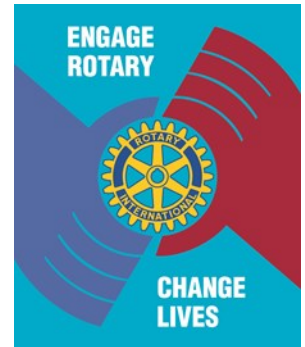


Rotary Club of Nanaimo DAYBREAK

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Club Duties

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

October 9th, 2013

Front Door Greeters:

Patrick Maguire & San Mahara

Invocation:

Brian Kirkhope

Introductions:

Doug Lum

Rotary Minute:

Neil Sorsdahl

50/50:

Bill Brendon

Sgt @ Arms:

Neil Sorsdahl

October 16th, 2013

Front Door Greeters:

Karin Mattern & Ev Mudryk

Invocation:

Daryl Knievel

Introductions:

Patrick Maguire

Rotary Minute:

Bob Wall

50/50:

Dawne Anderson

Sgt @ Arms:

Don Bonner

October 23rd, 2013

Front Door Greeters:

Leanna Plug & Terry Rogers

Invocation:

Denise Larson

Introductions:

San Mahara

Rotary Minute:

Donna Allen

50/50:

Dawne Anderson

Sgt @ Arms:

Kris Rongve

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

- Oct 9 Jenn Houtby - Tourism Nanaimo
Oct 16 Lorelie Rozanno - Nanaimo Author & Edgewood Counsellor
Oct 23 Club Assembly - Business Meeting

NOTICES & NEWS

This week's Guest Speaker, Jenn Houtby-Ferguson...



Having been involved in various aspects of the tourism and hospitality industries for more nearly 15 years, Jenn Houtby-Ferguson, CMP CMM has a solid understanding of the industry from both the hotelier side and the Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) side working in Niagara, Ontario, Whitehorse, Yukon and now Nanaimo, British Columbia.

In October 2007, Jenn launched Twist Consulting, with a key focus on the tourism and hospitality industries. After 4.5 years marketing the largest Resort on Vancouver Island, Jenn joined the Tourism Nanaimo team in April 2012.

A Certified Meeting Professional (CMP), Jenn also holds a Certificate in Meeting Management (CMM) and is one of only 65 CMM's in all of Canada. More recently, Jenn successfully completed the MPI's Train the Trainer Program and is now accredited to teach the prestigious Global Certification in Meetings & Events through Meeting Professionals International.

*...from Young Professionals of Nanaimo website
www.yppnanaimo.com*

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

- Oct. 9 Neil & Leslie Sorsdahl
Oct. 10 Doug & Karen Lum
Oct. 11 Donna & Nelson Allen

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Meeting Notes - Oct 2nd

notes by **Ron Blank** photos by **Donna Allen**

Michael Leduc and Dougie Lum greeted us at the door. President Randall Taylor began our proceedings by having Rod Mont lead us into our Anthem.

Kaz (Lynda Kazanowski) was prepared for our Invocation and Denise Larson managed to stand and asked for guests. Nelson Allen presented Oceanside President Bev Hilton and Christine Blouin. Ken Hammer named Rotaract Treasurer Vincent (afraid to say his last name) Kuri-Kyei and later Nanaimo City Councilor George Anderson. Neil Sorsdahl's guests were his son-in-law's parents Adrian and Sue Watermeyer, visiting from South Africa. Ev Mudryk intro'd another IT specialist Janice McCullough. Denise Larson then intro's Rotaractor Courtenay Brown. Lastly, Sanjivan presented his son Suvan Mahara.

Dave Thompson noted that our previous Grey Cup events weren't working. This year's event will be held 24th of Nov at Old City Station. No fuss, no muss! Beer & Burger funds to us, work done by Old City Station. Everyone gets to enjoy.

Suvan is constantly growing and can now address us by looking over our podium. He is participating in a swimathon to raise funds for their year-end camping trip. As a level nine swimmer, his goal is to swim 32 laps of the pool. Many supported his lofty goal.

Ken, Christine and Bev were part of last year's Ghana team. George Anderson has also been to Ghana and will be asking Council to consider Sunyani as a sister city.

Christine & Bev's trip served four purposes.
To maintain and build on existing projects,
Evaluate past projects,
Experience the culture of Ghana and to
Evaluate new projects.

Their first screen showed "Akwaba to Ghana" meaning welcome. Ken stood to interject and was quickly booed. He sat.

Background: Ghana is in West Africa, official language is English, pop. is 25 mill. and capital city is Accra. The team arrived in Accra on 18 April and, in their first day and a half, managed a visit with the Canadian Embassy.

