

ROTARY CLUB OF KELOWNA -OKANAGAN MISSION



MEETING NOTES AND NEWS LETTER

CREEKSIDE PUB AND GRILL

25 March 2019 Meeting called to order at 1800 Hrs. Ken KilCullen Presiding

Duties for the meeting:

- **Greeter – Christine Boisseau**
- **Anthem – Neil McKay**
- **Rotary Moment – Howard Peet**
- **Sheriff – Steve Wolfenden**

ATTENDANCE: Active Members 17/23 - 74% attendance

GUESTS: Keneisha Charles, Theresa Schwab, Aaliyah Charles, Becca, Jones Schack

CLUB BUSINESS:

- District conference in Kamloops May 2-5. Please register if you have not already done so. We need representatives on our behalf.
- Radio Days update by Steve: Lois has already gotten \$5350. Half way to our goal. Let's pull in the other \$5000 as a club. Last day to bring in your cheques is April 8.
- Road Kill: a date will be picked and communicated to all members. Possibly April 13th.
- Meat Draw: we need volunteers to represent us. We should meet our \$10,000 goal at the end of the year. Once the patio opens it will get very busy.
- Hawaiian Night: May 25th. Trixie to bring tickets next meeting.

SPEAKER: Interact Club RSS - Keneisha Charles, Theresa Schwab, Aaliyah Charles.

- Grade 12 students and executive members of the RSS Interact club sponsored by the Ogopogo and Morningside clubs
- Their Current project is a waste reduction initiative: Take Two
- Average person creates 4 pounds of trash per day. This uses up space and produces methane gas which contributes to the planet's pollution problem
- Recycling is shown to be the best option so far, but not utilized enough
- Take Two is a way to deal with our waste and mostly our plastic waste: Plastic recycling workspace. This will enable them to take plastic waste to their workshop to be sorted and recycled. The machines will transform the plastic into flakes to then become a one of a kind pot for resale and reuse.

- They hope to expand their product production to more uses like plastic phone covers, tiles and more.
- They are taking a holistic approach to waste reduction
- Reduce – Prevent – Expand
- They are looking to expand their vision. With the profit raised with the sale of their products they hope to expand to other communities
- They won the sustainable project challenge in Kelowna, received grants from Gennext and UN and have auditioned to be on Dragons Den.
- Finished Top 6 in the IGen challenge
- They are really expanding their reach and getting lots of support from people and organisations through grants and donations.
- The retail value of their workspace is over 25K but they are getting it for \$2500 paid over two years.
- Rotary has been a great support in helping them make connections and helping along the way.
- What do they need from us? Expertise, mentorship, and volunteers to help make this project even larger than it is.
- They are focusing on plastic because most of the other waste they found at their school was compostable.

Ken Bernath won the 50/50. Congrats!

Laurie Gaymer: Toast and Adjourn

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 19h 25

Next Meeting: April 8, 2019

Christine Boisseau, OKM Secretary