



# EYE OPENER

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Rotary Club of West Vancouver Sunrise



Proceedings of the meeting on:  
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**Invocation:** Tamara.

### Guests/ Visitors:

- Maureen Turner, Fromme Elementary Playground Project, thank you for coming.
- Diane Bogue, also representing the Fromme Elementary Playground Project, welcome.
- Vicki Haller, last time as a visitor, great to see you again.

**Regrets:** Robert, Bruce, Klaus.

### Club Business/ Announcements:

- Nico bid a hearty good-morning and **welcome** to all members and guests.
- Val recapped the latest **District Incoming Leadership Training Seminar**: professional trainers kept the sessions lively and fun, a pilot project for Projects Service Administration is set to simplify the four pillars of service, and seven members from our Club attended, a great turnout and thanks to all who made it!
- **WineFest 2003**: the organizing committee met on Tuesday, each meeting will be chaired by a different Rotarian, the marketing committee is doing a great job but the event is still seeking a cause to support, e-mail Nico with any suggestions.
- The organizers of the **Aboriginal Police Canoe** project will address our Club at a future meeting.
- The **induction** of our Club Board of Directors will take place at a glamour breakfast meeting June 26<sup>th</sup>, incoming District Governor Mary Watson and Mr. Watson will be in attendance.
- Participants can now register for just one day of the **annual District Conference** in Whistler, cost per day is \$100.00.
- The **GSE Team from Brazil**, visiting in June is still looking for hosts on the North Shore, contact Robert for details.
- The **Club Board meeting** is next Wednesday, 7 am at Klahanie Seniors Residence.
- Peter reported that the **WV Youth Centre**

**Volunteer Appreciation night** last night was a great success, Mayor Wood was in attendance, the Centre celebrated the 21 different projects undertaken by the group over the last year, and our Club received a Certificate of Appreciation for our support.

- Ken distributed our **new name badges** today, a second set for members to take home to be used at make-up meetings will arrive soon, thanks for the great work on this Ken.
- Jim auctioned off some left over items this week and increased the **Badger Relief Fund** by another \$250.00.
- Nancy updated us on the **District 5040 Annual Conference**: as mentioned there is now a one day rate available and anyone wishing to car-pool on the opening Friday of the event should contact her. The Laughter portion of this year's theme is not to be underrated: laughter is great exercise for the shoulder, chest and diaphragm muscles, produces endorphins that lower stress, and can increase our pain threshold. All great reasons to find humour in our daily lives.
- Hendrik introduced his friends and today's **guest speakers**: Maureen Turner and Diane Bogue from the Fromme Elementary Playground Project. The project is three years old now and is being undertaken to replace a 25-year-old playground that no longer meets the needs of the school or the community. The playground does not meet today's safety standards and has no provisions for the enjoyment of the physically disabled, a requirement that does not exist in Canada but one that the project is determined to meet. The organizers are also ensuring that the project is of benefit to the entire community and not just the students of Fromme Elementary. The 3-year-old project is completely the work of the parents of the community's children, no help has come from the school district. Beginning with just one piece of equipment the project, when completed, will be comprised of a

modular structure that can be used by one and all with the added benefit of wheelchair access and facilities that will allow the physically able to interact with the disabled. The brightly coloured modules include slides, swings, ramps, tunnels and playing surfaces designed to stimulate children and provide a safe, fun place to play together. The total cost of the Project is almost \$80,000.00 and the organizers are within \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00 of their goal but time is of the essence: the price of this equipment will be increased if not purchased within a certain

time frame. This year the organizers are on their final push for funding and seeking corporate and community support. A fashion show/fundraiser will be held at Argyle Secondary School April 26<sup>th</sup> and the North Shore News has graciously supplied advertising for the project. Our Club will be discussing support for this project over the next while. Nancy thanked Diane and Maureen for telling us about their project this morning.

- **50/ 50/ happy/ sad:** Nico, a winner every time!

**Meeting adjourned.**



Nancy (right) thanking Maureen Turner (left) and Diane Bogue (middle) who came to the club today to share their ideas for the new wheelchair accessible playground for the Fromme Elementary School.

Anyone for a beer? This bottle of "Badger" beer was auctioned off to raise funds for flood victims in Badger NF.

Thanks to Ken, each member now has a new set of name badges – one to take home with you for make-up meetings, and the other one to stay in the club. On the left we have the "before", and on the right the "after".

## WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

### Centennial Legacy Project - Report to the Presidents

Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm, West Vancouver, Klahane.

### Club Board meeting

Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 7 am, West Vancouver, Klahane.

## SPEAKERS PROGRAM

Date	Speaker/ Event	Topic/ Title/ Venue
<b>APR</b>	<b>"The Rotarian" MAGAZINE MONTH</b>	
10-Apr-03	Maureen Turner (Hendrik)	Fromme Elementary School
15-Apr-03	Centennial Legacy Project - Report to the Presidents	
16-Apr-03	Board meeting	
17-Apr-03	Club Business Meeting	
24-Apr-03	Gaile Lacy	Post Polio Awareness & Support Society (604-986-0775)

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