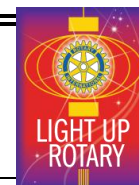


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### April is Magazine (The Four Way Flasher) Month

**Today:** Myrna Norman - Understanding Alzheimer's

**Next Week:** Jennifer Stack - SPCA

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary	Invocation
Apr. 11: Brian Johnston		Apr. 7: Betty Johansen Apr. 14: Brian Johnston

### CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Apr. 21	noon	Membership Meeting	Bella Vita Restaurant
June 12		Installation Dinner	Pitt Meadows Golf Club

### RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Today, there are so many more ways to communicate than ever before. In the age of video conferences and instant messages, we can work together from almost anywhere, and always be in touch; we can share our Rotary work on Facebook, on Twitter, and on Rotary.org. But there will always be a tremendously important role for the magazine that you are holding in your hands – or reading on an electronic device – right now.

*The Rotarian* is one of the oldest continuously published magazines in the world, with an unbroken publication history dating back to its first issue, featuring Paul Harris as a contributor, in 1911. Back then, the magazine was printed in black and white, and was only a few pages. The type was small, the pictures were few, and the advertisements were for piano dealers, haberdashers, and a hotel fully equipped with hot and cold running water!

Now, you can read *The Rotarian* on your phone or tablet, and regional magazines are published in 24 languages. Seventeen Nobel Prize winners and 19 Pulitzer Prize winners have written for the magazine, including Mahatma Gandhi, Desmond Tutu, George Bernard Shaw, and Nicholas Murray Butler. Every month, *The Rotarian* brings us a snapshot of the best of the Rotary world: It engages, entertains, enlightens, and inspires.

In an age of constant communication, with so many ways to find new information, do we still need a Rotary magazine? Absolutely. Because the magazine is now, as it has always been, one of the

best ways to spread the word about Rotary. It has allowed me to share the fun and excitement of Rotary Days, it showcases the good work of Rotarians around the world, and it puts a spotlight on important issues affecting us all. The *Rotarian* isn't just enjoyable for Rotarians – it's a great way to boost Rotary's public image, and show the world the work that Rotarians do.

So when you're done reading this issue, pass it along. Ask yourself who might be particularly interested in this month's articles. Give the issue to a friend, a co-worker, or a colleague. Share it with someone you've invited to a Rotary club meeting. Visit [www.therotarianmagazine.com](http://www.therotarianmagazine.com) to share stories on social media, or send links through email. Use it to *Light Up Rotary* – just as Rotarians have been doing for more than 100 years.

**Gary C.K. Huang, RI President 2014-15**

### LAST WEEK'S MEETING



Cheque Presentation: **Angie Edmonds** made a cheque presentation of \$400 to **Allison White** on behalf of the **Maple Ridge Historical Society**, with the funds to be used to help support **Music on the Wharf**. Our contribution will go to help pay for the cost of the musicians (four separate bands) who will be playing at the four concerts to be held July 13 and 27 and August 10 and 24 - down at the wharf in Maple Ridge.

### Rotary Moment

Have you ever bought something at the store and found that at the till the cashier made a mistake and charged too little for the

item or items that you have purchased? Did you point out the mistake to the cashier at the time of purchase? If you only found out about the error when you got home and checked your bill, did you go back to the store and point out mistake, and offer to pay back the store the amount of money that you would have paid had there not been a mistake made? This week's Rotary Moment was given to us by **Libby Nelson** who applied the Four Way Test and did just that!

#### Happy and Sad

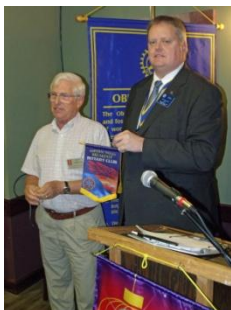
**Kim Roberts** gave a happy dollar for the successful Pub Night recently held to raise money for our outgoing exchange student.

She also contributed one sad dollar (it should've been \$100!) for trying to duplicate the role of henchman **Oddjob** in the James Bond movie **Goldfinger**, when she almost decapitated **Laurie Anderson** with her lethal flying disc at the Pub Night, missing the real target by about 15 feet (which she still claims was unintentional).



