Monday, August 19, 2024

#### **Events**

August 20th
Cranbrook Sunrise
Weekly Club Meeting

**Speaker:** District Governor Lorne Westnedge

### **Birthdays**

Allan W. Davis August 8th Antoine Beurskens August 9th

### Wedding Anniversaries

Jason Tichauer August 9th Maggie Lindsay-Tadey August 10th Hardy Nielsen August 11th

### **Years of Service**

Carol Westcott 08-16-2022 2 Years

# Meeting Notes for August 13th, 2024

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, August 18, 2024

**Guests:** Chris and Kimberly Carrier (Mission Hills Golf), Mike Pugh and Crystal Davidson (Kinsmen), Railee Seitz, Ashley Mainville (Community Manager at Ground Floor) and of course Ray Miller.

### Inspiration: Antoine Beurskens



During our stay in Buthan we discovered this picture of 4 different animals working together to reach the fruits in the tree(s).

The case that I made is that they were like a Rotary club, where members from all different ways of life work together to make their projects a success. Al Davis, in his year as District Governor chose for his theme: "lt's All About Teamworkâ€. This proves the point I was making.

#### **Club Notes:**

Jason - Gran Fondo Good and not so great news - construction in Kimberley on Knighton Road so the Fondo is changing its route around Knighton Road. Registration is more than we had all of last year.

Bob - the Wycliffe rodeo is this weekend. They are a few people short for volunteering on Fri at 3pm to help with the gate, Also on Saturday 3pm short 1.

Iris - Elina our Exchange Student is arriving Thursday at 6pm, from France.

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### Mission Hills Golf Course

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, August 18, 2024

Chris and Kimberly Carrier, the owners of Mission Hills Golf Course, were our guest speakers. Chris is from Cranbrook and Kimberly from Edmonton.

Chris always wanted to open his own business, and so he opened a 'Men in Kilts' window cleaning franchise in Calgary. He loves to play golf (Kimberly not so much), and wanted to own a golf course. Chris used to golf before he would go to work and for some reason he loves to cut grass.

In 2007 he was golfing with his father at Mission Hills and wondered if the course was for sale, and it just happened to be. They went through the hoops of buying the course and then declined so they could build a house on the lake. Eventually, they sold their lake house and again asked if the golf course was for sale, and it was. Again they walked away from the deal as they wanted to travel. Finally, in 2020, they purchased Mission Hills Golf.

Supposedly, the course was for sale in order to build condos. There are deer, badgers, painted turtles, foxes and other creatures on their property.

Chris and Kimberly wanted to live in a small town with big town amenities, so Cranbrook was a good fit. They hope to make the course a central golfing hub. Their vision is to bring people back into a community atmosphere and attract people who are not super serious about golf.

He believes in 3 Pillars of Business:

- 1. People they are the product and they have a unique product.
- 2. Process their process is to market.
- 3. Customers they come to the golf course and if it is a good experience, they come back.

They renovated the clubhouse and re-opened the kitchen as the kitchen had been closed for 6 years. Everything is homemade and fresh. Food is where people gather.

Mission Hills is on social media. They are trying to figure out where disc golf could fit. Casey Hanemayer, a professional disc golfer from Cranbrook ran a disc golf competition there once.



Chris & Kimberly (photo courtesy of the Cranbrook Daily Townsman)

# **History Tour**

By Ursula Brigl on Sunday, August 18, 2024

Last Tuesday, following the August long weekend, we moved our morning meeting to the evening.

Thank you to the Sunrisers who braved the risk of thunderstorms to take part in the <u>Cranbrook History Centre</u> walking tour of downtown Cranbrook. Except for a few raindrops at the very beginning, the weather cooperated. It was great to learn about the history of our community, including the location of Cranbrook's Chinatown and the Freemasons' mark on the cornerstone of the Stage Door.

We rounded out the tour with some time for fellowship at <u>The Heid Out Restaurant and Brewhouse</u>.



### Kin Club of Cranbrook

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, August 18, 2024



Mike Pugh and Crystal Davidson made a presentation about the Kinsmen Club of Cranbrook. Mike is the outgoing president (he has been a member since 1992), and Crystal is the incoming President.

Hal Rogers was the founder of Kinsmen, which began February 20th,1920 in Hamilton, Ontario. Rogers was a WWII veteran, and he had been turned down by Rotary

because of the limitations of classifications.

The Kinsmens Club of Cranbrook began January 15,1953.

In 1964 the Kinsmen partnered with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and that has been their big project like Polio is with Rotary.

In 1989 scientists discovered the gene that causes Cystic Fibrosis and in 2019 the FDA approved Trikafta (Trikafta is a prescription medicine used for the treatment of Cystic Fibrosis (CF) in patients aged 2 years and older). Before this drug, those with CF used to live into their 40's. Now they live into their 60's and 70's. It costs \$300,000 per person per year for the which is now covered by medical. There is a 12-year-old in Cranbrook who is on that medication.

In 1988 Kinettes became full partners in Kinsmen.

In 2003 they rebranded to become Kin Canada. In 2011 Kinsmen and Kinette Clubs combined to become The Kin Club of Cranbrook.

The Kinsmen Foundation provides people with special needs equipment, to improve quality of life and independence; as well as access to life-saving medical treatment.

#### Motto

Serving the community's greatest needs.

#### Mission Statement

Volunteers enriching Canadian communities through community service, leadership and partnership.

#### Values

Excellence, integrity, accountability, compassion, pride, fellowship and inclusiveness.

Kinsmen Projects in Cranbrook:

The Kin ball park,

The Pickleball court,

The Kinette Porminade by the Cranbrook History Centre,

Pop Price park,

Skate loaning program,

The Spray Park by COTR (it has been closed for the season. It originally cost \$200,000 to build and now it has leaks in the pipes that need repairing. People have jumped in to donate to the repair project. A golf tournament was held on August 16th to raise funds).

# **Exchange Student from France Has Arrived**

By Iris Wawryshyn on Monday, August 19, 2024



Elina Bares from Toulouse, France (4th from the right) arrived on Thursday to begin her Youth Exchange in Cranbrook.

Other than the usual Rotarians who turned out to meet her, were host family, the Godsaves 2nd and 3rd from the left and her host sister Erica Godsave (beside Elina) who had just returned from an exhange.

## **Roll A Hippo**

By Janice Sommerfeld on Monday, August 19, 2024

A spontaneous outburst of joy and thankfulness as women receive the transformative

hippo water roller.

We seldom think about our water supply... it is there at the turn of the tap. But for millions of marginalized families who survive by hauling buckets of water for their daily water needs, it's a more difficult task. With your support and donations, the Water & Food Security Training Program, is having a substantial impact on this crisis.

In July, we delivered 200 hippo water rollers and garden kits to families in the Driefontein area of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa.

The Program includes a full-day garden training session and supplemental monthly workshops. These community-led workshops provide additional training in crop selection, composting, pest control, food preservation, and nutrition.

Thank you for your continued support to empower these rural communities and enhance their quality of life!



# Sbongile, a student of the Water & Food Security Training Program …

"This project is very good. Thank you so much. I collect water for laundry, washing for cleaning, drinking and our gardens.

I am so happy. I wish you could really feel howhappy I am!

To donate, go to rollahippo.org

https://youtu.be/tYpD9\_hSlc4?si=81g5VvA7LGMqKC1y

# **Closing Comments**

By Ursula Brigl on Monday, August 19, 2024

Gardner Dickinson - they say golf is like life, but don't believe them, golf is more complicated than that.

