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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST VANCOUVER
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Meetings held Tuesdays at 6:15 pm
Taso's Restaurant

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Meeting for Tuesday, April 1, 2008

Executive and Directors 2007–2008

- **President:** Clarinda Kung
- **Past President:** Oscar Pinto
- **President Elect:** Al Hasley
- **Secretary:** Chris Loat
- **Treasurer:** Paul Kissack
- **Sergeant-at Arms:** Dave Torrance
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- **District Governor:** Dean Rohrs

Guest Speaker

Chris Cooper resident of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows for the past 49 years and originally from Yorkshire, England has been in the Adventure travel business for the past 30 years. He has been responsible for pioneering many guided expeditions in Canada. He showed the club a video of his 2005 marathon ski journey from Ellesmere Island to Coburg Island in Canada's High Arctic.

Chris is responsible for pioneering the Big Canoe industry in British Columbia and has spent the last 17 years exploring on the ocean, rivers and lakes of the province. He owns a fleet of twenty big canoes. Chris has been exploring the BC and Alaskan coasts in a custom designed canoe named the Spirit Dancer for the last three years including a 2000km trip from BC to Alaska and back. The name Spirit Dancer has both depth and meaning, being blessed by the Katzie First Nation on the West Coast of Canada. The canoe is made from fibre glass and wood and measures a total of 42 feet long with a beam of 67 inches. The canoe has space for 12 paddlers and all of their gear. The decorative painting is by Roberta Lindsay and aims to replicate the style of a original birch bark canoe. Artist Mairi Budreau painted the motif on the Bow and Stern of the Canoe.

Chris is organizing and promoting his most challenging adventure yet; a voyage around the British Isles in Spirit Dancer during 2008 and 2009. He is planning to involve youth and adults from Canada and the UK in an amazing journey and provide the opportunity to learn about the culture, history, people, environment and most of all the Challenge of paddling its unique coastline. For more information please see Chris's website, www.spiritdancercanoejourneys.ca.



The second of 350 paddles to be made from trees from Stanley Park



Spirit Dancer



The Nahanee brothers make the paddles.

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Club Announcements

- Rotary District 5040 Conference, May 15 to 18 at the River Rock Casino
- The Lionsgate Rotary Club is holding its dinner fundraiser—"The Beat Goes On"—April 11 at Cheers. Tickets \$50. Please see President Clarinda for tickets.
- Contact Chris Loat to participate in the Rockridge Ethics and Vocational Program, ASAP
- Joint Northshore Rotary Club Meeting on April 24 for GSE presentation

E-Club Make-ups

If you are travelling or unable to do a make-up in person but have access to the internet, visit and participate in an E-Club program. Each site is open 24/7.

The following is a list of chartered Rotary e-clubs who are participating in the Rotary E-Club Pilot Project. To qualify as a make-up the attendee must spend at least 30 minutes at the E-Club site.

E-Club London Centenary (English)

www.erotarylondon.org/

E-Club Verkkorotary (Finish)

www.verkkorotary.fi/

E-Club Zante-Hellas (Greek & English)

www.rotaryclubzante.gr/

E-Club 3310 in Singapore

www.rotaryclub3310.org/

E-Club District 3450 in Hong Kong

www.rotary-eclubd3450.org/

E-Club of Taiwan (Chinese)

www.rotaryclub.org.tw/

E-Club of Latinoamerica (Spanish)

www.rotaryclublatinoamerica.org/

E-Club of District 4500 (Portuguese)

www.rotary4500.org.br/html/

E-Club of District 5450 (English)

www.rotaryclubone.org/

E-Club of Southwest USA (English)

www.rotaryclubsouthwest.org

E-Club of Southeast USA (English)

www.rotaryclub34.org/

E-Club of District 7150 NY (English)

www.rotaryclubny1.com/

E-Club of District 7890 (English)

www.rotaryclub7890.org/

In 2001 the Rotary International Council on Legislation adopted resolution 01-226 to provide for cyber clubs. In June 2001, Decision 348, the RI Board agreed to support a pilot project establishing cyber Rotary clubs. The Key Elements for this project were: To extend Rotary to business, professional, and community leaders who are unable to meet traditional attendance requirements because of extensive travel, or conflicting occupational demands, or physical immobility, or resident beyond reasonable distance from an existing Rotary club. Web communities in this project would foster friendship and good will among its members and pilot clubs would determine the viability and effectiveness of a cyber Rotary club framework.

