



# **CAPRI ECHO**

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**Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Kelowna Capri Edited by John Mullock** 

Our website: https://caprirotary.ca/

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#### June 10th will be a ZOOM meeting.

All meetings occur on Monday evenings at Moxies Restaurant unless otherwise noted. We gather for a social period from 5 - 5:30 pmwith dinner and the meeting to follow.



## SIGNS SIGNS EVERYWHERE THERE'S SIGNS









The Sheriff decided to refresh the memory of his fellow Rotarians about the meaning of some summer idioms. An idiom is a phrase or expression that usually presents a figurative, non-literal meaning attached to the phrase, such as it's raining cats and dogs. As strange as they might sometimes sound, idioms are how native speakers communicate with one another, adding richness to the language.

Dog Days of Summer - The dog days, in the most technical sense, refer to the one- to two-month interval in which a particularly bright star rises and sets with the sun, shining during the daylight hours and staying hidden at night. This star is known by three names: Sirius, the Dog Star, and Alpha Canis Majoris.

**Indian summer -** The king of all summer idioms, this idiom is used to refer to a hot, summerlike period that occurs in mid-autumn.

Lightning never strikes the same place twice - a common phrase, often used to reassure someone that whatever bad thing has happened, it won't happen again.



#### **Foundation**

WHAT CAN A \$500 GIFT TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO?

A \$500 donation to The Rotary Foundation can help six disabled workers in the Philippines start a watch-repair business, provide safety equipment for a boat that brings health services to isolated locations in Peru, or help women in Mexico start five small sewing businesses and be more self-sufficient.

## WHAT CAN A \$1,000 GIFT TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO?

A \$1,000 contribution to The Rotary Foundation pays for the materials needed to build a deep bore well in India that will supply clean drinking water to more than 300 people. It provides materials to treat and prevent parasites and anemia in children in Brazil or pays for a tree nursery in Jamaica that will help 700 farmers increase their income. It can provide a cow and animal husbandry training to a woman in Uganda, where children often don't get enough protein and calcium. It can pay for the polio vaccine for 2,000 children in Nigeria or provide \$50 microloans that allow 20 women in Nicaragua to start businesses.

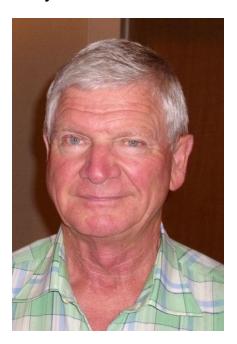
Can you commit to donating funds each per year to the Foundation to make lasting change?

**Club Projects** – on May 25<sup>th</sup> we took on a local project to collect funds and food donations for the Salvation Army at the Glenmore Save-On Foods. While no total value has been provided, it appears we were quite successful at our location.

Meanwhile, Art Gillan has been actively working on a longer-term project to send containers of medical supplies to the Ukraine. The container will be filled by **Rotary World Help** with our club covering the cost of the container and shipping charges. Art has also been in contact with another Rotary club in North Vancouver who would like to share the cost of a second container. A separate message was sent to all members providing cost details for up to three containers.

**Pollinator Gardens** – Lockie Bracken reported that the hunt continues for a site for another garden or two this year.

#### Rusty Bracken Retires from Rotary -



Rusty has been a member of this Rotary club for 35 years and his presence will be missed sorely.

Other long-service members are Bob Lemon with 47 years, Ron Becker with 30 years and Brian Street with 25 years. All these members except Bob Lemon who was absent received a gift and thank you cards from Carola Spek



Brian Street and Carola Spek



Rusty Bracken and Carola Spek



Ron Becker and Carola Spek All photos by Peter Spek

Celebration of Life for Candice White, June 8<sup>th</sup> – will be held from 1 pm to 4 pm at the curling club.

### Multi-Year Planning Session, June 10<sup>th</sup>

- A planning session has been developed by District 5060. Instead of a club meeting, our members will be attending a Zoom session from 5 to 8 pm on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Installation, June 17<sup>th</sup> –** installation will be held at Moxies on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Meal costs including a tip will be \$50 for non-club attendees.

#### **HUMOUR**



This is why these toys matter.





Was a little depressed today so I decided to get me one of those emotional support animals...

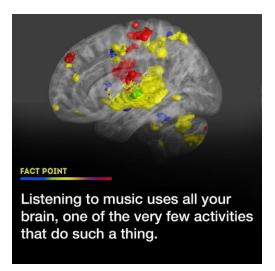


#### **GUEST SPEAKER**



Ron Becker with Ginny Becker Photo by Peter Spek

Ginny Becker (no relation to Ron) is a Director with the Child and Youth Advocacy Centre (CYAC) in Kelowna, spoke to our club on May 27th. Operating out of their own building, which was built to be less threatening to young children, including their own medical and police facilities, the CYAC investigates and responds to child abuse cases. About 30 percent of their cases are indigenous or ethnic children up to age ten. Youths aged 10 to 19 deal directly with the RCMP. Ginny did note that despite their best efforts only about 10 percent of cases go to court with a conviction rate at about 2 percent. In addition, youth on youth violence is a rising problem, something we've all noticed.



#### **GALLERY**



**Teach Me Not to Cry for the Pas**t by Bukoslav (Slovakia)



Modern Life by Stra 8 in jacket (USA)