

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS



23rd July 2012

Created By Bob Nowell

President Wendy Law called the meeting to order at 6:35 with a reluctant ringing of the bell.

O Canada: Neil McDonald took the lead in the singing of our anthem.

Invocation: The reliable Bob McKilligan took from his repertoire of invocations and provided us with another thoughtful and inspiring invocation. Recognizing that the Sergeant-At-Arms tonight was Alec Wallace, Bob provided an Irish invocation.

Introduction of Visitors: Guests for the evening were Khayanga Wasike, our guest speaker and a member of the Vancouver Quadra club, Margaret Joseph, also of Vancouver Quadra, and her husband, Adrian.

Announcements:

Norman Thomson announced that the planning for the Terry Fox Run (scheduled for Sept. 16) is well underway and work requests will be coming. Norman also announced that a member survey will be held in September.

Sergeant-At-Arms:

Alec Wallace filled in as Sergeant-At-Arms. Adrian Joseph won the draw but Alec continued to hide the Ace of Spades so it was not drawn. At his last golf game, Rolf Gillardon said he had a good front nine but a not so good second nine. Bob Nowell was glad to have had his daughter and grandkids visiting from Ottawa recently. Neil McDonald said that Pao has returned to Mexico and he had just talked to our incoming exchange



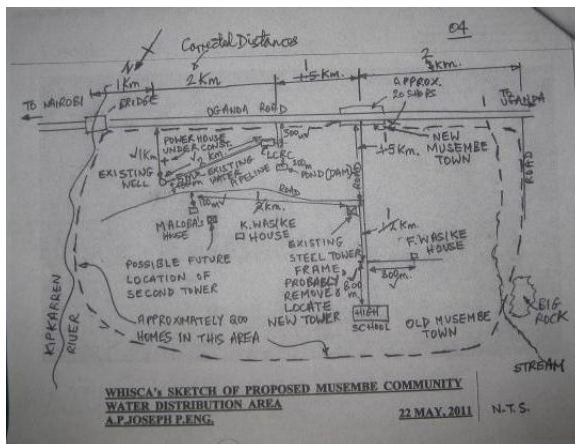
student and her family in Brazil. Bob McKilligan commented that Alec had recent surgery on his hand "in order to help his golf game" - most members were skeptical that this would help. Margaret, Khayanga, and Adrian were all pleased to visit our club again. The Sergeant did not levy any fines.

Introduction of the Speaker:

Neil Creighton read from the impressive resume of Khayanga Wasike, President of Willing Hearts International Society - Canada (www.whisca.org), and introduced her as our speaker.

Program:

After an introduction of the project in Lugari, Kenya, Khayanga turned it over to Margaret Joseph. Margaret presented a series of pictures about the area and people involved in the project.



Adrian Joseph then provided more details; as there was no map, he made a rough map using Google Maps. Later, he arranged for a Vancouver engineering firm to prepare a detailed map of the

water source and lines; this map will make it much easier for everyone involved to understand the project.

Khayanga then took over and said that after 15 years, she started to give something back to her people. There is a lot of gardening now occurring in the village but the lack of water is the problem. Many families spend all day collecting water that may be unsafe, and school children are helping in these efforts and are thus unable to attend school. There are a lot of things underway and progress is happening.



Thanks to Speaker:

Neil McDonald did an excellent job of describing Rotary's program to eradicate polio and presented Khayanga with a certificate pledging the club to immunize 20 children against polio in her name.



Toast to Rotary International: With the meeting running a little late the members in unison toasted Rotary International.

The 4-Way Test: Similarly the club members recited the 4-Way Test. President Wendy, hearing nothing more for the good of Rotary, adjourned the meeting.

Future Meetings / Key Dates

Jul 30	Club Assembly - Fellowship Evening
Jul 31 (Tues, 6:15)	Picnic at Rotary Bluff (Cypress Mountain Road) - hosted by the Rotary Club of West Vancouver
Aug 6	No Meeting - BC Day Statutory Holiday
Aug 13	Sales Coaching to Increase Profit, The Leverage Advantage - Robin Elliott, President & CEO, Elliott Enterprises Inc.
Aug 20	The Economy, Interest Rates and the Stock Market - Jack Bass, Jack A. Bass & Associates
Aug 27	Fellowship/Social Evening - BBQ at home of member David Spears
Sep 3	No Meeting - Labour Day Statutory Holiday
Sep 10	World Vision in Haiti - Jennifer Crosby, Project Management Consultant (former), World Vision Canada
Sep 16 (Sun)	Terry Fox Run - Inter River Park
Sep 17	Registered Disability Savings Plans - Tom Locke, facilitator, COMPAS Research/Hub Consulting Services
Sep 24	Club Assembly - Fellowship Evening
Oct 20 (Sat)	North Shore Rotary Wine & Food Festival - Park Royal South
Oct 24	District Governor Visit - DG Rebecca McPherson

