

Newsletter Date:

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Club Duties

March 7

Front Door Greeters:

Jim McIvor Dave Thompson

Invocation:

Brian Kirkhope

Introductions:

Tony Mengual

Rotary Minute:

Ron Blank

Sergeant @ Arms:

Kevin McNeill

50/50:

Christine McAuley

March 14

Front Door Greeters:

Cara Carr & Nathan Thornton

Invocation:

Daryl Kneival

Introductions:

Rod Mont

Rotary Minute:

Bill Brendon

Sergeant @ Arms:

Don Bonner

50/50:

Neil Sorsdahl

March 21

Front Door Greeters:

Denise Davidson & Ron

Blank

Invocation:

Denise Larson

Introductions:

Jamie Odgers

Rotary Minute:

To Be Determined

Sergeant @ Arms:

Jo-Ann Harding

50/50:

Neil Sorsdahl

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

March 7: Maureen Fritz-Roberts Chair, District 5020 will speak on Membership

March 14: Tony White, Nanaimo Additions Foundation

March 28: Club Assembly



Tales from the Penny Jar

Part 2— "Rusty's Tale"

There was a penny named Rusty, who was very old, made in 1923. He had so many stories to tell, it was truly amazing. Starting out at the mint, as all pennies, he was then given to a young boy named Roger. The little fellow received the penny for the strangest reason I had ever heard: a lost tooth! Yes, that's right; the parents were rewarding their son for losing an important part of his body! Please do not ask me how he managed to eat after that. Then again, I never did understand why people have to eat, when we little copper disks never have to do such nonsense!

Another story that I found particularly unusual, was one about a penny who went by the name of Lincoln. He was named after the head that is engraved on us all. He had laid in a jar for three whole years! Finally, after his owner had saved enough money, she spent it all on a car. At that point he went into the cash register at the car dealership until he was sent with a customer as change. His new owner obviously was no much of a saver, because within days he was spent on milk from the general store, which was our home until very recently......

Stay tuned for next week's instalment.

If you or a friend have a story from the penny jar (only 250 words) email or send it to <u>ceverett@telus.net</u> with the word "penny" I the subject line. Remember to bring your own pennies for the penny jar.

Club Birthdays

Mar 5— Brian Kirkhope Mar 20— Dave Perry

Mar 25— Dave Hoy

Club Anniversaries

Mar 5— Christine McAuley
Mar 25— Ron Medd

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February 28 Meeting Notes

Submitted by Rod Mont

President Kris sent around a sheet regarding Classification Talks and asked everyone to list when they last did their classification talk on the sheet. A sheet for Bingo volunteers was also passed around. Nelson Allen discussed the District Assembly in his Rotary Minute. Apparently there was a lot of information there about many things (including some things related to Rotary!) and it was well attended by our club. President Kris and Donna Allen are encouraging members to attend the District Conference in Tacoma on June 1 to 3.

The Chase River Boys & Girls Club has asked us to do some painting during spring break (week of March 18th). President Kris had a show of hands for volunteers. Donna Allen advised us that she wants everyone to indicate which committees they will be on for the next Rotary year. Bill Brendon attended the meeting at Assembly which dealt with the concerns regarding sexual harassment and our youth programs. A criminal record check will be needed for everyone who is doing anything with students and our club needs to put into place a policy before July 1st.

Darryl Shaw advised us that Maureen Fitz-Roberts, the District chair for membership, will be our guest speaker next week. In addition, Darryl encouraged everyone to bring a guest / potential new member to our March 21st meeting. Ron Medd updated us regarding the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) interviews. There were 15 interviews with students from NDSS, Dover Bay and Wellington and eight were selected to go to the RYLA weekend.

Chris Everett showed us the Pennies from Heaven video which is being shown to school students, introduced us to "Eric the film-maker" and encouraged us to come up with 250 word stories from the perspective of a penny. Nathan Thornton stated that January was a slow month for the club on the financial side. We have around \$17,000 in the bank. Donna Allen thanked Lee Mason for doing the bulletin and Rod Mont for writing up the weekly notes.

Rotary Contacts

Club President:

Kristen Rongve

Club Secretary:

Nicole Gosselin

Club Treasurer:

Nathan Thornton

Bulletin Editor:

Lee Mason

Foundation Chair:

Don Bonner

Assistant Governor Area 2B

Brian Kirkhope

District Governor 2006-07:

Erik Frederickson

RI President 2006-07:

William B. Boyd



Face The Music, Ross Fraser

SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH COAST BASTION INN, THE VANCOUVER ISLAND SYMPHONY INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN AN EVENING OF FUN, CELEBRATION AND FUNDRAISING AS

Nanaimo's own Ross Fraser will 'Face the Music' as he is roasted and toasted for the benefit of the Vancouver Island Symphony. This is the 4th annual 'Face the Music' event and the major fundraising event for the Vancouver Island Symphony. It will be very entertaining – Ross has chosen the theme as 'I did it my way.....'

The evening will include a themed dinner, a great line up of 'Roasters', live and silent auction. Tickets are limited to 250 guests. Tickets are \$75.00 per person (\$35 tax receipt) or you can reserve at table of 10 at the special rate of \$700. Cocktails start at 5:45, dinner will be served around 6:45. We hope you will be part of the event and help us celebrate Ross's commitment to our community. For ticket information or questions, please call me at 754 6344 or e-mail me at Marianne@turleysflorist.com

upcoming Events

March 31 — Bar Par March — Membership night (Date TBA) June 1st to 3rd—District Conference

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.

