



Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty,
PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT,
then let the meeting chair know.

December 5th, 2012
Christmas Auction!!!

Front Door Greeters:
Dawne Anderson & Donna Allen

Invocation:
Ron Blank

Introductions:
Francine Frisson

Rotary Minute:
Rod Mont

50/50:
Wendi Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:
Kris Rongve

December 12th, 2012
Front Door Greeters:
Nelson Allen & Ron Blank

Invocation:
Jeff Boegel

Introductions:
Ken Hammer

Rotary Minute:
Robb Mowbray

50/50:
Wendi Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:
Neil Sorsdahl

December 19th, 2012

Front Door Greeters:
Jeff Boegel & Don Bonner

Invocation:
Bill Brendon

Introductions:
Sher Holubowich

Rotary Minute:
Ev Mudryk

50/50:
Darryl Shaw

Sgt @ Arms:
Dave Thompson

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

December 5th - Christmas Auction

December 12th - Don Bonner, Rotary Foundation

December 19th - Club Assembly & Club Elections for 2012/2013

NOTICES & NEWS

Christmas Auction This Week!!!...

Come out and join us for Daybreak Rotary's annual fundraiser for the Christmas families. We have a lot of fun, do some Christmas shopping and support some of those in need in our community. Bring your (full) wallet, bring friends and help us celebrate the season of giving!...

...Some of the goody baskets put together by Donna Allen and Christine Craigie. Now these are definitely worth bidding on... :-)



Club Correspondence...

Check out the link below for the latest in correspondence to the Club from various sources:
http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=2_8

Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to robbmowbray@telus.net

Club Birthdays

No Birthdays this week.

Club Anniversaries

No Anniversaries this week.

Meeting Notes - November 28th

notes by

Terry Rogers, photos by Donna Allen

Rod Mont started the meeting with a jazzy rendition of O Canada on his trusty saxophone.

Guests

Leanna Plug, Optometrist
 Dave Hutchinson, Superintendent of School District #68
 Wendy Pratt, Nanaimo Hospice Society

Rotary Minute Karin Mattern

Karin likened Rotary to a family where you are so comfortable that you can make a fool of yourself and not be embarrassed. Karin then proceeded to sing a song about the Four Way Test, and she was good. We all joined in on the chorus. That had to be a first, well done Karin, even the Biebs would have been proud, eh.

Donna Allen advised that next week is our Christmas auction and a family profile will be posted shortly on our website. Donna encouraged club members to invite family and friends to the event. Please advise of guests so that the kitchen can prepare enough food.

Brian Kirkhope informed the meeting that the Downtown club is hosting a breakfast with Santa on December 9/12 @ 9:00 am at the Bowen Activity Centre. Should you wish to attend, please bring a wrapped gift of less than \$20 for each child you are bringing.



Our happy greeters, Bob and Nathan...



...Wendy Pratt of Nanaimo Hospice accepts a cheque from the Pres...

Patrick Maguire advised that there is a P.A.R.T.Y. program scheduled for next week and our club needs four volunteers. Wendy Pratt from the Hospice Society thanked our club for its contribution and confirmed that in total the Rotary Clubs of Nanaimo have contributed \$42,000 towards their capital budget goal. The Hospice Society has reached 70% of their goal and there is \$300,000 still to raise. The location of the hospice is being moved to Waddington Road. In addition, Wendy advised that the Hospital Foundation has contributed \$25,000 towards the planting of a therapeutic garden at the new location. Wendy anticipates that the new location on Waddington road will host a Grand Opening event in March of next year.

Guest Speaker Dave Hutchinson

Dave advised that he had previously worked in Regina as an Assistant Superintendent of that School District. He relocated to Nanaimo last year to take the position of Superintendent of School District 68. Dave advised that he has been involved in education for 25 years, originally getting his degree from the University of Regina. His career has centered around Aboriginal education,

although he has been involved in early year literacy, as well as labour management. Dave's spouse Carol is a teacher, as well. They have three children who are all currently attending VIU.

