



*Club Duties*

**November 21, 2007**

**Front Door Greeters:**  
Tony Mengual & Daryl Knieval

**Invocation:**  
Karin Mattern

**Introductions:**  
Ron Medd

**Rotary Minute:**  
Terry Rogers

**50/50:**  
Jo-Ann Harding

**Sgt @ Arms:**  
Neil Sorsdahl

**November 28, 2007**

**Front Door Greeters:**  
Dave Perry & Chris Everett

**Invocation:**  
Debbie Shea

**Introductions:**  
Brian Kirkhope

**Rotary Minute:**  
Francine Frisson

**50/50:**  
Jo-Ann Harding

**Sgt @ Arms:**  
Moirra Steele

**December 5, 2007**

**Front Door Greeters:**  
Rod Mont & Don Bonner

**Invocation:**  
Bruce Mede

**Introductions:**  
Nicole Gosselin

**Rotary Minute:**  
Darryl Shaw

**50/50:**  
Jim McIvor

**Sgt @ Arms:**  
Daryl Stech

# Weekly Wake-up

*Upcoming Programs*

November 21st - Club Assembly: President Donna Allen

November 28th - Classification Talk - Sheila Forrest

December 5th - Rotary Inbound Students

## NOTICES

*Upcoming Meeting Location*

The December 5th, 12th and 19th meetings will be held at the Starlight Bistro at the Best Western Northgate Inn, located at 6450 Metro Drive in North Nanaimo.

*Grey Cup Party*

Less than a week until the Grey Cup Party. Make sure you get a ticket to Daybreak's big party! The door will open at 12:00 noon on Sunday at Lantzville Hall.

*Silent Auction for Grey Cup Party...*

And don't forget about Silent Auction donations. If you are able to provide any items for the Grey Cup Party's Silent Auction, please either bring them to the meeting on Wednesday morning or directly to the party at the Lantzville Hall on Sunday afternoon. Debbie Shea is looking after the Silent Auction this year.

*Rotary International Zone 22 (West) Regional Rotary Foundation Seminar*

You are invited...

On Saturday, **January 19, 2008** you have a unique opportunity to join Rotarians from nine districts at the Zone 22 Regional Rotary Foundation Seminar. This event will be held in Metro Vancouver (Richmond). The Rotary Foundation is the ideal way to get involved and change lives. That is what this seminar is about, how to use the programs of The Rotary Foundation to make the world a better place.

**Keynote Speaker:** Jose Tenga, Rotary World Peace Fellow, [learn more](#).

**Special Guest:** Sean Allen, Major Gifts Officer, The Rotary Foundation, [learn more](#).

For more info and registration, see [www.RotaryEvents.ca](http://www.RotaryEvents.ca).

*Club Birthdays*

Dec. 10 Lee Mason  
Dec. 12 Nathan Thornton  
Dec. 20 Moirra Steele

*Club Anniversaries*

Dec. 2 Jo-Ann Harding  
Dec. 25 Henri Van Amerongen

## Meeting Notes - November 14th

Terry Rogers passed around an envelope and sign up sheet for members to contribute to Rotary Foundation. President Donna announced that AG Brian Kirkhope had sent club presidents an email suggesting that the progress on our year's club goals be assessed - Donna thinks that we are doing very well. President Donna also welcomed our three newest members: Peter Koch, Cindy Bartlett and Marijka Van Rooyen. Chris Everett had the contents of a shelterbox on display and advised us that shelterboxes in November have been sent to Jamaica and North Korea. Each shelterbox costs \$1,200 and 500,000 people have been sheltered to date from this program. Jim McIvor reminded everyone that the Grey Cup Party will take place on November 25th - see Nicole for tickets. Donation items for the silent auction can be given to Debbie Shea or Denise Larson at our November 21st meeting.

Wendi Ferrero asked and found two more volunteers to attend the quarterly bingo meetings which are usually held on Sundays at 10 am. It is a condition of our receiving the bingo unds that we not only cover our shifts at the bingo hall but that we also have a representative at each of these meetings.

