

**ROTARY CLUB OKANAGAN MISSION
MEETING NOTES AND NEWSLETTER
09 MAR 2015
CREEKSIDE PUB**

ATTENDANCE: 10/18 (55%)

VISITING ROTARIAN: Ken KILCULLEN Kelowna Club

ELECTIONS: Monika was nominated and acclaimed as Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP: Ken KILCULLEN has been proposed for Membership in our Club. Correspondence will be circulated to our Membership to ascertain if there are any objections. For administrative reasons Ken will remain a member of the Kelowna Club until 30 JUN 2015. We will induct Ken into our Club at the Installation Dinner on 29 JUN 2015. This provide us with an excellent opportunity to officially welcome Ken and Madeline to our Club. Ken's classification will be Radio and Television Broadcasting.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JUNE 18 to JUNE 21 UBCO CAMPUS

Jery URQUART (Kelowna Sunrise Club) Chairperson of the Conference Home Hosting Committee spoke to Club asking for volunteers to host out of town Rotarians for dinner on Friday 19th June.

Basically all it involves is for local Rotarians to host one, two or more visiting couples for dinner and an evening of fellowship. The ability to transport your guests from UBCO and back is desirable. From personal experience the Home Hosting is one of the highlights of the Conference. For example one year in Yakima a group of Rotarians and their non Rotarian neighbours who lived within close proximity of each other in a Subdivision on a lake co-hosted a progression dinner and we were transported between the residences by paddle boats pedalled by Exchange Students. In other cases the dinners are simple and casual BBQ's etc. Either way it is without question a fun and enjoyable evening.

If you are interested in hosting contact Jery direct at 250 861-4944 or pajurquhart@shaw.ca.

Jery also advised that there will be a need for other volunteers for registration, transportation etc.

ROTARY RADIO DAYS

PLEASE NOTE THAT MONDAY MARCH 23rd IS THE LAST DAY FOR SALES. HOWARD AND STEVE WILL BE COLLECTING CHEQUES AND ADVERTISING COPY AT THE MEETING THIS MONDAY.

GUEST SPEAKER

Art POST, Okanagan Men's Shed Organization

- **Men's Sheds originated in Australia where a workshop is referred to as a shed**
- **The Okanagan Men's Shed is a community workshop type environment where men can work on projects and socialize at the same time.**
- **Becoming a member of gives a man a safe and busy environment where he can find old fashion friendship in a safe and busy environment. It is based on the concept that "Men don't easily talk face to face; they talk shoulder to shoulder.**
- **Men's Shed has proven to be one of the most powerful tools to assist men combat and overcome isolation through death of a loved one, retirement etc. and to help restore self esteem.**
- **Some examples of shed activities include work working, card games, toy making, restoring bicycles etc.**
- **The Okanagan Shed has 15 members and they meet monthly in the workshop at Hawthorne Park.**

Art made it clear that he was not looking for funding per se but advice on how to best organize so they can apply for grants etc, to purchase materials etc. They are also looking for a permanent workspace.

FYI

Brenda BELL has returned to the Rotary Family as a Member of the Sunrise Club

Similarly Sandra MIMIC has joined the Oshawa Rotary Club

President Laurie demonstrated our new portable PA System.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

30 MAR 2015 Pot Luck Dinner at Mission Meadows. Numbers and food to be confirmed at the meeting on 23 MAR 2015. This is a partners/spousal event.

13 APR 2015 Regular Meeting. Very special guest speaker Paul Winkler former Kelowna newspaper editor. Winkler will provide some interesting insights into the newspaper publishing business and his dealings with Conrad Black. Spouses and partners welcome. RSVP so we can advise the Creekside the number of people that will be attending.

18 APR 2015 Rotary Club visioning training in Vernon. Members are encouraged to attend.

25 APR 2015 "Road Kill" (Lakeshore Road Clean Up) followed by breakfast at the Creekside.

29 JUN 2015 Installation Dinner at Creekside Pub. Weather permitting we will have a BBQ on the outside patio. More details to follow.

AND NOW FOR THE LIGHTER SIDE

A truck driver comes into a truck stop cafe and places his order with a new young inexperienced waitress. He says, I want three flat tires, a pair of headlights and four running boards.

The brand new waitress not wanting to appear stupid went to the kitchen and said to the cook; "This guy out there just ordered three flat tires, a pair of headlights and four running boards. What does he think this place is? An auto parts store.

No the cook says....three flat tires means three pancakes, a pair of headlights is two eggs sunny side up and four running boards are four slices of bacon extra crisp.

Oh OK said the waitress...she thinks about it for a minute and spoons up a large bowl of beans and takes it to the trucker.

The trucker asks "What are the beans for?"

(I love this.....!!!)

She replies " I thought while you were waiting for the flat tires, headlights and running boards you might as well gas up.

NEXT MEETING

Monday 23 MAR 2015

Pleasant thoughts

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Secretary
19 MAR 2015

