



# Eye Opener

MOUTHPIECE OF THE  
Rotary Club of West Vancouver Sunrise



Proceedings of the meeting of November 13, 2003

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### Invocation:

Mark

### Guests/Visitors:

- Dave Bradley needs no introduction.
- Carla Aydon, Rotarian from the West Van Club, great to see you!
- Ted McCormack, Rotarian from the Vancouver Sunrise Club, thanks for joining us.

### Regrets:

Ken, Nico, Nancy, Michelle, Klaus, Tania, Peter, Bruce, Joan, Sam, Janice.

### Make-ups:

Klaus, Ken, Hendrik.

### Club Business/Announcements:

- President Val welcomed everyone.
- The Club's Annual General Meeting is 07:30pm Nov 24<sup>th</sup> at the Park Royal Hotel conference room (upstairs). All members are asked to attend as the Club will need to ratify the Club Bylaws document.

- John is championing the Calendar sales fundraiser and held an impromptu sales clinic this morning. Move'em is John's motto: he exhorts us to use the big sales guns: flattery, shameless flattery, sympathy, praise, shameless praise, and extortion (but only as a last resort). The calendar is a beautiful production and the Club will receive \$5.00 from each one sold.
- Club Financial Statement: Hendrik reports that as of the end of October the Club is solvent with a \$1600.00 surplus in our general account and approximately \$8000.00 in trust.
- Operation Red Nose: Ray reports that the media kick-off is this Friday, 12:15 at the ICBC Claims Centre on MacKay in North Van. Our Club is working 2 nights: Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, be sure to submit your application soon and tell all your friends and colleagues who may be having house or office Christmas parties! This is the best transportation offer of the holiday season, let's make it a success.
- Seniors Christmas Luncheon: Robert has circulated a sign-up sheet and everyone is asked to reserve the day for this fun event!

- The Club is investigating the possibility of an Spring Fashion Show/Fundraising Evening. Vicki is leading the charge and soliciting support from the fashion industry.
- International Service: Marko will be attending the next meeting of the Rotary World Help Network and reporting back to the members on Service opportunities and container sponsorship in 2004.
- Ken reports that the Rockridge Interact Club has been working with the Union Gospel Mission and has collect hundreds of bags of clothing for our most needy citizens.
- West Van Youth Outreach Centre: Val has met with Director Ira Applebaum and will be requesting more accounting and feedback from the Centre prior to our further financial sponsorship.
- Robert has donated a T.V. to the Klahanie Residence and as Community Service Director hopes to organize a Christmas outing for the children this year.
- Membership: Ian reports that Blair has reluctantly decided to resign from the Club to fulfill family commitments, the Club unanimously declared Blair an Honorary Member in gratitude for his many years as a Club stalwart, we'll miss you friend, even in retirement Blair is actively helping the Club achieve its' tax exempt status. Further on membership: Bruce will be taking 6 months leave of absence to fulfill work commitments.
- The Club has decided to honour guest speakers with either: Certificates of Appreciation or Operation Eyesight Certificates.
- The Rotary Centennial Legacy Project proposal will be on the agenda of the West Vancouver Council meeting November 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Gaming Commission Funds: the Club poll indicates that the Club is in favour of and will apply for lump sum funding for its' Service Projects, and will also investigate further participation with the Commission.
- The Mike Jeffries Memorial Art Award will be sent to Rockridge school next week.
- Rotary Youth Exchange: District 5040 has asked that the Club consider participation in this program again. Dave Bradley spoke to the Club about his involvement with the RYE over 16 years. Dave notes that the experiences can be mixed with some students becoming part of the family and others not working out so well. Dave agrees that the logistics and execution of the program are not easy nor inexpensive but reminds us also that the Program is a Fundamental part of Rotary and can change the lives of both the students and the Rotarians involved.
- President Val presented our host Kathy with a Club Certificate of Appreciation for Rene's Restaurants' support of our Lunch Out Program for Seniors.

**50/50/happy/sad:**

Hendrik's arms' length got him the right ticket but the Ace of Clubs remained elusive, no winners, no losers.

**Meeting adjourned.**