



THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH VANCOUVER WHEEL SQUEALS

March 30, 2015

Created by Bob McKilligan

Desk: Joy Jones welcomed members at the MarinaSide Grill.

Guests: Jennifer Petersen and Hannah Smith from the Children's Wish Foundation; Javier Gardino, a beneficiary of the foundation, and his parents, Mana and Mario; and Don Carr, a prospective member.

Rotary Moment: Bob McKilligan provided a very appropriate Rotary Moment.

Announcements:

- 1) Covenant House Thank-A-Thon, April 20 – Instead of our normal Monday dinner meeting we will meet at Covenant House, 575 Drake Street, Vancouver, from 5:00 to 7:30 pm, to take part in their Thank-a-Thon during which we will be calling their donors to just say “thank-you” (and not to solicit further donations).
- 2) The District Assembly / Foundation Seminar is scheduled for April 25.
- 3) Our club strategic planning session will be held at the home of Joy Jones on Sunday, May 3, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.
- 4) The [2015 District Conference](#) is May 8 – 10 at the Pinnacle Hotel at The Pier, right here in North Vancouver.

Sergeant-At-Arms:

Bob Nowell did a fine job extracting contributions from his fellow members. Rupinder just missed the big win by drawing the Two of Spades.

Program:

Jennifer Peterson, Provincial Director of the BC & Yukon Chapter of the [Children's Wish Foundation](#), told us about their program of granting wishes to children aged 3 to 18 who are in chronic care. Between 1,000 and 1,100 wishes are granted each year in Canada, with about 85 in BC. The average wish cost is \$10,000. Jennifer was joined by Mana and Mario Gardino, and their son Javier. Mario told us about Javier and of his trip to Euro Disney in 2012, accompanied by the entire family.



Toast to Rotary International: Daniel led us in a Toast to Rotary International.

The 4-Way Test: The group recited 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?

Adjournment: President Daniel, hearing nothing more for the good of Rotary, adjourned the meeting.

Future Meetings / Key Dates:

- Apr 6 No Meeting – Easter Monday
- Apr 13 Club Assembly – Community Project Planning
- Apr 20 Thank-A-Thon – Covenant House, 575 Drake Street, Vancouver
5:00 - 7:30 pm
- Apr 27 Woodfibre LNG Project – Byng Giraud, VP Corporate Affairs, Pacific Oil & Gas /
Woodfibre LNG Limited
- May 4 Eye Glass Sorting Workshop – Third World Eye Care Society (TWECS) Warehouse, 7420
7:00 pm Mulberry Place, Burnaby
- May 11 Club Assembly – Community Project Planning
- May 18 No Meeting – Victoria Day Statutory Holiday

