



# The Rotary Club of Steveston

12111 - 3rd Avenue, Richmond, BC V7E 3K1  
Club Bulletin for April 2009



President Doug Nielsen welcomed members and guests to the Tuesday 7:00 am breakfast meeting at the Steveston Hotel. The Queen and Country were toasted, and the Invocation was given.

## April 7

### Guests:

Wally Philips – Assistant District Governor  
Gordon Dalglish – District Governor Elect  
Dieter Howald  
Charlie & Joan Haws– Friends of Rotary

### Speaker:

Bob Jones – Vocational

### Meeting Notes:

- Doug
  - Those wanting to attend the Victoria Conference are reminded to purchase their tickets soon.
  - **The Seniors Summer BBQ** will be held on **July 25, 2009**
  - **The Seniors Christmas Meal** will be held **tentatively on December 5, 2009**
  - **Our next board meeting is April 23, 2009**
  - We will have to assemble a committee to go over the applications for awards from the 3 schools. We currently have over 20 applications.
- Don / Bob B / Lee
  - Over 600 tickets now sold. We still need auction items. We also need to ensure that the live auction is promoted through the Cannery rooms during the evening event.
  - We need a letter of introduction for requests for donations for the wine fest.
- Jim
  - We presently have 22 teams registered for the Jimmy Ng Tournament. Our maximum is set at 24.
- Gordon
  - Rotary and also the Foundation has been impacted by the economic downturn.
  - The Foundation dinner will be in Richmond this year
- Susan
  - **McMath Interact will be holding a BBQ around May 5-7.** They want to invite Rotaract, Steveston and Richmond Sunset Rotary as well as Interact from Steveston/London. Any funds raised during this event will go towards Polio eradication.
- Bob B.
  - Just a reminder that the car show is a go and will require some volunteers.
- Bill Mc.

- **Seniors Torch Run June 7, 2009.** Our Rotary is sponsoring the torch run. It is the most visible event of the games. We will need help with torch setups etc. The run will start at 9am and finish at the Seniors Center.
- Dieter
  - The microscope is crated and will be shipped by month end.
- Sally
  - The Steveston Rotary received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Richmond School Board making us a Partner Sponsor within the School District.

## **April 14**

### **Guests:**

Dieter & Gisela Howald  
 Wilbur Walrond – Richmond Rotary  
 Charlie & Joan Haws – Friends of Rotary

### **Speaker:**

Rick Duff - Vocational

### **Meeting Notes:**

- Dieter & Gisela
  - Dieter gave us a follow up presentation of their trip to Nsambwe in Uganda. The slide presentation began with the village receiving of the school books donated by the Steveston Rotary to assist with the establishment of a school library. Dieter thanked Thelma and the Steveston Rotary for their additional donations of \$750 to enable the building of proper book shelves to enable storage of the books. The school administrator sent back a letter of Thanks to our Rotary for our assistance with this project.
- Don
  - The Wine Festival tickets are now sold out. There may be a few available if any that were distributed to members are returned as unsold. The next committee meeting is on Thursday at 7am in the board room of the Steveston Hotel.
- Bill Mc
  - Anyone interested in being a volunteer for Election day can contact Bill. There are approximately 100 people needed to assist with the polling stations on May 12.

## **April 21**

### **Guests:**

**R.A. McMath Costa Rica Operation Backpack participants**  
 Mrs. Diane Simonson, Sean, Kitty, Michael and Niki  
 Dieter Halward  
 Rene  
 Wilbur Walrond  
 John Yap

## Speaker:

R.A. McMath Students

An update by the Students on their Humanitarian trip to Costa Rica. 25 students went to Costa Rica "Centro de Educacion". 25 most needy families were selected for the backpack donations. The students participated in volunteer work while there. They prepared the foundation for a new building as well as other needed work to be done.

## Meeting Notes:

- Sean
  - McMath Interact will have a BBQ at McMath School on May 7 between 5PM and 7PM. Admission is \$5. and all funds will be donated to the eradication of Polio.
- Don and Team
  - All tickets to the Steveston Wine and Seafood night are sold out. Everything is organized but need help with auction items.
- Sally
  - Senior games - we are responsible for the torch run.
  - On September 20, at the Steveston Community Center (Net Shed room) we will host a Volunteer Appreciation Party
- Bill Mc
  - Need volunteers for the June 7 Senior Games Torch Run. The run will include every Community Center in Richmond. There are 38 runners so far and the run will be approx. 57 kms.
  - A Reception will be held on June 7 3PM-5PM at the Minoru Senior Center. The Delta Pipe Band as well as the Richmond Fire Department will be on hand.
- Jimmy Ng Tournament
  - Coast Capital has donated water bottles
  - Canfisco has donated a large salmon hamper
  - A/W will be supplying cookies, donuts etc.
  - Canadian Springs has donated water.
  - There will be 2 - 2010 Legacy Trophies
  - Friday evening we will require volunteers for assembly work.

## April 28

### Guests:

### Speaker:

Jane McFadden, Principal - Hugh Boyd School

An overview on Hugh Boyd School, it's programs and the students, staff and parents that support their programs.

### Meeting Notes:

- Doug
  - District Conference in Victoria, if you want to attend, please register soon
  - Letter from Gulf of Georgia Cannery thanking Steveston Rotary for the \$1,000 donation
  - **McMath Interact BBQ is on May 7, 2009 at McMath School at 5PM.**

- **April 30, is Steveston Rotary's 8<sup>th</sup> birthday.**
- **Bill Mc**
  - We need Rotary clothing for the Senior's Games. Also, we will need help at the Community Centers during the torch relay on June 7, 2009.
- **Lee**
  - We have a list of people needed for the Wine Fest evening. Please review the list and signup where required.
  - We need help with prewashing dishes on Wednesday at Gilmore Church. We will start at 1PM.
  - Table setup on Friday afternoon. Please be there by 2PM so that all tables etc, can be completed in time for the Health Inspector's visit around 4PM. There are approx 48 tables to be set up. The tables are numbered and floor plans will be available.
  - The Oyster shucking area will need constant cleanup to remove shells.
  - Cleaning up during the evening. We will meet at 6:45PM to divide the teams up and assign areas to be patrolled.
  - Saturday morning 9AM. We will be at the Cannery to clean up and clear out all remaining items. We need to be out of the building by 10:30AM for the Cannery Open House on Saturday.
- **Sally**
  - An update on **Neville** and best wishes to him on his recovery.

**UPCOMING EVENTS and REMINDERS**

<p><b>REGULAR MONTHLY:</b>          St. Alban's Meal: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues at 4:30 pm          Gilmore Meal: 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs at 5:00 pm  <i>The meeting handout and our website provide a more detailed event listing.</i></p>	<p><b>UPCOMING EVENTS:</b>          Steveston Seafood &amp; Wine Festival, May 1, Gulf of Georgia Cannery          Rotary Leadership Institute, April 18, Rotary 5040 District Conference, May 21-24          Jimmy Ng Street Hockey Tournament - May 29, 30 &amp; 31 – Steveston          Lacrosse, 2009 Richmond Senior Games Torch Run, June 7, the Oval.</p>	<p><b>BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES:</b>          Rob N.</p>
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