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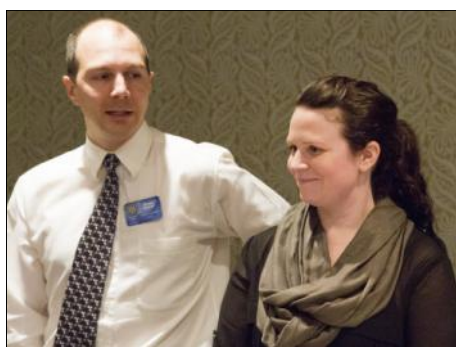
Meeting Notes from March 21

By Charles Ramos

President Douglas Anderson opened the meeting. After a club rendition of the anthem, **Donna Hais** delivered the invocation.

Bruce Samson introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. There were no visiting Rotarians today, and three guests: **Lisa Reed**, from Vancouver, who is in town to visit **John Morris**, and VIU students **Emily** and **Tracey Klein**, who are here to present their upcoming practicum work in Nepal.

Yvan Gosselin reported on the health



John Morris' guest, Lisa Reed of Vancouver, was introduced by Brent Stetar

of the club, noting that **Wayne Anderson** ran into another member of the club

when in the hospital for surgery.

President's Remarks

President Douglas Anderson began by saying he had few remarks today, except that he is happy for the beautiful weather.

He then reminded us of a few ongoing and upcoming Rotary events:

Nanaimo Daybreak Club's Swing into Spring event will be held on March 22. Nanaimo North Club has an ongoing 50/50 ticket sale.

DLTA will be held next week.

District Conference registration is now open. The conference will be held May 1-3.

Special Presentation

There was a special presentation by VIU nursing students prior to the regularly-scheduled program. Mother and daughter nursing students, **Emily** and **Tracey Klein**, were here to present on an

upcoming 5-week practicum, where 8 VIU students will travel to Nepal in order to work with a clinic specializing in maternal and baby health. The students will be leaving in

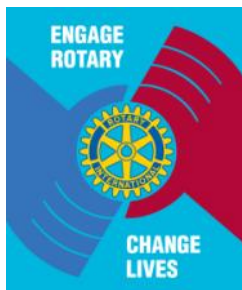


Hand carved cowboy diorama donated to our club by Terry Jefferies has an estimated value of \$3500 and was given to us to use as a fund-raiser for Rotary. Suggestions on how we can turn this gift into a fund-raiser would be greatly appreciated. Any interested buyers out there?

**Club Meeting Friday at 12:00 p.m.
at the Coast Bastion Inn**

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April, and welcome the chance to present the results of their trip to our club upon return.

Announcements

Yvan Gosselin announced that he recently visited an elderly fellow on a tip that he had some books for donation to our book sale, and hit it off with him, to the extent that he then donated a completely hand-carved cowboy diorama to the club. Now the club owns an intricate diorama, and we'll put some thought into how to best sell this.

Brent Stetar announced the club bowling night will be April 4th, beginning at 5:30. All members, family, and friends are invited.

Brenda Grice thanked recent Foundation contributors for their donations, and noted that the recent measles outbreak in the Fraser Valley is a very close-to-home reminder that constant vigilance is needed with communicable diseases, particularly in Rotary's fight to eradicate polio.

Ian Williams announced the book sale interactive signup registration is temporarily not working and signup should be done manually for the time being.

Sergeant-At-Arms

Sergeant-at-Arms **John Shillabeer** chose to quiz the tables on their English vocabular knowledge, by presenting a word to each table, and giving three possible definitions. Much money was collected for words such as *mugwump*, *philogenist*, *callibogus*, and *ack*.

Happy and Sad Bucks

Janeane Coutu gave informative bucks that John Barsby School will be selling manure this weekend as a fundraiser. The manure was donated by Cinnabar Valley Farms, although **John Heisterman** denied all knowledge since his son, **Tyler**, is now running the show.

Susan Gerrand gave very happy bucks to be back home after being away for the last two months.

Donna Hais gave boasting parent bucks

to report her daughter, **Caitlin**, in grade 12, has received a provincial honour.

Brent Stetar gave informative bucks that the *Great Girl Guide Cookie Sale* has now begun, and his daughter, **Abigail**, intends to sell more than have ever been sold before, and his house is full of cookies.

Egon Holzwarth gave bucks to note that if *mugwump* means a person who does not vote or otherwise participate in the political process, then 62% of Canadians are mugwumps.

Table stakes were won by **John Morris**. **Carey McIver** won the card draw, but was unsuccessful at locating the Ace of Spades.



Centennial Committee Report

By Mike Herold

Our Program today was from our Centennial Committee for our clubs' 100 year birthday set for 2020. The Centennial Committee was established to determine and plan for our celebration in 2020.



