



THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER **WHEEL SQUEALS**



April 29, 2013

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Desk: David Spears greeted those members and guests attending.

O Canada: Norman Thomson led us in O Canada.

Invocation: Bob McKilligan gave the invocation.

Guests: We had two visiting Rotarians and five guests. Our speaker is a Chilliwack Rotarian and was formally introduced later in the evening. Jacci McTavish is a West Vancouver Sunrise Rotarian. Toph Whitmore, previously a Rotarian in the USA, Lee O'Neill and Fred Moseley from West Vancouver, and Loraine Whelan and Brian Madden, recent immigrants from Ireland interested in Rotary, were our non-Rotarian guests.



Announcements:



President Wendy Law announced that the North Vancouver Lions Gate Club is hosting a Fashion Show fund raiser later in May.

Norman Thomson reported on the April 21, 2013 Duck Splash in a very flamboyant manner and presented a Duck Race apron for the Sergeant-at-Arms to auction. Norman thanked the Club members for their efforts. It was a memorable event. The next meeting will be a partners event with special guests including some winners and sponsors.



Sergeant-At-Arms: Michael Schelhaas did this duty. In the ticket draw Deborah Sommerfeld held the winning ticket, but failed to draw the Ace of Spades. Michael auctioned off the Duck Race apron with David Spears being the winning bidder!

Happy and Sads: Bob McKilligan proudly reported that Frances had won four gold and two silver medals at the Provincial Masters Swim Meet in Vancouver. Many happy dollars were contributed to celebrate Frances' achievements.

Presenter:

Our speaker, Glenda Standeven, was introduced by Michael S. Glenda is a very inspirational lady who has made a terrible negative into a very special positive. Now a Rotarian, she was introduced to Rotary by being presented with a Paul Harris Award. Her many awards include an Anniversary Award from the Queen.

Glenda titled her talk "Choosing to Smile!", which sums up her attitude perfectly. She shared her story of being diagnosed with cancer in late 1987, losing her right leg, hip, and pelvis, surviving two years then having a second child, and the adjustments she has made to function normally. She is "different", not disabled! She has learned to receive assistance graciously and has "chosen to smile!".

Glenda's misfortune has become a blessing because of her willingness to look past her adversity and help others by telling her story and sharing her positive attitude. Her presentation was joyful. Glenda has co-authored a book which she made available at the meeting.



Thanks to Speaker: Deborah Sommerfeld thanked Glenda for her inspirational message and presented her with a Polio Plus certificate promising, in her name, to immunize 20 children against polio, with the intent of its worldwide eradication.

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:

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?

Hearing nothing more for the good of Rotary, President Wendy adjourned the meeting.

Future Meetings / Key Dates

- May 6** Prize Banquet - Great Capilano Duck Splash
- May 13** Canadian Newspaper Industry - Peter Kvarnstrom, Glacier Media Group
- May 20** No Meeting - Victoria Day Statutory Holiday
- May 27** Education for Women in Africa - Maness Samuel, former student at Rotary supported school in Malawi
- Jun 3** Sustainability Television - Jason Robinson, CEO
- Jun 10** RCMP Schooner St. Roch - Dan Lemieux, Retired RCMP Staff Sergeant

