

# **The Four Way Flasher**



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### OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Today (Oct. 23): Membership Session Next Week (Oct. 30):

Mark Forster - Public Markets in Canada

**Happy Birthday Happy Anniversary** Oct. 29 Libby Nelson

#### CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Nov. 6	Noon	Club Assembly	
Dec. 11	Noon	AGM & Election of Officers 2019/20	
Dec. 16		Christmas Party at Adrienne's	10295 248 St, Maple Ridge

#### LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Guests: Ken Holland, Darizru Gilmour, Susan Chambers, Corrine Forster, Michael Tuzzi, Vicki Lalov and Corisa Bell

Presidents Quote for the Day:



Cheque presentation:

Mike Davies presented a cheque in the amount of \$500 to Beverly Schmahmann, seniors outreach coordinator of the Ridge Meadows Seniors Society in support of the Society's Education Day, providing inspiring speakers and vendors from the local will community who be showcasing supports for "life's later journey in a fun and interactive environment."



The Ridge Meadows Seniors Society is a non-profit organization governed by a volunteer board of directors who oversee the Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows activity centres, which collectively serve 2,000 members. It hosts two dynamic activity centres one in Maple Ridge and the other in Pitt Meadows. The Centres are a hive of activity from fitness and dance classes to snooker, pool and card games like Bridge and Mah Jong and everything in between. Both sites



feature coffee bars so seniors can drop by with friends. Nutritious homecooked lunches are also available for purchase. Happy and Sad (aka "what is going on in the life of our members")

David Rempel: Glad to see Ken Holland visiting us again and having recovered from his illness.

[About Ken: Ken is the former owner/CEO of Pinnacle Home Designs, a leading Home Design company in the Maple Ridge area. He has spent many hours volunteering for our community, which earned him the Community Spirit Award from the Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards Gala in 2016. Ken is a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, as well as one of the longest serving directors. He is also past president of the Rotary Club of Haney. His commitment to our community is never ending, as witnessed by the many committees he has been on over the years, some of which were the Downtown Safety and Security Committee, the Downtown Rehabilitation Committee, and the Youth Impact Summit.]

**Matt Debruyn**: happy that all 1200 dictionaries have been delivered to the grade 4 students.

**Doris Gagel**: just happy to be alive [every day above the ground is a good one].

**Eric Mollema and Urma** had a good visit to Leavenworth, Washington, where (while waiting in a lineup) Eric was mistaken for a USA veteran, escorted to the front of the line, and was told "thank you for your service". [Apparently Eric did a stint in the South African armed forces, and, heh, it wasn't Eric's fault that the kind gentleman got the country wrong!]

**Ineke Boekhorst** passed around some thank you cards made up by the grade 4 children who received our dictionaries.

**Ken Holland** advised that the Haney Rotary Club was having a Christmas party at Meadow Gardens Golf Course on Dec. 5, 2018, and stated that if any club members wish to attend, we were welcome to do so.

#### Program: Corisa Bell - Topic: The Village. Our Children.

Corisa was introduced by Urma Mollema with this introduction:



Mother, girlfriend, philanthropist, philosopher, peace maker, student for life, Corisa Bell is temporarily retiring from political life and venturing back into the entrepreneurial world as a consultant and public speaker. Her only goal in life is to ensure every interaction she has makes the world a better place as she believes we are all a part of something much bigger than what appears. Her philosophy, "we

don't need all the answers, we just need to be doing our very best and we need to be doing it with each other". Corisa dedicates her life to our next generations and lives by the creed "We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children.

Corisa's message is that we as a community and we as parents need to work together to educate and give guidance to children and youth. With changes that are coming in the next 20 years, in the digital era, it is more important than ever to depend on each other. If thousands of years ago our ancestors did not work together, we would not be here today. We need to work together today to find ways to inspire our youth. Much of the current generation were raised by parents who wanted to make sure that their children did not go without the material things of life, but neglected to let children know what is expected of them, and what responsibilities they have. Some parents are not home when their children need them to give them guidance, thus creating a behaviour problem. The first thing we need to do is to acknowledge what problems there are for the upcoming generation, and then to do something about it, and get back to basics. Our children are direct extension of us and who we are.

Corisa said that many years ago she received a Rotary coin on which was written the 4-Way Test. She has kept the coin with her and tries to apply 4-Way Test in her life. Closing Quip: (tongue in cheek, of course):



**Submitted by Laurie Anderson** 

#### **Dictionary 4 Life**

Friday, September 28, Matt and Ineke made the first dictionary deliveries for the 2018/2019 school year.



A total of 77 dictionaries were delivered to MR Christian and St. Patrick's school grade 4 students.

Remaining, about 1100 dictionaries will be delivered in the week directly following Thanksgiving weekend.