

## Rattler report for Jan. 26, 2018. Your scribe — Doug Hadley

Meeting called to (dis)order at 7:10 or thereabouts by President Wes, who was accused of using a frozen fish for the intro donations 6-1 until 2020. to his weekly slide show.

The anthem was weak as both **Angi**e and \$100 dues to the Aldergrove Business Paul were conspicuous by their absence. Brian presented Gord with a Paul Harris Fellowship pin for donating \$3,000 US to the Rotary Foundation.

Gus reported on our healthy finances. Our Starfish account paid Encompass \$2,000 to cover the costs of the buyer. After some discussion, it was decided to discontinue the Starfish meat (meal) draws at the Station House pub.

**Ribfest: Rick**, asked how potential profits from the new event would be split, said each of the four clubs would first get back their \$2,500 seed money, then 70 per cent of any surplus would be divided equally, with the remaining 30 per cent going to the Langley Rotary Charitable Foundation.

International: Gord said we receive various requests to support projects abroad, but he feels we should stick with our partnership with World Neighbours Canada, as federal grants convert

Community Service: We will pay our Association to maintain our membership. Membership: Currently at 37, even though our chairperson is still vacationing in Mexico.

Community grants: Janet and Pauline attended a Rotary seminar, which they found worthwhile.

Betty Gilbert Middle School will get back to us about whether they will have their summer literacy program. Sassy: We will support this program again this year to the tune of \$2,000. Social Justice 35: We will support this program this year to the tune of \$300. Aldergrove Community Secondary and D.W. Poppy will each receive \$250 each toward their dry-grad programs. Lobsterfest is set for April 28. Christmas lights: We're seeking a supplier for 21 new LED light fixtures and try to find funding to cover the expense.



Guest Dustin Fowler (left) of Aldergrove's Boston Pizza presented the club with two cheques for Starfish. (Yes, that other guy is Charlie.) Dustin was also happy that his renovated restaurant was reopening that day.

Happy and sad



new coffee pot and has taken up a Fitbit challenge. Garth was happy his New Year resolution to seek more outdoor recreation was working. George was happy that Aldergrove was being touted as the most successful Langley Rotary club but was having trouble getting a word in edgeways with his hospitalized fatherin-law (aka difficult patient). Rick was happy he had settled a case for 4.5 times ICBC's offer. Dave had had a good week.

Jack N. was grieving the death of his sister, after a four-year losing battle with the big C, but

**KEVIN** was happy about Ribfest. **Karen** needs a was very happy to have sold his sailboat and bought a new power boat. Gus had had the misfortune to watch the Canucks lose shockingly badly to Buffalo, but was happy to be heading to Vegas for a late honeymoon (30 years). **Glenn** can no longer afford the cost of insurance for travel to the States, so he's going to Tofino. Cecelia, Carlo and Brian were just happy. Wes was going to a real estate conference. **Troy** was happy that his daughter was doing really well in ringette. Terry was dealing with a stubborn, elderly family member who had hurt himself putting away Christmas

decorations and followed it up by breaking some ribs.

Janet was set to visit Doug and Gail Wade in Palm Springs and ecstatic to be leaving our weather behind, if briefly. Jack F. echoed George's remarks about our club and said Debbie was doing well. Gord was going to his daughter's gala in Victoria. **Doug** was happy about winning the Legion Zone Team's cribbage competition. Bruce was happy to sit next to the mayor (a step up from a councillor). lan was happy that Boston Pizza's Jim Treliving was also from his hometown of Virden, Manitoba..

**Batting order** for February and March

Feb. 2: Gord Carnes on Rotary International, with a slideshow. Feb. 9: Rotary at Work: Garth Blois. Feb. 16: Michael Morgan on reconciliation in Langley School District. Feb. 23: David

Truman from the Sunshine Rotary Club on the interpretive building at the Derek Doubleday Arboretum. March 2: Executive meeting update. March 9: Peter Tam (Haney Rotary club) on

proportional representation. March 16: Susan Cairns from the Langley School District Foundation. March 20: Dorothy Miller on "the new Toastmaster experience."