

Club Duties

February 4th, 2009

Front Door Greeters:
Jeff Boegel & Bill Brendon

Invocation:
Sheila Forrest

Introductions:
Dave Thompson

Rotary Minute:
Doug Lum

50/50:
Maira Steele

Sgt @ Arms:
Neil Sorsdahl

February 11th, 2008

Front Door Greeters:
Ron Medd & Lee Mason

Invocation:
Lynda Kazanowski

Introductions:
Eileen Tatton

Rotary Minute:
Neil Sorsdahl

50/50:
Maira Steele

Sgt @ Arms:
Kris Rongve

February 18th, 2009

Front Door Greeters:
Eileen Tatton & Doug Lum

Invocation:
Brian Kirkhope

Introductions:
Daryl Stech

Rotary Minute:
Ken Hammer

50/50:
Sheila Forrest

Sgt @ Arms:
Daryl Stech

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

February 4th - John Bradley - PacificSport

February 11th - Pamela Hadikin - Daybreak Rotary Leadership Scholarship recipient

February 18th - Club Assembly

February 25th - Classification Talk

NOTICES & NEWS

POLIO DOCUMENTARY TONITE

We all know about the world-wide battle to eradicate polio. Here's a chance to learn of the history of polio, inoculations and the struggle we're so near to completing but is still so far from over. This program airs on KCTS Monday night (tonight) at 9 pm.

<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/news/la-et-polio2-2009feb02,0,666067=>

'American Experience: The Polio Crusade' The PBS documentary tells the story of a disease that played on the public imagination and the campaign that stopped it. Robert Lloyd, Television Critic, "One of my earliest memories is of standing in line, in some sort of meeting hall, waiting to be given a sugar cube soaked in polio vaccine. Polio was all but eradicated in America by the time I actually knew what it was, but its cultural effects still resonated: I remember Gumby, the little clay boy, being put in an iron lung (used to help polio victims breathe) in one episode; it was one of the most disturbing images of my childhood. And there was the March of Dimes, into which we were enlisted as student-citizens, and whose origins are told in The Polio Crusade, airing tonight as part of the PBS series "American Experience." It's a neat, gripping social history of a disease that ranked behind only the atom bomb among midcentury American fears. Although it was not the most dreadful disease of its day -- paralysis was rare, and death very rare -- it played upon the public imagination as a despoiler of youth (and of the summertime, when it was most prevalent). Images here of very small children walking with leg braces and canes are still heartbreakingly potent. Writer-director Sarah Colt emphasizes the Anytown aspects of the disease, centering her film in sitcom-clean hamlets and suburbs. ("My legs gave out as I was peddling my ice cream cart home for lunch," one victim remembers).

Jonas Salk's fast-track vaccine, based on a "killed virus" (and first tested on orphans and the "feeble-minded") was the first vaccine to go into production, though not without mishap: A bad batch actually infected recipients with polio. Dismissive rival Albert Sabin -- whose slowly developed, orally administered "live vaccine" is the one I would have taken -- was tortoise to Salk's hare. Both won in the end. And what "The Polio Crusade" does not relate -- and it's perhaps the most remarkable aspect of this story, almost unthinkable now -- is that neither patented his cure.

Club Birthdays

February 25 Neil Sorsdahl
February 26 Don Bonner

Club Anniversaries

February 20 Patrick Maguire

Meeting Notes - January 28th

submitted by Val Lennox

The meeting opened with a Rotary Minute by Ron Medd, who traced the development of Rotary from a networking/fellowship group to a service club. He noted the primary focus of Rotary is now service and fellowship.

Club members were delighted to hear that former member Bob Wall is returning to Daybreak Rotary.

New Member Induction

A very special second-generation induction of a new member was held when Cindy Bartlett's daughter, Ricki Kristiansen, joined Daybreak Rotary.

Ricki was raised in Nanaimo and graduated from John Barsby in 1998. She then earned two degrees from Vancouver Island University – an education degree and a BA diploma in physical education. She now works for the local school district at two schools: as an aboriginal support counsellor at NDSS and a dance/PE teacher at Barsby.

She is already an active volunteer, serving as:

A member of the district's Social Responsibility Committee, which encourages social responsibility in the schools; A member of the Nanaimo District Teachers' Association Social Justice Committee, which works to decrease prejudice in schools; A girls' fastball coach; and A volleyball coach.

Welcome, Ricki!

More Chocolate!

Now that most people have abandoned their post-Xmas diets, Donna Allen came back with additional chocolate to sell. She will be selling \$5 chocolate bars at meeting. From each sale, Rotary receives \$3.

Swing Into Spring

Planning for this March 14 event is continuing under the leadership of Rod Mont. Sponsorships are available for donations of \$2,500 (major sponsor); \$1,000; & up to \$500. Tickets will be \$75 to \$100.

Birthdays and Recoveries

Karin Mattern celebrated a birthday January 28.

Honorary club member Bruce Coleman (Mr. Rotary), who is now 95, is recovering at home following a seizure. He has more years of perfect attendance than many Rotarians have of existence.

World War I & II Remembrances

Lt-Col. Doug Slowski presented a fascinating and moving slideshow – computerized – of his recent trip to World War battlefield memorials in Europe. He noted 1.7 million men died in Europe during both World Wars.



New Member Ricki Kristiansen with Brian Kirkhope on the left. Guest speaker, Lt-Col. Doug Slowski on the right.

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, 5 p.m.
Thursday – Lantzville – ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 7 a.m.
Friday – Nanaimo – Coast Bastion Inn, 12:15 p.m.

Rotary Contacts

- Club President: Ron Blank
Club Secretary: Nicole Gosselin
Club Treasurer: Nathan Thornton
Club President Elect: Dave Perry
Bulletin Editor: Robb Mowbray
Foundation Chair: Don Bonner
Assistant Governor Area 2B: Brian Kirkhope
District Governor 2008-09: Brian Beagle
RI President 2008-09: Dong Kurn Lee

Bingo Volunteers

- Feb. 13 Denise & Nathan Thornton
Feb. 20 Ken Hammer & Denise Davidson

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).

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?