Dave Hammond facilitated today's program which was set up to talk about what type of centennial project the club should do as a legacy to our 100 years in the community. Dave

said that the plans were for our club to engage with other Rotary clubs and the community to help celebrate our centennial and certain criteria were set by the Committee as follows:

Align with Rotary goals and / or areas of focus

Suitable for Foundation matching funds

and/ or partnership with e.g. the City, VIU, NHF, local business or an individual benefactor

Meets community needs and benefits most people

Sustainable; that is self supporting

Affordable

Create a lasting positive impression of Rotary

Ideally a "hands-on" project

Capital Investment

The goal is to establish a major project for the year plus refurbish some of the previous projects we have completed such as the cairn at Bowen Park and Departure Bay Ferry Terminal.

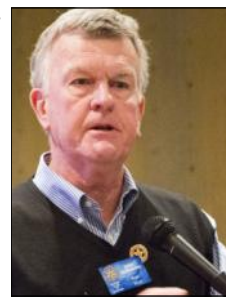
A sheet was distributed to each table with a list of 14 proposed projects for discussion and a centennial committee member sat at each table to facilitate the discussion. It was noted that the list of 14 potential projects is not complete and others could be added if needed.

Dave noted that there are no dumb ideas so we were all tasked with the job of coming with a short list of 2-3 projects for further consideration by the committee.

So far \$60,000 has been set aside and we are hoping to have \$200,000 or more set aside from the club by 2020. We could also receive some matching grants or partner with another organization or individual who would like to be involved.

Four committee members gave their summary of the table talk as follows:

- **John Shillabeer** – John said it was a fruitful discussion and there was discussion at his table whether it must be a capital project or could a service project be considered.



His table supported the wheelchair accessible playground for children and a new idea for a First Nations Library project. Not all at John's table were united on which way to go.

- **Brent Stetar** - Brent suggested a Rotary wing at the Hospital or Bowen Park project. He said we need an inventory of what projects we



have already done. A project that supports free outdoor activity would be good. Perhaps a covered sports facility or a project

supporting the cruise ship terminal.

- **Norm Myden** – Norm's table suggested a project supporting a pedestrian / bicycle trail like the E & N Trailway. Perhaps a Peace Garden would be good especially if it is a hands on project. Their table thought that the project did not necessarily need to be a capital project and that a service project could also be good.



- **Yvan Gosselin** – Yvan's table thought that the project should benefit all and not just a select group. They would support a waterfront project like a tunnel to New Castle Island or something on Mount Benson. The project must be visible and affordable.

Some of the centenary project ideas are as follows:

1. Something ON THE PROPOSED NEW WATERFRONT beside the cruise ship terminal.
2. A PEACE GARDEN downtown (small with lots of flowers) could be used for contemplation, welding photography, etc.
3. Something BIG IN TERMS OF HUMAN IMPACT vs. Concrete; Rotary is about service. A Rotary version of the Nobel Prize, a special scholarship for the top 100 students in the area.
4. A ROTARY PARK FOR SPECIAL KIDS. Would include paved walkways, special wheel chair accessible equipment, etc. Bowen Park would do the research – Equipment expensive.
5. A new NANAIMO PADDLING CENTRE, proposed for the city

waterfront property between boat ramps at Brechin Point.

6. Would like to see centennial project qualify for a GLOBAL GRANT. Limitation, the project could not be a building. Must fit into one of the 6 areas of focus.
7. Establish a LEARNING CENTRE in conjunction with the School Board and the education department at VIU.
8. A SERVICE BUILDING with our name.eg. Seniors' home for Rotarians; something associated with the hospital for out-of-town patients and/or their families.
9. A TOTALLY ENCLOSED SALT WATER POOL closed from tides but with the bottom growth, deeper depth, local fish, etc. could be used for snorkeling and observing sea life.
10. Flooded coal TUNNEL UNDER

THE CHANNEL UP TO NEW CASTLE ISLAND could be drained and rebuilt allowing people to ride a small coal train through the tunnel with animated miners at work.

11. A VIEWPOINT ON MT. BENSON with eventually a chair lift to make it more accessible. Future opportunity for someone else, a restaurant at this location.
12. New covered COMPETITION AND RECREATION POOL and increased parking at Pioneer Park at north end of the city.
13. Sponsor a WING OR ROOM AT VIU in the proposed new science and health building for educational programs involving the young kids in the city.
14. A MARINE-RELATED project.
15. LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE.

EVANSTON — The continued fight to eliminate polio gets an additional \$36 million boost from Rotary in support of polio immunization activities and research to be carried out by the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#), which aims to end the disabling viral disease worldwide by 2018.

The funding commitment comes at a critical time as the eradication initiative focuses on stopping polio in the three countries where the virus remains endemic: Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. Stopping polio in those countries is crucial in order to halt the recent spate of outbreaks in countries where the disease had previously been beaten and where mass immunizations of children via the oral polio vaccine must continue until global eradication is achieved.

