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Harbourside Rotary Victoria eBulletin

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Hello Chris! This email has been generated just for you as a member of our club. hope you enjoy receiving this newsletter!

Editor: Chris Dysart
If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Future Speakers

Jan 30 2013

Dr. Paul Winston

Feb 13 2013

Tony Joe
"Canadian Blood Services"

Feb 20 2013

Mandy Farmer, CEO Accent Inns

Feb 27 2013

Dr. John Archibald, Dean of Humanities
"TBD"

Mar 6 2013

Keith and Chris
"2013 Ford World Mens Curling Championship"

Mar 13 2013

Paul Destrooper, Artistic Director Ballet Victoria

Mar 20 2013

Classification Talk - Norman Bruce
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Mar 27 2013

Eileen Eby
"100x5 literary project"

Apr 10 2013

Harbourside News

by Moline, Lauren

Meeting # 1661 - January 23, 2013

Presiding: *President Paul Doherty*

Greeter: *Eric Pettit*

Front desk: *Bill Brown*

Draw Tickets: *George Prince*

Invocation: *Ivana Faltysova*

David Cheatley led us in singing *O Canada*.

Welcome Visitors

by Moline, Lauren

Visiting Rotarians:

None

Guests :

Patti Hunter- guests of the Club and our Speaker.

Birthdays

by Moline, Lauren

This week we celebrate the birthdays of:

Miles Takacs - January 28th

Adam Kreek
"The Power of Adventure"

Apr 17 2013
Dr. Andrew Weaver,
University of Victoria
"Climate Change (Title TBD)"

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Peter Baillie - January 29th

Anniversaries

by Moline, Lauren

Wedding Anniversaries -

None

Club Anniversaries

Mary Coward, 7 years on January 25th.

Club Announcements

by Moline, Lauren

President Paul informed the Club that the draw prize of a dinner for 8 was completed this weekend by Ann and her helpers to 8 deserving nurses on the draw ticket sold by Steve Holland. Quite a dinner it was!

President Paul advised the Club that our former club member, Tim Schrober, forwarded the club a cheque for \$1000 towards our international projects. If Tim is still in your circles, send him a big thank you from us!

President Paul mentioned that the Rotary Peace Forum is Feb 23rd and more details can be found at www.rotary5040.org.

Lauren Moline reminded the club that our huge annual garage sale will be taking place on April 12-13, 2013 at Central Middle School. Be sure to gather up all your donations and be prepared for volunteering shifts as well.

President Paul announced that on May 25th there will be a Rotary Fair in Centennial Square. Anyone with interest to represent and support this event can follow up with him.

Don Greenberg spoke about one of our more hands on projects which might involve a project at Anawin House. He was able to go on site and talk to the organizers about what we can help with. More to come on that.

President Paul announced that the meeting that was had with our 2 year old Rotarians (those who have been in our club for 2 years, not toddlers) gave us some good feedback including wanting more knowledge about what Harbourside specifically does. In that light, *Nancy Singh*, spoke on her role as the Club Admin & Communications Chair. Nancy is welcoming any feedback on how we can improve our meetings. Soon an online survey will be coming out to members to gather feedback. Those who don't want to use the online forum can ask Nancy to print out the survey to fill out on paper.

Patti Hunter from KidSport

by Moline, Lauren

Miles Takacs introduced our speaker, Patti Hunter.

Patti Hunter is the General Manager of KidSport Victoria and done of the

three original co-founders of the Victoria chapter in 2000. A partnership of staff and Board members lead by Steve Turner, Co-Chair of the board has taken the organization of raising \$7000 in 2002 to the present annual budget of \$300,000. Patti is the former Director of Healthy Living for 2010 Legacies Now and spent 20 years with the YMCA and YWCA's in Canada as Director of Health, Fitness and Recreation. Her passion is helping children and adults get excited about being active and healthy. She is a recipient of the Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal and was installed on the Walk of Fame outside FrontRunners as a KidSport Champion. She is an avid golfer, skier, hiker, biker, runner and has taught fitness classes for over 30 years.

Although we have a beautiful city here in Victoria we are also a city with 50,000 low income families in the CRD. 1 in 5 children live under the poverty line and 58% of BC kids are not getting proper physical activity enough to be healthy. The mission of KidSport is to allow all kids to participate in sport. Patti receives around 3000 applications for funding each year to access soccer, hockey and swimming. Peninsula Co-op is a supporter of KidSport and promotes after school programs at George Jay Elementary School. Since 2002, KidSport Victoria has helped 5000 children and paid \$840,000 in registration to sport.

One example of a project that was a little out of the ordinary for KidSport was supporting the Paul Valentine Annual Memorial Basketball tournament in Westshore. Paul passed away after an assault at a McDonald's when he was only 16 years old. This tournament is supported by KidSport through providing added lighting to the outdoor basketball lights for a safe environment for teens.