Dave confirmed that in the past, with personnel changes on the school board, there has been an inconsistent approach to long term system improvement. To address this issue, the School District has completed a Strategic Plan. The public was extensively engaged in this process. Three major initiatives have come out of this process. These include:

Improved Governance

The new Governance Plan is to be voted on this evening by the Board. If approved, the Board will now operate under the new Governance model. They will no longer man- *...continued on next page/*

Rotary Contacts

- Club President:**
Denise Larson
- Past President:**
Bill Brendon
- Vice President:**
Chris Everett
- Club Secretary:**
Neil Sorsdahl
- Club Treasurer:**
Anna Jones
- Club President Elect:**
Randall Taylor

- International Service Director:**
Francine Frisson
- Community Service Director:**
Darryl Shaw
- Vocational Service Director:**
Doug Lum
- Club Service Director:**
Donna Allen

- Bulletin Editor:**
Robb Mowbray

- Assistant Governor Area 2B:**
Barry Sparkes
- District Governor 2012-2013:**
Judy Byron
- RI President 2012-13:**
Sakuji Tanaka

Make-ups

To ensure that your make-up info is properly recorded, send any info on extra meetings attended, extra committee work, service projects, online work, etc. to Membership Chair, Denise Davidson at ddavidson@islandadjusters.com

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?

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.



age the system, but their mandate will be to manage the Strategic Plan. The Board will oversee senior staff who will manage the system.

Improved Labour Relations

There was previously no Human Resources Department. Accordingly, an HR Director was hired. In addition, a Director of Labour Relations was also hired. An effort has been made to operate in a more professional manner.

Improved Student Achievement

Dave stressed that the core business of the organization is to support student learning. There had been no department devoted to this initiative. Accordingly a new Department known as the Learning Services Department has been structured. The head of this department is Deputy Superintendent John Blain. John has set up a hierarchy of staff to connect the department to the classroom ensuring that adequate resources are available for each student's needs.



...Sher provides Karin with her Grey Cup winnings...



...Rod & Denise with guest speaker, Dave Hutchinson...

Strategic Plan

The public were given an opportunity to provide feedback on our public education system. Specifically, they were asked what do you like and what can we do to improve education? From this consultation three goals were established:

- To meet each students needs
- Continuing improvement of instruction
- Enhanced facilities

The board then established policies to meet these goals and gathered data on graduation rates and literacy..

Dave advised that the board has determined that 40% of facilities are beyond their useful life and that the schools are on a 52 year painting cycle. So there are big challenges in our school district to maintain adequate facilities.

He suggested that there are too many schools for the number of students and in an effort to ensure a high quality education system some schools may have to be closed.

Rod Mont presented our guest speaker with a children's book that we will be donating to a local library in his name. Denise Larson advised that there will be no meeting on December 26/12 and January 2/13.

Sher thanked all those club members who worked so hard to make the Grey Cup event a success. She advised that Doug Lum won the final \$1000 prize and Karin Mattern won \$300. Sher advised that the profits will be donated to the school sports foundation. Darryl Stech was thanked for his donation of the BBQ for the event.

Randall advised that Sher is selling surplus Grey Cup pop and water from the back of her vehicle.

50/50

Not a King of Diamonds to be found and the \$589.50 pot continues to grow... sorry Ken Hammer. Jeff Boegel was able to out duel Denise for a bottle of wine.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Robb Mowbray fined the always obstreperous Ron Blank for his suggestion that Karin seek singing lessons with her Grey cup winnings. He then gloated to Mr Lum and Boegel that their Maple Leafs remain undefeated this season. On that pitiful note, let's toast Rotary.



...And a good time was had by all...even Kris allowed a photo opp!

**ROTARY DAYBREAK
UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2012**

Fri, Dec 21 11am – 1pm
Denise Larson Robb Mowbray

Have A Great Week!

Photos from the Grey Cup Party



(left) Daryl was a winner...

(right) Who says Leafs fans never get to savour the big win. Doug won the final score pool prize of \$1,000. Whoohoo!

