# **BULLETIN**



Meeting date:August 15, 2023Virtual or In-Person:In Person – Monterey Centre Pine Room

Visitors / Guests:

No visitors or guests. Speaker: Frank Macdonald-Fire Chief Oak Bay <u>fmacdonald@oakbay.ca</u> Introduced by Adam

### **President's Welcome:**

President Chris acknowledged our presence on unceded First Nations Land

- -Themed pins given out, theme for the month is membership and new development.
- -This is the last meeting at Monterey Centre back to Oak Bay Recreation Centre in September.
- -David Sheppard passed Invocation duty to his wife Jacqueline.

#### **Announcements:**

-Chris- Willows Beach, next Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00. Official opening of beach mat, disabled access for the beach. Funded by Oak Bay Rotary and Oak Bay Kiwanis Club. Rotary cheque to be presented, please join Chris if available.

-Lorna- Is still in New York City enjoying the summer!!!! Please reply to her email regarding the committee you would like to serve on, if not she will be happy to place you on a committee of her choice. Reply by Friday. ALSO

Sign up on the club website for Lawn Bowling and Pizza Sept 10<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00.

-Heather- Last Tuesday of the month, 29<sup>th</sup>, Club Social at Penny. Please RSVP ASAP to Heather if you can or cannot make it.

-Joan F- Night market needs volunteers still, mainly for set up. Please let her know.

-Atam- new student from Germany arrived this week. Also, today is India's 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day.

-Sonnet - 2<sup>nd</sup> bottle and book drive for Sept for 1000 by 5 literacy. Looking for books for preschoolers. Sept 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, table will be set up for book sale.

## **Celebrations Master:**

Bryan Celebration Master.

Happy/Sad dollars

- Heather had covid last week
- Joan F- \$10, thanks for coming to foundation event, 10 from this club came out.

-Joan T- Grandson is with the fire department.

Bryan- \$5. Needs used hinged leg brace for injured knee, if you have one with hinges, please let him know.

50/50 draw \$25 pot for the winner, drawn by Fire Chief Frank, won by Bryan

Meeting adjourned @ 1:20 by Chris, thanked the Monterey Centre for the use of their facility, Chris will convey our thanks in person.

**Next Meeting:** Sept 5<sup>th</sup>- Vince DeCarolis, Bainbridge Island Rotary Club, telling a story of Piracy on the high seas and the power of Rotary!!!????!!!!

## **Program Overview:**

Fire Chief of Oak Bay, reviewed the Fire Department services and regulations etc.

He gave an overview of the benefits of having a fire department, in addition to saving your life and your house.

Today there are multiple divisions with 30 full time staff, 28 of which are in uniform.

In 1965 that number was 26, so only increased by 2.

-Terry Toone thanked the speaker, presented much coveted Rotary mug.