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## DECEMBER IS DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

**Today:** Lino Siracusa, City of Maple Ridge Economic Development - Tourism

**Next Week:** Christmas Lunch & Gift Exchange

**No meeting on Dec. 27**

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| <a href="#">Happy Birthday</a> | <a href="#">Happy Anniversary</a> |
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### CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

| Date    | Time       | Event  | Venue       |
|---------|------------|--|-------------|
| Dec. 14 | 10am – 5pm | Christmas plant sale at Ridge Meadows Hospital                         |             |
| Dec. 16 | 6pm        | Holiday Train; “get together” at the Billy Miner before the event      | Haney Wharf |
| Dec. 20 | Noon       | Christmas lunch / Gift exchange (Fun “stealing gifts from each other”) |             |

### Theme of the Month Disease Prevention and Treatment

Rotary's top priority is the eradication of polio, but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. They set up health camps and training facilities in undeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria. They also design and build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who can't afford to pay for health care.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.

**EVERY ROTARIAN CAN**

[LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR EFFORTS TO END POLIO](#)

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1917 – 2017

100 YEARS OF DOING GOOD

Our commitment continues for another century and beyond!

### CYCLAMEN SALE:



We will have our annual Christmas plant sale again this year with all proceeds towards the Starfish Backpack Project.

The order forms are available online at [meadowridgerotary.ca/Downloads](http://meadowridgerotary.ca/Downloads)

When using Google Chrome browser, download the form pdf-file and open in Acrobat (Reader). From here you can submit it.

### JOB OPPORTUNITY: A FACEBOOK ADMINISTRATOR

We urgently need somebody to keep our Facebook Page up-to-date. For that, most information can be found on our website or this bulletin.

Please contact Peter if you can help.

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

### President's Quote for the Day:

*Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit.  
Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.*

Our new **Membership Directories** were handed out by **Ineke and Peter Boekhorst**. [We note that **Ineke and Angie** have new pictures and **Brian's** still looks like a mug shot, but at least everyone (almost) is smiling. [Must be Ineke's quotes for the day that are cheering everyone up.]

Our President is asking [pleading] for volunteers:

- Someone to be a host family for our exchange student, for at least a month.
- Someone to write (or at least help Ineke write) the article for our Rotary Page in the News.
- Someone to take on our club's Facebook and keep it up-to-date.



And **Sharon Kyle** also said "We are still looking for one young person, age 15 to 17, to go to YAIL on January 22, 2017", to which **Brian Bekar** replied:

Ehh, what? You say you want to send a kid to JAIL?? For 15 years???



### Our Guest for the Day

Rumour has it that our guest, **Lynda Lawrence**, may be close to re-joining our club. If that is true, welcome back, Lynda.

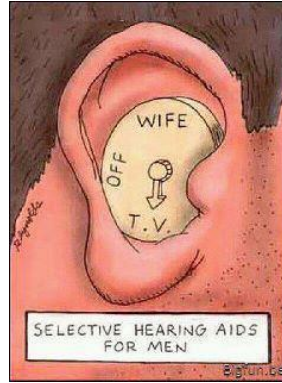
### Happy and Sad

Overheard in the Boekhorst household:



Hear ye! Hear ye! After enduring 5 hearing test and an MRI, and a "strong suggestion" from his better half Sharon, **Brian Bekar** has joined **Laurie Anderson** to form M.R. HAC ("Meadow Ridge Hearing Aid Club") [also known as SYMC - "Save Your Marriage Club"]

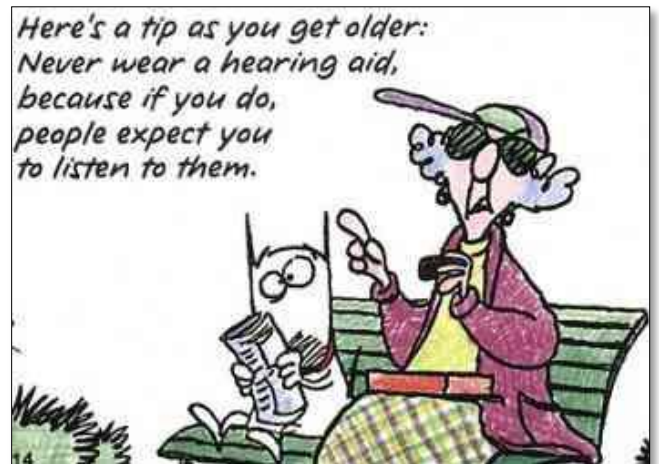
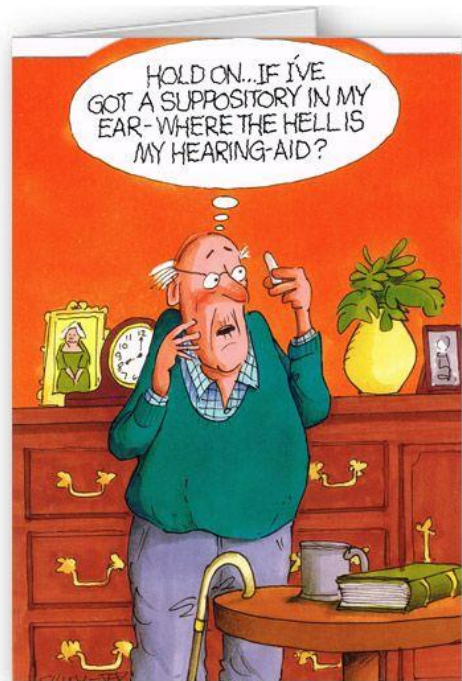
So far **Peter B.** has ignored Ineke's "strong suggestion" that he do the same. Could it be that Peter hasn't heard about the many advantages of joining M.R. HAC?



"It's a special hearing aid. It filters out criticism and amplifies compliments."

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Of course, there can be drawbacks!



This week was the Annual General Meeting of the Meadow Ridge Rotary Club, and the following is

**Our Executive for the 2017/2018 year:**

- President Libby Nelson
- Past President Ineke Boekhorst
- President-Elect David Riddell
- Vice President Mark Vosper
- Secretary Deborah Hyslop
- Treasurer Walter Volpatti
- Director Club Service Adrienne Dale
- Director Community Service Mike Davies
- Director International Service Karen Hendrickson
- Director New Generations Sharon Kyle
- Director Vocational Service Matt DeBruyn
- Sergeant at Arms Brian Bekar (Sharon Kyle)

**50-50**

After last week's spectacular win of \$606.<sup>00</sup> by our illustrious treasurer **Walter Volpatti**, **Betty Levens** scored a first this week by beating the "52 to 1" odds of successfully pulling the Queen of Hearts out of hiding in a brand new deck of cards, thereby giving herself the grand sum of \$11.<sup>50</sup> with which to go on a wild Christmas spending spree.



**President's Closing Quote for the Day**

*Why do Americans choose from just 2 people to run for president and from 50 to choose Miss America???*

**Submitted by Laurie Anderson**

**P.S.** Did you know that hearing aids can also be a boon to lawyers?

Seems an elderly gentleman had serious hearing problems for a number of years. He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the gentleman to hear 100%.

The elderly gentleman went back in a month to the doctor and the doctor said, "Your hearing is perfect. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again."

To which the gentleman said, "Oh, I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my Will three times!"