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APRIL IS MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH

Today (Apr 24): **Dr. Erwin Cohen, University of the Fraser Valley** - Police and School-based Approaches to Gangs

Next Week (May 1):

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
April 28: Peter Boekhorst	

CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Apr. 28	7pm-9:30pm	Rotary Wine Festival	ValleyFair Mall, Maple Ridge
May 8-12		District Conference	MS Eurodam
June 23-27		Rotary International Convention	Toronto, On

CLUB'S BARBECUE PICNIC

On April 15th we had a marvellous Barbecue Picnic in Maple Ridge Park. The weather was almost perfect, but we did need the fire pits at the end.

Thank you Adrienne for organizing this, and thanks to the cook Eric.



And here are the pictures: [Club Barbecue Picnic - Apr-15-2018](#)

50/50 Draw - Jackpot at \$277.50 + 1/2 of today's sales, 30 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Presidents quote for the day:

20 years ago President Libby Nelson became mayor of Fruitvale British Columbia. It must've been here where she had to assert herself, as demonstrated by today's quote:

There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works.

The club's Presidential Citation for 2016-2017 has finally arrived, and was presented to that year's Club President **Ineke Boekhorst**.



Happy and Sad

Our newest member **Greg Lane** gave up his first happy dollar, saying that he enjoyed attending (with his two-year-old daughter) our barbecue picnic.

Dave Rempel spoke in favour of the Wine Festival and reminded everyone to get their tickets in.

President Libby also thanked all those who attended the barbecue picnic, and a special thanks to **Adrienne Dale**, and to **Eric "Master BBQ King" Mollema** for his work at the grill.

New Bylaws:

Our revised Bylaws had been circulated to all members, and the revised Bylaws were unanimously adopted.

International Committee:

Ineke reported that she and **Dave Rempel**, of our Club's International Committee, had paid for one shelter box, and also had sent some money to Russia in support of the international project there. (Ineke and Dave travelled to Russia during her [second] year as our Club President.) The Committee also wishes to support again the **ISEE Solutions Society** in the amount of at least \$500.

ISEE Solutions is a grassroots society that focuses on projects in Uganda. Solutions. Two areas of support that ISEE offers are:

Sanitary kits & education

This makes and provides reusable sanitary kits to girls who would otherwise drop out of school because of the lack of sanitary napkins. 80% of Ugandan girls leave school once they get their period. ISEE Solutions provides girls with re-useable sanitary kits and education on reproductive health and safety. One kit is \$15 and lasts 3 years.

Mama Nguvu: empowering mothers

Mamas have benefited from the micro loan program to start a business to help them send their children and grandchildren to school. Businesses including water storage and sales, book making, sewing services and cooking/food service. Each project must be sustainable by generating ongoing income which will be reinvested to support future Mamas.

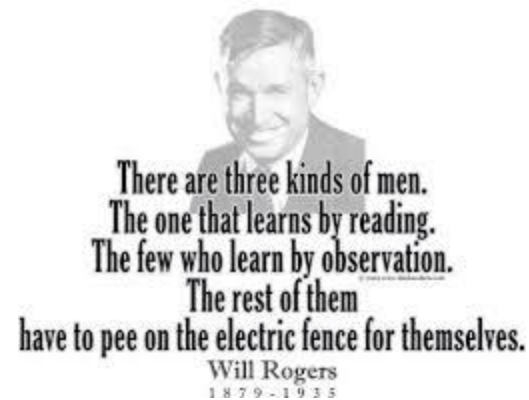
Erika van Oyen, of Kelowna went to Uganda with 12 volunteers to promote the program, and Ineke is thinking of going with her to Nigeria next year. This summer Erika is taking 500 kits with her to Africa.

Membership committee: club members are asked to think of various classifications of potential Rotary members, and then consider who might be in that classification.

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The five of hearts has left the building along with **Mark Forster**.

Presidents closing quip:



Submitted by Laurie Anderson