Guest **Jesse Sidhu**, a member of the Haney Rotary Club and a director of the Maple Ridge Community Foundation, was happy to remind us that the annual dinner of that Foundation will be held on Thursday, April 16th at Meadows Gardens for their Annual Fundraising Dinner and Citizen of the Year presentation. Past recipients of the Citizen of the year award include our own Meadow Ridge Rotarians **Bob Shantz, Ineke Boekhorst and Betty Levens**, as well as current and/or past members of the Haney Rotary Club: **Bonnie Telep, Bob Thompson, Mike Murray and Fred Armstrong**.

**Matt DeBruyn**, back from his annual migration southward, presented the club with a Rotary exchange Banner from the Rotary Club in California to which Matt introduced the four way test program in the schools in that area. Matt presented the program to 115 students, grades 6, 7 and 8, and was very impressed with how the students responded. Matt hopes that the Rotary club down there will continue the program.



**Ineke Boekhorst** was extremely happy to report that the Pub Night was a smashing success (notwithstanding the almost catastrophic decapitation mentioned above), with the fund raiser clearing \$3,075 to support our outgoing exchange student Amber. The event was supported by former club members who Ineke had contacted, including past club presidents **Lynda Lawrence** and **David Lawley**, and other former members and contributors who bought tickets but couldn't attend (or stay for the whole event) including **Gordon and Mary Robson** and **Kevin and Debora Nosworthy**, as well as **Brian Bekar** who generously donated \$500 to the cause. Ineke stated that the silent auction did extremely well, bringing in \$1,427, and that the Toonie Toss and Frisbee throws garnered \$400.

Our Guest Speaker was **Barbara Morgan**, who gave us a presentation on **Emergency Preparedness**.



Barbara is well-qualified to speak on her topic of emergency preparedness. She holds a certificate in Emergency Management from the Justice Institute of BC, an Associate Certificate of Leadership from BCIT, and has completed studies at the Vancouver Island University for business administration. She has an extensive background in Emergency Management collectively spanning over a period of 20 years. She previously worked for the Municipality of Maple Ridge with our own Mike Davies. Barbara is very knowledgeable in the British Columbia Emergency Response Management System model of emergency management.

Barbara (also known as the "Master of Disaster") admitted that she was here to "scare the heck out of you". Like the massive earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand, the question is not whether a major earthquake will hit the lower mainland of British Columbia, but when it will happen.



One of the biggest issues in emergency preparedness is "family reunification". Barbara pointed out that in a major disaster such as an earthquake it is very likely that parents will be separated from their children and other family members from one another. When Katrina happened, for example, 5,000 schoolchildren were separated from their parents. If you have a child in school, you should have a contact person for the children - someone who lives within one block of the school who can respond. If you or a spouse, for example are working, shopping, or attending medical appointments outside of the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows area when a major earthquake strikes, the Pitt River, Golden Ears, and Mission bridges would be closed down as they must be inspected by a structural engineers before the government would let people or cars them. Families would be separated, and thus the need to prepare for family reunification (particularly if there are minor children involved).

Barbara suggests that we should all have a contact person outside of British Columbia, so there can be a person whom all family members can contact (who can act as sort of a family call centre) if someone is missing or the family wants information about safety or well-being of loved ones. Cell phones and land lines may be out of commission, but pay phones are more likely to stand the test; and as there are not many of them around any more we should be conscious of where they can be located. In an emergency, having a roll of quarters to call someone would be very handy.

Another important thing is to keep an emergency supply kit where it is readily available, and it should be checked annually. (See the list at the end of this newsletter of things that should be in a well stocked emergency kit).

(Although Barbara Morgan did not mention it during her talk, she works for Civic Safety which sells emergency kits if anyone is interested in purchasing one. Barbara can be reached at ontherun@telus.net)

#### 50/50

Today's lucky ticket /unlucky card was for **Mark Vosper**.

**Submitted by Laurie Anderson**