Attendance and Make-ups

Attendance = 52% with 14 members attending and one make up by President Clarinda.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Chris Cooper, Guest Speaker and member of the Rotary Club of Haney
Gillian Eades-Telford—Rotary Club of Vancouver

Carla Aydon—Past member of our club

Secret Greeter: Classified Top Secret (maybe next week)

The Draw

Secretary Chris Loat asked visiting Rotarian Gillian to draw the winning ticket. She promptly drew her own ticket and received \$11 and a Bingo Card to potentially win \$25,000.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Dave Torrance was Missing In Action with no substitute in attendance.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Rudenz celebrated his 82nd birthday on April 4th

Peter Koh may be celebrating his birthday on either April 1st or 28th. Peter believes in the lawyer's creed; deny everything and demand proof.

Rotarian Andy has been a member of our Rotary club for 18 years.

Treasurer's Report as at April 1, 2008

Treasurer Paul Kissack reports that the Club is in very good financial hands. Unreliable sources have quoted Paul saying, "Before leaving the country and without approval of the Board, I invested all of the clubs hard earned cash in AAA rated Asset Backed Commercial Paper as recommended by my good friend and financial advisor, Alan Schwartz. These securities are guaranteed by Bear Stearns and insured by their wholly owned offshore subsidiary, Guido's House of Bail Bonds. With assurances like this, what could possibly go wrong???"

This space will be used to report the Club's general financial position on a regular basis. Paul does not know about this yet however the Editors are confident that he will be able to prepare an exciting (?) and informative financial report.

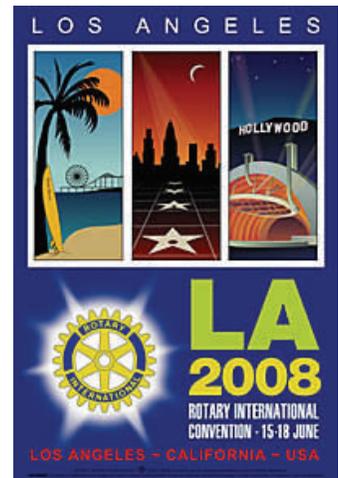
Rotary International News & Information

2008 RI Convention in Los Angeles, 15-18 June

See the Stars! Share the spotlight with fellow Rotarians in the entertainment capital of the world.

Los Angeles is the ideal stage for Rotary International’s annual extravaganza. Like the family of Rotary, this sprawling metropolis of 3.8 million people boasts a diverse ethnic mix and cosmopolitan flair. L.A. is the second-largest city in the United States and teems with activity and culture, from its star-studded motion picture industry to its picturesque beachfront communities and resorts.

Registration is available at www.rotary2008.com.



District 5040 News

DISTRICT 5040 SPRING CONFERENCE—May 15 to 18, 2008 at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond, B.C.

Everything is ripe for a great conference. Speakers will include Rick Hansen, Carol Taylor, Larry Campbell, Vicki Gabereau and many others. The Conference will include opportunities for networking, learning, entertainment and fellowship. It will be a great conference that will fill your heart with great memories.

