ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO



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4838th Meeting

Friday, November 22, 2018



The Club is auctioning an original painting by Rose Light. Proceeds to Rotary Foundation.

Stories

Rotary Meeting Notes Nov. 16 2018

Meeting Notes from Friday Nov. 16, 2018 By Jane K. Currie



President Charles opened the meeting. **Wendy Pratt** shared an inspiration about happiness, along the lines of: if you spend your time pursuing happiness it will elude you; but if you focus on bringing happiness to friends, family and others in your community, happiness will find you, and then You

will be the inspiration to others.

Health of the club: good news that lan Williams is recovering very well, and is already waiting for this week's COGS notes for the Bulletin. Dave Connolly is in Victoria for treatment. We wish both members good health and a speedy recovery.

Announcements

Lila Tanner reminded us that November is Foundation month. All donations will receive a tax receipt, and gifts up to \$100 will receive

Upcoming Speakers

Nov 30, 2018 **Foundation Committee**

The Rotary Foundation

Dec 07, 2018

Club AGM

Dec 14, 2018 12:15 PM

Student participants

RYLA Vancouver Island

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Upcoming Events (Click each for info)

Dinner Theatre night in Chemainus

Chemainus Theatre Dec 06, 2018 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Family Christmas Breakfast

Club House, Bowen Complex Dec 09, 2018 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM matching Paul Harris points from the club reserves – that would help donors towards their next Paul Harris level. *Please* try the RI online donation system, as it is very efficient, and makes our Treasurer's life easier. Bids on the beautiful Indian art print (donated by Ross & Pam White) to raise funds for the Foundation, will be accepted up till Nov. 30th, when this prize will be awarded to the winning bidder. So far, bidding is up to \$150.

John Salem needs RSVP's for the December theatre night ASAP, so he can release surplus tickets back to Chemainus Theatre for other guests. Dave Hammond promoted poker night, promising members that their losses would not surpass \$5 and that the fun would be totally worth it!

Janeane Coutu announced two Christmas event for kids and family, offered by our partner Literacy Central Vancouver Island. On Dec. 8 at 2 pm guests can enjoy "Fireside Story Time" at the Literacy Central Learning Center; and on the same day, at the Well-Read Bookshop (19 Commercial St.), enjoy a "music and literacy" shopping experience from 1-4 pm. See www.LiteracyCentralVI.org for more info.

Bob Janes is once again rounding up volunteers for the Salvation Army kettle drive, held outside London Drugs at the NNTC on Saturdays, beginning this Nov. 24. The shifts are short, 2.5 hours each from 10 am – 1 pm, and 1 pm – 3:30 pm. Please consider giving a couple hours of your time for this worthwhile campaign to help those in need. Please sign up &/or email Bob.

Charles Ramos announced the upcoming Tuesday Nov. 20 board mtg, 5:30 pm, at his offices on Wesley St. He will be attending the celebration of life for former club member

Bayview School Christmas lunch

Bayview Elementary School Dec 20, 2018 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Club Christmas Dinner

Coast Bastion
Dec 20, 2018
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Next Meeting's Responsibilities

November 23 2018

Greeter Bradley, Jason

Greeter 2 Anderson, Douglas

Cashier Molander, Justin

Inspiration Woodward, David

Introduce Guests Anderson, Wayne

Sergeant at Arms Heisterman, John

Introduce Speaker Stephens, Susie Marge Sabourin this week. Charles also thanked **Lila Tanner** for hosting a new member Fireside chat.

Past President Debbie Narver surprised Immediate Past President Jane Currie by presenting Jane with a sparkly new Past President's pin, in memory the 17/18 rotary year. Jane was deeply honoured and accepted with pleasure, thanking club members for their support and service.



Sargeant-at-Arms Joan Ryan enlightened us with some Remembrance Day facts (i.e. "in all of us command" was the original wording of our national anthem, later changed to "in all thy sons" during WW1, before recently being changed back). Some important November dates are Nov. 5-11, World Interact Week; Nov. 10, Rotary Day at the United Nations.

