



### Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty, could you please find a replacement or let the President know you are unable to attend.

#### December 16th, 2009

##### Front Door Greeters:

Wendy Ferrero & Don Bonner

##### Invocation:

Donna Allen

##### Introductions:

Dawne Anderson

##### Rotary Minute:

Doug Lum

##### 50/50:

Dave Thompson

##### Sgt @ Arms:

Don Bonner

#### December 23rd, 2009

##### Front Door Greeters:

Bill Brendon & Francine Frisson

##### Invocation:

Karin Mattern

##### Introductions:

Jeff Boegel

##### Rotary Minute:

Denise Davidson

##### 50/50:

Dave Thompson

##### Sgt @ Arms:

Bruce Mede

#### December 30th, 2009

##### Front Door Greeters:

Ken Hammer  
& Lynda Kazanowski

##### Invocation:

Daryl Knievel

##### Introductions:

Bruce Mede

##### Rotary Minute:

Bill Brendon

##### 50/50:

Wendi Ferrero

##### Sgt @ Arms:

Dave Thompson

## Weekly Wake-up

### Upcoming Programs

December 16th - Christmas Auction

December 23rd - Club Assembly

December 30th - Club Social

## NOTICES & NEWS

### *Golf by Donation...*

The Rotary Club of Lantzville and Fairwinds Golf Club invite all Rotary members to Boxing Day and New Year's Day "Golf Days". The course is officially closed but open to Rotary to "raise funds and continue to serve the community". All rounds are by donation only — please be generous.

Start time is 9:00 am on Saturday, December 26th and Friday, January 1st, weather permitting. In the case of frost, there will be an 11:00 am shotgun start. Singles, doubles, foursomes are welcome. Tee times may be booked starting on December 15th. For more information, contact Brian Rodgers at 250-758-3059 or Robert Grose at 250-468-7345. To book tee times, call 250-468-7666 or Toll-Free at 1-888-781-2777 or email [teetimes@fairwinds.ca](mailto:teetimes@fairwinds.ca).

### *Reminder to Register for 2010 Convention in Montreal...*

One last reminder to register for the RI 2010 Convention in Montreal by December 15th in order to save \$100 on fees! You won't want to miss visiting the beautiful city of Montreal which has much to offer Rotarians. Bring the entire family . . . there is definitely something for everyone.

To date, RI has announced the following Plenary Session Speakers:

- Dolly Parton - Country Music Singer and Literacy Spokesperson who will speak on "Dolly's Imagination Library" and its partnership with Rotary.
- Greg Mortensen - Author of "Two Cups of Tea" and the Co-Founder / Executive Director of the Central Asia Institute.
- Jo Luck - President and CEO of Heifer International
- Bob Mazzuca - Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America.

For more information and to register, go to <http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/Events/Convention/Pages/ridefault.aspx>.

### Club Birthdays

December 19 Jeff Boegel

### Club Anniversaries

No Anniversaries this week.

*Meeting Notes - December 9th, 2009*

*submitted by Ron Blank*

We began another week in our Rotary life with the dulcet tones of Rod's saxophone and our National Anthem. Our guests this week were Bob Fenty from Rotary Nanaimo and, introduced by Ken Hammer, our Mid-Island Rotaract Club President Kalila Wilkinson, Secretary Olivia Cervantes and their first ever VIU Student Refugee Programme student Liz Atong. Angela Buick, outbound GSE student was introduced by Bob Fenty.

After a hearty breakfast, President Dave got the show going...and Kalila took the podium. Kalila described how the current focus of their Rotaract Club has shifted towards community development. They are volunteering with Loaves & Fishes; E.D.A.S (Everyone Deserves A Smile) where they are distributing clothes and gloves for the needy; and Bus Art, which encourages multi-cultural art in buses. Although their last year's Harambe dance raised \$4,000 for their South American project, this project may not continue. She also offered that her Club would be interested in assisting and collaborating on any project with our Daybreak Club.

Kalila noted their flagship project continues to be the Student Refugee Programme. This programme has local university committees sponsoring refugee students for their first year of university, with funding of approximately \$8,000, for tuition, clothing, food and lodging. These students are high school graduates in their respective countries, and are selected through World University Services of Canada, with Citizenship & Immigration Canada. They are given 10 months of intensive language and cultural training before their arrival in Canada. Immigration Canada grants them immediate permanent resident status on their arrival in Canada. Kalila said this years group has eight women, which is the highest number selected. After one year in Canada, these students are eligible for student loans and all things Canadian. Hence, they are on their own. The first VIU student is Liz Atong. (Knowing the background, without Kalila, this would not have happened.) Liz said that she was grateful for the opportunity to study in Canada. Her career goals may now include becoming a medical doctor and possibly becoming a gynaecologist. Kalila spoke of the "Shine a Light" Programme, with the intent of achieving gender parity, when the only qualification will be good grades. Historically, most girls in these societies are obligated with domestic tasks and have no time for



**Bob Wall provides the Rotary minute...**

studies. The "Shine a Light" project in Kenya gives girls a solar light that allows them to study in the dark, late at night, after their chores are done. (Is this a benefit?) This programme gives incentives (ie. extra sugar) to their families, allowing extra time to attend school and for remedial studies in the girls' final year. The student's health improves as they are getting better intensity lights and are no longer exposed to paraffin lamps. Often, their siblings' studies also improve. (Such a simple fix, with such dramatic effects.)

