

ROTARY CLUB OF NANAIMO

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4830th Meeting

Friday, September 14, 2018

ROTARY GIANT BOOK SALE OCTOBER 12 - 21, 2018



The Book Sale inventory is looking good with about 100,000 gently used books for sale.

Photo taken Sept 13, 2018 - Ian Williams

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

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Meeting Notes

By Jane K. Currie, Past President

President Charles opened the meeting. **Kathy Smith** called for introduction of guests: **Don Bonner**, local businessman, Rotarian (Daybreak) and program speaker;



Don Hubbard **Kamiko Nagamori**

er; **Wendy Pratt** introduced her guest **Don Hubbard** (past Rotarian) and a declared candidate for Mayor of Nanaimo; **David Woodward** introduced **Kamiko Nagamori**, who has

helped at our booksale.

Jane Currie presented this week's inspiration, based on the joy of learning, and how continuous learning through rotary is one of the great joys of membership. Just imagine what wonderful new things we may discover this year! Jane concluded by recognizing member **Christine Parsons**, who has just started law school at UVic.



Announcements

Joan Ryan noted that Interact is starting soon and needs a roster of volunteer drivers to help get the kids from school to meetings. Drivers need to have current (and favourable) criminal record checks.



Joan Ryan reminded members of a cash jar for donations at the cashier table, for a Nursery Rhymes literacy project.

Douglas Anderson reminded members that Sept. 7 was the last day to submit their orders for new Rotary logo golf shirts.



Wendy Pratt asked for a club vote on her past notice of motion to donate \$1500 to the Nanaimo Art Gallery as part of their \$10K campaign to develop a new entryway. **Bob Janes** seconded and the motion passed; none opposed.

Douglas Cowling announced that Coco's Café has submitted an application to our club for support. Club members are also invited to Coco's fundraiser dinner & auction at 6 pm, Sat. Sept. 29 at Pleasant Valley Hall, \$85/person. See the Aug. 24 COGS for a summary of Coco's Café recent presentation.

Jane Currie invited bridge players to sign up for the Sept. 12 games night at her home. New players &/or those wanting to learn to play are always welcome.

President Charles Ramos asked members to volunteer for host/admin duties at the Sept. 22nd RESP public information session at VIU. Our club recently donated \$10K to the VIU Foundation for the Canada Learning Bond Accelerator Project, to help kickstart RESP's for children of low income families. **Debbie Narver** and **Denise Witkofski** are coordinating our club's partnership with VIU.



Charles Ramos invited suggestions for the Sept. 21 club assembly agenda. He also advised that the October tree planting date would need to be rescheduled to avoid conflict with our booksale.

Janeane Coutu gave a detailed briefing on the main booksale duties that members may select: banker, shift foreman, cashier, table worker. Please consider your skills & physical endurance in selecting your volunteer shift, - and also challenge yourself to learn a new role if possible. The entire club is needed to help staff this major fundraiser. Ideally each member would commit to at least 3 shifts, and also invite friends and family to help. Anyone volunteering for cashier must remember that they are the face of rotary to our customers, and thus the community. The booksale schedule is available for online viewing and signup at our Club Runner site.



Lucy Gosselin shared some highlights about Banker duties: helper to the foreman and responsible for the cashier operations, with lots of roving & running the first few sale days to manage funds. Lucie would be delighted to coach some new volunteers for this job.

Janeane Coutu then talked about plans for booksale set-up night, ~5 pm Thursday Oct. 11. **Brent Stetar** runs this shift, requiring at least 15 able-bodied people to set up tables and cover them in flats of books, with surplus book boxes organized underneath each subject table. Based on past experience, set-up takes about 2 hours. Moving flats and boxes of books is a great task for teens and other young muscle, so please

round some up! Anyone concerned about lifting/moving heavy boxes of hardcover books can work with less weighty paperbacks, pocket books and kids books.

Happy & Sad

Sgt. At Arms Wahid Ali showed mercy and let us go directly to voluntary H&S fines. Fortunately, most were happy.

Keith McFarlane was proud of his son-in-law, who finally received his commendation from the RCMP for his heroic role in taking down the shooter in a school shooting. This recognition can only be made public after the court process is complete. **Wayne Anderson** is happy to be back home in Nanaimo after an extended work absence and vacation in MA. **David Woodward** was happy about Nat'l Beer Lovers Day and winning a VIU lotto, finally, after 10 years. **Joan Ryan** offered \$2 Samaritan House raffle tickets. **Joyce Smith** was ecstatic about becoming a student at VIU in English & Liberal studies, after completing her duties on the VIU Foundation. **Doug Cowling** thanked our new COGS photographer **Doug Wortley**, - and as a result, we can finally see pictures of **Ian Williams**. **Wendy Pratt** confessed, **Carey McIver** did some speedy travel, and **Justin Molander** praised his great summer interns (now back in school) and enjoyed doing business in Singapore. **Brenda Grice** is searching for a double kayak for her sports med friend for a fundraiser. **Yvan Gosselin** will truly miss us while he and **Lucie** travel in Italy. **Wayne Anderson** thanked guest **Don Hubbard** for being a great mentor and introducing Wayne to Nanaimo.

