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## Harbourside Rotary Victoria eBulletin

Thursday, October 25, 2012



**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

#### Oct 31 2012

Maureen Sawa, CEO  
Greater Victoria Public  
Library  
"TBD"

#### Nov 7 2012

Aslt Nalae Yang and MS  
Chris Leger NOTC Venture  
"Remembrance Day"

#### Nov 14 2012

Ellen Stensholt  
"World Diabetes Day"

#### Nov 21 2012

Piper Auction

#### Nov 28 2012

Club Assembly

#### Dec 12 2012

Manuel Archadinha  
( Booked by Miles )  
"BC Transit"

#### Dec 19 2012

Christmas Breakfast  
Meeting

#### Dec 26 2012

Meeting Cancelled

#### Jan 9 2013

Tim Cormode, Executive  
Director, Power to Be  
"Adventure-based programs for  
youth and families in need of  
support"

### Harbourside News

by VanDyke, Pieta

**Meeting # 1649**

**Presiding:** *President Paul Doherty*

**Greeter:** *Lisa Collins*

**Front desk :** *Chris Causton*

**Draw tickets:** *Russ Cape*

**Invocation:** *Mary Coward*

*President Paul* called the meeting to order *David Cheatley* led us in singing C Canada.

### Welcome Visitors

by VanDyke, Pieta

**Visiting Rotarians:**

Murray Winlaw and Stuart Lang from Sidney by the Sea

George Zeman and Gordon Greeniaus from the Victoria club

**Guests :**

**Bill Brown**, guest of *Laurie Hurst*.

Dorothy Mindenhall, speaker and guest of *Gillian Manson*

Lance Shaver - Rotaractor, guest of the club

Eric Young - Rotaractor

Katie Sharp - Rotaractor

### Upcoming Events

**Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - in the Fall**  
Oct 27 2012

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**Julia Phillips** - Rotaractor

**Damian Sowa** - guest of Julie Findlay

Welcome!

### Birthdays

by *VanDyke, Pieta*

Tina Ashmore missed the privilege of being sung to!

### Anniversaries

by *VanDyke, Pieta*

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Chris and Elizabeth Causton - 18 years

Tom and Irmgard Martin - 50 years!!

#### Club Anniversaries None

Pheng Heng and Pieta VanDyke - 5 years

### Club Announcements

by *VanDyke, Pieta*

**Christmas Cakes:** *Ann Moskow* announced the work party for the light cakes on November 17th and 18th. Please sign up. Members were asked to complete their order forms and sell to their friends.

**Guess Who's Coming To Dinner:** *Ernie Stigant* and *Pieta* will be emailing hosts and guests with their destinations and assignments. Thanks to those who offered to host.

**Club elections:** *Rick Lemon* has recruited candidates to fill most of the executive positions and is still looking for one or two more. Please contact Rick if you'd be interested in taking on an Executive position.

**Rotaract fundraising run:** Eric Young gave members an opportunity to join in a 5K fun run/walk at UVic on Oct. 28 at 10 am. You can run, walk, or pledge. You can contact the club via Facebook.

**Community giving:** *President Paul* reminded members that local non-profit groups can apply to the club for funding. Please direct them to the club's website where the application form is posted.

### Unbuilt Victoria

by *VanDyke, Pieta*

Dorothy Mendenhall showed pictures and told stories of architectural follies, monstrosities, and some good ideas that never got built in Victoria.

Dorothy Mendenhall is an architectural historian who wrote the book

Unbuilt Victoria. It provides architects' sketches and back stories on proposals that never got off the ground. She showed us some pretty interesting plans, some of which were spectacularly awful.

There have been many waterfront plans, including a comprehensive plan by Arthur Erickson, which haven't happened. In 1969 Sandy Reid of Vancouver proposed a hotel/apartment tower complex at the foot of Bastion Square. The three towers ranged from 18-22 stories. Mayor Haddock and the Council of the day were all for it. The public was not – responding with marches, banners and letters to the editor. With the next election Peter Pollen became the mayor. He was not a fan and kept asking the developer to refine the plan. This wore the developer down, but the end of the project came with the election of the NDP provincial government in 1974. They bought the property, intending to control what would be built on the waterfront. (effectively nothing on that site)

The Songhees bridge – in 1963 the city's engineers came up with a plan for freeways to channel traffic from the ferry down through the city. The concern was about logging trucks going through downtown to Ogden Point, thereby 'messing up' the downtown for tourists. One route would come down Quadra to Beacon Hill Park, then along Michigan St. to Laurel Point, where there would be a bridge across to Songhees Point. The other route would go north from the bridge, eliminating a lot of Vic West, then follow the Selkirk Trestle to meet up with the other route at MacKenzie. The Town and Country Mall was built around that time, necessitating a tunnel to direct the freeway under the mall. Potential land costs for purchase of many residential lots made the plan unfeasible (thank goodness).

Laurel Point Skydeck 1966 – looking a lot like the Seattle Space Needle, this tower was proposed by a private developer as a Centennial project. It would have been built on city land, but the developer couldn't raise the funds.

