

# **The Four Way Flasher**



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#### **OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

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**Happy Anniversary** 

#### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS:**

Stuart Palmer / Julia Heemstra Oct 12: Global Grant Water Project, Grahamstown, South Africa

Oct 19: Larissa Franklyn Bronze Medalist Softball, 2020 Tokyo Olympics

Oct 26: Luke Vorstermans "Roll Over Hippo" Project

#### **OUR CLUB LAST WEEK'S MEETING:**

Vice President Brenda Jenkins presided.

Guests:

Ana Castillo - our 2006 exchange student from Mexico, and now a permanent resident of Canada. Ana (in partnership with her parents) has open her own business - baking, decorating and selling cookies.

Victor M. Castillo Gonzalez - father of Ana, visiting from Mexico

Martha Nunez Llaguno - mother of Ana, visiting from Mexico

#### Maple Ridge Sunrise Rotary Club

Urma Mollema, president of the above-named club, advised that they are having their first fundraiser on October 28 at the "Reach Neighbourhood Pub and Grill (located at 20398 Dewdney Trunk Road, Maple Ridge) where a fun time (with music and door prizes, etc.) will be had by all. Tickets are \$25, and may be purchased through Urma.

#### Paul Harris Recognition

**Mike Davies** presented **Adrienne Dale** with her 5<sup>th</sup> Paul Harris, in recognition of her time commitment as president of our club in the 2020/2021 Rotary Year.

He also presented a Paul Harris to Eric Mollema who had obtained 1,000 recognition points.

#### Happy and Sad Dollars

Ineke - most happy to see Ana again, and her parents. Ana stayed with Ineke and Peter during Ana's time as an exchange student.

Mark Vosper - he is now the Executive Director of the Maple Ridge Chamber of Commerce, and happy to be working again in Maple Ridge which will enable him to resume attendance at our Rotary meetings.

Libby – suggests we put Ana's contact information in the bulletin, so we can help advertise her cookie business. Her email is ana.castillo.diseno@gmail.com

#### Anouncements:

Ineke noted that the club sent \$2400 to ShelterBox Canada to purchase two Shelter Boxes. The Shelter Box Program helped approximate 200,000 people last year who were experiencing emergency situations. Shelter boxes are placed in locations in several parts of the world so that in case of an emergency they can be sent where needed very quickly. They are in Australia, Africa, New Zealand, Thailand, etc. ShelterBox Canada is planning also to have smaller boxes in the future, containing tools and other things, and there will be a club program later in the year to explain that further. We received a letter thanking our club for its donation, which letter reads as follows:

Dear club members: Thanks to your club, families will be able to begin the process of self recovery, and start to rebuild their lives after losing so much in disaster and conflict. Last year ShelterBox provided 200,000 people with emergency aid thanks to generosity like yours. Together we are not only changing lives but also we are saving lives. Your club's donation of \$2,400 will provide to families with not only shelter but also the ability to recover. By providing emergency aid and the training needed to rebuild normalcy to their lives. Communities can begin to work together, and families can begin to return to work or school. We are proud to be Rotary International's project partner - further strengthening the global circle of friendship. We also believe in being people of action. At ShelterBox, we are impatient to see no family left without shelter after a disaster. Thank you for joining in our mission and helping us to ensure we are always prepared to help when the unthinkable happens.

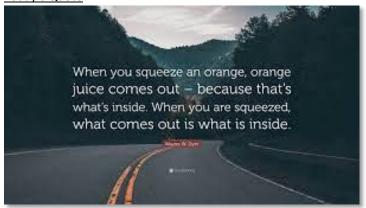
#### Funding request:

Attending via Zoom, was **Ramona Cruickshank**, a schoolteacher speaking on behalf of the Wings Program at Maple Ridge Secondary School, who are requesting funding to help pay for the cost of providing to a number of schoolchildren (who have various "medical and other exceptionalities") the opportunity to go swimming in a non-public time slot at the Leisure Centre, with the costs going to help pay for the lifeguard on these occasions. Ramona explained about the program and the children whom it would benefit, and answered any questions about their application. The Community Services Committee, under the chairmanship of **Mike Davies**, will be considering the application.

#### A Club Service Project

"Not all good Rotarians are members of Rotary." **Matt** stated that he was talking to such a person (**Warren Dale**) and they discussed a need within the community for some senior citizens (and others not so senior) to be provided with laminated vaccination cards so that they can easily participate in community activities which require proof of double vaccination under the current provincial health guidelines due to COVID. Not everybody within the community has access to computers or cell phones, or the ability to use these devices for this purpose. The proposal is to provide these laminated cards free to anyone in our community over the age of 65 who requests them, and to those under the age of 65 for a minimum donation of, say, five dollars. Warren has volunteered to provide the laminated cards for this purpose. Matt will follow up with us at a later date to discuss this further.

#### Today's Quote:



And a longer version says this:

WHEN YOU SQUEEZE AN ORANGE, YOU'LL ALWAYS GET ORANGE JUICE TO COME OUT. WHAT COMES OUT IS WHAT'S INSIDE. THE SAME LOGIC APPLIES TO YOU: WHEN SOMEONE SQUEEZES YOU, PUTS PRESSURE ON YOU, OR SAYS SOMETHING UNFLATTERING OR CRITICAL, AND OUT OF YOU COMES ANGER, HATRED, BITTERNESS, TENSION, DEPRESSION, OR ANXIETY, THAT IS WHAT'S INSIDE. IF LOVE AND JOY ARE WHAT YOU WANT TO GIVE AND RECEIVE, CHANGE YOUR LIFE BY CHANGING WHAT'S INSIDE - WAYNE DYER -

## HAVE A "HAPPY THANKSGIVING"

 $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$  Bottom line: Did you know that the closest full moon to the autumn equinox was the Harvest Moon, which was on **September 20**? We have waved goodbye to the Harvest Moon, and the next full Moon won't occur until after Thanksgiving, on Wednesday, **October 20**. So, the "**bottom line**" is: there will be no full moon for Thanksgiving  $\bigotimes$   $\bigotimes$ . But that didn't stop a couple of proud and creative parents from getting out the Halloween makeup paint a bit early to create their own double moonshot for Thanksgiving (and their kids didn't seem to mind, even if they were the "**butt of the joke**").  $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$ 



### A double moon shot

Submitted by Laurie Anderson