

Club Duties

If you are unable to fulfill your duty, could you please find a replacement or let the President know you are unable to attend.

May 18th, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Christine McAuley & Doug Lum

Invocation:

Nathan Thornton

Introductions:

Christine Craigie

Rotary Minute:

Jim McIvor

50/50:

Randall Taylor

Sgt @ Arms:

Donna Allen

May 25th, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Jim McIvor & San Mahara

Invocation:

Jennifer Tonsi

Introductions:

Denise Davidson

Rotary Minute:

San Mahara

50/50:

Randall Taylor

Sgt @ Arms:

Don Bonner

June 1st, 2011

Front Door Greeters:

Ev Mudryk & Robb Mowbray

Invocation:

Bob Wall

Introductions:

Francine Frisson

Rotary Minute:

Karin Mattern

50/50:

Wendi Ferrero

Sgt @ Arms:

Bruce Mede

Weekly Wake-up

Upcoming Programs

May 18th - Club Assembly

May 25th - Emergency Preparedness - Karen from the City of Nanaimo

June 1st - Nanaimo Food Share - Crystal Dennison

NOTICES & NEWS

Spring Classic almost here!...

Golf Tournament - We are now down to less than 2 weeks to the tournament and the tournament is shaping up but there is a lot of work to do yet.



There will be a signup sheet at check-in for those who are able to volunteer for the day - if you are able to attend - please sign up - or if you are not at the meeting but intend to volunteer, please let me know by e-mail.

Don't forget you can attend the dinner as well - only \$25 for a carvery, but I need to know you are coming. I also need the names of the players on the teams to get organized for the day so those who have committed to a team or to golfing please provide the list soonest (along with check or CC number as appropriate. Those who have sponsored holes or are gold sponsors I would like to have your check or credit card number before the tournament - it makes registration so much easier.

Patrick will be coordinating prizes and silent auction items so if you have any, bring them to Rotary or get them to Patrick as soon as you can.

Thank you to everyone who has fulfilled their commitment - it makes my life so much easier. Let's pray for some sun or at least warmth.

Neil the Golf Guy

Please send content and photos for the Weekly Wake-up to robbmowbray@telus.net

Club Birthdays

May 23 Nelson Allen

Club Anniversaries

May 19 Nathan Thornton
May 21 Randall Taylor
May 21 Ev Mudryk
May 22 Brian Kirkhope

Meeting Notes - May 4th

wordsmith *Ron Blank*, photos *Donna Allen*

Our meeting began with our Denise Larson & Karin Mattern sharing hugs. Our a capella anthem had President Patrick Maquire taking the lead, and the dulcet tones of Bruce Mede and Karin Mattern smoothing us through the rough spots.

Guests of Rotary, intro'd by Donna, were Jean-Luc Major and Robert Keel of NDS School. Don Bonner wanted to intro his surrogate son, Kevin, but the slouch was still sleeping.

Sergeant-at-Arms Bruce, sitting at the big boys table, showed us the way to our repast. Hopefully, Jim McIvor will get over having to be last in line. (The big boys are used to it!)

Daryl Stech was the Rotary Minute stand-in, and ably shared his thoughts on the great things about



Rotary: The Fellowship. Interesting, though, after all this time, he was recently asked by a woman radio station host, "If we had women in our Club?" "Yes," was his answer, "That's what makes our Club so great, nearly 50% of our members are women!" It adds great dynamics to our Club; fundraising, and work parties are actually secondary, to the fellowship. (Well said, Daryl!)



Terry Rogers then presented Sanjivan Mihara, by saying how intrigued he was by people choosing to move to 'The Island,' and even more-so, when chosen by a recent immigrant from Nepal.

San said that he, his wife Sujata and 3 year old son Sash, left Kathmandu, Nepal, for Canada, in the summer of 1999. Though he was already a practicing Dentist, he needed to upgrade his academics to meet the Canadian standards.

When first in Vancouver, they started doing the Grouse Grind, "but, no, climbing Mount Everest is only a lifetime dream." Later, when he attended U of Northern BC, Sujata worked to pay the bills. Their second son Sunan was born in PG in 2002.

Though Vancouver had some snow, he really learned how to drive on snow and black ice, in Prince George, without crashing! (Aside here: Who knows the climate of Kathmandu? They have five seasons: Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer & Monsoon. Average Winter temp. high/low of 18/3 C. and Summer 28/20 with 1400 mm of the wet stuff, falling mostly July/August.)

