January 2022

Quote of

the month:

"Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right." -Oprah Winfrey

The Rotary Club Of

December in Review

Lantzville

December was a busy month for us. We started off the month by volunteering at the Nanaimo Hornets Rugby Club – thank you to all that helped with that and to Lee for organizing. We hosted our annual Christmas Social on Monday December 6th at Simon Holt (pictured below). A great time was had by all! We then had our other annual event – Breakfast with Santa on December 11th at Costin Hall. Thank you to Troy and to all of those that helped make that such a special event. The same day, many of us lent a hand to the Salvation Army's annual Kettle Campaign (thank you to Dale for organizing that opportunity). The very next day, we were able to run the Lantzville Food Drive. Many thanks to Mark for organizing this event and for all those that helped. We had a large impact in our community in the month of December and had a lot of fun. Well done everyone!



Fact of the month:

In December, Janice Perrino of the Nanaimo and District Hospital Foundation, spoke to our Club and informed us that the Rotary Club of Lantzville has donated a total of \$65.6K over the past 18 years!

January Birthdays and Anniversaries:

January 3rd – Dale Werezak

January 14th - Greg Devenish

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

January 1st – Golf by Donation.

January 2nd – January Social, Neck Point Walk: 1:00 p.m. come walk your hangover off with a short crisp walk. January 6th – Michael Ribicic, COVID Breakthrough Case.

January 13th – Jim Turley, Nanaimo City Council and Rotary.

January 20th - Zoom Club Meeting, Kate Lambert - Help Lesotho

January 27th - Club Meeting, speakers TBD.

Duty Roster	Greeter	Cash	Sgt. Arms	Introductions	Inspiration	Rotary Minute
January 6 th	Greg	Cor	Troy	Stephen	Stephen	Rachel
January 13th	Lee	Greg	Brian	Michael R.	Lee	Cor
January 20th	Brian	Mark	Don	Cor	Greg	Sheila
January 27th	Jan	James	Doug	Sheila	Dale	Jan

For all the photos from the past month, check out our Facebook Page here: <u>https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofLantzville/</u>

FUNDS OUT:

Our Club was happy to donate \$500.00 to the Everybody Deserves a Smile (EDAS) Campaign. ©

Everybody Deserves A Smile - EDAS for short - is a homegrown, grassroots community project that started 17 years ago to bring a smile to the faces of homeless people in our community during the winter holidays.

We work with students from kindergarten to grade 7 to make homemade, hand decorated care packages filled with cards, cookies, warm clothing, and toiletries - all donated by our phenomenal community. If Covid protocols allow, the students

will once again personally distribute the approximately 600 kindness care packages to homeless individuals in the local shelters and agencies of Nanaimo.

The grade 6/7 students from Fairview Community School show great commitment to this learning experience. They will have numerous lessons leading up to packaging day that help them learn about homelessness, addiction, compassion, local poverty,

project management, marketing, self-care in service, gratitude and being 'change-makers'. This is truly intentional giving from young people who know poverty and hardship themselves and want to make a difference.

We are approaching your club for a donation of \$500.00 to continue our care work. The Rotary Club of Nanaimo has a long history of supporting humanitarian projects locally and abroad while demonstrating its mission, "Service Above Self".

Your generosity in the past has helped us with this project and we hope you can help us this year. Cash donations will go toward purchasing thermal socks and covering other costs of this year's EDAS project.

The 2020 and 2021 version of the EDAS project have been remodeled to respect social distancing and safety guidelines with respect to Covid-19. As a result, we will not have drop boxes throughout the community this year, but individuals

can still make a difference by making cash donations by e-transfer to

edas.nanaimo@gmail.com

This project is driven by students and fueled with compassion. We hope that you can be involved and can bring a smile to the face of a homeless individual who will feel a little less alone during the winter season.