

Newsletter Date:

June 10th, 2009



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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.

June 10th, 2009

Front Door Greeters:

Dawne Anderson & Cindy Bartlett

Invocation:

Henri Van Amerongen

Introductions:

Ricki Kristiansen

Rotary Minute:

Nelson Allen

50/50:

Wendy Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:

Daryl Stech

June 17th, 2009

Front Door Greeters:

Donna Allen & Val Lennox

Invocation:

Dave Thompson

Introductions:

Jim McIvor

Rotary Minute:

Nicole Gosselin

50/50:

Wendi Ferrero

Sqt @ Arms:

Don Bonner

June 24th, 2009

Front Door Greeters:

Doug Lum & Kris Rongve

Invocation:

Eileen Tatton

Introductions:

Patrick Maguire

Rotary Minute:

Ron Medd

50/50: Dave Thompson

Sgt @ Arms:

Bruce Mede

upcoming Programs

Weekly Wake-up

June 10th - Peter Dimitroff - Governance and Political Development

June 17th - Club Assembly

June 24th - Geoff Stokes - Micro Credit

NOTICES & NEWS

INSTALLATION NIGHT COMING UP SOON

From Kris Rongve...

Plan to attend Rotary Daybreak's party of the year! The celebration of the old and welcoming of the new!

Installation gight is home 07,0000. The most via at 0700 Dala

Installation night is June 27, 2009. The party is at 3730 Polaris Drive, Nanaimo, BC and starts at 5 p.m. It goes until Terry and Jodi make us leave.

Tickets available from Kris Rongve at the June 17th and 24th meetings. Please email Kris to let her know that you are coming (and how many of you there are).

From Brian Kirkhope...

We are three weeks away from Dave's installation night, and although it is still 19 days too early to start thinking of skits for entertainment, I wanted to know who was interested in making a fool of themselves in honour of Dave.

I have been putting some ideas to paper and depending on what we do, need 3-6 other people.

Please rsvp if you are interested in this.

Brian

rotarybrian@mannkirk.com

Club Birthdays

June 14 Caran Carr June 14 Lynda Kazanowski June 29 Terry Rogers Club Anniversaries

June 12 Dave Perry
June 16 Jeff Boegel & Cathy Robson

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Meeting Notes - June 3rd

submitted by Val Lennox

Greetings from Ghana

Ken Hammer brought greetings from Sunyani Rotary Club in Ghana. He noted club meeting there are run very much like a business meeting. He is encouraging the group to be a bit more social and less serious. Polio is still a health issue in Ghana, with eight cases reported. Most arise from Nigeria, one of the few countries where polio has not been eradicated. The Sunyani club is encouraging members to become involved in Rotary's polio eradication effort. Ken noted that when the Sunyani Club brings in new members, the spouse is also interviewed to ensure that person supports the committment involved in belonging to Rotary. Each of the visiting Rotarians were assigned mentors from the club. Ken was mentored by a teacher, who took him to a rural school. Some of the challenges included a shortage of supplies/teaching materials; students missing school due to harvest season; and students who walk five miles to reach school. Many do not have shoes.

The King of the 'getting-back-on-the-horse' philosophy

Jeff Bogel's classification talk revealed him as the prime example of a never-quit philosophy. As a young man in the armed forces, he signed up for jump training. On his first jump, his parachute didn't open and his reserve 'candled', sending him plummeting into the ground from 1500 feet. He awoke in hospital, unable to remember landing. He had a broken back and was told his military career was over. It wasn't. He recovered, learned to walk again, and on the way back to his unit, tore up the papers that consigned him to limited service. In 1983 he successfully completed the parachute jump course, taking the philosophy of getting-back-onthe-horse after a fall to an entirely new level. By then, he had plenty of practice in overcoming obstacles. Born in Kirkland Lake, North Ontario, he grew up knowing many of the hockey greats of the time. His first language was German. The family then moved to southern Ontario but on the Quebec border and he learned French. He now thinks in French although he is fluent in English, which he started learning at 16. Growing up in the Catholic Church, he also learned Latin.

