

Newsletter Date:

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Club Duties

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

April 2nd, 2014

Front Door Greeters:

Nathan Thornton & Bob Wall

Invocation:

Dawne Anderson

Introductions:

Christine Craigie

Rotary Minute:

Terry Rogers

50/50:

Ron Blank

Sgt @ Arms:

Neil Sorsdahl

April 9th, 2014

Front Door Greeters:

Donna Allen & Dawne Anderson

Invocation:

Jeff Boegel

Introductions:

Denise Davidson

Rotary Minute:

Kris Rongve

50/50:

Ron Blank

Sgt @ Arms:

Dave Thompson

April 16th, 2014

Front Door Greeters:

Nelson Allen & Ron Blank

Invocation:

Don Bonner

Introductions:

Chris Everett

Rotary Minute:

Darryl Shaw

50/50:

Wendi Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:

Denise Davidson

Weekly Wake-up

upcoming Programs

Apr 2 Tracey Klein - VIU Student Nurses going to Nepal – Humanitarian Project

Apr 9 Alexandra Dawley - Rotary District 5020 Global Grant Scholar 2013-14

Apr 16 Club Assembly - Business Meeting

NOTICES & NEWS

Donna & Nelson continue their make-up adventures...

Rotary Kihei Sunrise (Hawaii) is involved with two programs in the Kihei Elementary Schools. One is for kindergarten and grade one, teaching dental hygiene and another for grade three teaching Ethics using the four way test. Nelson and I went to the Kihei Elementary school with Rotary Kihei members as volunteers to teach the Ethics unit.

What fun we had! A great experience. The elementary school has population of 950 students!







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

Club Birthdays

No Birthdays this week.

Club Anniversaries

No Anniversary this week.

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Jennifer McKinnon from the Coquitlam Sun-

Teresa Pring, Executive Director for Habitat

for Humanity Mid-Vancouver Island, our guest

Randall did a Rotary moment explaining that

Melting Notes - Mar. 26/14 notes by Ron Blank photos by Ron Blank & Donna Allen

Guests

rise club.

speaker.

Rotary Minute

about nothing.

Meeting chaired by President Randall

Rod Mont led us in O Canada.

Greeters

Dave Thompson and Eileen Tatton.....oops only Davie made it.



there would be no Rotary Minute today. Reminiscent of a Seinfeld episode, a rotary minute

Guest Rotarian, Jennifer McKinnon exchanges banners...

Guest Speaker Teresa Pring

Dawne advised that she and Teresa attended elementary school together and only reunited a few years ago. Teresa is of Swedish-French descent and grew up with her eight siblings. She has worked in the Not-for-Profit sector for about twenty years, previously working at the Boys & Girls Club for fourteen years. She is currently the Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity in Nanaimo.

Since 2001, fifteen homes have been built in the Nanaimo area and they are currently building a sixteenth dwelling.

They have currently partnered with the VIU pre-apprentice trade program in building the homes. The students provide the construction volunteer hours as part of their field training. This arrangement works very well as the finished product is of high quality, completed at a very cost efficient price. The average price of a duplex is \$230,000 Habitat for Humanity has recently purchased six lots in Extension and had 1 lot donated in Ladysmith. It is hoped that they can build three houses per year rather than the two that are currently being built.

Teresa advised that they hold a Corporate Build Day 5 or 6 times a year to connect with business community. It is Teresa's wish to launch a Rotary Day, as well. Teresa suggested that our club can provide volunteer hours to frame, landscape or paint. In addition, we can consider providing a \$500 or \$1000 bursary to assist a less fortunate student attend the pre-apprentice trades program @ VIU.

H for H sells the house to a low income working family, who is required to pay 25% of their income on an interest free mortgage. It provides the family an opportunity to own their home, which normally would not be possible.

H for H is involved in an international program called the Global Village Program, which also builds houses for families. The houses are quite basic and sell for about \$5000 each. Teresa advised that anyone can volunteer to help build these houses. There is less than a 1% default rate in Canada on the mortgage free loans provided to assist in financing the purchase of the houses by the low income families. There has never been a default in the Nanaimo area. The interest free mortgages provided make it cheaper for the families to own rather than renting a similar house.

H for H has a family selection committee that screens the prospective

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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

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Nelson Allen

Community Service Director:

Rod Mont

Youth Service Director:

Doug Lum / Sher Holubowich

Club Service Director:

Kristin Ronave

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?



families. The screening includes an in-house visit, an evaluation of need and an assessment of the family's ability to pay. Employer checks are done and the committee tries to ensure the compatibility of the families on each side of the duplex. Currently, the committee is looking for two new members.

Jennifer McKinnon, our visiting Rotarian from the Coquitlam Sunrise Club, advised that she is new to Rotary. She is originally from Nanaimo and worked at Terry's Save-Rite for ten years...hey, she's gotta be good people. Jennifer advised that her club organizes a golf tourney, as well. She then exchanged banners with Randall.

Rod Mont advised that the Swing into Spring event went well and was attended by more non-Rotarians than last year. The Coast Bastion venue provided a professional presentation and there were not the same setup requirements as in previous years. Rod acknowledged the great job by Patrick on the silent auction. Andrea Taylor was also thanked for her efforts in sourcing some great silent auction items. Harbourview VW was the signature sponsor. Rod confirmed that the event was successful in raising money, but, if we had sold another 40 tickets, it would have been a fantastic financial success.

San questioned if we could schedule the event on another weekend date that does not conflict with spring break. Randall advised that it may be difficult to change the date as it has been scheduled on the second weekend of spring break to accommodate the university students.

Chris asked the club to give both Rod and Randall a big hand for their great efforts in ensuring the success of the event.

Jeff Boegel confirmed that Poker Nite is scheduled for April 26/14 at the Nanoose Library. The doors open at 6:30 pm. Jeff advises that we still need two more sponsors, as well as bodies for registration and serving. Currently, Ron and Graham have volunteered to run the bar. Don and Bev will provide the food service. A signup sheet will be distributed next week.



... Chris and Bob enjoyed the meeting...

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Our president-elect Chris Everett is one efficient guy, as he has strategically combined his birthday and anniversary on one day so that he has more time to prepare for his upcoming year as president. Ron Blank is celebrating a birthday as well, so we cluded Ron in our melodic version of the Birthday song.

50/50 Draw

Dawne advised that there is \$36 in the pot and she is looking for the Jack of Diamonds. Darryl Shaw was unable to draw the Jack. Dave Thompson then outdrew the Prez with a four to win the consolation prize.

Sgt @ Arms

Darryl Knievel looked to the Boys table for happy bucks in gratitude of our seldom granted status as first arrivals at the food table. Denise Davidson then uncharacteristically gloated about her Tigh-Na-Mara trip win at the Spring into Spring.



On that note we then recited the Four Way Test...
...and off to work we went.



Have a Great Week!