

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS



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**Desk:** Alec welcomed the attendees at our trial venue for the evening, the MarinaSide Grill, where we have now enjoyed the food and atmosphere for three consecutive meetings. Alec was very quick at cashing in the rounded up \$25 dinner fee and Rotary International donation.



**O Canada:** As the momentum is slowly but surely building up towards the Great Capilano Duck Splash, we had Norman Thomson give us a tuned starter note for the O Canada anthem.

**Invocation:** Bob McKilligan graciously, once again, produced one of his very "a propos" invocations. Bob has so many of them and they always seem to either fit or set our mood for a good evening.

**Guests:** No guests this evening, a Club Assembly.

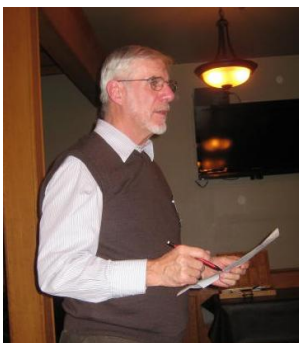
## **Announcements:**

We have received requests from several organizations for funding and have approved two of them using the proceeds of Operation Red Nose:

- \$1000 will be directed towards the Mountainside Mini Canoe Journey for youth at risk, many of whom are aboriginal, and supported by the Integrated First Nations Policing Unit and the North Vancouver RCMP, and led by Constable Joey Starr
- \$1000 will be donated the Peer to Peer program on the North Shore, an alcohol and drug awareness program put on in conjunction with Odd Squad Productions, an independent group of police officers having affiliation with the Vancouver Police Department

Also, Vancouver Adaptive Snow Sports (VASS), a group we have supported in the past, will be approached regarding their needs and how we might support them in helping disabled youth.

This being the ramping up to the Great Capilano Duck Splash, we had Norman Thomson take the floor and give us another pep talk towards ticket sales. Norman explained some of the tactics he uses. But, of all of us Duck Ticket Salesmen want-to-be's, Bud is the man. Bud was able to bring in over \$1200 from three days of leisurely sales at "Save-On-Foods" on Marine Drive. We asked Bud for his technique and he did give us a few tips. But the man has it in him. He goes for the un-expecting shoppers, busy picking onions or apples, and starts explaining to them the wonders and benefits of the Duck Splash and of the great prizes it offers. I wish I could do what he does, he is a smooth salesman.



Norman Thomson went on to explain that if we all sold a \$1000 worth of tickets, we would be off to the races. Norman sees selling Duck Splash tickets as a trait we should all work on. It is easy! He recounted the story of the old Chinese man who, after being helped by a good Samaritan (Rotarian), was inclined to buy a ticket which will, most likely, end up being the 1<sup>st</sup> prize winning ticket.

**Sergeant-At-Arms:** No winners once again, thanks to Alec for holding on to the Ace of Spades.

**Toast to Rotary International:** President Wendy led the group in toasting Rotary International.

**The 4-Way Test:** President Wendy led the group in the 4-Way Test and then, hearing nothing more for the good of Rotary, adjourned the meeting.

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?

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### Future Meetings / Key Dates

- Apr 1** No Meeting - Easter Monday
- Apr 8** 2014 Canada Cup for Homeless Soccer - Charles McGregor
- Apr 15** Operations Briefing for The Great Capilano Duck Splash - Norman Thomson and team
- Apr 21** Great Capilano Duck Splash  
(Sun)
- Apr 22** Fellowship Evening - Duck Detagging
- Apr 29** Choosing to Smile - Glenda Standeven, Rotarian, 25-Year Cancer Survivor and Amputee

