Rotary Club of Nanaimo BREAK

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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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.

October 19th, 2011

Front Door Greeters: San Mahara & Karin Mattern

Invocation: Michael Leduc

Introductions: Dave Perrv

Rotary Minute: Denise Davidson

50/50: Val Lennox

Sqt @ Arms: Bruce Mede

October 26th, 2011

Front Door Greeters: Ev Mudryk & Bruce Mede

Invocation: Doug Lum

Introductions: **Terry Rogers**

Rotary Minute: Nelson Allen

50/50: Val Lennox

Sat @ Arms: Don Bonner

November 2nd, 2011

Front Door Greeters: Anna Owens & Eileen Page

Invocation: Val Lennox

Introductions: Darryl Shaw

Rotary Minute: Dawne Anderson

50/50: Randall Taylor

Sgt @ Arms: Kris Rongve

Weekly Wake-up

upcoming Programs

October 19th - VTT Team October 26th - Nanaimo Hospice - Wendy Pratt November 2nd - Classification Talk - victim...sorry, volunteer yet to be chosen :-) NOTE: Daybreak Christmas Auction will be held on November 30th

NOTICES & NEWS

Remaining Fireside Chats ...

Tuesday, October 18th at 7:00 pm; Hosts: Donna & Nelson Allen; Address: 1253 Selkirk Drive Sunday, October 23rd at 4:00 pm; Host: Ev Mudryk; Address: 710 Homestead Trail

District 5020 newsletters now online...

Go to http://docs.rotary5020.org/newsletter1/2011-12/2011-10.pdf

- Some Articles in this issue. • Vocational Service Matters by District Governor David Stocks
- . Sumner Rotary Awards
- Sumner Rotary donates \$5000
- Cumberland's Extravaganza Italiana
- . Qualicum Beach Rotary Funds Disaster Aid School Rooms in Haiti
- Plus many more

Many thanks to District Editor Paul Alvestad. If you want your club activities included in the next edition please send your write up to Paul. rotary5020newsletter@yahoo.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 Gayle Wilson October 22

Club Anniversaries No Anniversaries this week.

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Meeting Notes - October 12th

notes by Ron Blank, photos by Donna Allen

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: <u>http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=1_30</u> Nelson & Donna's Fireside Chat on Tuesday and Amadeus, next Thursday.</u>

Gracious me, October nearly half over! Rod Mont's saxophone ushered us into our Meeting. President Bill Brendon presided.

Eileen Tatton asked for Guests: Jeff Boegel presented Heather Fredericks, Massage therapist; Kris Rongve intro'd our morning speaker RCMP Constable Gary O'Brien; Dave Perry presented the Salvation Army Pastor Sergii Kachanov, and San Mahara presented son Suvani, who actually wanted to come to Rotary.

Denise Larson found a delightful poem to share as our Invocation. Sergeant-at-Arms Denise Davidson gave complicated directions, to breakfast, but then, that could be a gender thing.

In her Rotary Minute, Donna spoke on how our display of banners shows that Rotary is really a worldwide organization, and how she has always been given warm welcomes at every Club they have ever visited.

Christine Craigie reminded us about the work crew painting and re-roofing the garden shed at Rosstown Road, Colombian Centre, on Saturday morning at 10. Christine, Daryl Stech, Wendi Ferrero, Denise Larson, Nelson & Donna & I dispatched the task in under four hours. We managed to increase the fellowship and 'do' the Wellington Pub for post-labour libations. (One more shed to go, on Norwell, likely same amount of work.)

Michael Leduc is handling the tickets for our Grey Cup event

on November 27th. Cost \$30, which includes big screen TV, salty snacks, & steak din-din by Chef Bruce. Remember, the Football Pool tickets are for Cash Prizes based East/West Finals and Grey Cup scores. (If you can't sell them, return them to Rod)

Constable Gary O'Brien took the floor. Gary said he has been in the Force for over 22 years, with 16 in Nanaimo, and has been the media person for the past three.

He said, amazingly, with all of the things that have happened in Nanaimo's history, the one that went viral on the internet, went worldwide on television & newspapers, and even the Bombay Times, was the Cavalotti Lodge women fighting over the male strippers!

Gary noted that policing has changed. "Before 1975, you had to be over six foot tall and be capable of subduing and arresting drunks. Now, it's intelligence led policing.

Before, Police responded to domestic violence by grabbing the loudest. Now, they are trained to respond to medication issues and negotiate to minimize the impact on the kids and community.