The trip began with a 9 hour road trip to Techiman (362 km). Bev said they participated in the inauguration of the new Techiman Rotary Club, sponsored by our own Sunyani Central Club. They presented four Paul Harris Fellowships.

Two hours on the road to Sunyani and visits to Sunyani Municipal Primary School, where past projects began with white boards, roof fixes, security fences in 2009-10 and school latrines in 2010-11. Vincent said the effect on this school has been enormous. "From being the crossroads of four highways and reduced student populations to reduced accidents and waiting lists for applicants. It looks like a private school."

The next day was in the community market. The latrine design didn't meet local needs. Toilets seats were damaged as most users did not sit, but squatted. Cost for use was also an issue. The fix may be for an assessment to the vendors to maintain the facility.

500 mosquito nets were distributed to pregnant women and that included education classes in their use. Wells providing safe water were also visited where previously water was collected from contaminated creeks. Korkors Medical Centre was built in 2012-13 and Nanaimo's Ross & Pam White have taken on the task of furnishing

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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:

Randall Taylor

Past President:

Denise Larson

Vice President:

Club Secretary:

Neil Sorsdahl

Club Treasurer:

Anna Jones

Club President Elect:

Chris Everett

International Service Director:

Nelson Allen

Community Service Director:

Rod Mont

Youth Service Director:

Doug Lum / Sher Holubowich

Club Service Director:

Kristin Rongve

Bulletin Editor:

Robb Mowbray

Assistant Governor Area 2B:

Barry Sparkes

District Governor 2013-2014:

Peter Taylor

RI President 2012-13:

Ron Burton

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?



Suvan at the podium...



computers for the facility. They also participated in the grand opening of Daybreak-funded Abesiam Library. The entire community attended the opening with much singing and traditional clothing.

Most Ghanaians are proud of their country. The culture includes tapping palm tree sap and the resulting wine is great with Guinness! They visited Ghana's largest wildlife refuge, Mole National Park, designated in 1958 with local management starting in 1971. Nearby, the Magnori Eco-village is a typical farming village with 500 occupants, who are descendants of a Moshi hunter who settled the area before the slave raids of the 18th century. Medicine men and traditional dances highlighted their visit.

They also visited a micro-credit group developed by 'Brong Ahafo Research and Extension Centre' (BAREC) at VI University, in existence since 2007. Also on the agenda was a tour of Hanukkah's Children's home supported by VIU Students.

Perspective projects. Bev is committed to having Oceanside go for a global grant to revitalize 5 schools with washrooms roofs and one fence. Total funding \$300,000. Sunyani Central Rotary has identified local projects as:



...Pres Randall with our guest speakers...

Large = + \$10,000, Medium between \$1 & 10K and Small at less than \$1K. Get the list from Bev or Christine.

In summary, it's their belief they have expanded the relationships, participated in hands on projects and have learned of new project. The way forward will include a visit by Ghana Rotarians in 2014. Plans and volunteers are now being considered for a 2015 visit to Ghana.



...“Where’s that Ron? I need to fine him...”

Our Pres read a thanks from Dr John Sniveley for our funding the portable dental x-ray machine for Guatemala. Chris Everett has hosts for the upcoming Fireside Chats, where we all get a chance to share our views on where Daybreak Rotary should be in coming years. Date & times to go on our website calendar. Ev will hopefully find the City source for our daffodil planting. Ron will get Terry Akerman to join in with a tailgate lunch. More news: Wine tasting at Chris & Christine's on the 26th of October. Bring your favourite and sample others. Chris will also have a specialist help us decipher the details of the wines.

Texas Hold'em Poker Tourney at Branch 10 Royal Canadian Legion on Friday 18th of October, start 630PM, funds to Mid Island Ability Society and ourselves. Sponsors will make the real profits for us. Who do you know that wishes to help with either \$250 or \$500 to promote their business?

Birthdays: Jeff's partner Cathy Robson hits a number greater than 49 and less than 51 on the eighth. (Did I say her age? NOT !!!) Bill & Nancy Scott and Terry & Jodi Rogers celebrate anniversaries. Fines were given to Ken for his interruptions and for "his girls," Donna Nelson for "ever the teacher" and Ron for whatever. Brian said if you want a deal on home insurance, go local and Bill's Western Financial Group was the best. Neil was particularly happy with the visit of his son-in-law's outlaws, shooting his age at golf and scoring his FIRST hole in one. (Is that all?) Many of us heard from Dave & Shirley Perry how much they missed us. Overall, a great presentation Bev & Christine!

That being said, we Four Wayed to our next Rotary adventures.

Have a Great Week!

ROTARY DAYBREAK UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2013

November 16 - Saturday 11am - 1pm Kris Rongve and Sher H

December 22 - Sunday 11am - 1pm Robb Mowbray and Anna Jones