Another driving trick he learned was "How not to ignore Vancouver Parking Meter Signs in front of Future Shop." Returning to his car, he saw it was missing, as the entire street was now empty! Some signs announced the event, but was missed at his peril. To get his car, San walked across the Georgia Viaduct, and discovered the "most excellent views of Vancouver and the Island." He was so impressed, he called his wife, and with the fine at \$250, later realized "it was the costliest bridge tour he has ever had!

San had another costly driver learning experience, "students should never procrastinate on renewing your licence plate!"

San and Sujata were married in 1995. They met in 1993 while attending the same college. He says it was love at first sight.

With their oldest son Sash, now with a learning permit, he hopes to

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Rotary Club Meetings

Monday – Parksville, Bayside Inn, Noon
 Tuesday – Nanaimo North, Frith-Radcliffe Auditorium, Kiwanis Village, 6:15 p.m.
 Wednesday – Nanaimo Oceanside, 3rd Street Fieldhouse, 5 p.m.
 Thursday – Lantzville – ABC Restaurant on Mary Ellen Drive, 7 a.m.
 Friday – Nanaimo – Coast Bastion Inn, 12:15 p.m.

Rotary Contacts

Club President:

Patrick Maguire

Past President:

Dave Perry

Vice President:

Neil Sorsdahl

Club Secretary:

Eileen Tatton

Club Treasurer:

Cindy Bartlett

Club President Elect:

Bill Brendon

International Service Director:

Rod Mont

Community Service Director:

Christine Craigie

Vocational Service Director:

Dave Thompson

Club Service Director:

Denise Larson

Bulletin Editor:

Robb Mowbray

Assistant Governor Area 2B:

Brenda Grice

District Governor 2010-11:

Robert Martin

RI President 2010-11:

Ray Klingensmith

~~~~~ Make-ups

To ensure that your make-up information is properly recorded, send any info on extra meetings attended, extra committee work, service projects, online work, etc. to Neil Sorsdahl at goldendivot@shaw.ca

~~~~~ Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



waylay some of his errant ways of learning to drive in Canada. San has also learned the modern way of texting. The advantage: no face to face arguments, and it gets the job done!

At 40 years of age, "It's tough to keep up with their children." He has just learned to ski, and San recently did a "Blue Hill!" Amazing what it does to your ego. His newest endeavour is learning to skate.

He attended UBC from 2001-04 and graduated with DDM. He learned the to balance student life, and family life. School was especially expensive as he was a foreign student. Sujata was now with their third child and daughter Sameera was born in late 04. Life moved quickly that year, he graduated, became parents, again, became Canadian Citizens, moved to Nanaimo, and bought their first home.

Another thing they learned about Canada? Everytime he goes to University, they become parents! "Therefore, no more University!"

He originally became a partner with Dentist Larry Hill, who has now retired. "Life is great, we get to drive the kids everywhere!" Terry can relate, as they too have a 16 year old daughter. Terry noted it was "amazing how well San & his family have assimilated into our BC lifestyle.."

Questions revealed San picked Vancouver on a friend's recommendation. "No, you can't ski in Nepal as it's too high, and there is no oxygen." His Nepali family is "Warrior Caste" and he was expected to go into the military. (His brother was in the military, and uncle was the 2nd ranking member of the military.) A family member suggested otherwise, and was proven wise by the recent Communist overthrow and loss of the Royal Family.

His early work in Canada was in Canadian Tire and as a bank clerk. One incident, his job was to lock the front door of the bank at exactly 4:00 PM, resulted in a customer hurling racial epithets for him doing his job. (my word, add 'ignorant') The manager explained that type were few and far between, and "yes" he did his job correctly. Last answer, "Dentistry is basically the same, but much more technology here." Welcome to Rotarian Sanjivan Mihara.

