

Happy New Year to all!

Rattler report for Dec. 29, 2017. Your scribe — Angie McDougall

At this, our last meeting of 2017, we had 16 diehard Rotarians in attendance and no guests.

As there was also no speaker, Angie managed to glean a few snippets to pass along to absentees.

It turns out that, as our Christmas lights were being put up, a motorist stopped to tell **Jack F.** and **Bill S.** that someone was carrying off one of the light fixtures. Of course, our civic-minded duo (who also happen to have police backgrounds) immediately

confronted the perpetrator... and made him guardian of the remaining lights to be put up! Maybe we should look at that model?!

Speaking of lights, we need volunteers to take down the Christmas display on Jan. 7. Meet at the Tim Horton's between the A&W and the Fox and Hounds at 8 a.m.

Brian Thomasson was celebrating his 73rd birthday, so of course the club sang him the birthday song!



Happy and sad

Angie says she didn't manage to get everyone's contributions, but here are a few items: **Jack F.** shared the very sad news that Debbie's cancer has come back and she will be having chemotherapy until the spring. The second time around means the treatment will be harsher,



but we all know Debbie is a fighter and will win! **Bev** had to wait for her Christmas dinner until the 27th. **Gus** had a great time outside with the grandkids on Boxing Day, burning paper (where are the bylaws people when you need them?) and towing sleigh rides with his quad. **Troy** and Lynette gave their daughter a Mexican cruise for Christmas (please would they adopt Angie?) and **Rick** is going to Whistler for New Year's Eve. **Ian** became sick just before Christmas and spent long hours in hospital emergency, missing meeting his daughter's boyfriend (who left him a really great note by way of introduction).

New for 2018 Starfish packing resumes on Thursday, **Jan. 11**. Upcoming speakers: **Jan. 5**: Kevin and Carlo on all-you-can-eat Ribfest and other competitions.

Jan. 12: Sebastian van Wollen of Aldergrove's Blue Planet Recycling. Jan. 19: Scott Hyde's ID talk.

Feb. 2: Gord Carnes will tell us some key things about Rotary

International, with a slideshow. **Feb. 9:** Rotary at Work: Garth Blois. The next executive meeting is on **Jan. 23** and there'll be a report to the **Jan.26** breakfast meeting.