

ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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**The Rotary Club of Nanaimo has completed another successful Used Book Sale.
We are looking forward to the report this coming Friday.**

Club Meeting Friday at 12:00 p.m.
at the Coast Bastion Inn
CLUB OFFICERS 2017-2018

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Meeting Notes for Friday April 6, 2018

By Joyce Smith

Prior to starting the meeting, members were seated based on a draw which allowed members to be seated with different members than usual.

President **Jane Currie** opened the meeting with the members signing Oh Canada. **Joan Ryan** asked members to participate in a silent prayer as inspiration. **Ian Thorpe** was introduced as a Visiting Rotary member from Nanaimo North Club and **Lisa Lebree** was introduced as a potential Rotary member and guest.



Lisa Lebree

Members Announcement –**Charles Ramos** made a motion to:

1) *accept amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary Club Charity Society*. **Brent Barootes** seconded and accepted by all members

2) *accept amendment to Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary*. Seconded by **Wendy Pratt** and approved by all members.

Dave Connolly—made an announcement to members that the meeting of May 4th was going to be at Eden Gardens.

Wendy Pratt —mentioned that Hospice is looking at a Garden Heron statue to recognize Rotary's contribution. A Grief mobile Motorhome will also be branded with recognition. Wendy also mentioned how much she enjoys the Rotary Magazine and just reminded members to read their magazine.

Jane Currie reminded the members that there is no meeting next week or the week after because of the book sale then passed on the speaker responsibilities to **Wahid Ali**. Wahid was sergeant at arms and is his usual custom-- chaos ensued—everyone started talking at once. **Brent Barootes** got off paying a fine because



Wahid Ali

Brent Barootes

Wahid misinterpreted Brett's reply to his e-mail but Brent did get a fine for advertising Aspen Grove flyer. Wahid fined Joan Ryan just because.

Doug Cowling volunteered another dollar just because and was fined another

dollar for speaking while Wahid was talking.

Wahid apologized for the quality of the lunch since there was a mix-up between the sergeant at arms committee (of which Wahid Ali is a member) and the Hotel over the dates that Rotary was going to be absent. The Hotel was complemented for rushing to put the meal together when they discovered the mistake.

Jason Bradley gave a Happy Five Dollars since he has completed his exchange officers' training. **Joan Ryan** gave her final happy dollar to announce that she is cutting back her work to four days instead of five as a transition move towards retirement.

Douglas Anderson thanked the members for being receptive to the pulled draw for table seating.

Jane Currie was happy for the gossip at work concerning her mystery admirer because **Brent Barootes** dropped off chocolates at her office. **Brent Barootes** said he was glad to see that the Purdy's Chocolate went to good use. **Brent** spent even more happy bucks to celebrate the success of his daughter's hockey team.

David Woodward gave a sad buck because he did not get to sit with Table C members (table draw) because it was full, but he gave a happy buck since he did get a chance to visit with members at Table D and met **Lisa** who is interested in our Rotary club.

Wahid Ali thanked **Doug Cowling** for his generosity. Wahid also recognized **Jason Bradley** for coaching girls' soccer team for seven years. Jason said the main reason he joined the club was so that he could be a member of the Youth exchange, he has been on the Youth exchange program.

Norman Myden won the draw for 50/50 but did not win. **Mikel Knutsson** won the table stakes.

Program Notes, April 6, 2018 by Denise Wittkofski

Victoria Drakeford, Kate Stefiuk and Kirsty MacDonald: Centennial Garden Project

Dave Hammond introduced Landscape Architect **Victoria Drakeford**, Landscape and Urban Designer **Kate Stefiuk**, and Nanaimo Parks and Open Spaces Planner **Kirsty MacDonald**, whom the Centennial Committee has been busy working with on our club's 100th anniversary project in Maffeo Sutton Park. In conjunction with this project, both women have been coordinating with the Child Development Center to refurbish the playground, which is adjacent to the site of our park project.

Victoria started the presentation by thanking the club for awarding them the contract, starting out with how the design of the public garden space is inspired by the 100 years of services that Rotary has given to the community and to the work and values of Rotary: Promote

peace, fight disease, provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, save mothers and children, support education, and grow local economies.

The park project will be at the top northwest corner of Maffeo Sutton Park, where the Millstone River meets the Salish Sea. The proposed design is inspired by the shoreline—with its logs, beach grass, water and sand patterns, light and wind—all the amazing things that happen on the intertidal coastline. And how people make shelters out of logs, a typical west coast thing to do.

