

**January 23, 2017**

# ***QB Sunrise Scuttlebutt***

Scuttlebutt is a weekly newsletter highlighting  
the activities of the  
Rotary Club of Qualicum Beach Sunrise

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## **Pat Coram Fougner - Rotarian**

Pat joined Rotary in 2005 after attending a District Conference in Campbell River. She had attended a session that described the work happening in Ecuador, where single mothers were receiving Rotary assistance to become independent earners. Pat had been a single mom since her two were young children and on the drive home she said, "I want to join Rotary". Pat was a strong supporter of the Rotary Foundation and she and I became Major Donor's four years ago. Pat served as our Membership Director for several years and her focus was to bring more women into our club. Pat and Dianne visited every Business in Oceanside owned or run by a woman soliciting members.

Pat is now in Care, Dementia has robbed her of her independence and her passion for Rotary.



On the **Left** Pat's induction into Rotary by President Dianne O'Brien;  
**Centre** Membership Director Pat addresses the Club; and **Right**  
Pat's last duty, she was the Greeter at a meeting last spring.

# January 23rd Meeting

## Guests



Two Guests this morning, our speaker for today, Janice Perrino and Parksville AM Rotarian and proud Interact sponsor, Elaine Young.

**Welcome Janice and Elaine!**

## Rotary Moment



Doug's shared ten reasons to love Rotary: Polio eradication, our connection to other Rotarians; our Rotary Foundation; The Do Good/Feel Good thing; connectedness through social media; flexible membership; Peace initiatives; Rotary Scholarships; Rotary membership fosters happier and healthier men and women; and, our future is bright through Interact, Rotoract and RYLA

*"Once you replace negative thoughts with positive ones, you'll start having positive results."  
-Willie Nelson*

# Announcements



- Rotary House needs some help and Allen announced that an upgrade would be happening the week of Feb 20. General repairs, re-painting as well as the construction of outside storage for garbage needs to be done.



- We are once again collecting bottles from Giovanni's and we have an account at the Bottle Depot in Qualicum. Ron urged members to bring their bottles to the Depot.



- The Fundraising Committee has begun plans for a Travel Lottery. Chair Don, and Doug, Wendy and Allan are sitting on a Lottery Committee.
- Gord also hopes to organize a summer garden tour that would be similar to our Christmas home tour; stay tuned
- Hotdogs for the homeless is going to happen March 4.



- President Stuart shared info on the Cowichan Rotary Whiskey Festival March 4, tickets 250-732-2565

*"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."  
- Henry Ford*

# **Program**



**Janice Perrino** is the Chief Executive Officer of the Nanaimo & District Hospital Foundation.

In 1961, the year our Health Services were nationalized the Health Budget was \$22 million. Today, health costs comprise 52% of our Provincial \$32 billion budget; on the Island VIHA’s budget is \$2.2 billion.

Our aging population and the dramatic increase in the costs of pharmaceuticals are two of the major reasons for rising health costs. Governments at all levels are struggling to keep up with these rising costs and that’s the rationale for the existence of the Nanaimo’s Hospital Foundation. In existence since 1991 the Foundation now boasts over 27,000 donors who have contributed over \$42 million in that 27-year period. The Vision of the foundation is “to provide funding for enhanced facilities and equipment for the betterment of public healthcare in our region” and the Mission “is to maximize donor dollars available to support the purchase of facilities and equipment.”

In an announcement a year ago the Foundation supported the purchase of two new CT Scanners. Thanks to donors 50% of the \$900,000 needed has been raised. Aside from the obvious health care benefits this equipment will provide to all of us in the Region there are also some spin-off benefits that new up to date equipment and facilities provide – they attract good well qualified Doctors who want to work in Hospitals that have the resources that maximize the knowledge and the skill that they bring to the job.

**To donate to the Foundation go to [www.nanaimohospitalfoundation.com](http://www.nanaimohospitalfoundation.com)**



25 children will be immunized against Polio, our way of saying;

**Thank you Janice!**

<b><u>January 31st Duty Roster</u></b>			
<b><u>Greeter</u> – Peter</b>	<b><u>Invocation</u> – David</b>	<b><u>Sign In</u> – George</b>	<b><u>Rotary Minute</u> – Allen</b>