama's inspiring presentation in Vancouver. **Brian** was happy to be off to Mayne Is. for a week. **Doug. H.** was happy that his son had invited him to be his best man, so long as he didn't get a new suit from Don Cherry's tailor. **Charlie**, thanking Mike for his presentation, said while he was in Haida Gwaii last summer Diane supported the local economy by buying out all the gift shops. **Scott** was looking forward to a rare date night and confirmed his employee (aka dad) would babysit. **Glenn** was none too happy about another driving adventure en route to Rotary. **Karen** was looking forward to a six-course

feast Bob was cooking to honour Chinese New Year. **Jack F.** (thanking Mike for his talk) mentioned how forward-looking Aldergrove had been in the 1960s over educating aboriginal children. **Rick's** director-daughter was in B.C., shooting four episodes of a new CBC TV show, and he'd had a great time with her and her crew. A happy **Howie** thanked Colin for his great work on the Isoasis facility. **Gus** was sad that his anniversary trip to Vegas had been spoiled by everyone else getting sick. He had of course been forced to stay away from germs — inside the casinos. **Kevin** and **Carlo** were "just happy".

Upcoming

Feb. 23: David Truman from the Sunshine Rotary Club on the interpretive building at the Derek Doubleday Arboretum. **March 2:**

Executive meeting update. **March 9:** Peter Tam (Haney Rotary club) on proportional representation. **March 16:** Susan Cairns from the Langley School

District Foundation. **March 20:** Dorothy Miller on "the new Toastmaster experience." **April 13:** Langley's Fairy Godmother.