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The Kiwanis Club of North Vancouver meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6.15 pm @ 170 West 2nd Street, North Vancouver.

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Fellow Kiwanians

Kiwanis International is in a transition stage that will propel it into becoming the leading service organization in the world. Our new President, Nelson Tucher and the International Board have set a target of one million members by the year 2015. Now that's exciting. Triple our growth, triple our service.

Our own club is going through its own transition as well. While we will always be solidly rooted in providing seniors housing on the North Shore, we are also actively pursuing ongoing services to the youth of the community. Our new Chair of Youth and Community Services, Damian Gribble will be guiding a new committee towards reviewing current projects and proposing others that are needed in the community.

Membership is always one of the biggest challenges to a Kiwanis Club. This year our chair is first vice president Barb Sharp who has begun the process of examining ways of attracting younger members to the club. In order to attract and retain younger members – those who will ultimately carry on the work of the club in the years ahead, we may need to adapt and change and ultimately become better.

The committee is off to a roaring start with 3 new member applications received. The goal I set for the club for 2006/2007 is to have membership growth of 6 by the end of this Kiwanis year. In order to do so, we will need to recruit nearly double that number since we inevitable will lose some members.

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I'm excited about this coming Kiwanis year. We have some new members who are becoming involved and some brand new members to train. The challenge to all of us is simple – propose new, fun projects that will serve the community. Invite prospective members to our meetings and contribute your unique talent to making the Kiwanis Club of North Vancouver a thriving, energetic club that attracts members from all backgrounds.

A special thank you to Lin Ardington who has retired as Sgt. At Arms (House Committee). She did a splendid job for the many years that she held this post. She remains as the Chair of Member Welfare so please let her know if anyone is sick or in hospital or just needs some cheering up.

Congratulations to Gertie Grosser who has taken on the position of Chair of the House Committee and will be our new Sgt. At Arms. Please offer to assist Gertie whenever possible – with setup and takedown for meetings.

For those not at the last meeting, we've begun a quest for the best bottle of white and red wine under \$15. Each meeting we will sample a new bottle at the end of the meeting and give our rating of that particular vintage. Thank you to members who volunteered to bring in a bottle for sampling.

Finally, congratulations to the Kiwanis Club of West Vancouver on the occasion of the official opening of Kiwanis Manor, a non profit assisted living development for seniors. The opening ceremonies took place on October 21, 2006 and is a tremendous accomplishment that makes us all proud to be Kiwanians.

Bill Baker

ANNOUNCING:

Club meetings:

Nov 07

Nov 21

Board meetings:

Club Oct 25

Nov 22

Foundation Nov 14

Housing Nov 09

IS IT YOUR TURN FOR BINGO?

BINGO

We're about to get a break! After the October & November sessions we'll not have to visit Planet Bingo until March 2007!
.....and the money will keep on rolling in!

PROGRAMME

Nov. 07

Remembrance Day. We'd like to hear from members who would like to share military stories or experiences.

- Nov. 21 Multicultural Presentation by Eliz. Jones.
- Dec. 05 Rick Waters on Deafness.
- Dec. 19 Our annual Christmas Party. Spouses and partners invited. This will be "pot luck" with members requested to "sign up" for a dish. Coordination by Heather Baker.

THE TENANTS CHRISTMAS PARTY is scheduled for Dec. 09.
Claire is heading up the committee.

INTER CLUB

Calling all Kiwanians! Our good friends, the Kiwanis Club of Tsawwassen-Ladner have invited us to join them and the Richmond Club on the occasion of the installation of their officers. This will be on Thursday October 26. We'll car pool. Contact Pres. Bill.

Congratulations, Lyn Spicer , for winning the acclaimed "Kiwanian of the Week Award."

SITUATIONS VACANT,

Your Board is pleased to advise that a rare opportunity exists for a Kiwanian to assume the important role of Programme Committee Chair. It is suggested that you waste no time in applying for this prestigious position.

More congratulations! - this time to Ron Cleven, on his retirement after a long and distinguished career with B.C. Hydro (How about the Programme Chair, Ron?).

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