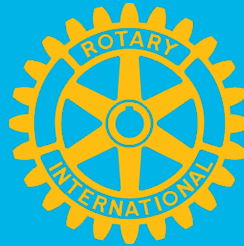


# Rotary

## Club of Cranbrook Sunrise



Monday, June 10, 2024

### Events

June 11th  
[Cranbrook Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Carol  
Westcott - Sync System

June 11th  
[Cranbrook Sunrise  
Golf & Dinner](#)

June 14th  
[Cranbrook Sunrise  
Float Decorating](#)

June 18th  
[Cranbrook Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Iris -  
Vocational

June 25th  
[Cranbrook Sunrise  
Installation Evening](#)

### Birthdays

Bob Bjorn  
June 6th

### Wedding Anniversaries

Ken Schlichting  
Wellington  
June 6th

### Years of Service

No Years Of Service  
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## Meeting Notes for June 4th, 2024

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, June 9, 2024

**Guests:** Cheryl Crich, Emma Hatala, Natalie Bradshaw, Onna, Ray Miller (Mazatlan Rotary), Davina Merritt (Rotoractor from Olds), via Zoom - Catherine Daryl from Vancouver Rotary.

**Inspiration:** Darryl Bishop:

Thinking about inspiration today, consider for a moment Noa and Joao, and all past and future exchange students. Think back to yourself at their age and ask would I have willingly left home, family and friends for such an adventure.

In doing so, we should all be inspired by the brave resolve these young folks have to contemplate, let alone live such an experience.

Years ago, RI created the Rotary Youth Exchange to promote world peace and understanding. Student ambassadors like Noa and Joao simultaneously teach and learn culture, values, languages, aspects in life different than what they are used to and aspects in life that are the same. Isn't it wonderful that they have such an opportunity and isn't it wonderful that they have the support of their families and the host of volunteers in Rotary and elsewhere that make this possible.

These students invariably inspire those with whom they connect that the future is in good hands and the program is worthy of our continued support.

May their experience continue to inspire us.

### Club Reports:

**Steve Weatherall:**

- On this day, in 1919, the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution approved giving women the right to vote.
- In 1940, the Dunkirk evacuation ends and to rally the moral of England, Winston Churchill delivered his famous, "We shall fight on the beaches" speech.

**Mel McFarlane:**

- Go By Bike week - sign up and ride this week. No lead role this year to promote it. A school challenge is happening (we run that).
- We Bike - We were at Kootenay Orchard school - they had a parade of bikes all decorated. They are at Aqam tomorrow morning, and doing the Girl Guide rally on Saturday running.. Steeples and Pinewood were done and the Mt Baker students helped. At St Mary's, a young fellow, Levi, was not sure how to ride, and we worked with him. He figured it out, we got lots of hugs from him. He said "these have been the best Wednesdays of my life".

**Ursula** - Installation night is June 25th, cocktails at 5:30pm and dinner at 6. We are going to have an amazing Inspirational Speaker. The sign-up sheet is going around. \$45/person, no host bar, soup, salad, main and desert, Mediterranean meal.

Also, the weekly Inspiration sign up sheet going around up to July.

**Darcy** - Youth Ambassador draw tickets charges will be on your next statement. Thank you to everyone on the budget preparation committee.

**Trina** - The Interact celebration of Peace was great!

■ Message: We are well into the planning for the annual Golf and North

**maggie** - we are well into the planning for the arrival of our next Youth Exchange student.

Elina Bares arrives from France. She loves museums, movies and art and she is also involved in boxing.

We have confirmed her courses/schedule at Mt. Baker School (she'll be in grade 11) and Janet Bishop will be the Rotary Counselor during Elina's exchange in Cranbrook.

**\*\*\*\*\*We are in desperate need of a host family for Elina's arrival August 25 until she moves to her second host family on Dec 1.**

We have confirmed the Godsave and Hatala families for later in the year but need a home for Elina for the Fall (Sept/Oct/Nov).

Please contact Maggie or Iris if you want any more information or are interested in committing to this wonderful opportunity to support our Youth Exchange Program. We've been so lucky to have such an involved club in this program.

[Read More](#)

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## Exchange Students Year in Canada

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, June 9, 2024

**Noa Natsuumi** - representing the Rotary Club of Sakura, Japan

Things that she learned while in Canada:

Canada has a lot of immigrants, and she learned about diversity. She learned to try anything without fear as well as the importance of making changes in her life. She realizes the convenience and safety of Japan.

How to build relationships, as when she first arrived there were no friends the first day, but she got around the language barrier and made friends. Also, she developed friends from the Church.

Noa gained English skills as the English she learned in Japan is slightly different. She is much more confident now, met a lot of people, at school, Rotary, etc. She traveled with Dave's daughter, Iris, Kwans, Janice and Dave & Cheryl.

