



Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty, could you please find a replacement or let the President know you are unable to attend.

December 14th, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Bob Wall & Donna Allen

Invocation:

Michael Melenchuk

Introductions:

Nathan Thornton

Rotary Minute:

Don Bonner

50/50:

Dawne Anderson

Sgt @ Arms:

Kris Rongve

December 21st, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Nelson Allen & Dawne Anderson

Invocation:

Rod Mont

Introductions:

Jennifer Tonsi

Rotary Minute:

Wendi Ferrero

50/50:

Dawne Anderson

Sgt @ Arms:

Neil Sorsdahl

December 28th, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Cindy Bartlett & Ron Blank

Invocation:

Ev Mudryk

Introductions:

Bob Wall

Rotary Minute:

Francine Frisson

50/50:

Val Lennox

Sgt @ Arms:

Dave Thompson

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

December 14th - Nanaimo Air Cadets - Lieutenant Colonel Richard Mudryk

December 21st - Neil Sorsdahl's daughter and son-in-law

December 28th - Classification Talk - Daryl Knievel...we'll believe it when we see it... ;-)

NOTICES & NEWS

Okay, this week for sure!...Now for Phase 2...

There are more District Policy Proposals to discuss and vote on at the next meeting. Please review pages 4-10 regarding these five proposals and be ready to discuss and vote on each on Wednesday morning.

Donation to NLSF...

At right, Jim McIvor and Pres Bill Brendon present a ceremonial BIG cheque for \$2,500 from the proceeds of the annual Daybreak Rotary Grey Cup Party to Erin van Steen of the Nanaimo Ladysmith Schools Foundation at last Wednesday's meeting.



Club Correspondence...

Check out the link below for the latest in correspondence to the Club from various sources:

http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=2_8

District 5020 newsletter now online...

Go to <http://docs.rotary5020.org/newsletter1/2011-12/2011-11.pdf>

Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to robbmowbray@telus.net

Club Birthdays

Dec. 12

Nathan Thornton

Dec. 19

Jeff Boegel

Club Anniversaries

No Anniversaries this week.

Meeting Notes - December 7th

notes by Ron Blank, photos by Donna Allen

We have only fourteen more sleeps before St Nickolas comes. December is Family Month in Rotary. How do we make Rotary more relevant to our families & younger members? Check <http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/Multimedia/RotaryMinute/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Our Wednesday started with the lonely Jennifer Tonsi greeting, Bill Brendon Presidentializing, and Rod Mont blowing the reeds.

Guests: the ever present Lucas le Goaréguer, Exchange Student from Paris, Jim McIvor introduced Erin Van Steen with Nanaimo Ladysmith Schools Foundation (NLSF) and Christine Craigie brought Dolores Gottenberg.

Denise Davidson invoked the right spirits, then quick witted Sergeant-at-Arms Don Bonner managed to confuse our way to breakfast.

Christine's Rotary Minute gave heavenly thanks for the internet and quoted Rotary President Glenn Mead, our first President of "International Association of Rotary Clubs," the beginning of Rotary International, and was the first to use the phrase 'service not self.'
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrgr/home/storyitem.asp?cid=3135&iid=179698>

President Bill then shared our pleasure with the absent Heather Mont, but presented Rod with her Paul Harris Fellow pin (Donating \$1,000 to our Rotary International Foundation)

Ken Hammer recounted his make-up in the Rotary Club of West Ottawa. Their speaker was past politician, the Honourable Flora McDonald, on her humanitarian work with women's education in Afghanistan. Ken noted that make-ups allow us to see what other clubs are doing and how they may impact our Club. He also brought along hard copies of their Bulletin "Spinoff" and Synopsis of Activities over the last four years. Good stuff, Ken!

Still keeping the floor, Ken presented the BAREC - Canada Newsletter that recapped the impact of the programmes over the past five years by VIU, Sunyani Polytechnic, Nanaimo Regional District & Rotary Clubs of Nanaimo & Sunyani Ghana. BTW, I'll post on the website. (For those who dis the military and their use of acronyms & letters, it took five minutes on Google to figure out BAREC "Brong Ahafo Research and Extension Centre")

Lastly, Ken promoted the Ghana 2012 Calendars, with half proceeds to students, & half to community projects. 20 Bucks, great photos. See Ken.