Yvan Gosselin won the table stakes and **Keith McFarlane** won the card draw, but not the ace.



PROGRAM NOTES – TRIBAL JOURNEYS, September 7, 2018

By Wayne Anderson

Janeane Coutu introduced speaker **Don Bonner**.

Don started off by introducing himself in the traditional manner we are accustomed to in Canada. Then he re-introduced himself in the traditional manner of naming himself with his indigenous name, the name of his grandfather and the name of his father. Don is of the Algonquin tribe and a member of the 'bear clan'. The second introduction was significant in that it showed how the indigenous peoples have maintained their oral history in their culture.

Tribal Journeys first started in 1989, an idea was conceived that this would be an excellent way for the indigenous peoples along the coast to connect with each

other from Haida Gwaii in Canada to Puyallup in the USA. The Journeys are held every two years and the starting point alternates, one year the Journey starts in Canada and the next starts in the US. This year the Journey started in July with members of a Band in Haida Gwaii and traveled south, each Band has their own canoes and as the Journey continues members

of the Bands along the coastline are added. The area covered is approximately the same size as Rotary District 5020. The Journey ended near Tacoma, WA. The canoers typically travel 4 – 6 hours per day.

When the travelling group arrive at a new destination a strict protocol is followed. The group arriving sing as they enter the new band or tribe's territory and they can't get out of their canoes until the formal introductions are over, the arriving group must ask permission to come ashore. Once the formalities are over the entire group share a wonderful meal, followed by more singing and dancing. The dancers dance individually, usually with the males dancing as a group and the females as a group. A road crew follows on land as the Journey progresses, they are charged with setting up the camp for the paddlers.

The Journey will have about 120 canoes travelling together at the end and it can take up to 5 days for each canoe to introduce themselves. One has to keep in mind that there is no time limit for each speaker and everyone waits patiently for their turn. The oldest Canadian on this Journey was 76 years old. Each canoe is a family representing their territory.

Throughout his talk Don had a wonderful slide show of photos running and then he finished his talk with a five-minute video, 'Honouring Our Medicine' which



highlighted a 4 year boy doing the warrior dance. Don's Journey was 10 days long and he enjoyed every minute of it.



Don Bonner is also a Rotarian with the Daybreak Club in Nanaimo, **Yvan Gosselin** thanked Don for his enjoyable and enlightening talk. Don was presented with a pen made by one of the members of our club.

Governor's Message September 2018

Each month the Rotary Calendar introduces us to the 'Seasons of Rotary'. September in a Rotary year is a month dedicated to 'Basic Education and Literacy'. How proud we are to know that in so many ways our clubs promote education and literacy, not only in our home communities, but also for those with less advantage and opportunity in our larger world.

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Note for Club Members:

The process of bringing a new member into our club is outlined in the document posted on our web site:

[NEW MEMBER PROCESS Aug27, 2018](#)

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Member Birthdays

Barootes, Brent	Sep 19
Taylor, Rebecca	Sep 19

Spouse Birthdays

None

Anniversaries

McIver, Carey- Kirby, Annabel	Sep 16, 12 years
Anderson, Douglas- Grice, Brenda	Sep 20, 21 years
Grice, Brenda- Anderson, Douglas	Sep 20, 21 years
Salem, John - Salem, Diane	Sep 20, 44 years

Club Anniversary

Tanner, Lila	17 years Sep 14
Wilson, Bob	24 years Sep 16

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 20: Fireside Chat, Joan Ryan's house; 6-8 pm

Sept. 23: Tree Planting, Pizza party, Beban Park

October 4th: Five Club Meeting at VIU.

October 15: Happy Happy Hour, Coach and Horses; 5-7pm

Oct. 12 - 21: Rotary Book Sale, North Nanaimo Town Centre during Mall hours.

WEEKLY CLUB PROGRAMS AND MEMBER DUTIES

Meeting Date	September 14 2018	September 21 2018	September 28 2018
Greeters	Justin Molander Bob Wilson	Susie Stephens Joyce Smith	Wahid Ali Moe Lessan
Cashier	Wendy Pratt	Wendy Pratt	Wendy Pratt
Sgt at Arms	Joan Ryan	Yvan Gosselin	Dave Hammond
Inspiration	Donna Hais	Denise Wittkofski	Lila Tanner
Head Table	Pres. Charles, Donna Klockers, Kathy Smith, Ross White	Pres. Charles, Directors	Pres. Charles, Douglas An- derson, Brenda Grice, Lucie Gosselin
Intro Guests	Henry Jiang	Janeane Coutu	John Shillabeer
Intro Speaker	Kathy Smith	-	Lucie Gosselin
Program	Literacy Projects - Donna Klockers	Club Assembly - Pres. Charles	Journey to sketch India Douglas and Brenda
Thank Speaker	Ross White	-	Charles Ramos
Meeting Notes	Mike Herold	Denise Wittkofski	Mike Herold
Program Notes	John Shillabeer	Brent Barootes	Wayne Anderson
COGS prodution	Ian Williams	Ian Williams	Ian Williams

This weeks photography by Doug Wortley