

# ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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4806<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Friday, March 2, 2018



**Paul Harris Awards, February 23 - 2018. Missing from photo Lucie Gosselin (2<sup>nd</sup>), Yvan Gosselin (5<sup>th</sup>)**  
**Front L-R: Susie Stephens (1<sup>st</sup>), Jane Currie (1<sup>st</sup>), Wendy Pratt (3<sup>rd</sup>), Carey McIver (6<sup>th</sup>)**  
**Rear L-R: John Shillabeer (1<sup>st</sup>), Lynne Pankratz (2<sup>nd</sup>), John Salem (6<sup>th</sup>), Egon Holzwarth (7<sup>th</sup>)**

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 23 February 2018

By John Shillabeer

**President Jane** opened the meeting and we sang O Canada. **Peggy Richardson** gave the invocation emphasising peace and mutual support to help improve the lives of those around us. **Douglas Anderson** called for the introduction of guests. **Behzad Forghani** introduced **Sean Martin** who will shortly be inducted as our newest member. There were no visiting Rotarians.

### Announcements and Notices of Motions



Speaking on behalf of the Community Grants Committee, **Susie Stephens** introduced four notices of motions:

- To donate \$10,000 to the **Nanaimo Hospice Society** to help fund a pilot project known as the Griefmobile. This would offer bereavement services to families and others unable to visit the Hospice and possibly on site services at crisis and disaster locations.
- To donate \$4,000 to the **Nanaimo Ladysmith Schools Foundation** for four \$1,000 annual awards in the current academic year. Consideration is to be given to naming one or more awards in honour of recently deceased Rotarians.
- To donate \$2,000 to the **John Barsby School First Nations Alternative Program**. This is a new school based alternative learning program for students in grades 8-10. The objective is to re-engage students in their own educational futures and catch them before they drop out.
- To donate \$7,000 in support of **Culture Days** April 17-20 at the Big House. The event will be hosted for some 700 aboriginal and non-aboriginal pupils and staff by grades 4 and 5 from Bayview School. Fairview, Gabriola and Qwam Qwum schools will also participate.

The motions will be presented and voted on at the meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>.



**Dave Hammond** announced that the Centennial Committee meeting is again postponed until after next Friday's lunch meeting. All Club members will be welcome to participate.

**President Jane** announced that honorary member **Dale Huck** had given the Club \$100 in memory of



**President Jane** holds the cheque from **Dale Huck** and a thank you note from **Disaster Aid Canada**

**Bill Horman**. Also she had received a beautiful hand written thank you letter from **Ann MacIntyre** on behalf of **Disaster Aid Canada**.

### Sgt at Arms

**Sgt Joan Ryan** fined president **Jane** and **Wendy Pratt** for some minor infractions and then caught **Geoff Clay** for his "sunny ways" attire ( which was just Geoff reminding us that he spends half his life in Vegas!). Joan also raised a few more dollars from several members who had forgotten to wear their Paul Harris pins.



Geoff Clay

### Happy and Sad Bucks

**Joan** was happy that she had escorted to Rotaract members to the Lantzville Club meeting.



Frank Shoemaker, Bruce Samson

**Frank Shoemaker** was happy that a new Rotary Club had been formed in the Comox Valley. It has 62 founding members!

**Behzad Forghani** was happy and looking forward to visiting his

family and friends in Iran after a four year absence.

### The Draw

**Behzad** won the table stakes. **Brenda Grice** drew the winning ticket for the card draw, but did not pick the ace.



## Program Notes for Friday 23 February 2018 Rotary Foundation and Paul Harris Awards

By John Shillabeer

**John Salem** as chair of the Foundation Committee opened the program by noting that The Foundation has been the cornerstone of Rotary International since the earliest days. However it really increased in scope and effectiveness with the Polio Plus program and with the partnership with the Gates Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating among charities nine years in a row. Also 91% of funds are devoted to projects and programs. CNN ranks the Rotary Foundation fifth out of ten top charities worldwide.

John showed two short videos illustrating the scope and the reach of Foundation projects and programs.

