



THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS

January 5, 2009

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Joy Jones cheerfully greeted members and guests. Guests included District Governor-Elect Gordon Dalglish, Hirst Hammer, a visiting Rotarian from Switzerland, Nels Hagenson, a Rotarian from Tortula, British Virgin Islands, and Paul MacDonald, a prospective new member. It was DGE Dalglish who led the inaugural national anthem to welcome 2009.

Fred Sverre gave the shortest invocation on record: "Thank God".

Announcements

1. Brian Hooshi spoke of the Iranian Festival to be held on March 15, 2009 in Mahon Park in North Vancouver to mark Persian New Year. He has 70 corporate sponsors and expects attendance to exceed that of last year. All Rotarians and guests are welcome.
2. Fred Sverre informed us salmon sales were once again a success.
3. Operation Red Nose revenues were summarized by President Norm. 235 rides netted \$7750 and corporate sponsors contributed \$14,600 for a total of \$22,350. Not bad considering snow shut down ORN early on 3 nights.
4. Alec Wallace, who serves on the Board of Klahanie House, announced that KH is seeking a building manager.

Sergeant at Arms

David Philips had the winning ticket but failed to be beat the not inconsiderable odds, (being a new deck) and did not select the ace of spades.

Fines were levied against those who were not aware that make up Rotary meetings can now be attended by email, a pilot project of RI started in 14 Rotary clubs worldwide in 2008.

Guest Speakers

Kathy Kreiner- Phillips and Olive Tubb are both professional athletes. Kathy is an Olympic Gold Medalist from the Innsbruck Winter Olympics in alpine skiing and Oliver is a competitive golfer with the Canadian Professional Golf Tour.

Both athletes are dedicated to mentoring young people in the world of sport. Kathy works with "Youth Unlimited" for disadvantaged kids as well as coaching young athletes to manage the stress of competition. Oliver works with charities that focus on kids such as "KidSport", whose mandate it is to help financially challenged families pay fees for sport and equipment for their children. Oliver currently is soliciting corporate partners to assist in this fundraising. To that end Oliver and President Norm organized a "Putt Off" - 1 putt for \$5 and 5 putts for \$20 with the prize being a bottle of single malt scotch whiskey. John Ward demonstrated the most finesse and captured the Glenfiddich for his own.

President Norm thanked both the speakers and proudly presented each of them with a Polio Eradication Certificate representing immunization of 20 children against polio.

Meeting Adjourned

The toast to Rotary International was given by Norm Binion and Dan Eisenhauer led us in the Four Way Test.

Future Programs & Events:

Jan 12 th	Superintendent of Schools, North Vancouver School District 44 - John Lewis
Jan 19 th	Youth Drug Addiction - David Steverding, Vancouver Police Department
Jan 26 th	GSE 2009 Outgoing Team to England
Feb 2 nd	GSE 2008 Outgoing Team (Deneka et al) - Tanzania Documentary

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