Her proposed ideas included the structure of the park that will take advantage of this unused area and create a good vantage point for visitors to enjoy the amazing view. The proposal is also considering getting beach access, which would mean building out the corner to get better access.

Some of the proposed bench and arbor designs incorporate ripples from the waves, and robust arbor structures. Paving details include fish and designs that mirror water flow.

There is a great opportunity to add more detail, play with lighting, reflections off the water. Another element will communicate what Rotary does.

Kate took over the meeting to explain some examples of their proposed design, including a steel structure, interesting lighting options that reflect off the water. Many seating options incorporate wood, concrete and recycled plastic. Paving would speak to the idea of the shore, contemplating salmon swimming, or pavers that create interest of waves. The paving would help connect to the playground.

Another design element would take into consideration communicating what Rotary does. Choosing words that reflect a Rotary moment could be set into concrete walls or into the benches or the ground.

Victoria and Kate fielded several questions and concerns from members:

- **Doug C.** was interested in getting the concrete vendor from the Petroglyph Park to incorporate petroglyphs into the park.
- **Dave H.** talked about getting a sense from the club whether the committee is on the right track with this project. He offered a timeline: we now move into the specific design and costing, working with the architects and the engineers in our club and some of the friends of Rotary, we will be putting together specific plans and a budget. Our deadline is April 30, 2020, from which we

need to work backward. Kate added that most construction will take place from October to March, with the majority of the work taking place in the fall/winter of 2019-2020.

- **Dave C.** asked about cost sharing and whether the club is responsible for the entire budget. To which Dave Hammond answered that we are working with both the city, which is providing the land, and with the Child Development Center for the playground.
- **David W.** mentioned that having access to the water would be of interest to the canoe and kayak clubs and dragonboat teams, as there is not enough places to dock or gain water access. Kate addressed this issue and said that it would be great to get this access as this corner is one of the most underutilized parts of the park.
- **Wendy P.** asked about our projected funding goal for this project, to which Dave H. replied \$200,000.
- **Denise W.** asked about whether the other Rotary clubs would be involved. Dave H. said that we are going to do a road show to the other clubs, get their input and it would be ok if they chose to help out financially, but to know that we are shouldering this effort through the book sale.
- **Brent B.** asked whether the city has any financial burden for this project considering that they are refurbishing the whole park. Dave H. said that yes, the city is working with a number of community groups in the park restoration, as it is their park.

Dave H. wrapped up the session by asking “are we on the right track?” to which all applauded.

Wendy Pratt thanked **Victoria, Kate and Kirsty**, as well as **Dave** for all work they put into the project.