The Rotary grants include \$6.8 million for Afghanistan, \$7.7 million for Nigeria and \$926,000 for Pakistan. Grant amounts are based on requests from eradication initiative partners UNICEF and the World Health Organization, which work with the governments of polio-affected countries to plan and carry out immunization activities.

UNICEF will use a grant of \$2.73 million to bolster vaccination activities throughout the Horn of Africa as part of an on-going response to an outbreak that began in 2013 and has now infected more than 200 children. The so-called "imported" cases are linked to the strain of polio endemic to Nigeria, underscoring the need to stop the virus in the endemic countries.

ATTENDANCE

By Bob Janes

Attendance for March 21st was 71%

We missed these Rotarians

W. Anderson, Blackmore, Brand, Buchanan, Cowling, Finnegan, Henderson, Hewitt, Janes, King, Knutsson, Narver, Patrick, Raedler, Salem

Guests:

Lisa Reed of Vancouver was the guest of John Morris

Emily and Tracey Klein were guests of the club

Make ups:

Bob Fenty x 2

Birthdays:

Susan Gerrand on March 29th

Spouses Birthday: none

Wedding Anniversaries: none

Club Anniversaries:

Bob Janes, 3 years, March 28th

WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS

Friday, March 28th

GREETERS	Lynne Pankratz, Yvan Gosselin, Derek Lewis
CASHIERS	Barbara Blinston
SGT-AT-ARMS	Bob Fenty
INVOCATION	Guenter Raedler
HEAD TABLE	Pres. Douglas, Ted Carson, Joyce Smith, Susan Gerrand, Derek Lewis, Lynne, Yvan and Derek
INTRODUCE GUESTS	Brenda Grice
INTRODUCE SPEAKER	Joyce Smith
PROGRAM	NAN. COMMUNITY FOUNDATION <i>Ted Carson</i>
THANK SPEAKER	Bruce Samson

Friday, April 4th

GREETERS	Bob Patrick, Derek Lewis, Bruce Gordon
CASHIERS	Ed Borisenko
SGT-AT-ARMS	Joan Ryan
INVOCATION	Charles Ramos
HEAD TABLE	Pres. Douglas, Sasha Angus, Mikel Knutsson, Dave Hammond, Bob Patrick, Derek Lewis, Bruce Gordon
INTRODUCE GUESTS	Jeremy Hewitt
INTRODUCE SPEAKER	Mikel Knutsson
PROGRAM	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT <i>Sasha Angus</i>
THANK SPEAKER	David Hammond

Friday, April 11th

GREETERS	Guenter Raedler, Donna Hais, Helen Blackmore
CASHIERS	Ed Borisenko
SGT-AT-ARMS	Bruce Samson
INVOCATION	Joan Ryan
HEAD TABLE	Pres. Douglas, Daniel Pearce, Charles Ramos, Helen Blackmore, Lucie Gosselin, Wayne Anderson
INTRODUCE GUESTS	Egon Holzwarth
INTRODUCE SPEAKER	Charles Ramos
PROGRAM	R.D.N. TRANSIT PLANS <i>Daniel Pearce</i>
THANK SPEAKER	Guenter Raedler

Notable Rotarians

Rotarians are your neighbors, your community leaders and some of the world's greatest history-makers:

- Warren G. Harding, U.S. president
- Jean Sibelius, Finnish composer
- Dr. Charles H. Mayo, co-founder of Mayo Clinic
- Guglielmo Marconi, Italian inventor of the wireless radio and Nobel laureate
- Thomas Mann, German novelist and Nobel laureate
- Friedrich Bergius, German chemist and Nobel laureate
- Admiral Richard E. Byrd, American explorer
- Jan Masaryk, foreign minister of Czechoslovakia
- H.E. Soleiman Frangieh, president of Lebanon
- Dianne Feinstein, U.S. senator
- Manny Pacquiao, Filipino world-champion boxer and congressman
- Richard Lugar, U.S. senator
- Frank Borman, American astronaut
- Edgar A. Guest, American poet and journalist
- Sir Harry Lauder, Scottish entertainer
- Franz Lehar, Austrian composer
- Lennart Nilsson, Swedish photographer
- James Cash Penney, founder of JC Penney Co.
- Carlos Romulo, UN General Assembly president
- Sigmund Sternberg, English businessman and philanthropist

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 29, 30—District Leadership Training Assembly, Victoria. Club will subsidize attendees up to \$200.

April 4th—Rotary Family Bowling Nite at Brechin Lanes. Food served at 5:30, bowling 6:30—2 fun games! Adults \$15, Spectators (with food) \$10, Children \$5

April 5th—James Bond Night, Oceanside Rotary Club, at The Grand Hotel - \$90 ea.

May 2 to 12—Rotary Used Book Sale, Nanaimo North Town Centre, held during mall hours. *Many hands make light work! Sign up for a shift online on Club Runner.*

May 1 to 4—Rotary District Conference at Whistler.



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