**Frank Shoemaker** spoke about his experience the previous weekend attending the RI President's Conference on Environmental Sustainability and Peace in Vancouver. It was attended by over 800 delegates and was one of six being held around the world.

Frank said he was amazed at the number and variety of Foundation supported projects showcased at the conference. The number was overwhelming. He cited a few: the wheelchair foundation, hydro lawn rollers for transporting water, shelter box, peacebuilders training in Africa, cleaning rivers, solar power electrification of sewage treatment and trees Canada.

The keynote speaker was **David Suzuki** who emphasised taking care of the atmosphere and pointed out that humans are the only species to contemplate the future. There was a lot to take in with over 40 speakers plus breakout sessions, so Frank focused the remainder of his talk on Rotary Peace Fellows (of which he knew little before the conference).

There are about 4,000 Peace Fellows today and RI is

adding about 100 per year. They study at one of seven RI designated universities for a minimum of three months. RI is considering expanding the annual number of new Fellows. Frank met several Fellows and was highly impressed. They seem to be mostly working in international NGOs or think tanks. Frank had a strong sense that they are indeed making a difference in the world.

**John Salem** and **Lila Tanner** joined **Frank** and presented the Paul Harris awards:



**President Jane Currie** is presented with her first award by **Frank Shoemaker** while **John Salem** looks on.

**John Salem** presented three roses to **Wendy Pratt** to signify 3 PHF awards. Wendy then checked out the fragrance of the roses.



<b>Jane Currie</b>	First award
<b>Susie Stephens</b>	First award
<b>John Shillabeer</b>	First award
<b>Lynne Pankratz</b>	Second award
<b>Lucie Gosselin</b>	Second award
<b>Wendy Pratt</b>	Third award
<b>Yvan Gosselin</b>	Fifth award
<b>Carey McIver</b>	Sixth award
<b>John Salem</b>	Sixth award
<b>Egon Holzwarth</b>	Seventh award.



The meeting ended with **John Salem** auctioning off four embryonic trees that **Frank** brought back from the peace conference.



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### Rotary Happy Happy Hour!

Join us for a fun evening of social networking.  
Get to know new members and build ties with all.  
When: Monday, March 12, 5-7pm  
Where: Minnoz Bar, Coast Bastion Hotel  
Who: All members, spouses, guests

### Rotary Leadership Institute training

RLI ( Rotary Leadership Institute training) has a  
proposed date of Sat. March 3 for the next level 1 and  
level 2 training.  
Cost is \$85 per member and lunch included. Approx  
5 hours. Please advise President Jane Currie **asap** if  
you wish to attend.

### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### Member Birthdays

Herold, Mike	Mar 02
Salem, John	Mar 04

#### Date Joined Rotary

Coutu, Janeane	26 years	Mar 06
Gosselin, Lucie	26 years	Mar 06
Shoemaker, Frank	20 years	Mar 06

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**April 13-22 2018, ROTARY USED BOOK SALE**

**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	March 2, 2018	March 9, 2018	March 16, 2018
Greeters	Mike Minhas, Dave Connolly, Carlene Shaw	Janeane Coutu, Frank Shoemaker, Sean Martin	Norm Myden, Doug Cowling, Jason Bradley
Cashier	Ed Borisenko	Ed Borisenko	Ed Borisenko
Sgt at Arms	Dave Hammond	John Heisterman	Brent Barootes
Inspiration	Bob Janes	Lila Tanner	Mike Knutsson
Head Table	Pres Jane, Lynne Pankratz, Bob Janes	Pres. Jane, Bob Mueller, Jason Bradley	Pres. Jane, Adrian Legin, Pat Cox
Intro Guests	Brent Barootes	Laurie Beinert	Barbara Blinston
Intro Speaker	Pres. Jane	David Woodward	Mike Minhaus
Program	<b>Youth Services - Joan Ryan Community Partnerships - Debbie Narver</b>	<b>Finding your Butkis Bob Mueller</b>	<b>Coastal Community Credit Union - Adrian Legin, CEO</b>
Thank Speaker	Pres. Jane	Jason Bradley	Pat Cox