

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS



## June 3, 2013

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11 Rotarians dutifully turned up for this evening's meeting.

O Canada: Daniel Tardif led us in the singing of the national anthem.

**Invocation:** Reliable Bob McKilligan provided the invocation, an excellent impromptu version.

#### Announcements (of which there were many):

- 1. David Spears provided an update on this year's wine festival. Everything Wines is on board as well as 6 restaurants.
- 2. Joy Jones mentioned that dues need to be paid shortly, and the amount will be sent to everyone soon. Also, John Ward will be advising members how much they need to contribute to bring their annual RI donations up to \$100.
- 3. Fred Sverre said that the Rotary Circle by the Lions Gate Bridge requires volunteers for a work group on Saturday, June 15.
- 4. Wendy Law advised members that 3 scholarships are being donated from the interest on funds held by the North Shore Community Foundation; 2 scholarships are for students at Handsworth and 1 for Windsor. Presenters are required.

### Sergeant-At-Arms:

Neil Creighton stepped up to be the Sergeant for today and immediately had his number drawn; his luck ran out as he was unable to draw the Ace of spades. There were many Happy and Sads with many mentions of the showing by Fred Sverre's daughter-in-law, Tansy.

#### Program:

Our speaker for this evening was unable to make the meeting so Bob Malcolm volunteered to give a classification talk.

Bob was born in Rossland and his family moved many times in his young years (10 homes in 12 years). Eventually they settled in South Porcupine, Ontario, which Bob identified as, on occasion, the coldest place in Canada (-60F).

He obtained his Law degree at UBC. He worked for almost 30 years with Ladner Downs, and Davis & Company in Vancouver, and then left to assist his friend, Edward Fu.

Bob joined the Vancouver Rotary Club in 1981

and has filled a number of club positions and district positions. He has also worked with several people who became District Governors. He has also belonged to the Tsawwassen club and joined our club in 2012.

He has 6 grown children and 2 grandsons. He lives with his partner, Susan, in North Vancouver, and is now retired.

Bob explained about Edward Fu's golf course venture in which Bob had an interest. He purchased a number of parcels of land in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. With Discovery Land Company as partner, a golf course community was designed and built, including 2 marinas. The golf course is now ranked in the top 60 courses in the U.S. Enough of the lots and golf memberships were sold before the real estate market collapsed in 2008 so the project survived the recession. Edward Fu died in May, 2008 and his family sold all his assets.

**Toast to Rotary International:** The meeting wound up with the members in unison toasting Rotary International.

The 4-Way Test: Similarly the club members recited the 4-Way Test.

#### Future Meetings / Key Dates:

Jun 10	RCMP Schooner St. Roch - Dan Lemieux, Retired RCMP Staff Sergeant
	Presentation of donations to North Shore Rescue, The Lions Gate
	Hospital Foundation and Vancouver Adaptive Snow Sports
Jun 17	Heart Attack Recovery - Bob McKilligan, Heart Attack Survivor and
	Member, Rotary Club of North Vancouver
Jun 24	Installation of 2013/2014 Club Executive
Jul 1	No meeting - Canada Day Statutory Holiday