"No, we don't have speeding ticket quotas!" But, Nanaimo leads in detecting drunk drivers in BC. Speed & alcohol is the #2 killer in BC. And when they want to catch some speeders, Ware Road & the Island Highway will likely find 5 or more people/hour that want to go 40Km/hour over the speed limit.

Why do many accidents happen? Phones & texting. Hence the crack-

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.



San brought son, Suvani, to the meeting...



...Donna spoke of Rotary banners in her Rotary Minute...

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Rotary Contacts

Club President: Bill Brendon Past President: Patrick Maguire Vice President: Randall Taylor Club Secretary: Neil Sorsdahl Club Treasurer:

Anna Owens Club President Elect: Denise Larson

International Service Director: Francine Frisson Community Service Director: Christine Craigie Vocational Service Director: Dave Thompson Club Service Director: Donna Allen

Bulletin Editor: Robb Mowbray

Assistant Governor Area 2B: Brenda Grice District Governor 2011-12: David Stocks RI President 2011-12: Kalyan Banerjee

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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 Neil Sorsdahl at goldendivot@shaw.ca

Four Way Test

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- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
  Will it build GOODWILL and
- BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



down, and "Oh yes, some can appear real sneaky when caught in the act." by dropping the phone, or moving sideways. (;-)

Nanaimo now has a criminal analyst on staff with an MBA & heavy computer skills. They determine hot spots and use bait cars to catch car thieves. Over 50% of stolen cars were not locked. Rather than do police patrols, "as the bad guys see us coming", they will check parked vehicles and leave notes about open doors.

Most of Nanaimo's criminal stats are down, as we have an aging population. 'Most criminals retire after 35, as there is not a lot of job security.' Gary said that sex crimes have increased because of internet porn. On-line pedophilia is big, with many sites being live. Cases are being cracked here, nationally and with international surveillance. Sexual abuse in families often lasts 80 years, as it seems to go through four generations.

"Property crimes are up," as the cost/risk/benefits are better for B&E, especially considering identity theft.

Consider their liquor control strategy "Bar Watch." Police & bar owners work together: where police may patrol on foot in Nanaimo's bars, and catch incidents in the parking lots before they escalate, and identities of troublemakers are shared. City bylaws can now fine for urinating & fighting in public, rather than using the criminal code. (\$150/offence.) Nanaimo has 8 officers on the streets from May-



September, less in the winter.

"The minority of the people do the majority of the crime." said Gary, and often fueled by addiction and mental illness. Those with a history are placed on 24/7 watch. Police try and humanize the relationship. They offer assistance, counseling and the opportunity to re-acquaint them with family. Police talk with their friends, place them on curfews, and, if they don't leave town, they will go to jail. Often, a sudden spike in criminal activity coincides with someone being released from jail.

Gary likes the Crime Prevention Programme, with four officers, in six local high schools. We are like "a social worker, counselor and priest." Their approach is kid friendly, with Facebook, and two-way communication.

Other successful programmes include Crime Stoppers, Citizens on Patrol, Harbour Watch, Block Watch and others, all staffed by volunteers.

...Chris "out-wined" the Pres in the morning draw...

"Low barrier housing" came up for discussion. "Consider,

whatever has been done over the last 30 years is not working." The biggest issue for street people is staying alive. These houses give stability, a roof over their head, & access to professionals.

Consider Bar Watch. "What does a community do to collectively resolve this issue?"

(Whew, my writing hand was cramping, as he spoke so fast!) Francine Frisson presented "The Book" and said Gary is so well prepared, "He will never be up the creek without a paddle!"

Birthdays: Eileen Page got the song sung, even though she was away. Can you believe it, Nelson & Donna also celebrated their 25th. (?Thought they looked older than that?)

Val Lennox announced \$2150 in our 50/50 Pot, and Daryl Knievel was close, King of Spades! Chris Everett "out wined" the President. Sergeant Denise, said "it is a changing world" and fined everybody. Congratulations to Michael Melenchuk, our newest member, soon to be inducted.

That being said, Toast to Rotary & the 4-Way. (What about the Object of Rotary?)



...some happy Rotarians enjoying the meeting.



#### ROTARY DAYBREAK UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2010/2011

Tues., Nov. 1, 2011 11; Thurs., Dec. 8, 2011 11;

11am – 1 pm 11am – 1pm Daryl Knievel & Doug Lum Dave Thompson & Christine Craigie





...Francine and Randall present book on behalf of guest speaker, Gary O'Brien of the RCMP...

# Columbía Centre Shed Project photos

























