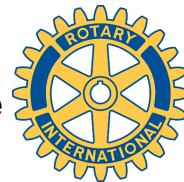




# EYE OPENER

mouthpiece of the  
Rotary Club of West Vancouver Sunrise



Proceedings of the meeting on:  
August 21, 2003

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**Invocation:** Tamara

### Guests/ Visitors:

- Riet Carter, a great friend of the Sunrise.
- Jaci McTavish, our source for Rotary esoterica and an old friend of the Club.
- Chris Loat, coming down the hill from the WV Club to join us for breakfast, thanks for coming Chris.
- Judith Harder, our Island connection, back again, great to see you and Bon Voyage to your daughter off to the Czech Republic for a year's studies.
- Mary Rose, former first lady of the Club and Ian's first lady forever!
- Towser Jones, Lecturer in History from Capilano College and today's' guest speaker, thank you for joining us.

**Regrets:** Marko, Tania, Bruce, Robert, Vicki

### Club Business/ Announcements:

- **Val welcomed one and all** to our **new meeting place: Rene's Restaurant**, South Park Royal Mall.
- Nancy introduced Towser Jones, from Capilano College, no stranger to addressing students such as us Towser's lecture for today is **'Why Study History?'**. Towser opened by saying that in order to dispel any notions that she is an academic in an ivory tower, unaware of the real world, she would like us to be aware that her father, husband and daughter being in the business world have kept her firmly grounded. In fact it was the God of the Marketplace (modern day commerce to us) Hermes that sparked her interest in history by committing the first cattle rustling of history (he stole Apollo's herd). History, Towser notes, is a necessary foundation for many disciplines including journalism, the law and politics. The disciplines of Humanities and the Social Sciences produce our critical thinkers and our writers, skills necessary for any and all endeavors. A study of history allows us to see things in a wider perspective and teaches us the moral and ethical lessons necessary for us to make decisions on matters of power, its' exercise and

consequences. In the worlds of politics and business the study of history helps us to be better informed as a populace and as members of society and the human race. Towser stresses that, far from being merely old stories, history is about real people in real situations and the lessons that can be learned from them. In closing Towser expressed her regret that our public education system does not do a great job instilling an interest in history in our students and that all educational systems do not place more emphasis on a subject so vital to creating a well educated society. Nico thanked Towser for speaking to us this morning.

- Anyone who has not remitted his or her total **quarterly dues** is asked to do so as soon as possible.
- The **Klahanie Newsletter** was distributed at today's' meeting.
- Tamara, Riet, Joan, and Michelle attended the **Klahanie barbecue** last week and had a tour of the buildings and met with the residents. Two meetings will be held with the residents in September; on the 9<sup>th</sup> the families will meet and on the 16<sup>th</sup> the seniors will get together.
- The **Dundarave Hoe Down** is coming up on the 30<sup>th</sup>. The West Van Club has generously offered us the use of their Club barbecue. Make sure your name is on the sign up sheet and bring down your friends and family for a fun evening.
- Val sent out an e-mail regarding a **Calgary Rotary Club's** request for a **sponsor/ monitor/ mentor** for a student visiting the North Shore for the upcoming school year.
- Val, Klaus, Ken and John attended a lunch at the **Ambleside Youth Centre**. All noted that it was great to see both the facility and the young people who benefit from it. Thanks also go out to Peter for his work with the center.
- A **fundraising meeting** will be arranged for September, any ideas, thoughts or comments should be forwarded to Val ASAP.
- Ian has prepared some great **handouts for prospective sponsors** for our Club, all members should be able to use the pamphlets as an aid to

getting community members and businesses to help our Club with a donation towards our service projects. Through his seemingly limitless resources and contacts Ian is also working on a **tax-exempt** status for the Club and developing **Certificates of Appreciation** for our sponsors.

- Nico notes that a **WineFest** committee meeting is scheduled for this week.
- **Rotary Centennial Legacy Project:** the committee will be meeting with the WV District Council in September, many of the services needed (engineering, architects, electrical etc.) are already

falling into place in the form of pro bono donations from professionals in our community. Still needed for the completion of this phase of the project are: a strong chairperson for coordination and work on fundraising ideas and projects to raise the money for the structure which will likely become the focal point for a rejuvenated and improved Ambleside park.

- **50/ 50/ happy/ sad:** no winners, no loser.

**Meeting adjourned.**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE – NEW MEETING VENUE

The club now meets at **Rene's Restaurant**, at 981 Park Royal South, West Vancouver, BC. Tel: 604-926-1018. (Located in the Park Royal Shopping Mall (South), entrance at Bank of Montreal, turn right, about 4-5 storefronts).

## SPEAKERS PROGRAM

Date	Speaker/ Event	Topic/ Title/ Venue
<b>AUGUST</b>		
17-Aug-03	Klahane Housing Project - BBQ	Klahane, Sat, 5:00 pm
21-Aug-03	Towser Jones, Capilano College History department	Importance of Teaching the Arts and Humanities.
28-Aug-03	Ken Burnett, Senior Partner in one of Vancouver's leading law firms	Estate Planning
30-Aug-03	<b>Dundarave Hoe-Down – Rotary Smokies Barbecue, Marine Dr.</b>	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
4-Sep-03	Lou Rivers, Archdeacon of St. Christopher's Church	Gay Marriage and the Anglican Church
9-Sep-03	Rotary Business Forum Meeting – Radisson, Burnaby	
14-Sep-03	<b>Terry Fox Run</b>	
18-Sep-03	Pam Goldsmith-Jones, West Vancouver District Councillor	Home Schooling
20-Sep-03	<b>Club Social - Day at the Track, Hastings Park, Starts 1:10 pm</b>	
25-Sep-03	Peter Speck, former publisher of the North Shore News	The Newspaper B
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
2-Oct-03	Gary Calder, North Vancouver Fire Chief	Dealing with Disaster on the North Shore
16-Oct-03	Ron Wood, Mayor of West Vancouver	West Vancouver Community Plan
18-Oct-03	<b>Rotary WineFest 2003 - Capilano Mall</b>	
23-Oct-03	Bent Harder, Rotary Volunteer	Life of a Volunteer Surgeon in the Developing World
30-Oct-03	Geoff Jopson, West Vancouver Superintendent of Schools	Future of the School District and the School System
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
6-Nov-03	Kelly Farnsworth, popular North Shore naturopath	Nutrition and Health
20-Nov-03	Ken Haycock, Professor of Management and Leadership at UBC and former West Vancouver District Councillor	Building Communities
27-Nov-03	Jackson Davies, renowned TV and stage actor	Life of an Actor