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OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Today: Amber Widman - Her Exchange Student 2015/16 to Sweden experiences

Next Week:

| Happy Birthday | Happy Anniversary |
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| Oct. 29: Libby Nelson | |

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

| Date | Time | Event | Venue |
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| Dec. 10 | 6:00 pm | Christmas Social – Theatre in the Country | 9975 272 St., Maple Ridge |
| | | Dinner & "Miracle on 34th Street" | |

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President's Quote of the Day by Abraham Lincoln:

No man has a good enough memory to be a successful liar.

We were advised that **Mike Davies** is still in the hospital. [Mike, if you are reading this, best wishes from all of your friends at Rotary]

President's Announcements

We now have 12 people or organizations each committed to fund a Starfish Pack for one year, thereby providing food for 12 needy children (or families), who might otherwise not have had enough to eat.



1,081 Dictionaries have now been given out to grade 4 students within school district 42.



Ineke showed us some cards which the schoolchildren made themselves to thank us for the dictionaries. At least one teacher and some students wish to come to the club to tell us about how they enjoy the books and to thank us for them.

Matt DeBruyn [without whose hard work and organizational skills the project would not have gotten in off the ground] said that this was the most fun project that he has been involved in to date.

In order to have an Exchange Student for next Rotary year, we need one host family from the Meadow Ridge Rotary Club to commit to having a student in their home for up to three months. The Haney Rotary club already has one such host family, and the



parents of the outgoing student must commit to host the incoming student.

Guest for the Day

Although our only guest was Karen Hendrickson, she will no doubt soon become a member of our club and lose that distinction.





Kudos to Eric Mollema, who contributed to our fun and boisterous meeting by supplying a carafe of red wine to loosen up our members who wished to imbibe.

Happy and Sad

Dave Rempel [who must have imbibed too much of Eric's red wine] announced his candidacy for the president of the United Sta..., or [rather] for the Chairmanship of the next "Wine Fest" fundraising event, a difficult and timeconsuming job which, as all Club members acknowledged by their round of applause, Dave handled last time with great "aplomb" - which as any grade 4 student in School district 42 will now



know by consulting their new Rotary dictionary, means "poise, self-assurance, self-confidence, calmness, composure, collectedness, levelheadedness, equilibrium, equanimity, unflappability, nonchalance, tact, balance, coolness, nerve,

surety, self possession, and [last but not least] "sangfroid"; or in other words, having a confident and relaxed manner when dealing with a difficult situation knowing with certainty that you are the best person for the job and then performing it well ! [OKyou say, so you already knew what "aplomb" meant, but did you know that Dave was "sangfroid"??? ... a French term, by the way, developed from the Latin words sanguis ("blood") and frigidus ("cold") which means he is "calm, cool, and collected in stressful situations".

Our President gave up a sad [or happy?] dollar. She has "got that lonely feeling", because her son, who had to move back home for a while, has just "**flown the coop**" again, which as any grade 4 student in School district 42 will now know by consulting their new Rotary dictionary, means: *left the nest - escaped - made a get away - pulled out - cut loose - legged it - took a powder - kissed goodbye - left - withdrew - hightailed it - scatted - went on the lam - broke away - headed for the hills - took to the woods – debunked.* [Or in other words, he "buggered off"].



Shelter Box

Ineke reminded the club that in 2010 our club was instrumental in raising \$53,000 at one fundraising event held over 1 night in January for the purchase of shelter boxes for Haiti. Given the situation in Haiti, we are now looking to have our club members donate a total of \$1,200 to purchase one shelter box. Our treasurer **Walter Volpatti** confirms that we already have \$850 towards this project.



Quickie Speaker

Absent a program today, our president called upon **Deborah Hyslop** to give a five minute thumbnail sketch of her business activities. Deborah now works with **Clint Callison** at his Insurance Agency business: The Co-operators - Callison Financial Services Ltd, located at #106 - 20690 Lougheed Hwy. in Maple Ridge. They offer a wide range of insurance and financial services (including insurance for home, auto, life, travel, farm, and business) and investment advice. Deborah says they focus on "what if" - what if you have cancer or a heart attack, or what if you live longer than you had planned to [we all have such a plan, don't we?] - Deborah and Clint can help you plan for, insure and save for the unexpected.

Gagels Custom Draperies

Doris Gagel advised that her business is up for sale as has decided to finally retire sometime in 2017 [so if you want to get some great drapes or upholstery work done, you better get there fast]. As it says on Doris's website:



With the family name on the label, Gagels Custom Draperies is committed to doing the job right. And it's that motto that has kept the drapery, blinds and upholstery business so successful for the last 33 years. Gagels is located in Maple Ridge – serving the Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland of British Columbia with the highest level of craftsmanship and exceptional customer service. Going the extra mile in providing exactly what the customer wants is the reason Gagels continues to be a leader in the industry. Gagels reputation assures customers will have a lasting product that will not only be an asset but enrich their homes. "When you purchase your drapes, they should then last you for at least 20 years," says Doris. That means making sure the staff at Gagels is active in helping customers every step of the way.

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With only a Rotary meeting or two to go before he and Lynda

head south for the winter, it was with a heavy heart that **Matt Debruyn** pulled the 5 of Spades from the deck, thereby missing one of his last chances to finance their six-month sojourn in the sun.





<u>The President's Final Quote for the Day</u> by Jim Carrey: Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes.

Submitted by Laurie Anderson