Bob Wall's Rotary Minute presented the benefits of doing make-ups within our Nanaimo Clubs: making contacts, seeing what others are doing, and sharing our Club's projects are just a small part of the benefits.

Nathan is aging, and wanted to spare his ears. He offered 20 bucks to prevent us from singing.



**...a cheque is presented to GSE student Angela Buick by Bob Fenty and President Dave...**

What? Think financial people have only \$20? Think again! Sing we did! 'Happy 64<sup>th</sup> (Editor's note: ????) Birthday to you!' Nathan.

Bob Fenty again introduced our outbound Group Study Exchange Student Angela Buick. Angela works with the Planning Department, RDN and advised that she wanted to study the German Green

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*Rotary Club Meetings*

- Monday – Parksville, Bayside Inn, Noon
- Tuesday – Nanaimo North, Frith-Radcliffe Auditorium, Kiwanis Village, 6:15 p.m.
- Wednesday – Nanaimo Oceanside, 3rd Street Fieldhouse, 5 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:**  
Dave Perry
- Club Secretary:**  
Eileen Tatton
- Club Treasurer:**  
Cindy Bartlett
- Club President Elect:**  
Nicole Gosselin
- Bulletin Editor:**  
Robb Mowbray
- Foundation Chair:**  
Dawne Anderson
- Assistant Governor Area 2B**  
Brenda Grice
- District Governor 2009-10:**  
Alex Alexander
- RI President 2009-10:**  
John Kenny

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*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 Jeff Boegel [dorack@shaw.ca](mailto:dorack@shaw.ca)

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

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**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?



Building technology. Her background includes a BA in Geography and Earth Sciences. The team has already been meeting, and leaves in May for four weeks. We will lose Don Bonner as well; he is their whip! Bob thanked we Daybreakians (another new word for Daryl) for our continued commitment to this programme.

Elections: President 2010 Patrick Maguire (away on holiday)  
 President Elect 2011-2012: Bill Brendon  
 Vice-President: Neil Sorsdahl  
 Treasurer: Cindy Bartlett  
 Secretary: Eileen Tatton  
 Club Admin: Rod Mont  
 Service Projects: Denise Larson  
 Membership: Jeff Boegel  
 Foundation Chair: Dawne Anderson

There was a buzz about some complications and convolutions, but Patrick will resolve them next week. Acclaimed!! We gave hearty CONGRATULATIONS to those who have stayed, and to those who stood for their positions.



...Olivia Cervantes (l) and Kalila Wilkinson ...

Donna Allen firstly related their history with the GSE students from Brazil, and how they still maintain contact with four of them. She then talked of the seven families, 28 people, that will benefit from our Christmas Auction. She advised the wish list will on our website <http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/christmasfamilies.php> My Saturday night website check says 'minor glitch,' and contact elf [vlennox@pacificcoast.net](mailto:vlennox@pacificcoast.net) with your choices. This year, we will be supporting 28 people, from three schools. Donna encourage us to ask a business acquaintance to come to our Auction? Our Auction date was predicated by school's closing on the 18<sup>th</sup> of Dec.

Jim McIvor said our Grey Cup was a success, with 96 seats sold and around \$7,000 profit. He thought he would like to publicize specific individuals who contributed the most to this event. He then realized that most of our club had been actively involved. Thus: "Congratulations to everyone!" We then applauded Jim for his great work. Dawne Anderson then realized she had sold one of the winning 50/50 tickets to Brenda Lite.

Bob Fenty announced that he would be cleaning jewellery at the Applecross Home Hardware, with proceeds to our Club and the Christmas families. We'll again see him this coming Wednesday.

Nelson has been planning their patio for 18 months, and now realizes that cold weather has determined whether the job will be delayed. He pledged a donation of \$15/hour for the workers, but that too must wait.

Wendi stated our weekly 50/50 had accumulated \$121.50, and Eileen Tatton won the chance to pick the Joker. The jokes on us, as Eileen won the filthy lucre. (meaning I didn't)



...Jim McIvor with our student guests, including Liz Atong, Olivia Cervantes and Kalila Wilkinson...

Sgt at Arms Dave Thompson then took the floor. He spoke for all of us when he said he "I'm so inspired by work of Kalila and the Rotaract Clug." He then thanked Linda K, in absentia, as she had left her donation for leaving early. Don B, Ricky C, Lucky Eileen and Jim Mc paid for being nameless. Ricky left early, but didn't leave a donation. So, Dave thought, 'I'll fine her mother Cindy.' "OK, she too has left, and without donating." The popular decision was then to fine the hapless Jim. The 'two Ronnies' were fined for some nebulous reason. Sgt Dave stated President Dave must have some huge guilty complex, as evidenced by his humiliating emails, and further public prostration on being absent without cause. Sgt Dave accepted his fine. Karin 'argued' with the Sergeant's illogical procession to the morning repast. Bob Fenty defended, Jim Mc noted the chaos in the food line. Denise Larson spoke of the behind the scene work by Ron Blank with Bookboxes, and I blushed. Val was sad and happy. Her father is now in complex care. The good news: he is in Wexford Creek. Note from last week: we donated \$250 to Corey May's South American Bike ride for Multiple Sclerosis.

On those good notes, here endith our weekly epistle.

### Christmas Families 2009

For the complete list of Christmas Families and gifts, go to <http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/christmasfamilies.php>. If you have items to donate, you can check them off on the website, so that others don't duplicate your gift(s).



This week is our **Annual Christmas Auction**, so don't miss the fun this Wednesday morning.

