

The "Wee" Builder

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Two Bit's Worth

A circuit preacher and his young son were travelling the countryside on horseback. When they approached a small town, the preacher would offer to preach a sermon at the small church in exchange for whatever money the congregation could afford to pay. As the preacher and his son were entering one such church, the preacher casually threw a quarter into the poor box.

After a fine sermon, one of the members of the congregation stood and thanked the preacher, saying, "We're a small church and we can af-

ford to pay you only what's in the poor box." He proceeded to open the box and dropped its contents into the preacher's hand...a quarter. As the preacher and his son were riding away, the preacher grumbled about the meager pay. The son listened for a bit and said "Dad, if you wanted more out of it, why didn't you put more into it?"



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National Volunteer Week

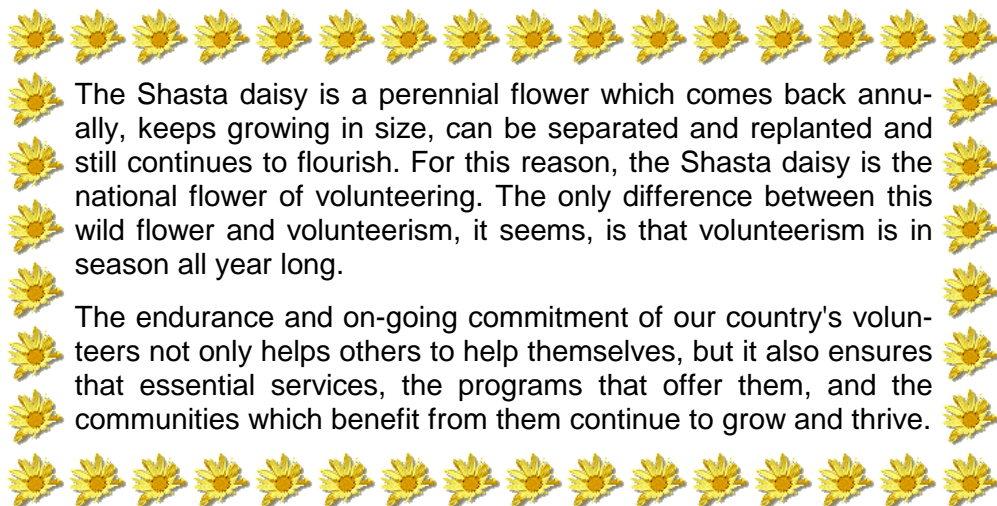
April 18 - 24, 1999

National Volunteer Week was first proclaimed in 1943. In Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, and Vancouver, Women's Voluntary Services organized special events to draw the public's attention to the vital contribution women made to the war effort on the home front.

In the late 1960s, the idea of a designated week to honor volunteers was revived, and the focus was broadened to include all community volunteers. With local volunteer centres taking the lead, this special week grew in importance during the 1970s and 1980s. In 1990, the third week in April was proclaimed National Volunteer Week in all communities across the country. This week is now firmly established as the highlight of the year for paying tribute to Canada's volunteers.

Today, National Volunteer Week is not only set aside to thank and honor the people who donate time and energy to their fellow citizens, it is also meant to increase public awareness of the vital contribution that volunteers make to our communities and to Canadian society as a whole.

During this special week, over 5,000 local community agencies and volunteer centres across Canada organize special events to celebrate National Volunteer Week and this number is growing at a rapid rate. More and more businesses are getting involved to thank and honor employee volunteers, while an ever-increasing number of schools, hospitals, and municipalities are setting up recognition programs.

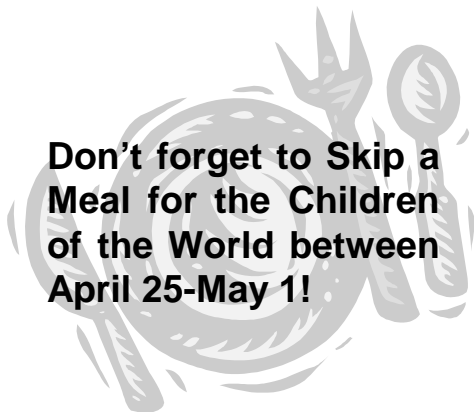


The Shasta daisy is a perennial flower which comes back annually, keeps growing in size, can be separated and replanted and still continues to flourish. For this reason, the Shasta daisy is the national flower of volunteering. The only difference between this wild flower and volunteerism, it seems, is that volunteerism is in season all year long.

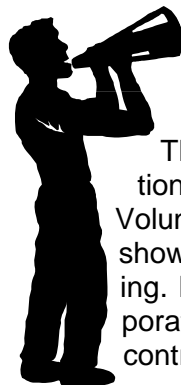
The endurance and on-going commitment of our country's volunteers not only helps others to help themselves, but it also ensures that essential services, the programs that offer them, and the communities which benefit from them continue to grow and thrive.