New Member Proposal

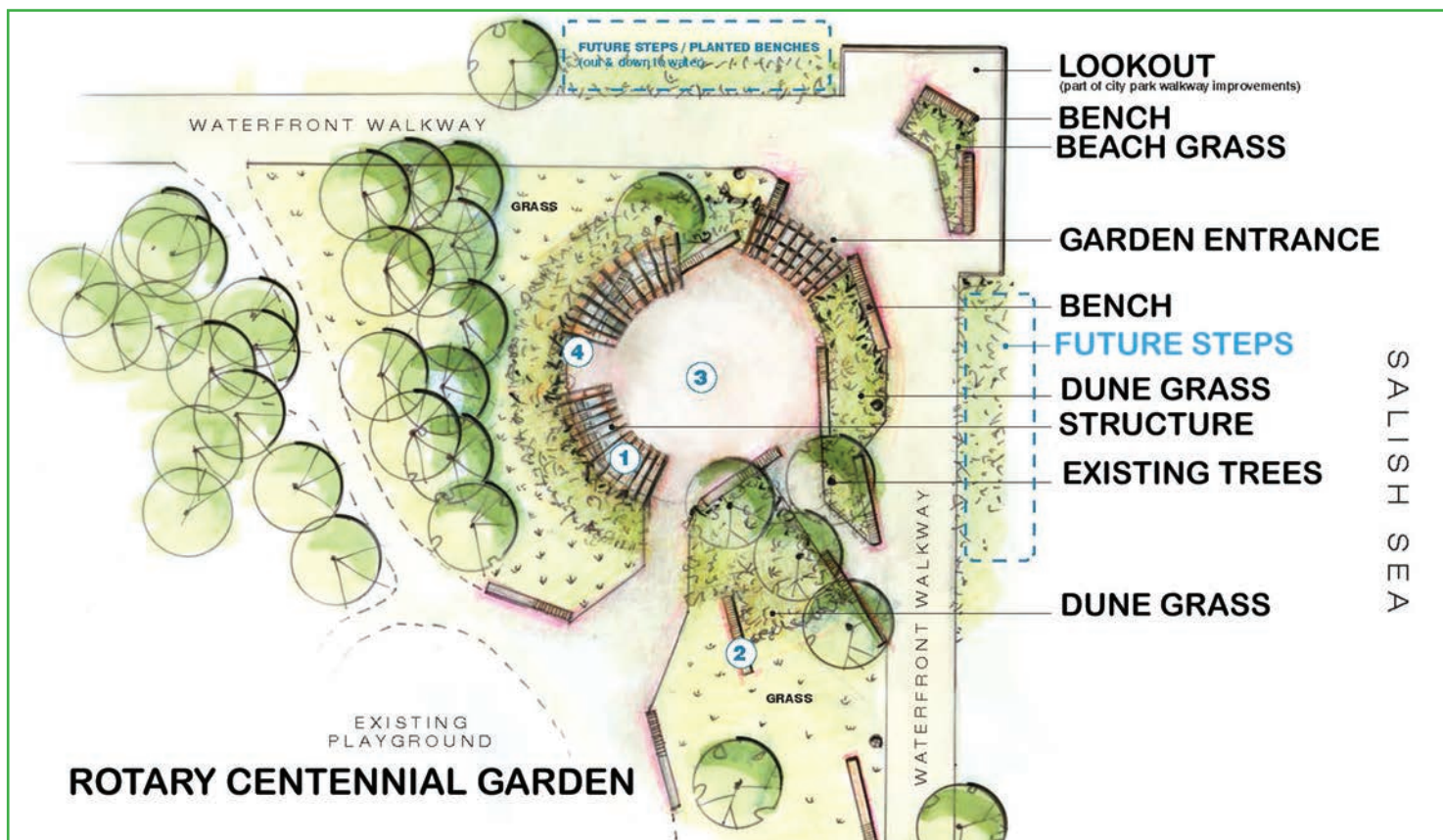
Unless written objection is received by the Secretary within the mandatory seven [7] days, the following applicant will be invited to join the Rotary Club of Nanaimo:

Name: Justin Molander

Position: Investment Banker

Company: Trading Post Investments Ltd.

Proposed by: Denise Wittkofski



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Member Birthdays

Forghani Targhi, Behzad Apr 29

Stetar, Brent Apr 29

Spouse Birthdays

Wright, Holly - Shaw, Carlene May 02

Anniversaries

Herold, Mike - Sandy May 02 48 years

McFarlane, Keith - Wendy May 04 39 years

The proposed plan of the Rotary Centennial Garden to be located in Maffeo Sutton Park

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 4 - Meeting at Eden Gardens

May 4-5 2018, District Training and Conference

June 22 - Installation - noon Coast Bastion Inn

June 23-27 2018, Rotary International Conference

WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS AND MEMBER DUTIES

Meeting Date	April 27, 2018	May 4, 2018	May 11, 2018
Greeters	John Shillabeer, Joyce Smith	Pat Cox, Carlene Shaw, Dave Connolly, Denise Wittkofski	Kathy Smith, Mikel Knutsson
Cashier	Christine Parsons	Egon Holzwarth	Egon Holzwarth
Sgt at Arms	Bruce Samson	Dave Hammond	Brent Barootes
Inspiration	Frank Shoemaker	Yvan Gosselin	Peggy Richardson
Head Table	Pres. Jane, Emily Jean Zetterberg, Susie Stevens	Pres. Jane, Toni Wheeler, Janeane Coutu	Pres. Jane, Wendy Pratt, Michelle Hillier
Intro Guests	Bob Wilson	Ross White	Brenda Grice
Intro Speaker	David Woodward	Dave Connolly	Wendy Pratt
Program	VIU NURSES TO MEXICO Emily Jean Zetterberg	EDEN GARDENS Toni Wheeler	LITERACY Central Vancouver Island - Michelle Hillier
Thank Speaker	Susie Stephens	Denise Wittkofski	Brent Stetar