Donna advised the Christmas Auction netted nearly \$2,700, which included Francine Frisson's much appreciated \$105 for the 21 guests at that



Don checks out a piece of equipment for the audio-video presentation...well, I think that's what he is doing...



...Christine provides a Rotary Minute...

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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, 3rd Street Fieldhouse, 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:**
Bill Brendon
- Past President:**
Patrick Maguire
- Vice President:**
Randall Taylor
- Club Secretary:**
Neil Sorsdahl
- Club Treasurer:**
Anna Owens
- Club President Elect:**
Denise Larson

- International Service Director:**
Francine Frisson
- Community Service Director:**
Christine Craigie
- Vocational Service Director:**
Dave Thompson
- Club Service Director:**
Donna Allen

- Bulletin Editor:**
Robb Mowbray

- Assistant Governor Area 2B:**
Brenda Grice
- District Governor 2011-12:**
David Stocks
- RI President 2011-12:**
Kalyan Banerjee

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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 Neil Sorsdahl at goldendivot@shaw.ca

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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?





...Christine presents Dolores Gottenberg with "100th Anniversary Cookbook"...

meeting. Donna thanked Christine, Ron & Linda, and Anna Owens for their wrapping skills. Francine will now do the shopping for the four families, avec Mère Hélène.

Jim coughed to get our attention. He recalled how he became a Board Member with NLSF when they began the "Mini O," Olympics for challenged athletes. (? Jim coughed again, and again? Maybe that wasn't an attention ploy, after all.)

Erin shared that NLSF long coordinated the annual Scholarships & Bursaries awarded in our District. Over the past seven years, their projects include "Stock the Lockers Campaign," putting \$40,000 into school supplies, and "Student Support Fund," providing sports & other equipment to vulnerable children. Recently, the fund paid for a dentist to pull a painful decayed tooth.

Erin was excited about the recent partnership with Breakfast Clubs of Canada, which has committed \$110,000, over three years, to retrofit school kitchens and food programmes, thus enabling the kids with a better opportunity to learn. One in seven children in BC live in poverty. Nanaimo Ladysmith is one of the worst three in the Province. This programme will provide over 70,000 meals over the next three years. <http://www.breakfastclubscanada.org/home.aspx>

Erin was even more excited about their newest promotional video, "Be the difference, support our kids," made completely by local talent at John Barsby Secondary. Braeden Marshall, a Barsby student wanted to help but said he didn't have the \$\$ to help. So, he wrote & donated the theme song, and with their band, performed for the video. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fOJrLnoRB94> (I liked!) Small actions have a ripple effect. Start that ripple!

Dawne Anderson is way too busy with the Salvation Army Kettles, and Patrick reminded those of their commitment at now Country Club Centre.

Christine then brought guest Dolores forward and presented her with Rotary's "100th Anniversary Cook Book" and a Friends of Rotary Pin. (designed by our Val Lennox) Dolores is our "Pickle Lady" who made and donated those delightful preserves for our Christmas Auction. Thank-you Dolores!



...Ken updates us on Ghana project and other items...

Darryl Shaw announced a paltry \$258 for the 50/50: Jeff Boegel missed the Queen of Hearts. Eileen Tatton had the Midas Touch and beat the Pres.

Sergeant Don fined Donna for her seven seconds of fame on CBC News, Brian Kirkhope epitomized the trial lawyer, but paid for chatting during the "Minute." Ken was happy with visiting other Clubs. Dum ta deedah! (Drum Roll!) Who will be doing a classification talk soon? You had to be there to hear! Wait for it!

We closed with our secret chant and proceeded to our upcoming week in Rotary.



...Pres Bill presents Rod with wife, Heather Mont's Paul Harris Fellow certificate and pin.

**ROTARY DAYBREAK
UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2012**

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Have A Great Week!

Please read the following proposed amendments and be prepared to discuss and vote on each at next Wednesday's meeting...

PROPOSED ENACTMENT

To revise criteria for leave of absence as relates to medical reasons and to address the issue of attendance reporting as relates to the approved leave of absence for medical reasons.

