



The Rotary Club of Steveston

12111 - 3rd Avenue, Richmond, BC V7E 3K1
Club Bulletin for March 2008



President Sally Houston 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.

March 4 **Guests: Joan & Charlie Haws, Wilber Walrond, Corrine**

Meeting Notes: Speaker: Lisa Westermarck – Richmond Hospital Foundation

- Don P distributed 7th Annual Wine Festival posters. There will be more wineries and restaurants.
- Doug & Susan showed pictures from Guatemala. Doug discussed a Steveston Rotary brochure.
- Bill M spoke of helping with the Friends of the Library book sale April 4 – 6.
- Lisa Westermarck spoke of Lions Manor intermediate care reconstruction. She also discussed a campaign to raise \$4 million for a MRI for important imaging. It can see smaller objects.

March 11 **Guests:**

Meeting Notes: Speaker: Deana Gilmore – Richmond Emergency Social Services

- Deana advises that Emergency Social Services steps in when an emergency such as fire, flood, earthquake or other similar situation forces people from their home. Emergency services provides up to 72 hours of lodging, food, and emergency clothing, and medical and pet assistance, and in the case of larger emergencies the province can extend that limit. Volunteers are welcome.
- Doug updated members on Rotary brochure status. Don P updated members on Wine Festival.
- Peter advised that the Garden City Lands public hearing was commencing.

March 18 **Guests: Syd Harmon, DG Toronto, Gord Dalglish ADG 5040**

Meeting Notes: Speaker: Club Assembly

- Syd speaks to schools and explains that Rotary helps with projects locally and abroad like schools.
- Don B spoke about scarves and stoves support for Central America.
- Doug Nature Park evening Apr. 26. Steveston Legacy Sculpture dinner this Thurs. evening.
- Jack advises help needed with Rotary Conference golf tournament, and Dine around.

March 25 **Guests: Syd Harmon**

Meeting Notes: Speaker: Katherine van de Gracht – CHIMO Crisis Services

- Katherine spoke of CHIMO's programs: With 35 volunteers, for women leaving violence, and people in poverty, in 14 languages serving 400. Also a pro bono law clinic.
- Richmond Multicultural Concerns Society has their 17th annual gala Apr. 3 with John Van Dongen.
- Wine Festival planning underway and over 300 tickets sold. Jimmy Ng planning progressing well.
- Vancouver Police Dept. has a 6 week long public police academy. Check their website.

UPCOMING EVENTS and REMINDERS

REGULAR MONTHLY:

St. Alban's Meal: 2nd Tues at 4:30 pm
Gilmore Meal: 4th Thurs at 5:00 pm
The meeting handout and our website provide a more detailed event listing.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Club Leadership Assembly March 29
Steveston Seafood & Wine Festival, Apr. 25, Gulf of Georgia Cannery
Rotary Leadership Institute, Rotary 5040 District Conference, May 15 - 18
Jimmy Ng Street Hockey Tournament - May 25-26 – Steveston Lacrosse

BIRTHDAYS:

Bob B, Judy, Deb