



Club Duties

Wednesday Wake up

August 23rd

Front Door Greeters:

Ken Hammer & Greg Utas

Invocation:

Alastair Hunter

Introductions:

Tony Mengual

Rotary Minute:

Bob Wall

Sergeant @ Arms:

Jo-Ann Harding

50/50:

Neil Sorsdahl

August 23: Club Assembly Daybreak Rotary Business Meeting

Committee and financial reports will be presented.

September 6: Guest Speaker: Doug Ante, Rotary in Zimbabwe

Be sure not to miss Doug's presentation as he talks about his experiences in Zimbabwe.

The fortunes of Zimbabwe have for more than 2 decades been tied to Pres. Robert Mugabe, who wrested control from a small white community and put the country on a stable course. Now he presides over a nation whose economy is in tatters, where poverty and unemployment are endemic and political strife and repression commonplace. Hear first hand what life is like and what is being done to support the people.

August 30th

Front Door Greeters:

Alastair Hunter & Bob Wall

Invocation:

Lynda Kazanowski

Introductions:

Rod Mont

Rotary Minute:

Daryl Kneival

Sergeant @ Arms:

Bruce Mede

50/50:

Dave Hoy

September 6th

Front Door Greeters:

Lynda Kazanowski

Invocation:

Brian Kirkhope

Introductions:

Jamie Odgers

Rotary Minute:

Donna Allen

Sergeant @ Arms:

Daryl Stech

50/50:

Dave Hoy

Bingo

Friday Aug. 25—9 pm. Karin Mattern and Christine McAuley

Bingo Association General Meeting: Sun, Sep 10, 2006 at 10 am at 285 Prideaux St.

This space available:

Do you have a photograph or something of interest to share with your fellow Rotarians?? — Then it to Lee Mason to be included in the next available Wednesday Wake-Up.
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Here's something to tickle your funny bone:

At one point during a game, the coach said to one of his young players, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?" The little boy nodded in the affirmative. "Do you understand that what matters is whether we win together as a team?" The little boy nodded yes. "So," the coach continued, "when a strike is called, or you're out at first, you don't argue or curse or attack the umpire. Do you understand all that?" Again the little boy nodded. "Good," said the coach. "Now go over there and explain it to your mother".

Club Birthdays

Aug 31 Denise Davidson
Sep 1 Ken Hammer
Sep 19 Val Lennox

Club Anniversaries

Sep 3 Jamie Odgers
Sep 6 Bob Wall
Sep 11 Tony Mengual

New short-term peace program begins

By Joseph Derr

Rotary Contacts

A new Rotary-sponsored educational program reinforcing Rotary's longstanding commitment to cultivating peace and understanding began on July 3.

The inaugural class of Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies program started a three-month, English-language program at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. Offered by The Rotary Foundation, the program is aimed at professionals, with a curriculum focused on the theory and practice of peace, professional mediation, and conflict resolution.

Each session includes both academic learning and practical fieldwork components. The program aims to:

Inspire people to work for a culture of peace and tolerance while enhancing their capacity, knowledge, and skill to do so, in part by generating interaction between practitioners and academics

Provide advanced international educational opportunities for Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program participants chosen from different countries and cultures on the basis of their potential as leaders in government, business, education, media, and other professions

Provide a means for The Rotary Foundation and Rotarians to increase their effectiveness in promoting greater tolerance and cooperation among peoples, leading to world understanding and peace.

The diverse group of 15 participants from 10 countries work in fields directly related to actual conflict situations. Participants include mid-to-upper level government workers, nongovernmental organization officers, educators, military and law enforcement officers, lawyers, media professionals, and union leaders. Giving policymakers tools to adapt to local contexts is an effective path to resolving conflict, says Yukiko Nishikawa, deputy director of the program.

"This program gives participants seeds with sufficient ideas and tools to deal with conflict, which they bring home, grow, and multiply in their own organization and country," she says.

To read the full text of this interesting and timely article, please visit http://www.rotaryclubone.org/articles/short_term_peace_progr.htm

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Paul Harris, wrote in *The Rotarian* September 1912:

“Remember that great missions are serious undertakings. Do not expect to perform great missions in a day.”

The greatest ‘mission’ of Rotary International lies within its Fourth Object of Rotary: “World Understanding, Goodwill and Peace”. With violence flaring up once again in the middle east between Israel and Hezbollah and gruesome terrorist threats uncovered last week in the UK, such a mission seems many, many years away. Thank goodness that we have initiated our Rotary World Peace Scholarships which need more than ever.

Editor’s Muse: I find it amazing that so much of what was written decades ago has such relevance today. I sometimes wonder if humanity has truly made progress.

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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, ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 4 p.m.

Thursday – Lantzville – ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 7 a.m.

Friday – Nanaimo – Howard Johnson, 12:15 p.m.

