

ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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4817th Meeting

Friday, June 8, 2018



Dave Hammond (installed Justin), Denise Wittkofski (introduced Justin), Justin Molander displays his Certificate of Membership and Justin’s mentor Lynne Pankratz.

Club Meeting Friday at 12:00 p.m.
at the Coast Bastion Inn
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May 1, 1920 - Charter Number 43

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Meeting Notes, June 1, 2018 by Denise Wittkofski

President Jane called the meeting to order and all rose for the national anthem. **Ian Williams** gave an eloquent inspiration focused on being grateful for living in a wonderfully clean, safe country and belonging to one of the best Rotary's in the world.

Jason Bradley asked for attending guests, which included **Ed's** daughter **Laurel** visiting from Budapest. No visiting Rotarians today.

Announcements:

- **Denise Wittkofski** reminded everyone about the club's June 11, Happy Happy Hour at Minnoz Bar in Coast Bastion Hotel.
- **Dave Hammond** announced our Golf tournament June 22, the same day as installation. It's open to families and friends and is a fun tournament. Golf and dinner are \$50; one or the other is \$25 / person. Sign ups start next week.
- **Wendy Pratt** noted that the pictures on our tables of Rotary's Heron is in the Hospice Garden and that a plaque will soon be in place to recognize Rotary.
- **Doug Cowling** indicated that community grant guidelines and the Tillicum Lelum grant were available on the tables for our review.



Laurel Borisenko

Before the speaker presentation, **President Jane** started new member **Justin Molander's** induction. **Denise**, his sponsor, led his introduction with the fact that many of us met Justin at our Happy Hour on March 12 and it was a good match from the start.

An investment banker at Trading Post Investments, **Justin** is joining Rotary to become involved in the community, learn about the issues that effect people in the Nanaimo Regional District and across the globe. Justin acts as a mentor to MBA students interested in finance. He coaches an impoverished Northern BC First Nation in economic development matters and provides Pro-bono advice to aboriginal businesses and entrepreneurs. In his spare time, Justin enjoys music (he plays guitar), golf, hiking, fishing, politics and aboriginal issues.

Dave Hammond conducted the formal part of the induction ceremony, stating that **Justin's** proposal for membership has been reviewed and approved in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the club. He told Justin that our principle motto "Service Above Self," as it is in some 34,000 clubs around the world, is what we uphold in everything we do. **Denise** presented Justin with his member badge, Rotary pin and certificate. Dave welcomed him into our club and as the "newest member in the world."



Denise presents Justin Molander with his Rotary badge and pin.

Everyone had a good laugh when Justin's mentor **Lynne Pankratz** finalized the ceremony by presenting him with his first invoice.

Sergeant at Arms: Wahid started by saying he will try not to give anyone too much of a hard time, but wanted to know if Justin's mentor should pay his raffle \$ for a year.

Wahid fined **Denise** for looking at her phone during the national anthem. She tried to explain why, but he didn't want to hear excuses.

Wahid stated that today was National Say Something Nice Day and **Doug Cowling** said Wahid is not the worst Sergeant at Arms.

Happy and Sad Dollars:

- **Janeane** gave a happy/sad dollar for her son who was leaving for an internship this summer.
- **Bob Janes** gave a happy dollar because he was just happy.
- **Mikel** gave a happy dollar for a nice meeting with President Jane
- **Brent Stetar** gave a welcome dollar for our newest member
- **Ross White** gave a happy dollar tinged with sadness as he and his wife just downsized into a townhouse and sold their home, which was confirmed by real estate agent Dave Hammond
- **Joan Ryan** gave welcome dollar to Justin and gave an announcement dollar about the June 9 Health Fair at Cedar
- **Ed Borisenko** gave a happy dollar for his daughter visiting from Budapest and who works in the UN
- **Wendy Pratt** offered 3 happy dollars – one for buying a new Honda Fit, 2nd for welcome to **Justin** and 3rd for agreeing with Ian's inspiration about having the best club in the world

- **Lynne** offered happy bucks - one for appreciating what Wahid does, two for welcoming Justin and being his mentor, and for getting to leave work early today
- **Dave Hammond** - two happy bucks to welcome Justin and Laurel again
- **Kathy Smith** – an announcement buck from the book sale that **Al Smith** discovered a first edition book valued at \$6000 and another book located in the trash bin valued at \$1000.
- **Justin** gave a happy dollar for his aboriginal mentee who just received a \$10,000 grant
- **Charles** encouraged **Laurel** with a dollar to let us know when she would return so she could speak to us

Program Notes – International Services Committee by Denise Wittkofski

Jane introduced **Norman Myden**, past president, multiple Paul Harris awards, 36 years experience and chair of the International Services committee. Norman highlighted his committee's activities and along with **Ross White** and **Christine Parsons** discussed the many its projects, with a budget of roughly \$29,400.00.