Denise Larson, for her Rotary minute, provided us with some statistics for the Group Study Exchange (GSE) program: over 25,000 non-Rotarians have participated on 5800 teams at a cost of \$48 million. GSE is open to non-Rotarians aged 25 - 40 who get to travel for a month in another country to study the culture and businesses in that country.

Janis Chung was our guest speaker. Janis was a member of the 2007 GSE team from our district who travelled to District 3630 (South Korea).

The other team from our district this year went to Brazil. Photos of both GSE teams can be found at <http://www.rotary5020.org/foundation/exchange/gse2007/>. Janis advised us that in the six months leading up to the trip, she relied very heavily on her husband Pete as she worked hard trying to learn Korean and attempted to find out information about South Korea outside of Seoul. Janis is a GIS forest analyst and the other members of her team were an architect from Seattle, a life coach from Courtenay, and a government administrator from Washington. A lot of time was spent in hotels owned by Rotarians and the month was a busy one with only one day of unstructured time. Janis found it a bit difficult getting used to giving up her choice of when and where she would eat! She learned that the Korean people have the same struggles that we have and have similar issues and that we are all pretty much the same no matter where we live. Janis also gained a much better appreciation for how multi-cultural Canada and the US are when compared with countries such as South Korea. Here we are used to seeing many different cultures and foods whereas in South Korea, the GSE group visually stuck out by being non-Korean. The highlights for Janis were the people that she met - both the hosts who were very generous and the translators. Janis got to see many businesses in South Korea including an organic tomato farm and a business which sends cut flower arrangements to Japan. Her GSE team made nine presentations at Rotary clubs. Among the differences Janis noticed between clubs here and in South Korea were that the men and women in South Korea have separate clubs, instead of singing a national anthem the clubs sang the Rotary Song, many clubs owned the buildings in which they met, and that the clubs seemed to place more importance on providing gifts to them than exchanging club banners.

See photos on next page...

## Upcoming Events

November 25th (Sunday) - Grey Cup Party

December 12th Meeting - Christmas Auction

June 14-18, 2008 – Rotary International Conference in Los Angeles

## Rotary Club Meetings

Monday – Parksville, Bayside Inn, Noon

Tuesday – Nanaimo North, Frith-Radcliffe Auditorium, Kiwanis Village, 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday – Nanaimo Oceanside, ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 4 p.m.

Thursday – Lantzville – ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 7 a.m.

Friday – Nanaimo – Coast Bastion Inn, 12:15 p.m.

## Rotary Contacts

### Club President:

Donna Allen

### Club Secretary:

Nicole Gosselin

### Club Treasurer:

Nathan Thornton

### Bulletin Editor:

Robb Mowbray

### Foundation Chair:

Don Bonner

### Assistant Governor Area 2B

Brian Kirkhope

### District Governor 2007-08:

Norm Watts

### RI President 2007-08:

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

## Bingo Volunteers

**December 21, 2007** (Fri 7-9 pm)

Don Bonner & Bev Wilson

**February 2, 2008** (Sat 9-11 pm)

Daryl Knievel & Doug Lum

**February 3, 2008** (Sun 1-3 pm)

Ken Hammer & Kris Rongve

**February 15, 2008** (Fri 7-9 pm)

Daryl Stech & Neil Sorsdahl

## Make-ups

To ensure that your make-up information is properly recorded, send any info on extra meetings attended, extra committee work, service projects, online work, etc. to Rod Mont ([mont@islandlaw.ca](mailto:mont@islandlaw.ca)).

Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to Robb Mowbray at [robb@theatrebc.org](mailto:robb@theatrebc.org).

## FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?





# Some photos from last week's meeting...



Members enjoy breakfast at Mom's Cape Breton Kitchen...



(right) Chris Everett tells us about the Shelter-boxes...



Denise Larson provides a Rotary Minute...

Francine Frisson introduces Guest Speaker Janice Chung...



Guest Speaker Janice Chung with Francine and President Donna

Janice leads her presentation on her GSE trip to South Korea...