Thank Speaker Taylor, Rebecca

*Meeting Notes*Shillabeer, John

*Program Notes*Richardson, Peggy

November 30 2018

Greeter Ali, Wahid

Greeter 2 Wilson, Bob

Cashier Molander, Justin

*Inspiration*Shoemaker, Frank

Introduce Guests Stetar, Brent

Sergeant at Arms Barootes, Brent

Introduce Speaker White, Ross

Thank Speaker Forghani Targhi, Behzad

*Meeting Notes*Anderson, Wayne



Happy/Sad
included Peggy
Richardson
reporting a very
successful event
she had organized,
Jason Bradley
happy to have
toured Disneyland
with 20 exchange
students, Wendy
Pratt pleased to see
Jason recognized
for 15 years of
service, (actually 25

when earlier volunteer work is counted), **Doug Cowling** asking about who would take over doing the Grey Cup scores raffleboard after Mike Herold's past efforts (Charles please?). **Wendy Pratt** won table stakes and **Egon Holzworth** successfully found the Ace of Spades to win the 50:50 draw, leading to unfathomable treasures as yet uncalculated.

Program Notes Nov 16 2018

Rotary Club Meeting November 16, 2018

Program Notes – Club Assembly

1. Courtesy to Guest Speakers

This topic focused on the time provided to speakers, guidelines and overall integration into the Rotary meeting format. Feedback from members:

Program Notes Gosselin, Lucie

December 7 2018

Greeter Anderson, Douglas

Greeter 2 Robson, Esther

Cashier Tanner, Lila

Inspiration Hais, Donna

Introduce Guests Currie, Jane

Sergeant at Arms Barootes, Brent

*Meeting Notes*Currie, Jane

Program Notes
Smith, Joyce





- There was a general consensus on the amount of time given to the speakers – 20 minutes for the presentation and 10 minutes for Q&A
- There needs to be flexibility within the meeting for the speaker to present any time within the 1.5 hour meeting to accommodate varying schedules and other commitments
- If there are a lot of questions, pause the Q&A session so that those who need to get back to work can leave. Rest can stay to ask further questions if the speaker has the time to do so.
- Discipline throughout the meeting is required to stay on schedule from start to finish – we are all part of the solution.
- Part of the role of the Sergeant at Arms is to help keep things on schedule
- If extra time is needed at a particular meeting, give up the Happy and Sad Bucks to stay on schedule
- If someone needs more time to share a club announcement, notify Charles ahead of time so the schedule can be adjusted as needed to accommodate the request
- Start preparing for the start of the meeting at 12:20 pm so that meeting business starts at 12:30 pm
- Ensure speaker has the guidelines for their presentation
- Give a 5 minute warning to the speakers

so they can wrap up the presentation component at 20 minutes and have the 10 minutes available for the Q&A

2. Community Partnerships

- Debbie Narver provided an overview of the Community Partnership committee activities and purpose
- Community Partnerships came out of the strategic plan and differs primarily from the grants committee in that funds granted through Community Partnerships must not only meet District Grant Project guidelines but also have a hands on component as well as an opportunity to build long term relationships with other organizations in the community.
- There is \$10,000 available for the project
 club tops up the amount granted by the District
- The first project was replacing beds for a men's mental health organization. The mental health organization was contacted about working together again but they never responded so it wasn't pursued for a second year
- The second project was the RESP project for low income families that was a partnership with VIU and supported by RBC. Members were able to participate in both the planning as well as on the event day at VIU. Debbie is working on getting a report together for the project to share with members. 30 low income children were directly impacted by starting an RESP.
- Rotary has moved the deadline for 2019 applications to February 2nd which is earlier than last year but the project timeline remains the same of July 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020

- The VIU partnership is being considered again to build on the success of this year and leverage the relationships and learnings established. This was supported by a number of members.
- Suggestion that if the VIU partnership is pursued again that there could be more collaboration with the schools such as an orientation day at VIU to get children more aware of post-secondary opportunities
- There was discussion in support of both supporting a different organization each year to support more projects or working with the same group for 3 to 5 years to establish longer term relationships and have a greater impact within that project
- Members are welcome to make suggestions for projects that could be considered for 2019 – must meet guidelines as well as be feasible to establish an MOU and clear guidelines with recipient organization by the February 2nd grant application deadline
 - Please send suggestions to Debbie Narver
- Some discussion on reaching out to the United Way to see if they know of any organizations in need of funding which can offer a hands on volunteer component for Rotary members. Jeanine has a contact she will connect with.

Due to time constraints, no other items on the Assembly agenda were able to be discussed. Other items will be discussed at a future meeting.

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