

ROTARY CLUB OKANAGAN MISSION  
MEETING NOTES AND NEWSLETTER  
CREEKSIDE PUB AND GRILL  
27 FEB 2017

Meeting Minutes compiled from notes forwarded by Rita

ATTENDANCE:	Active Members	12/20 (60%)
	Honourary Members	01/03
	Guests	8

ROTARY MOMENT: Ken KILCULLEN – Why People consider and join a Rotary Club

PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR (PETS) President Irma

- Irma had just returned from PETS, and provided a brief overview of her experiences. More to follow in the future. All in all lots of work but both motivating and informative

ROTARY RADIO DAYS – Steve WOLFENDEN

- Sales are slow but sure. Lois and her “bag man” Steve are leading the pack
- Sample letters have been forwarded to Club Members to help explain exactly what “radio days” are all about, and can be helpful when trying to explain the fundraiser to prospective advertisers.

CLUB WEBSITE – Laurie GAYMER

- The club now has a new Website which Laurie is in the process of updating and transferring information from the old domain.
- The address is: [okmrotary.com](http://okmrotary.com)
- There is a lot of information on the site, and it is growing almost daily. Everyone is encouraged to “have a look” .....I am sure you will be impressed and surprised.

ROTARY 101 – Assistant District Governor (ADG) Jim HAWKINS Area 5

- Jim gave his second of three presentations – Membership. District Governor Vern NEILSEN, as part of his District 5060 Strategic Plan directed that all ADG’s do three presentations to their respective Clubs on Membership, Leadership and the Foundation
- The main thrust of Jim’s presentation was reiterated from the Membership Matters Workbook that can be found on the District Website and on our Club Website. The key points were how to attract new members, mentor new members and retain members.
- Jim also referred to the Siegel and Gale Survey which concluded that: Today people join Rotary to enhance Business Connections, Networking, Friendship/Fun and to have a local community impact. Of the thousands of Rotarians surveyed 30% joined Rotary for friendship and 36% joined to have a LOCAL community impact. Retention percentages are even more compelling where 38% stayed because of Friendship and 36% because of local impact.
- Jim encourages all Clubs to develop a Membership Strategy.

## INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER Christine BOISSEAU – ADG Jim HAWKINS and Rita HENDERSON

- Christine was joined by her partner Josh ZIESKE
- As her sponsor, Rita introduced Christine to the Club. Christine was born in Florida, raised in Quebec City and has two degrees, one from Laval and the other from Ottawa. Christine is a Professional Realtor and is very active volunteer in our local community. She is a very impressive young lady and will be a great asset to our Club.
- ADG presented Christine with her Rotary Pin, Club Name Badge and Club Banner.

Congratulations Christine and welcome to the Okanagan Mission Rotary Club

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE – 27/30 APR 2017

- It is still not too late to register. Go to [www.rotary5060.org](http://www.rotary5060.org) and follow the prompts.

## NINTH ANNUAL OKANGAN MISSION ROTARY CLUB ESSAY CONTEST.

- Past President Dr. Iain has volunteered to organized the event this year.. It is part of our Clubs initiatives to promote literacy. (Other projects include Project Literacy and Casorso Elementary Read Team)
- The contest is open to all Grade 8 students attending school in SD 23.
- This year's topic is What Would Be a Remarkable Goal for Rotary, either in our local community or internationally. This is in line with Rotary Internationals (RI) Theme "Serving Humanity"
- Dr. Iain has sent invitations to all the Schools in SD23. Essays have to be submitted by 05 MAY 2017; Finalists will be notified on 20 MAY 2017 and the winners will be announced at our Club meeting on 29 MAY 2017. The finalists will be guests at our meeting and the student authors will present their essays to the Club. The first prize winner receives \$250.00, Second prize is \$150.00 and Three Honourable Mentions \$100.00 each.
- THIS IS ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR ROTARY YEAR AND AN EVENT YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS. MARK YOUR CALENDARS. MONDAY MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

## MEAT DRAW

Don't Forget the Meat Draw. Every Saturday from 2PM to 4PM at the Creekside.

## NEXT MEETING:

13 MAR 2017 at the Creekside. Lord ASHSTON (Laurie) Presiding

THAT'S ALL FOLKS

OKM SECRETARY