Proposed by:
Rotary Club of Chehalis
Rotary Club of Centralia

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby are amended as follows (page 248 MOP) and the Standard Rotary Club Bylaws be and hereby are amended as follows (Page 262 MOP)

Standard Rotary Club Constitution Article 9 Attendance

9.3 Excused Absences. A member's absence shall be excused if

- (a) The absence complies with the conditions and under circumstances approved by the board. The board may excuse a member's absence for reasons which it considers to be good and sufficient. Such excused absences shall not extend for longer than twelve months. However, if the leave is for a medical reason that extends for more than 12 months such leave may be renewed by the board for a period of time beyond the original 12 months. Such leave for medical purposes shall not be counted as an absence for purposes of attendance records of the club.

Standard Rotary Club Bylaws: Article 11

Upon written application to the board, setting forth good and sufficient cause, leave of absence may be granted excusing a member from attending the meetings of the club for no longer than twelve (12) months. If the leave is for a medical reason that extends more than 12 months such leave may be renewed by the board for a period of time beyond the original 12 months. Such leave for medical purposes shall not be counted as an absence for purposes of attendance records of the club.

Statement of Purpose and Effect:

Many long serving and worthy Rotarians may encounter a circumstance in their life where a medical condition occurs which is beyond their control. Neither the Rotarian nor the club should be penalized for such circumstances. The Rotary Club of Chehalis had a Pearl Harbor survivor who never missed a Rotary meeting unless he was ill. When he reached the point in his life whereby he was no longer physically able to attend meetings, it seemed not reasonable to terminate his membership simply because his life continued beyond the 12 month leave period. Furthermore it doesn't seem reasonable that the club be penalized in their attendance records for providing that medical leave of absence. We had a similar circumstance for a member who was waiting for a donor for a heart and lung transplant. Both of the above examples were members who were dedicated to the Rotary cause and were productive contributing members of the club.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

To allow Rotarians; honorary Rotarians; employees of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity or of Rotary International; or spouses, lineal descendants (child or grandchild by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parent or grandparent by blood) of persons in the foregoing categories to be eligible for Rotary Foundation Scholarships if they meet all of the other requirements.

Proposed by the Rotary Club of Comox.

Endorsed by District 5020 through email balloting.

WHEREAS, current Rotary Foundation qualifications for Rotary Foundation Scholarships currently restrict Rotarians, Rotarian family members, Rotarian associates, and Rotarian employees from an award of scholarship, and

WHEREAS, part of the Four Way Test states, "Is it Fair to All concerned", and

WHEREAS, another part of the Four Way Test states, "Is it Beneficial to All concerned,

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider requesting the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation to amend Section 7.030 of the current Rotary Foundation Code of Policies and Section 9.3 of the Rotary Foundation Bylaws to eliminate all restrictions from Rotary Foundation Scholarships against Rotarians, their descendants, their relatives, associates, and employees.

The proposed change to page 124 of the 2010 MOP is as follows:

Qualifications

A candidate for a Rotary Foundation Scholarship must demonstrate outstanding potential as an ambassador of goodwill, which can be measured through leadership skills, communication skills, and commitment to service. Applicants must have completed at least two years of university or college coursework, or must have a secondary education and have been employed in a recognized profession for at least two years when the scholarship begins. Applicants must be citizens of a Rotary country. Candidates cannot be Rotarians; honorary Rotarians; employees of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity or of Rotary International; or spouses, lineal descendants (child or grandchild by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parent or grandparent by blood) of persons in the foregoing categories. Initial application must be made through a Rotary club in the applicant's legal or permanent residence or place of full-time study or employment.

Further Resolutions on following pages...

PROPOSED ENACTMENT

To make it optional for clubs to elect "one or more vice-presidents" and a sergeant-at-arms as officers.

Proposed by the Rotary Club of West Olympia, WA USA

Endorsed by District 5020 through email balloting.

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and herby IS amended as follows:

In **Article 10. Section 4. Officers.** (page 249 of the 2010 MOP).

The wording of this section is amended as follows:

The club officers shall be a president, the immediate past president, and a president-elect, and may include one or more vice-presidents, all of whom shall be members of the board, and a secretary, a treasurer, and may include a sergeant-at-arms, all of whom may ~~or may not~~ be members of the board as the bylaws shall provide.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT STATEMENT

This change would prevent clubs from having to include one or more vice-presidents and a sergeant-at-arms as officers of their club, thereby reducing the number of officers that clubs must elect, and reducing the size of the board of directors for some clubs, many of whom do not currently include a vice president or sergeant-at-arms as officers or board members. This change might especially benefit smaller clubs that may find it unnecessary to have a vice-president, or to have their sergeant-at-arms serve as an officer or board member.

