



**Club Duties**

**January 24**

**Front Door Greeters:**

Bob Wall & Jamie Odgers

**Invocation:**

Caran Carr

**Introductions:**

Denise Larson

**Rotary Minute:**

Dave Thompson

**Sergeant @ Arms:**

Daryl Stech

**50/50:**

Val Lennox

**January 31**

**Front Door Greeters:**

Lee Odgers & Allastair  
Hunter

**Invocation:**

Caran Carr

**Introductions:**

Doug Lum

**Rotary Minute:**

Nathan Thornton

**Sergeant @ Arms:**

Kevin McNeill

**50/50:**

Val Lennox

**February 7**

**Front Door Greeters:**

Donna Allen & Dave Perry

**Invocation:**

Denise Davidson

**Introductions:**

Jim McIvor

**Rotary Minute:**

Karin Mattern

**Sergeant @ Arms:**

Don Bonner

**50/50:**

Val Lennox

## Weekly Wake-up

### Upcoming Programs

**Guest Speaker: January 24: Ana & Angelina —Rotary Exchange Students**

Our students will give a presentation.

**Guest Speaker: January 31: Mike Munro, District 68 Superintendent of Schools/CEO.**

**Guest Speaker: February 7: George Hansen, Managing Director, Downtown Nanaimo Partnership.**

George will speak on the progress of downtown revitalization.

**February 14: Rotary DVD.** The Ron Medd & Don Bonner show has been postponed until April.

#### Paul Harris on the Pursuit of Happiness

In the pursuit of happiness, men most frequently turn to wealth; in it they hope to find enduring happiness. Some look for it in the possession of gold, King Midas' sad experience notwithstanding. They hoard it beyond all possible needs.

Others expect to find it in the things which money can bring them: influence, power, business, and social prestige, the envy of those who are less opulent, and endless, interminable things.

...If we heed the guide posts and danger signals which seers have hung out for the benefit of travelers on life's highway, we shall not look for happiness in the possession of money, nor in the possession of things which money will buy.

#### Club Birthdays

Jan 28 — Karin Mattern  
Feb 3 — Lee Odgers  
Feb 8 — Kevin McNeill

#### Club Anniversaries

None in January

*January 17, 2007 Meeting Notes: Submitted by Rod Mont*

-Eileen Tatton discussed Rotary's involvement with polio eradication in her Rotary Minute. When people find out she is a Rotarian, she is often asked, "What is Rotary?" and an important part of Rotary for her is the Polio campaign. Eileen advised us that due to international travel, polio is only one plane ride away from any country and that in 1985, more than 1000 children got polio every day. Due to the efforts of many, including Rotarians, this has decreased by more than 99%.

Ken Hammer had three announcements. He has been invited by the executive to get the club to raise \$500 for polio eradication in March. He also reported that the Rotaract Club has about eight members and needs our support. Ron Blank offered to attend the Rotaract January 18th meeting. Ken also said that there a possibility of the five local Rotary clubs working together on a literacy project in Ghana. Malaspina University-College has received CIDA money for a school project and Ken will be travelling to Ghana as part of this project. Rotary's involvement may include a five year literacy project with an inner city school in Ghana and assisting in setting up a Rotary club there.

Darryl Shaw told us that since only 16 Rotarians completed the membership survey, it will be done again. Our guest speaker on March 7th will be Maureen Fritz-Roberts, the District Membership Chair. Our club is looking at doing a membership night in mid to late March where everyone would be encouraged to bring a potential member.

Dave Perry advised us that only three Rotarians did not attend a Fireside. The excellent turnout gave us lots of feedback as to the possible future directions for the club. For fellowship, we are considering having the fifth Wednesday meetings (this happens twice a year) as evening meetings rather than the regular breakfast meeting and having a social where spouses or partners would be invited. Other fellowship suggestions included a wine bus tour, family bowling and continuing Bar Par. For community service, suggestions included partnering with the City on projects such as tree-planting, continuing youth projects, combining projects with fellowship and continuing the Christmas families project. For fund-raising, we are looking at setting up an information form to be filled out by other groups asking us for money, continuing the golf tournament, Grey Cup Party and Summer Song plus checking out the possibility of doing a motor-cycle raffle. Regarding membership retention, we need to review why we are losing members. Dave also encouraged us to make an effort to make everyone in the club feel included in club activities and welcome at our meetings.

Chris Everett updated us on the Pennies From Heaven project. NDSS is on-side and the goal is to raise tuition money for Zimbabwe students. Lynda Kazanowski gave us a description of the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) program and advised us that she is looking for volunteers to do the interviews on February 17th.

*Upcoming Events*

- Jan 25—Feb 3 – Urinetown production
- Feb 17—RYLA Interviews
- March—Membership night (Date TBA)

**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.

**Rotary Contacts**

**Club President:**

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**Club Treasurer:**

Nathan Thornton

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**District Governor 2006-07:**

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**RI President 2006-07:**

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