

Meetings: Tuesday 12 Noon, Bella Vita Restaurant

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## JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

**Today:** Ineke & Peter Boekhorst - Their trip to the RI Convention in Seoul, Korea

**Next Week:** Gem Munro - Amarak Society - Their work in the slums of Bangladesh and Pakistan

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary

## CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
June 23	6 pm	Installation of new Board of Directors	Adrienne Dale - 10295 248 St., MR
Aug. 7	Noon – 2 pm	Rotary Duck Race	Maple Ridge Park
Sep. 13	Noon	DG Scott Dudley's official visit	Bella Vita Restaurant

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE



Jhon Reategui, our Exchange Student from Peru, will come to lunch on Tuesday June 21 for his farewell.

He will be heading to the cabin with the Murray's on the 23rd and Mike will take him straight to the airport July 17.

**Please make an effort to say good-bye to Jhon.**

### LAST WEEK'S MEETING

#### Rotary Moment - Ineke Boekhorst

Ineke had a very special Rotary Moment this last weekend. She attended at the Rotary Club of West Bank, Kelowna, to see the installation of her daughter **Marjolein Lloyd** as the new president of that club. This means that Ineke and Marjolein are both presidents of their respective Rotary clubs in the same year (2016/2017), and they had the opportunity to attend PETS together.

#### Cheque Presentation - Country Fest

**Adrienne Dale** presented a cheque for \$500 to **Lorraine Bates**, Manager of the Country Fest. Lorraine advised that our Maple Ridge Country Fest includes the biggest 4-H fair in British Columbia. Last year there were 120 animals on show, and this year there are 33 more than last year. The participants do not have to pay, and our donation contributes to the success of the fair.



We learn on the website: *On June 15th, 1901 the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Agricultural Association was formed, and a set of Goals and Objectives were developed. The wording has changed slightly over the last 115 years, but the commitment to*

*promote and educate the public about the importance of agriculture in our daily lives is just as strong now as it was then. The Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Agricultural Association has worked hard to develop a National and Provincial award winning, family oriented, and agriculturally educational annual event and is recognized as "one of the best". This event is named "Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows COUNTRY FEST" and is held annually in July. This year's dates are July 23rd & 24th, and for the 9th year, will feature a FREE gate to give all families the opportunity to attend.*

#### Club News

**Ineke** received two thank you letters. One was from **Shelter Box** thanking us for the \$1200 sent to purchase one shelter box. In the letter it was noted that almost 60 million people were displaced in the last year due to wars and natural disasters.

**Angie Edmonds** stated that our exchange student **Jhon Reategui** will be soon leaving her home and travelling with Mike Murray to his summer cabin near 100 Mile House (where Jhon will enjoy some fishing in the lake), and will then be returning to his home in South America (where Jhon will be catching some bigger fish to fry, in the Amazon River).

#### Guests

Our guest for the meeting were **Lorraine Bates** and **Assistant Gov. Clive Evans**

#### Happy and Sad

**Sharon Kyle** had a happy dollar as she attended the graduation ceremony of the Maple Ridge Secondary School which was held in Langley. She noted that there were \$1.2 million in scholarships given out to graduating students of Maple Ridge Secondary. One of the recipients was a young lady who we sponsored to go to YAIL.

She also had a not-so-happy dollar as she tried to use her GPS system in her new car to find her way home, which resulted in her leaving at 10:15 PM from the ceremony but not arriving home until approximately 12:30 AM.

**Assistant Gov. Clive Evans** was happy to attend our meeting once again. He acknowledged that he was not normally a great sports fan, but was thinking of betting on one contest - Laurie Anderson winning the 50-50 draw ticket three meetings in a row [he missed by one number]. Clive obviously reads our 4-Way Flasher!!



**Dave Rempel** was happy to see so many young people graduating.

**Ineke** noted that her grandson participated in the Ambassador Program, one of 14 participants in the program. He was sponsored by the West Kelowna Rotary Club. The program teaches them many useful life skills, from participating in the Toastmaster program, to changing a tire on a car.

*The West Kelowna Youth Ambassador Program encourages the candidates and Ambassadors to connect with all age groups of West Kelowna Citizens. One important aspect of this program is*

*the Youth Service of volunteerism. It is envisioned that candidates and ambassadors attend municipal functions and activities arranged for the youth within the community. This program enables the youth of West Kelowna to expand their knowledge thru different programs which will be offered to them during their candidacy and reign.*

**Matt Debruyn** said that **Irena Shantz** attended on behalf of the club at the Pitt Meadows Secondary school graduation to give out our Rotary club bursaries.

**Pres. Mark Forster** had a great weekend attending a fishing derby at which he won the \$35 prize for the biggest trout. [Next year - the Amazon with Jhon?]

Our Mystery Greeter was **Libby Nelson** - and it was even a mystery to her as she did not read the email appointing her to the task - [so she had to pay a fine for not shaking hands with her self]

#### Guest Speaker - Jim Michals



Our own club member Jim Michals presented our program. Jim, who has been a member of our club for approximately 1 ½ years, is moving to Vancouver Island in the very near future and will therefore no longer be with us. Jim has been a certified arbitrator for at least 25 years, and is in the process of writing a book entitled "Peace Making Deconstructed".

He started out reciting a passage from the Song of Hiawatha (an 1855 epic poem by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow).

He said he found Rotary's four-way test, which has been translated into 100 languages, a good approach to arbitration.

He believes that there are three "sacred cows" of conflict resolution which are Myths:

- Myth #1: there is one best way to resolve a dispute
- Myth #2: reason and technology will resolve conflicts in the future
- Myth #3: conflicts can be resolved without a shared value system and code of conduct

Jim feels that the answer to proper conflict resolution lies in for things:

1. Have respect for those involved, and follow the "creator" (in whatever form you believe in)
2. Get the "log" out of your own eye first
3. Gently restore, and
4. Then, go and be reconciled

With respect to #3., the key is corrective and progressive discipline. Correction means putting things back the way they were, but punishment should be way down on the list towards peacemaking.

#### 50-50

**Patrick O'Brien** scored the 8 of Clubs.

**Submitted by Laurie Anderson**