Take time now to sign up for the 2008 District Conference in Richmond BC. Take time now to study the program and the speakers at www.Rotary5040.org



Calendar

- April 8—6:15pm Dee Dhaliwal, Sales and Marketing Director for the NS News
- April 11– 6:30pm Lionsgate Rotary presents “The Beat Goes On” Dinner and Dance at Cheers Restaurant. Proceeds to the Youth Safe House.
- April 15—6:15pm Michelle Lan—Classification Talk
- April 22—6:15pm Thomas Haas, The Chocolate Maker and Board Meeting
- April 24—6:15pm Joint Northshore Rotary Club Meeting—Cheers Restaurant—Meet the GSE team and listen to their presentation
- April 29—6:15pm Julie from The Door is Open
- May 6—6:15pm Stream Keeper and Club Assembly
- May 13—6:15pm Hanneke Eyres—Classification Talk and Christine Thomas, Adventure In Citizenship Award
- May 15 to 18 Rotary District 5040 Conference—River Rock Casino Resort
- May 20—6:15pm Chief Constable Heed, West Vancouver Police Department
- May 25 Rotary Seawalk Run/Walk
- May 27 No Meeting



Chris Cooper captivates his audience



Spirit Dancer’s rack system with kayaks in place for outriggers.

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the “Things We Say or Do,” the **FOUR-WAY TEST** asks the following four questions:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all Concerned?
3. Will it Build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all Concerned?



History of the Four-Way Test

From the earliest days of the organization, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is the Four-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor (who later served as the president of Rotary International) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. This code of ethics for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy. Adopted by Rotary in 1943, the Four-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways.

Adapted from information on Rotary International Web Pages (<http://www.rotary.org>).

Exit Laughing

There once was a business owner who was interviewing people for a division manager position. He decided to select the individual that could answer the question "how much is 2+2?"

The engineer pulled out his slide rule and shuffled it back and forth, and finally announced, "It lies between 3.98 and 4.02".

The mathematician said, "In two hours I can demonstrate it equals 4 with the following short proof."

The physicist declared, "It's in the magnitude of 1×10^1 ."

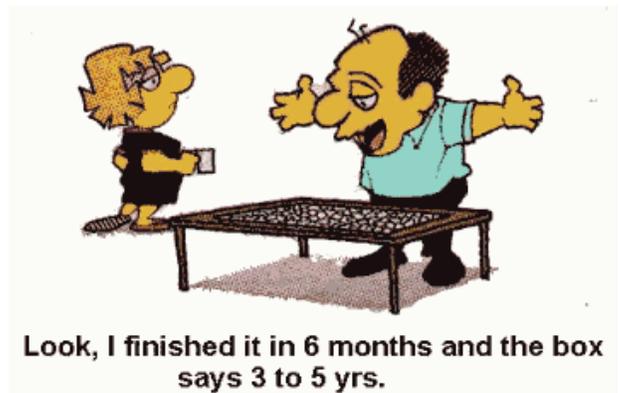
The logician paused for a long while and then said, "This problem is solvable."

The social worker said, "I don't know the answer, but I am glad that we discussed this important question."

The attorney stated, "In the case of Svenson vs. the State, 2+2 was declared to be 4."

The trader asked, "Are you buying or selling?"

The accountant looked at the business owner, then got out of his chair, went to see if anyone was listening at the door and pulled the drapes. Then he returned to the business owner, leaned across the desk and said in a low voice, "What would you like it to be?"



Three men: a project manager, a software engineer, and a hardware engineer are helping out on a project. About midweek they decide to walk up and down the beach during their lunch hour. Halfway up the beach, they stumbled upon a lamp. As they rub the lamp a genie appears and says "Normally I would grant you three wishes, but since there are three of you, I will grant you each one wish."

The hardware engineer went first. "I would like to spend the rest of my life living in a huge house in St. Thomas with no money worries." The genie granted him his wish and sent him on off to St. Thomas.

The software engineer went next. "I would like to spend the rest of my life living on a huge yacht cruising the Mediterranean with no money worries." The genie granted him his wish and sent him off to the Mediterranean.

Last, but not least, it was the project manager's turn. "And what would your wish be?" asked the genie.

"I want them both back after lunch" replied the project manager.