ROTARY CLUB OKANAGAN MISSION MEETING NOTES AND NEWSLETTER CREEKSIDE PUB AND GRILL 06 FEB 2017

ATTENDANCE: Active Members 7/19 (36%)

Honourary Members 01/03

BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (President Irma)

LOCAL HERO AWARD:

Discussions are underway at the Area level to initiate a Local Hero Award. Each club would nominate and identify a "local hero" who in turn would be recognized and honoured by the Club. More discussion will take place at the next President's Meeting.

ADG Jim HAWKINS will attend our Club on 27 FEB 2016 to discuss this initiative further and decide on the name for the award. Also, it needs to be decided if there will be 12 Local Heroes (One per Club), or one award representing all the Clubs from the respective areas.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE: (27/30 APR 2017 Delta Grand Hotel)

It is still not too late to register. Go to www.rotary5060.org and follow the prompts. Also, if you are interested in Home Hosting on Friday 28 APR 2017 contact Anne Marie KIRBY at 250 878-3467 or email Annemarie.Kirby@corehealth.global.

For those Club Members who may not have heard DG Vern NEILSEN succumbed to the pancreatic cancer that he has been courageously fighting since last April. DG Vern was fighting with everything he had with the ultimate goal of hosting his District Conference in Kelowna. Sadly, this is not to be and there is no question that he will be sorely missed albeit his spirit will be ever present. RIP Vern. God Speed.

HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION - BIG BIKE RIDE

The Heart and Stroke Foundation is looking for teams/volunteers/pledges to ride the "Big Bike" around Kelowna in May. More information to follow.

WEBSITE

Two year ago, Laurie developed and maintained a Club website. The site is comprehensive but the domain was from the UK and somewhat awkward to maintain and access.

The Club has now purchased a domain (Go Daddy) and it is up and running. The address is okmrotary.com.

Laurie will make a presentation to the Club in the not too distant future.

RIBFEST - SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB

The Sunrise Club is actively planning a second annual Rib Fest to be held on 15/17 SEP 2017.

ROTARY INTERNATIONALCLUB INVOICE (01 JAN 2017 TO 30 JUN 2017)

We received our Invoice from RI in the amount of \$689.00 USD (\$916.56 CDN). The RI exchange rate is 1.34. We were billed for 19 Active Members @28.00 USD per capita for a total of \$532.00 USD and 19 Rotarian/Rotary Canada magazines @ \$8.00 for a total of \$152.00 USD.

The 2016 Council of Legislation voted to increase per capita dues by \$4.00 USD per year effective 01 JUL 2017.

The cost per member for Rotary Year 2016/2017 is \$184.00. Annual Dues are \$220.00 per member leaving a potential revenue of \$36.00 per member or \$720.00. We will not realize this amount this year as we had 2 members on the books as of 01 JUL 2016, who officially resigned in September 2016. RI will not adjust Invoices and we are billed for the number of members recorded as of July 1st, and January 1st of each Rotary Year. District dues are calculated on the reported Membership as July 1st and cover the entire Rotary Year.

To rectify this, we will start collecting dues for the 2017/2018 Rotary Year in May 2017. In order to remain an Active Member of the Club in good standing then your dues will have to be paid by 30 JUN 2017.

Our RI records are up to date. As of February, with the addition of Christine BOISSEAU, we have 20 Active Members and 3 Honorary Members.

SCOTCH TASTING - OGOPOGO ROTARY CLUB

The Ogopogo Rotary Club is holding a Scotch Tasting on Friday 24 MAR 2017 at the Okanagan Centre For Learning. The event will feature 7 scotches, appies and shortbread. Cost is \$50.00 per person. For more information contact Olivia JOHNSON at 250 317-4007 or olivia6010@yahoo.ca.

UP COMING EVENTS:

27 FEB 2017 Regular Meeting

Induction of new Member Christine BOISSEAU Presenter ADG Jim HAWKINS – Membership etc.

MEAT DRAW Every Saturday at the Creekside 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

THAT'S ALL FOLKS

OKM Secretary 19 FEB 2017

FYI – Monika and I will not be at the Meeting on 27 FEB 2017. We will be out of town and our flight does not arrive YLW until 8:00PM. Have a great meeting.