



Club Duties

Weekly Wake-up

April 9, 2008

Front Door Greeters:

Dawne Anderson & Bruce Mede

Invocation:

Jo-Ann Harding

Introductions:

Denise Davidson

Rotary Minute:

Dean Carto

50/50:

Ron Blank

Sgt @ Arms:

Moira Steele

April 16, 2008

Front Door Greeters:

Bill Brendon & Eileen Tatton

Invocation:

Lynda Kazanowski

Introductions:

Sheila Forrest

Rotary Minute:

Moira Steele

50/50:

Ron Blank

Sgt @ Arms:

Daryl Stech

April 23, 2008

Front Door Greeters:

Nelson Allen & Val Lennox

Invocation:

Dawne Anderson

Introductions:

Daryl Knievel

Rotary Minute:

Marijke Van Rooyen

50/50:

Jo-Ann Harding

Sgt @ Arms:

Kris Rongve

Upcoming Programs

April 9th - Youth Exchange experience in Taiwan - Kevin Dobson

April 16th - Club Assembly - President Donna Allen

April 23rd - Classification Talk - TBA

NOTICES & NEWS

GSE Team to Norway

From District Governor Norm Watts...

The Group Study Exchange team that is going to Norway are (from left to right, back then front) John Hough, Team Leader; Kris Mann; Tom Carver; Mary Guimont; Shawn Ward and Joan Casselman.



Club Birthdays

Cindy Bartlett April 9

Club Anniversaries

Jim McIvor May 3

Meeting Notes - April 2nd

submitted by Rod Mont



Nelson provides the Rotary Minute...

be held in Parksville this year - the club will pay the registration fee for those planning to attend.

Rod Mont announced that the UVic Chamber Singers will be performing in Parksville on April 28th. Rod will be going on the Chamber Singers tour as an alumnus and will be part of the concert. Billets for the evening of April 28th were requested. It was also announced that there will be a sorting fellowship event to help out Nicole on the weekend of April 5/6. Apparently the women of the club have been given more details regarding this than the men....

President Donna advised that she has the forms for District Governor Norm's challenge - anyone who met the challenge is encouraged to complete the form and turn it in. President Donna also read some thank you letters but I was still eating so did not catch who they were from! Nicole Gosselin and Ron Blank were thanked for building the dividers.

Marijka Van Rooyen announced that Cindy Bartlett and her raised \$4,000 at the beer and burger night. Having now raised a total of \$11,000, they have only \$1,000 to go. President Donna reminded everyone that the District Conference will



Everyone seems to be enjoying it...look at the smiles!

Ken Hammer received word that the Rotary club in Guyana will be re-instated on May 10th. Ken is travelling to Guyana in a week and a half and will be happy to gather any donations that club members would like to give him for use with the Guyana Rotary club. President Donna announced that Jeff Boegel and Cathy Robson will be formally inducted to our club at our April 9th meeting. Neil Sorsdahl reminded everyone to look for sponsors and teams for the golf tournament. Brian Kirkhope advised that he and Terry Rogers are putting together a playoff hockey pool and are looking for people who would be interested in participating in the draft.



Okay, this group...not so enthused...

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Rotary Contacts

- Club President:**
Donna Allen
- Club Secretary:**
Nicole Gosselin
- Club Treasurer:**
Nathan Thornton
- Club President Elect:**
Ron Blank
- Bulletin Editor:**
Robb Mowbray
- Foundation Chair:**
Don Bonner
- Assistant Governor Area 2B**
Brian Kirkhope
- District Governor 2007-08:**
Norm Watts
- RI President 2007-08:**
Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

Bingo Volunteers

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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 Rod Mont ([mont@islandlaw.ca](mailto:mont@islandlaw.ca)).

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

FOUR WAY TEST

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?

Upcoming Events

- May 2, 2008 - "Spring Classic" Golf Tournament at Cottonwood Golf Course, start at 1:00 pm.
- May 29 - June 1, 2008 - District Conference in Parksville-Qualicum Beach
- June 14-18, 2008 - Rotary International Conference in Los Angeles

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 - Coast Bastion Inn, 12:15 p.m.



Meeting Notes cont'd....



This group looks downright annoyed...

Nelson Allen was our guest speaker and discussed the facilities renewal consultation process currently being undertaken by School District 68. The District has a size of 52 square miles and is the largest employer on Vancouver Island north of Victoria with over 2,500 employees. Despite the closure of several elementary schools recently, there are still currently 90 surplus classrooms in the District and projected enrollment indicates that enrollment will continue to fall. In addition, many schools require seismic upgrades and it does not make economic sense to pay for the cost of upgrading a school which will later be closed. A staff report has looked at the issue of school closures and recommended that four elementary schools be closed: Woodbank, Rutherford, Dufferin Crescent and Mount Benson. The report also recommends a reduction of 700 seats at the secondary level by closing NDSS and Woodlands and building a new school for 1,100 students at the site of NDSS or Woodlands. Nelson emphasized that this report has not been accepted by the trustees and that the public consultation is being done to get feedback from the public.

Jim McIvor, for his Rotary minute, read out 10 things that you would never hear a dad say, encouraged us to enjoy Rotary and to laugh because it is healthy to laugh.

The big issue is funding. The BC government currently pays \$5,800 per student. In 2006/07, the budget was \$103 million. Based upon expected enrollment, the budget in 2010/11 is anticipated to only be \$80 million.



Now Chris is in shock!...



From the previous week, Bruce receives his picture.

Daybreak Rotary had previously committed to raising \$10,000 over the next three years to support the Nanaimo Museum based upon each of the other four local Rotary clubs raising \$10,000. The combined \$50,000 would give Rotary special recognition at the new Museum. President Donna advised that Oceanside Rotary has decided not to be part of this project but that the other clubs would still get the special recognition by raising a total of \$40,000. It was moved by Caran Carr, seconded by Karin Mattern and passed that Daybreak Rotary commit to raising \$10,000 for the Nanaimo Museum over the next three years even though not all five local clubs were participating.

The United Way Gala dinner and dance will be held on April 18th - tickets are \$99.00 each and will include a tax receipt for \$25.00.



And Bruce has fines...lots and lots of fines...



Okay, who do I want to win this week... :-)

See you at this week's meeting...