Ships Point theatre 2001 – reminiscent of the Sydney Opera House, this was a Paul Merrick (architect) plan, but like all harbour projects there is a need to raise both funds and political support, so this didn't get anywhere.

Mystery Tower 1968/9 – a sketch was found for a 34 storey tower to be erected by the Nordell Group somewhere near the Bay Centre. There is some speculation that this was drawn up as a joke by an architect, but not much is known about it.

Admiral's Inn site – "The Pyramid" 2010 – this would have been an innovative high-end glass condo building where a potential owner could buy empty square footage and have it configured and finished to their specifications. The idea was that since rich people often gut a place after they buy it, they would just be saved the demo process. There were neighbourhood objections, so it hasn't proceeded.

1994 Commonwealth Games ceremony site – this would have been a floating stage and bleachers in the Inner Harbour. It died because of the cost to build the project for this onetime event. There was a preference for facilities that would leave a legacy for the community.

## **Membership Corner**

*by Dysart, Chris*

**Proposed New Members**

**Ivana Faltysova:** Ivana has been out to the club for many weeks and has also been a volunteer for cake baking. She was a member of the Rotaract Club of Grand Cayman. Ivana holds the Slovak equivalent for master's of law and her career is in Financial Services.

**Bill Brown:** Bill has been out to several meetings and is a transfer from the Rotary Club of Canmore, AB. He is the Director of Development Services for the Township of Esquimalt and a new member of Laurie Hurst's management team in Esquimalt.

#### **Members on Leave of Absence**

**Michael van Straubenzee** - Nov 1, 2011 - October 31, 2012

**Tanya Sterling** - Indefinite Maternity Leave

**Mark Massullo** - Paternity Leave until December 31st, 2012.

**Dilsher Virk** - in Europe and India until the spring

**David Iles** - October 22 - April 2013

## **The Sarge**

by VanDyke, Pieta

**John Heraghty** was the Sarge this morning

**Angus MacPherson** was fined for being elected Vice Chair of the Vancouver Island Construction Association without wearing his Rotary pin or crediting Rotary.

**Pat Morris**, former operations planner for BC Ferries, for possible connection to recent fire on the Queen of New Westminster.

**David Cheatley's** classification is small business computers. He was fined for branching out of his classification to do reiki.

**Lauren Moline** started her new job at Royal Roads and right away sent us all an email about a speakers' series there.

**Gillian Manson** has been on an LOA to upgrade her professional designation. The Sarge reminded her that she is of a "certain age" and should consider retirement.

**Wayne Ford, Rick Lemon, Kevin Watt and Susan Kurushima** - members of the Central Middle school breakfast team - for neglecting to tell John that last Friday was a Pro-D day. He went to school anyway.

**Tony Weaver** was working on the bldg at 920 Johnson St and blew the power.

**Chris Causton** took his wife to a Harbour Ferries social event and she actually enjoyed it.

**George Prince** was fined for various bridge offences.

**Laurie Hurst, Keith Dowdall, John Sansom and Russ Cape** - all with municipal credentials, were fined for the Blue Bridge fiasco. Laurie got special mention because Esquimalt should be funding it.

**Ann Moskow** was fined for being too busy.

**Lisa Collins** showed up for a meeting on the wrong day.

**Cheryl Thomas** was late getting out last week's Bulletin

**Ralph Libby** forgot his garage door entry code, locking his daughter out of the house.

**Mary Coward** was fined for a questionable joke by Gillian.

## Happy and Sad

by VanDyke, Pieta

**Ann Moskow** paid for being late with the club handbook.

**Gerry Kelly** is happy that he is going away for four months - to Palm Springs and India.

**Tom Martin** is happy to celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary and for managing to deliver a speech in German.

**Doreen Sutherland** is happy that she is going to the dentist - in Mexico!

**Murray Winlaw** - former Harboursider - happy to be visiting all the way from Sidney (BC)

**Lisa Collins** is happy that her friend was saved from choking by application of the Heimlich maneuver. She is signing up for first aid training and encouraged us to do the same.

**John Ratel** happily attended the 100th anniversary ceremony of the Princess Mary Scottish Regiment.

**Pieta VanDyke** was sad to say that there was another death in Victoria's street community (35 so far this year)

**Paul Doherty** was also happy to be leaving town, going to Dallas and Palm Springs for two weeks.

## 50/50 Draw

by VanDyke, Pieta



We have a winner!!!

**Peter Baillie** - selected the King of Clubs

## 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.

**Duty Roster**

	<b>Oct-24</b>	<b>Oct-31</b>	<b>Nov-07</b>
<b>Front Desk</b>	Chris Causton	Mike Creery	Keith Dowdall
<b>Greeter</b>	Lisa Collins	Barry Ada,s	Maureen Duncan
<b>Draw Tickets</b>	Troy Alexander	Robin Cushing	Chris Dysart
<b>Invocation</b>	Mary Coward	Randy Decksheimer	Bill Feyrer
<b>Sarge</b>	John Heraghty	Halloween Natasha	Nancy Singh
<b>Bulletin</b>	Pieta Van Dyke	Mary Coward	Steve Holland

**Chris's Commitments**