



## Wheel Squeals

### Rotary Club of North Vancouver

April 7, 2008



**Desk:** Charley Derban - **Oh Canada:** Riet Carter - **Invocation:** Joan Ferri

#### **Introductions:**

Frank Milledge Rotarian from Kingston Ontario wintering west and Hortatio Szeto from RYLA

#### **Announcements:**

- John Stuart spoke again about the training he went to a couple of weeks ago and how helpful it was. [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) is a tremendous resource to find out what is happening in the larger sense for training, leadership, public service and how to keep to the Rotary programs
- VASS innovation in adaptive snow sports, have a 45 minute presentation to be seen at the upcoming Rotary District Conference where speakers will be Carole Taylor and Rick Hansen. Dan Eisenhauer needs volunteers to man the VASS booth that will be at the Conference along with the VASS volunteers.
- Tuesday April 22 at Taso's Pizza Steak and Seafood, the West Vancouver Club is hosting an evening of Chocolate with Thomas Haas.
- Harold has been in the hospital. He is now home and doing OK, and WOULD WELCOME VISITORS.
- The Terry Fox Run is coming up in September and NORM WILL NEED ALL THE HELP HE CAN GET.
- Tuesday April 29 is our big reception event for potential members. This is the Club within a Club event and we need all members out to make it a real hit. 80 – 200 invitational letters will be going out to prospective members. This is to be a relaxed evening. The keynote speaker will be from VASS. It will be at Cheers for 6 – 7:30PM
- District Conference early registration deadline is April 15 cost \$295 after April 15 \$325. So come join the fun. You can even just take in an individual event if you can't make the whole conference. Check out the District web site.
- The Wine Festival is moving forward. Please make a commitment for ticket sales.

### **Sergeant At Arms: Deborah**

Horatio Szeto drew Neil Creighton's number but it did not help him with the right card! He drew a 4 of Diamonds. The pot rises!!

This week's the challenge was who or what won the award in 1997 in the latest Rotarian. Safe Blood Africa. Mucho Dinero was collected from the non readers of the Rotarian! Comments were made on the new web site and the very professional Rotarian.

### **Happy and Sads**

Norm Thomson celebrated 40 years of marriage with Pam at the Empress in Victoria, all very Ta! Ta! Terry's Elaine had her school band win Best School Band ever and an invite to Music Fest Canada in Ottawa. 48 students, 11 parents and 1 Elaine, should be an interesting trip. All the best to the band.

### **Introduce speaker: Jeff Pearce**

Our own David W. Philip was the speaker for this evening. David told us how both sets of his grandparents came over in 1910 from Scotland and northern England to Nanaimo to mine coal. His parents married in 1935 and his father continued coal mining, then chicken farming and then joined the Canadian Army and went overseas the European Front. When he returned he went with the BC Power Commission. Together they raised three boys. David grew up and went to school in Nanaimo. He quit school in grade 11 to go logging but returned to complete grade 12. He went back to logging and on to a great variety of jobs and schooling throughout the years. As well as logging, David has been involved in mining, computer sales, security, all in various capacities. His work has taken him all over, to the Yukon, Nevada, Alberta, and Ontario and back to B.C. He is still active and interested in mining and always has his eyes and ears open for new opportunities. David was married to Barbara, who passed away in 2003, they have two children, Jennifer and Brad

John Ward gave an enthusiastic thanks to David and gave him our coveted Rotary pen.

### **Toast to Rotary International: By Norm Thomson**

#### **The 4 – Way Test: Joan Ferri**

Of the things we think, say or do:  
Is it the TRUTH?  
Is it FAIR to all concerned?  
Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?  
Will it be BENEFICIAL TO all concerned?

President Neil adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM and wished a great Rotary week.

### **Future Meetings / Key dates:**

Apr 14 RYLA – Danica Meursing with RYLarians Horatio Szeto and Gregory Sit  
Apr 21 No meeting – meeting moved to Thursday,  
Apr 24 Joint Meeting – 4 North Shore Clubs – Incoming GSE Team  
Apr 28 No meeting – meeting moved to Tuesday,  
Apr 29 Club-in-a-Club – Membership Program

### **Wheel Squeals - Editor for a Day**

Apr 14 Neil McDonald  
Apr 24 Bob McKilligan  
Apr 29 Laurie Porter