Christine Parsons

Norman Myden

Ross White

Projects include:


- **Africa:**
 - **Ghana global grant application** addressing disease prevention and treatment, maternal and child health, basic education and literacy, economic and community development -- working with Rotary District, Rotary International and the government of Canada. Once approved, the committee will come to the club to discuss in detail.
 - **Sunyani, Ghana** –
 - Primary school: built a latrine, literacy projects and water and sanitation projects
 - KCMC Aids Orphanage – Rotary funding helps serve children with disabilities
 - **Mercy Ships** – hospitals on ships go to poor countries, doing many surgeries and medical and dental procedures
 - **Sleeping Children** – transformed the lives of
- **Latin America**
 - **Etta Projects, Bolivia** – provides training and education to empower participants with tools to make sustainable changes in their lives. Named after Etta, a Rotary youth exchange student who was killed while on a trip in Bolivia. Nanaimo North is also involved in this project.
 - **Project Amigo, Mexico** – transforming lives through education. Ross has participated several times and encouraged everyone to participate. The cost is ~\$1200US/person and including accommodations and food. Ross claims this is a great “feel good” Mexican holiday to support elementary education.
 - **La Penita Rotary, Mexico** – an all schools project north of Puerto Vallarta on the beach. A lot of Rotary members from Vancouver Island are also members of the La Penita RC. Frank Shoemaker and Ross have been to this club several times.
 - **Guatemala Literacy Project** – a network of individual Rotarians, Rotary clubs and districts, and the nonprofit organization Cooperative for Education, that has a common interest in improving education for under served students in Guatemala. It is one of the largest grassroots, multi-club, multi-district projects in Rotary, with over 500 participating clubs throughout its 20-year history.
- **Disaster Relief** – in response to the flood of refugees from Rakhine, Myanmar into Bangladesh, we supported the emergency efforts of Shelter Box & CARE (\$1000 each). At the end of March there were still over 880,000 refugees living in Cox's Bazar, over 70% of whom were women, children and infants.
- **Mid Island Group** – membership consists of 24 Rotary clubs on Vancouver Island north of the Malahat. The clubs pay annual membership fees, used to provide grants to member clubs that are involved in international projects.

Norman concluded his presentation by encouraging members to get involved with any of these hands-on projects.

Due to a lack of time, **Doug Cowling** and **Wendy Pratt** agreed to postpone their presentation for the Community Grants Committee.

over 1.5 million children in developing countries by providing bed kits for a good night's sleep




- **Tembo, Kenya** –partners with individuals and communities in Western Kenya to support entrepreneurial activities, education and health through training programmes, scholarships, water and sanitation projects



TEMBO KENYA

Mission:

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Doing Good in the World

A slide from the excellent powerpoint presentation

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

No Member Birthdays or Anniversaries

Spouse Birthdays

Joan Huck, Dale	Jun 08
Sandy Herold, Mike	Jun 09
Beverley Vanidour, Art	Jun 12

Club Anniversary

Pratt, Wendy	4 years	Jun 13
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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 11 - Happy Hour 5PM Minoz Bar CBI

June 22 - Installation - noon Coast Bastion Inn

June 22 - Golf Tournament and dinner -

Winchelsea Golf Course

June 23-27 2018, Rotary International Conference

There is a growing number of men (and women), however, who possess sufficient character to enable them to master their own destinies, to turn abruptly in their tracks when the time comes to give up the pursuit of the almighty dollar and devote themselves to their second business: attention to the world's needs. The larger this number becomes the easier it will be for others to follow. The progress of civilization depends upon these men (and women) of character." - Paul P Harris
Message to the RI Convention in Los Angeles 1922



Rotary Golf Tournament and Dinner Fun Food Fellowship!

Winchelsea Golf Course
7655 Harby Rd, Lantzville
June 22, 2018 - \$25
3:00 PM start
BBQ Dinner - \$25
6:00 - 6:30 PM
Steak or Chicken

Summer Happy Happy Hour

Our first was so much fun, we can't wait to get together again! Mark your calendars.

When: Monday, June 11, 5-7pm

Where: Minnoz Bar,
Coast Bastion Hotel

Who: All members, spouses, guests



WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS AND MEMBER DUTIES

Meeting Date	June 8, 2018	June 15, 2018	June 22, 2018
Greeters	Norm Myden, Kathy Smith	Debbie Narver, Frank Shoemaker	President Jane, President Elect Charles
Cashier	Lila Tanner	Lila Tanner	Lila Tanner
Sgt at Arms	Joan Ryan	Wahid Ali	
Inspiration	Douglas Anderson	Brenda Grice	
Head Table	Pres. Jane, Jason Bradley, Exch students, Brent Barootes	P Jane, Guest Speaker, Bent Stetar, Brenda Grice, Geoff Clay	P Jane & Family, PE Charles & Family
Intro Guests	Brenda Grice	Doug Cowling	Installation of 2018-2019 Club Officers Master of Ceremonies - Keith McFarlane
Intro Speaker	Jason Bradley	Peggy Richardson	
Program	Exchange Students	Vancouver Island Symphony Pierre Simard	
Thank Speaker	Brent Barootes	Lila Tanner	