She visited Lethbridge, Banff, Calgary, Edmonton, Jasper, Kootenay Lake, Ainsworth Hotsprings and Lake Louise.

She was able to go on a trip to New York, and met a lot of exchange students. She traveled around District 5080 and ended up at the District conference.

Experiences while in Canada were with horses, cycling, trick or treating, hot air balloon ride, running, apple juicing and making truffles.

Noa became more confident, no more hesitation, her field of vision has expanded, embracing diverse perspectives.

Future Plan:

Graduate from school in Japan(has to write her exams), go to university (taking Business), come back to Canada sometime, hopefully next year for the International Conference in Calgary with her father.

Next week is her last meeting as she has to leave soon.

**Joao Campelo:** from Brazil

Joao's 1st host family was Paul and Julie Rose . When he arrived here he was a picky eater and not extroverted.

Didn't know a lot about Canada, learned how to skate (not good), kayaking on Jim Smith - water was cold for him. First Halloween ever. Played soccer on a team.

He made truffles with Glenn and Heather, and went Christmas tree hunting.

On his 18th birthday, he was given 2 Canadian soccer team jerseys. His host family's hairless cat pooped on his jerseys.

He stayed with the Weatherall Family where he did winter sports - hockey, boarding, and he got a significant amount of snow where it shouldn't have been.

Joao went to the coast on a short drive with Steve. They got up at 4:30 a.m. and drove to Victoria on Vancouver Island. Steve doesn't like to make reservations. Got to the Victoria ferry, but couldn't get on without a reservation, had to wait for the next ferry, and we were the last ones to get on the ferry.

Joao stayed with the Tadey Family

It was a shorter stay at Tadey's. They travelled to Oliver and they had the scooters that we now have. They went camping in a hot springs. He went fishing at Zipper Mouth Lake where it rained the whole weekend.

He enjoyed the District Rotary trip and he got to do a hot air balloon ride.

He was pleased to represent his country at the conference. When Cranbrook Sunrise received the award for most improved on Social Media, he stood up and yelled. He brought the award home.

He was thankful for all that he was able to do this year, which included a winter camp in Rossland, Scarywood in Idaho and a trip to the USA.

Joao concluded by thanking Bruce Seitz for being a very good counselor.

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## We Bike Volunteers

By Melanie McFarlane on Sunday, June 9, 2024

Here are a couple photos that Janice took at Steeples school from our We Bike sessions yesterday and today. The Mt Baker leadership students were an amazing addition to our coaching crew.



# Interact Peace Display and Peace Pole Rocks

By Helen J. Boon on Sunday, June 9, 2024



## Flying Over the Rockies

By David B Savage on Sunday, June 9, 2024

Thank you, Bob, for this lifetime experience for Noa on a beautiful day in the Kootenay Rockies.



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## Remember Shauni?

By Darryl Bishop on Sunday, June 9, 2024

Here is a picture of Alylah, born January 14. Her mom, Shauni, was an extraordinary exchange student from Australia. Those of us who were close to her remember her as a most accomplished young lady destined for greatness.



Shauni Stanley with Métis jigger Arnold Asham from Manitoba in 2013. She spent Jan 2013-Jan 2014 in Cranbrook.



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# Happy Dollars & Sgt. at Arms

By Bre Tironese on Sunday, June 9, 2024

## Happy Dollars:

Were donated by:

Maggie - for the 2 wonderful kids that represented their countries. They embodied the phrase, just say yes.

Trina - they were beautiful presentations. Knowing who you guys are makes us want to be a host family next year.

Penny - last week was an excellent swim meet with the Special Olympics. Our exchange students did a great job at the District Conference.

Janice - the great presentations and she is away camping this weekend with Noa in Waterton. Thanks to Bob for the flight to Creston.

Percy - happy dollars for the great presentations.

Catherine Daryl(guest): will be in Cranbrook this weekend looking for housing for herself and 8 year old lab dog. She will be working near the high school.

Colleen - for the presentations, which is always the best meeting of the year. Also, for the peace event held at Idlewild Park.

Bob - for the exchange presentations and the students.

## Sgt. At Arms:



The Sgt at Arms was Rotarian Janice Sommerfeld.

Bruce Seitz was fined for sitting at a table full of young people.

Linda Hastings was fined for not saving Janice a spot.

Steve Weatherall was fined for running a video and not letting the online guests see it.

Percy Davis was fined for interrupting the presentation, even though it was for a good cause.

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## Closing Comments

By Steve Weatherall on Sunday, June 9, 2024

Successful people build each other up. They motivate, inspire and push each other. Unsuccessful people just hate, blame and complain.

Cranbrook Sunrise Youth in 2024



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