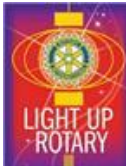


Club Celebrates the Achievements of 2013-14 and Installs New President and Executive for 2014-15

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The Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise held its 2014-15 Installation Night Program on Saturday, June 21, 2014, at the Kelowna Golf and Country Club. The event commenced with a reception at 5:00 pm with President Barb Penner and her husband Garth welcoming Rotarians and guests.



The program for the evening was one of a kind as not only was the new president and executive for the 2014-15 Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise installed; but the 2014-15 District 5060 Governor was also installed.

As a member of the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise, in-coming DG Bruce Falkins was installed by outgoing DG Darrell Blue at this particular Club Installation event.

Prior to dinner, In-coming President Greig McPhee introduced Sarah Mainland who had provided the entertainment during the reception. Greig expressed the club's appreciation for her work in the arts and for the performance by presenting Sarah with a bursary of \$100 to assist her financially as she continued with further study in music.



Following a buffet style dinner of carved beef and other delicious food served up by the staff of the Kelowna Golf and Country Club, Past President (2012-13) Craig Garries, serving as the MC, introduced and welcomed DG Darrell Blue to the podium who then addressed the gathered Rotarians and guests. During his address, DG Blue also presented out-going President Penner with a Presidential Citation with Distinction for her leadership and the club's outstanding contributions to Rotary during 2014-15; and then presented the awards that were received by the club at the 2014 Annual Convention of District 5060 held in Yakima from May 01-04, including the Best Community Club Project, Best Club Project for Health and Hunger, and Best Club Bulletin for mid-sized clubs, and the Rotary Club Central Award. DG Blue also presented a banner indicating the club's achievement as an "Every Rotarian-Every Year" club for the 2012-13 Rotary Year. The latter was presented to Past-President Craig Garries.

DG Blue officially installed club member Bruce Falkins as District Governor for District 5060 for the 2014-15 Rotary Year. *A full story of this installation is included as a Home Page story on this website.*

Linda Frandsen, Director of the Club's International/Foundation Committee, presented PHF Awards to Rena Warren, Rene Bernard and Barb Penner and acknowledged all of the other Rotarians who had achieved a PHF or Multiple PHF Award, Major Donor recognition, and those who had become benefactors and members of the Bequest Society during the 2013-14 Rotary year. *A separate story of these presentations is found on the Home Page of the club website.*

Paul Mulvihill, the chair of the 2015 District Conference to be held in Kelowna from June 18 – 21, 2015 provided the club with an update of the progress of the Conference Planning Committee and assured the Rotarians that this would be one of the best district conferences they would ever get to attend. He also encouraged everyone to attend and to extend their support through their attendance to our own District Governor.

Pete Mackenzie, the Club Director of Youth Programs, provided the club with an update on the Rotary Youth Exchange program and the students being hosted and sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise at the present time and in the next year. He also acknowledged the tremendous support and care that Ken and Barb Davidson had provided to the program this past year and in particular the role they had assumed as host parents. Pete then presented the couple a flower bouquet as an expression of thanks on behalf of the club.

Out-going President Barb Penner addressed the club with highlights of the past Rotary year and with sincere appreciation for those who had made her year as a President rewarding and successful. In appreciation, Penner presented her 2013-14 executive with Paul Harris points; and presented many awards including Distinguished Service Citations to Rotarians who contributed significantly to the different aspects of the club's operations and activities, an Honourary Paul Harris Award, a Certificate of Appreciation, and finally the Dale Frandsen Award and Rotarian of the Year Award to two of the club's outstanding Rotarians. *A featured story on the Home Page of the club website provides details about these significant award presentations.*

Before departing the podium, President Barb Penner presented In-coming President Grieg McPhee with the 'Lead Goose' as a symbol of handing over the leadership to him for 2014-15.

In his Installation Address, Greig McPhee expressed that being in Rotary is all about "being of more value in the lives of others" then by being more concerned about ourselves. He added that we reach high levels of personal satisfaction when we are focused on enhancing the quality of life for others.