Donna then introduced Robert Keel and Jean-Luc Major. They had just returned from the Provincial Skills Competition, on 20 April, in Abbotsford. (This competition is a showcase of the trades and technology occupations, from carpentry to welding, to more modern CAD, website and robotics in the Secondary and Post Secondary levels. <http://www.skillscanada.bc.ca/Default.aspx>) Robert & Jean-Luc won the Gold Medal for TV/Video Production, Secondary Schools. They were given six hours to produce a 2 1/2 minute film. Their subject, given at the start of competition, and "No, it was not a good topic!" asked "Where will your skills take you in life?" <http://www.skillscanada.bc.ca/PDFProvincial2011/2011ProvincialResults.pdf> Their idea evolved and morphed as they added to their filming. Essentially incorporated the Trade Show itself, and sorry, its not yet on-line. Coming later this year, they will attend the Canadian Skills Competition in Quebec, PQ, at their own cost. (There's the rub.)

Our Funds Allocation Committee gave them \$100 each. Nelson Allen gave the cheque. Donna noted our Public School systems in BC & Nanaimo in particular, remain healthy with Dover Bay Students Josiah Stefani & Jamie Ruddick also capturing GOLD in 3D Computer Animation.

President Patrick discussed our Shredding this coming Saturday. Island Document Storage and Shredding <http://www.idss.ca/contact.php> will again help in this worthwhile endeavour to fund polio eradication. Saturday's event questions showed our streetwalkers to be most effective, our folding signs created by Patrick the most effective and we even has some come from Facebook!

Patrick emailed "We took in 221 boxes for a total of \$1768, 50% of which will go to IDSS, leaving us with \$884 to go to our Polio fund. In addition we received \$286.37 in donations, for a total contribution to our Polio fund of \$1169.37. We done GOOD!!

Neil Sorsdahl provided an update on our May 27th "Golf Fore Nanaimo Youth" and you can sign up with Neil, or from the website http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=3_2 We want more golfers, and donations, please. Check out the website, photo soon of the newly developed, much vaunted **DAYBROKE TROFFY**.

President Patrick is still soliciting prizes and silent auction items. Chris Everett also announced that, in addition to never playing cards, he also has **never golfed!** He is looking for two more 'never golfed' (?hackers?) to join his group! (chris.c.everett@hotmail.com) Date to Remember: Nanaimo North Rotarian Bruce Coleman, our Honourary Member, will be feted on 12 June for 12:30 lunch to honour his many years in Rotary. Check their Calendar, then June, at <http://www.nanaimonorthrotary.org/> for details.

- Captain: Gill Campbell (gill@gillcampbell.com)
- Event Fee: \$30.00 per person, includes tax & gratuity.
- At Coast Bastion Inn 11 Bastion Street



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Pres. Patrick read a Thank-you from Mid Island Ability Society (MIAS) Chair Jim Anderson for our recent donation.

Dawne Anderson is shepherding the Salvation Army "Golf With Celebrities" Tournament on Wednesday June 22nd at 11:30 PM <http://www.harbourliving.ca/event/7th-annual-salvation-army-charity-golf-classic2011/2011-06-22/> and Dawne is looking for golfers and prizes as well.

Sergeant Bruce knows about 'taking up offerings' for those in need. As we were such a *well behaved* group this morning, Bruce asked that we buck "paying the penance" and share with our two students. We helped fund their trip with another \$117. Thanks Bruce!

Nelson & Donna also claim adopting Exchange Student Kevin Haartman Cortez, and last week took him to our BC Legislature. (Aspirations of being their President?)

This being the end, we chanted the Four Way Test, and toasted to our deeds in Rotary.



Club Correspondence...

Check out the link below for the latest in correspondence to the Club from various sources:

http://www.daybreakrotary.ca/index.php?p=2_8_Rotary-News

District 5020 newsletter now online...

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5020/HTML/125319/may1-newsletter.pdf>

Have a Good Week!



ROTARY DAYBREAK UPCOMING BINGO COMMITMENTS 2010/2011

Mon., May 20, 2011	11am – 1pm	Terry Rogers & Christine Craigie
Mon., July 4, 2011	11am – 1pm	Sher Holubowich & Denise Davidson
Wed., Aug. 10, 2011	11am – 1pm	Jim McIvor & Karin Mattern
Sun., Sept. 25, 2011	11 am—1pm	Kris Rongve & Sher Holubowich

Some Photos from the Shredding Event

It has been suggested that we should have a "Caption Contest" for the following photos...so why not?...

Send your suggested captions to robbmowbray@telus.net and I will include the best next week...and I will check with the Prez to see if there is a possible prize...