For instance, if the duty of a vice-president is to "preside at meetings of the club and the board in the absence of the president and to perform other duties as ordinarily pertain to the office of vice-president", as stated in the recommended club bylaws, then it's not clear why these duties can't be performed by the immediate past president or president-elect as they often are in many clubs.



SHELTON SKOOKUM ROTARY CLUB

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At a regular meeting of the Shelton Skookum Rotary Club, the members voted on and approved the attached Proposal to the Rotary International Council on Legislation.

The Proposal is "to minimize the cost to Rotary for delivering the Rotary International President's message to District Conferences".

The vote was taken November 23, 2011.

Denis Leverich 12-1-11
Denis Leverich, President Date

Phil Grigg 12/1/11
Phil Grigg, Secretary Date

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Skookum Rotary Club

Club # 83

District 5020

Shelton, WA

To minimize the cost to Rotary for delivering the Rotary International President's message to District Conferences.

WHEREAS the Rotary International President usually dispatches a personal representative to deliver his message to various District Conferences around the world, and

WHEREAS the annual expense to Rotary for travel and lodging for the President's Representative amounts to several hundred thousand dollars, and

WHEREAS the President's Representative delivers a brief message at the District Conference that is often not in the language of the Conference attendees and is thus potentially ineffective, and

WHEREAS Rotary International strives to be good stewards of the funds expended to support the Clubs and Districts, and

WHEREAS the Districts and Clubs in the Rotary world are using various technologies to reduce travel and meeting costs.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED the Rotary International Board of Directors shall direct the General Secretary to develop a cost effective and meaningful method for delivery of the Rotary International President's message to the District Conferences.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT STATEMENT

The RI President Rep often travels several thousand miles at great expense to deliver a short speech. The delivery and effectiveness of the message is often diluted because of language issues.

There are several PDG's in close proximity to most District Conferences that are articulate in the usual language of the Conference attendees and are highly capable public speakers. These PDG's, as RI President's Representatives, would provide a more effective message delivery at greatly reduced cost to Rotary.

Electronic delivery of the RI President's message is possible, directly from the RI President. Sending a personal representative is an expense that is no longer necessary to Rotary. Funds saved can then be put to the good works of Rotary and Rotarians.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PURPOSE: To substantially reduce the time required for and cost of making changes to Rotary International legislation

PROPOSED BY: the Rotary Club of Nanaimo North

ENDORSED BY: District 5020 by e-mail balloting

WHEREAS the Council on Legislation currently meets in person once every three years to consider both enactments and proposed resolutions;

AND WHEREAS the current cost of operating the Council on Legislation is approximately \$1,200,000 per year;

AND WHEREAS the challenges faced by the Rotary International in both retaining and recruiting members require legislative changes be made at a quicker pace consistent with other international organizations;

IT IS RESOLVED that the Rotary International Board of Directors consider establishing a committee to recommend changes to the current system for considering legislative change in order to substantially reduce the time required to consider proposed changes to legislation and to substantially reduce the cost of the process, with the report of such committee to be presented for consideration within 18 months of formation.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT STATEMENT:

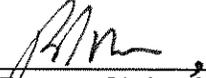
The rate of change in organizations worldwide continues to accelerate. In order to remain competitive and lead in their areas of expertise, organizations are changing the way they make decisions in order to ensure that their product or service meets the changing needs of their customers. Rotary is no different. We must change in response to the needs of our current members and to adjust our organization so that it is appealing to new members – particularly younger ones. The current process for legislative reform in Rotary is too slow and does not reflect the reality of today's world. In addition, at \$1.00 per worldwide member per year, it is too expensive. We suggest that the committee consider the following:

- Prospective new, young members seek flexible organizations which can react to change in a timely fashion

- communication which preclude the need for an international face to face meeting, allow for faster decision making and substantially reduce costs
- Eliminating the need for Council of Legislation worldwide delegates to travel to a central location will substantially reduce Rotary's carbon footprint
- The process could be made more transparent allowing Rotarians to monitor the progress of proposed changes

We believe the effect of implementing a faster, more economical and more transparent system for legislative change will help both existing and prospective member perceive Rotary International as an increasingly progressive organization striving to meet their needs. This perception will lead to improved member retention and recruitment.

Proposed November 2011 by:

 , PRESIDENT

The Rotary Club of Nanaimo North