KidSport uses many role models to build confidence with kids. Simon Whitfield is a local role model that works with our local kids and is a big supporter of KidSport. The future is full of hope for our kids. Patti asks that we all look to our groups of friends and to look to support KidSport and encourage strong values to the kids in our community.

The Sarge

by Moline, Lauren

Pieta VanDyke brought a whole book of fines to the front!

She fined:

Kevin Watt for running away to South Africa and getting married to a doctor. Some beautiful pictures up on Facebook including the bishop officiating.

Hugh Robertson for the only person in the room named after a screwdriver asking what a myter was. Hugh missed this carpenter's tool.

Wayne Shillington, Hugh Robertson & David Cheatley for riding bikes in the winter...in fact everyone who plays golf or enjoys winter sports were actually fined!

John Heraghty for writing a letter to the TC asking for politicians to live by Rotary's Four Way test...then **Jane Sterk** for having to live by it as a politician!

Keith Phillips (decidedly pointed out as another in the room named after a screwdriver) was fined as he works in Aboriginal Law and now will have easier classifications of aboriginal status.

Eric Pettit was fined for his 47 inch TV

Nancy Singh for allowing drug addicts into Fernwood

Howard Woo for the odd street name he lives on - Stanbul? Where is the I? Pieta then realized it was only a few blocks from Maude Hunters so likely the I is there :)

Mike Kalinka for his snazzy socks - again

Happy and Sad

by Moline, Lauren

Kevin Watt is happy (but left all his money in South Africa) after having a great holiday and marrying his fiance. Needless to say, 2013 started out well!

Ernie Stigant had some very sad dollars for the passing of our previous club member, Pat Sarsfield, who contributed even last year at our garage sale. She passed away from cancer and the service was yesterday.

John Heraghty had happy dollars as 225 years ago on Saturday was the first arrival of convicts in Australia.

Membership Corner

by Dysart, Chris

New Member - Damian Sowa - Classification: Business Development

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Julie Findlay introduced Damian as follows: Biker, runner, builder, scientist and Renaissance man, Damian is an almost-native West Coaster, having grown up in North Vancouver before moving to the frigid north of Edmonton for 8 years prior to moving to Victoria in May 2011.

Damian financed his education at UBC by working at the North Shore Credit Union, first as a teller and then working up to loan and investment officer. He graduated from UBC with a degree in Chemistry, and immediately fled the banking industry for the brighter lights and lesser pay of the biotech sector, where he worked as a researcher and project manager. Those bright lights dimmed when the tech-sector bubble burst in 2003, forcing a number of companies out of business, including the one Damian worked for.

Determining that education was the key to career advancement, Damian took the logical route and went back to school, with the illogical step of moving to Edmonton to go to the University of Alberta. Three years and countless failed experiments later, Damian graduated with a Master's in Organic Chemistry and a vow to focus on the business side of biotechnology. Instead of making haste back to warmer climates, Damian remained in Edmonton, finding work as first Product Manager then Commercial Director for a biotech firm there.

Damian was recruited to Victoria in 2011 to work as Market Development Manager for a local forestry nursery firm, with the goal of finding non-forestry business for the company. The search continues.

In September of 2012 Damian married Regan, the only woman in the world who would give up living in Vancouver to move to Edmonton (in 2009) and then Victoria (2011). She, too, is glad to be back on the West Coast. They both enjoy chuckling at Edmonton weather reports and photos of people shoveling snow. Having recently purchased their first

house together and successfully demolishing half of the interior, they now face the daunting task of putting it all back together.

In his spare time, you can find Damian terrorizing neighborhoods on his Kawasaki motorcycle, grinding out miles on his bicycle, or dodging electric scooters on the sidewalk while running. A recent addiction to scuba diving will consume his disposable income for the near future.

Members on Leave of Absence:

Tina Ashmore - Jan 1 - March 31, 2013

Tanya Sterling – Indefinite Maternity Leave

Mark Massullo – Paternity Leave to June 30, 2013

Dilsher Virk- Travelling until Spring 2013

David Iles – on leave to April 2013

Darrel Jensen - on leave to April 2013

50/50 Draw

by Moline, Lauren



Jack Jeffrey won the draw but missed the chance to win by pulling the 2 of diamonds.

Upcoming Duty Roster

by Dysart, Chris

If you are on the Front Desk, a Greeter, or selling Draw tickets, please be there by 6:30 am to start your shift. If you are unable to work your shift, please make arrangements with someone to swap a shift and let Chris Dysart know of the change.



	Jan-30	Feb-06	Feb-13
Front Desk	John Ratel	John Sansom	Nancy Singh
Greeter	Hugh Robertson	Wayne Shillington	Colin Smith
Draw Tickets	Keith Philips	Rob Simon	Dave Spaven
Invocation	Richard Burke	Larry Sims	Jane Sterk
Sarge	John Heraghty	Natasha Crawford	Nancy Singh
Bulletin Editor	Cheryl Thomas	Pita VanDyke	Mary Coward

Chris's Commitments