



THE HORIZON



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ROTARY CLUB OF PARKSVILLE DISTRICT 5020

Meets at the Quality Inn Oceanside Monday - 12 Noon. 240 dogwood Street, Parksville

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MEETING March 26, 2007

O Canada

led by Bashir El Khalafawi, Assistant District Governor



Blessing by Bill LeSage, Bashir's twin brother.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

- Peter Doukakis, Parksville AM
- Bill LeSage, Lantzville
- Bashir El Khalafawi, Parksville AM
- Walter Melnyk – Winnipeg
- Kim Birden, Parksville AM
- Teresa Patterson, Parksville AM
- Jack Wray, Gimley
- Chris Mohr, Guest of the Club

Doug Hill will be inducted April 2nd as our newest member of Parksville Rotary Club.

Julie's Report

Julie was piped in (bag pipes) by visiting Rotarian Jack Wray. Everyone stood and clapped as Jack led Julie around the room. Julie is back at school after an eventful spring break. She spoke of her activities, staying with the Andersons, shopping, shopping, attending a Nanaimo Clippers hockey game, bowling and I think she said more shopping.

Bingo this week

Janet Smukowich.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

None this week

Health of the Club

Joan Cunningham is felling better, Dave Cunningham is doing about the same. They sent a card of thanks to the Club for the flowers we sent to them.

Joke of the Day

Gary told a short story about a drunk who though he was a cripple. It was so bad, the Sgt. at Arms charged him \$1.

Thank You

The club received a thank you card from Nina Hill for our donation to the BC Lung Association.

Peace Park Update

Bill Burgoyne announced the first work bee will be April 15, starting at 1pm. There is lots of work to be done to get the gardens and grounds ready for spring.

Bill is looking for volunteers to mow the lawns. He needs 2 persons per week for about 1 _ hours to do the mowing. The club has a rider mower and a push mower. Please forward you name to Bill and with the list of volunteers he will set up a schedule. With enough volunteers, hopefully you will only be called on about once a month.



New Members

Assistant District Governor, Bashir installed Peter Doukakis and Chris Mohr.

Peter Doukakis has transferred in from Parksville AM. Our meeting time better suits his schedule. Peter is the Executive Director of the Parksville and District Chamber of Commerce, he is married to Linda and they have 3 sons.

Chris Mohr is the managing partner at Central Builders, Home Building Centre at French Creek. Chris is married to Gillian and has a daughter and son.

Welcome, Peter and Chris!!!

Make Ups

Janet Smukowich at her previous club. Fred Collins, 3 make ups in California and Arizona and one on line at E-Club One on the internet.



Guest Speaker - Bill McKinney

Bill is the Executive Producer of Extravaganza Stage Productions Society, an off shoot of Parksville Beach Festival and responsible for staging the "Nights of Entertainment" through out Beach Fest for the past 4 years. Bill spoke of a project they are spearheading, to build an outdoor Performance Stage in the Community Park. At last years The Nights of Entertainment over 25,000 attended, averaging over 1000 persons per night. They used the existing picnic shelter as a stage. Although it works because it has to, Bill and his committee have dreams of building a profession outdoor stage in the southwest corner of the park.

The facility would have a covered elevated stage, change rooms and washrooms for performers, a storage room for stage equipment, power, amplifiers, lighting equipment and a fenced area for spectators. “The Nights of Entertainment” and many other outdoor festivals and performers could use this facility throughout the year.

The first step is to tap into the Provincial Government’s Sprit Square Program. This program provides matching grant funds for communities to build a community gathering place. Bill assured the audience that there would be no local tax dollars involved. The City of Parksville has stepped forward to provide assistance with the application and site selection. For this first step they are applying to the province for a \$50,000 grant to assist with a detailed design and cost estimates, complete the site selection and development an operational plan. Once that is done they will be looking for contributions from the community to raise the local share so they can tap into provincial funding for the balance. The estimate is \$400,000 with \$200,000 from the community. Bill put the Rotarians on notice that he thinks this would be a great project for our club to get behind. Most in attendance agreed.

50/50 Draw

Last week Leslie Tombs won the pot - \$305. So this week we started from scratch with \$30ish in the pot, and 24 white and 1 black marble. Ted Taylor’s ticket was drawn, but he drew a white marble and won a key chain with a secret compartment.

Taste of Oceanside

Bashir announced the Rotary Club of Parksville AM will be hosing “Taste of Oceanside” on May 26, 2007, 6:30 pm to 9 pm at the Parksville Community and Conference Centre. This event will feature a variety of local restaurants showcasing their menu items. At the event participants will purchase tickets for \$1 that can be used to purchase samples from the restaurant participants. Admission tickets are \$10.

Sgt at Arms – Ron Taylor and Judy Elliott

- Bashir for leading O Canada with the voice of a camel.
- Bill LeSage for not leading the Rotary Blessing
- Keith for playing with his marbles when others were trying to speak
- Gary for his joke and for not buying a 50/50 because the pot was so small
- Murray and Rus – pay a fine today and find out why next week
- Terry for refusing to be guest Sgt. at Arms
- Stan was accused of losing Ted’s nametag
- Christine for laughing with Leslie during presentations by others
- Mark not quite on time
- Ted for his winning ticket

- Al for his driving, if you could call it that
- Doug for driving over the curb in his “not 4x4” Acura car
- All the Parksville AM members for attending so they could eat first
- Chris and Peter – Welcome to the Club
- Happy Dollars from Jack Wray who is heading back to Gimley Manitoba and won’t be back for 2 years. This is Jack’s club away from home, and he invited all members to join him in Gimley when they are in the area. Jack will be Club President next year.
- Happy Dollars from Doug, Bashir, Christine, Judy
- Happy \$5 from Pres Bob for having Uncle Bashir install new members Chris and Peter and having his father in law at the meeting.

Area Make-up Possibilities

Monday:

Rotary Club of Qualicum Beach 18:15
Rotary House, Qualicum Beach

Tuesday:

Rotary Club of Qualicum Sunrise 07:00
Glengarry Golf Links, Qualicum Beach

Rotary Club of Arrowsmith Sunrise 07:15
Coast Hospitality Inn, Port Alberni

Rotary Club of Courtenay 12:00
Coast Westerly, Courtenay

Rotary Club of Nanaimo North 18:00
Nanaimo Golf & Country Club

Wednesday:

Rotary Club of Parksville AM 07:00
Bayside Oceanfront Inn

Rotary Club of Nanaimo Day Break 07:00
Swiss Chalet

Rotary Club of Strathcona Sunrise 07:00
Crown Isle, Courtenay

Rotary Club of Nanaimo Oceanside 16:00
Nanaimo Golf & country club

Thursday:

Rotary Club of Lantzville 07:00
ABC Restaurant, Nanaimo

Rotary Club of Port Alberni 12:15
Best Western Barclay Inn, Port Alberni

Friday:

Rotary Club of Nanaimo 12:15
Howard Johnson Island Inn

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