**MARCH 21,
1999**
**International
Day for the
Elimination of
Racial
Discrimination**



Don't forget to Skip a Meal for the Children of the World between April 25-May 1!



U.N. DECLARATION

The United Nations has declared 2001 the International Year of Volunteers. The International Year of Volunteers will provide Canada with an opportunity to showcase its world leadership in the field of volunteering. It will become a focal point for community and corporate volunteering as well as spotlight the significant contribution that volunteers make to Canadian society.

The Kiwanis Club of Te Awamutu, New Zealand was chartered on June 8, 1981, and currently has 26 members.

Te Awamutu Kiwanis and Yarndley's Bush:

In 1994 the Waipa District Council and the Kiwanis Club of Te Awamutu agreed to develop the Council's newly acquired scenic reserve. The council had determined that the best way to allow the public access into the forest while still protecting the regenerating vegetation and the delicate root buttress systems of the Kahikatea was to construct a raised timber walkway.

A second stage of the project involved the construction of a raised viewing platform to allow a view from amongst the

forest canopy. The Kiwanis Club was looking for a public service project with a high labor input that allowed all of our members to get involved. The District Council provided all the materials and work was begun in September, 1994.

The Yarndley's Bush walkway and platform was officially opened by the Honorable Katherine O'Regan, Member of Parliament for the Waipa District on 5 May, 1995. The Kiwanis Club of Te Awamutu put more than 700 man-hours of work into the construction project and had a great time doing it.

The Kiwanis Club of Te Awamutu won an "Appreciation Award" from the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Society in recognition of their work on the project.



OOPS!

Seen in an actual church bulletin:

"The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement Friday."



Kiwanis / Corel Partnership

The Corel Corporation is one of the world's leading producers of computer software. The Ottawa, Ontario, Kiwanis club provided the opportunity for the Ottawa-based corporation to learn about the Worldwide Service Project. This effort resulted in an offer from Corel to join Kiwanis as a partner in the battle against the world's leading cause of preventable mental disability.

The Kiwanis Club of Ottawa has established a not-for-profit trust that will operate a corporation to distribute Corel's WordPerfect Suite 8 through Kiwanis clubs and by direct mail, phone, and the Internet. Twenty-five dollars will be contributed to the Worldwide Service Project for each copy sold, and an additional \$10 will be retained by local clubs for the copies they sell. Corel is planning other significant promotional activities in support of the Kiwanis Worldwide Service Project.

Corel is sponsor of the COREL/WTA TOUR (Women's Professional Tennis Championship Tour), and Corel has offered Kiwanis use of seats, boxes, and a display booth at selected tournaments worldwide to raise funds for the fight against iodine deficiency disorders.

Other Kiwanis Meetings

Cordova Bay
2nd & 4th Wed.,
6pm, Lochside
Park, 5400
Lochside Dr.

Esquimalt
Wed., 7:30 am
Gorge Vale Golf
Club, 1005
Craigflower

Golden K
Wed., 10:15 am
Kiwanis Village
1419 Mallek Cr.

Gr. Vic. Seniors
Thurs, 10 am
Kiwanis Manor
2075 Milton St.

Oak Bay
Thurs, 5:45 pm
Kiwanis Manor
2075 Milton St.

Saanich
Tues, 6:15 pm
Tillicum Terrace
2993 Tillicum Rd.

Victoria
Tues, noon
Horizon West
1961 Douglas St.

UVic Circle K
Wed., 6:00 pm
Clearihue C113
Univ. of Victoria

Key Club
TBA



March



Young Children
PRIORITY ONE

Club meetings are every Wednesday at the Iroquois Park Clubhouse, 2295 Ocean Avenue

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Dinner Speaker: Mystery Guest Social 7 pm Mtg. 7:30	4 <i>Happy Anniversary Lawson and Hilary!</i>	5	6
7	8	9	10 Service Guests: Pen. Stroke Recovery Club Social 7 pm Mtg. 7:30	11	12	13 ZONE CONFER- ENCE Port Alberni
14 <i>Happy Birthday Kathy!</i>	15	16	17 Business Guest: Lt. Gov. Keith Social 7 pm Mtg. 7:30	18	19	20
21 Van Clean-up Work Party 1 pm, @ storage lot	22	23	24 Club/Fin. Speaker: How to Clone a Sheep Social 7 pm Mtg. 7:30 pm	25 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <i>Happy Anniversary Bill and Helen!</i> </div>	26	27 <i>Happy Birthday Roald!</i>
28	29	30	31 Social Mtg. 7 pm			