Shortly after Jeff was born, his father developed MS, which put a financial strain on the family. His mother went to work to support the family while Jeff's father became involved in improving conditions for the disabled. When Jeff was 11, his father was admitted to a nursing home. By the time Jeff was 16, his father was in an independent housing facility that he had helped spearhead. Growing up, Jeff was involved in sports and in cubs, scouts and air cadets. Because the family didn't have money for travel, sports and cadets gave Jeff opportunities to travel. He became a cadet officer and then joined the militia. He opted for the medical corps and went into preventative medicine, an area for which current Daybreak Rotary President Ron Blank had written the manuals (and was something of a legend.)

He was married in 1984 and posted to Massett with his wife. In 1986, he sent his wife and daughter to Calgary, which they preferred over the remote posting. Most of the time, he wasn't home. Being in the medical corps put Jeff on the front lines for the Gulf War, Sarajevo, Rwanda and Haiti, where he was often the only preventative medicine officer in the area. He spent his entire ca-

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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:

Ron Blank

Club Secretary:

Nicole Gosselin

Club Treasurer:

Nathan Thornton

Club President Elect:

Dave Perry

Bulletin Editor:

Robb Mowbray

Foundation Chair:

Don Bonner

Assistant Governor Area 2B Brian Kirkhope

District Governor 2008-09:

Brian Beagle

RI President 2008-09:

Dong Kurn Lee

Bíngo Volunteers

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

Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to Robb Mowbray at robb@theatrebc.org.

FOUR WAY TEST

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- 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?



Meeting Notes - June 3rd, continued...

reer in the military, finally taking early retirement and moving to Ladysmith in 1997.

"It was a great career. I saw a lot, I learned a lot, I lived a lot."

He choose Ladysmith because it was near his wife's family. His father-in-law found a house for the family and Jeff attempted - unsuccessfully - to retire. He wanted more activity in his life, so he upgraded his education in 2001 and then took a diploma in business management and writing. His marriage ended in 2002.

Over the next few years he started his own small business as a consultant, wrote freelance articles, edited More Living Magazine, won a \$5,000 price for a short story, and was a supervisor at the NCO call centre. He then became executive director of the Nanaimo Disability and Resource Centre. he is now working on the mid-island ability society and a self-supporting/peer support society for people with disabilities. "I am knitting myself a job," he said.

While at university, he met his current partner Cathy Robson, who was also a member of Daybreak Rotary for a while.

Although he could remain retired, he prefers to continue contributing to society. "Social awareness and helping others is in my blood," he said.

#### **Short Notes**

- Please bring in books to donate-on-behalf-of-speakers.
- Nicole Gosselin is sending bills for the coming Rotary Year. Please ensure she has your up-to-date address and e-mail.
- Neil Sorsdahl said the golf tournament made more than \$10,000 exact figures shortly.
- Bill Brendan announced the Dog Days of Summer Poker Tournament will be July 25 at 7 p.m. with a \$100 buy-in and online sign-up.
- Robb Mowbray delivered a Rotary Club of Palm Springs banner and noted that the club there has thousands of banners, since it is located in a resort community.
- Don Bonner delivered banners from the Rotary Club of Penzance, the Rotary Club of Indoto, the Rotary Club of Lantzville, and a Rotary Club in Russia.
- Dawn Anderson announced the Salvation Army golf Tournament will be held June 24.
- Rod Mont asked members to begin thinking about committees for the coming year.
- Kris Rongve said installation will be June 27. Tickets will be \$25.

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Don't forget! The next Daybreak Rotary

### **Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament**

is coming up

July 25th - evening

at

**Nanaimo Centre Stage** 

25 Victoria Road

Spread the Word, Sell tickets, Get Involved!

# **ROTARY DAYBREAK**

## **UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2009 - 2010**

| <u>Date</u>                 | <u>Time</u>                | <u>Volunteers</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Monday<br>July 13, 2009     | 11am – 1 pm                |                   |
| Monday<br>August 10, 2009   | 11am – 1 pm                |                   |
| Monday<br>October 12, 2009  | 11am – 1 pm                |                   |
| Monday<br>November 16, 2009 | 11am – 1 pm                |                   |
| Monday<br>December 14, 2009 | 11am – 1 pm                |                   |
| Monday<br>January 11, 2010  | <u>2010</u><br>11am – 1 pm |                   |