

BULLETIN

Meeting Date: July 12, 2024 at the Bamboo Room of the Monterey Centre at 12:15

Guests: Amgad Zaky from the Children's Health Foundation

Announcements:

- **Krista Voitchovsky asked members to continue sending her *elevator speeches* on how to answer the question What is Rotary?**
- **Ron Cooley mentioned that the bylaw changes concerning term limits of Board of the club Rotary Foundation would be voted on at the next Rotary meeting.**
- **John Jordan/Joan Peggs reminded flag installers to pick them up this week, along with any subscription money. Also advised that if you have a flag that's in need of repair please get it in to John so he can get you a new flag**

Program:

The following members played an active role in the meeting:

- **Greeters: Vicky Pitt and Margaret Black**
- **Introduction of the speaker: Joan Peggs**
- **Thank the speaker: Elisabeth Lecavalier**
- **50/50: Joan Firkins**
- **Celebration Master: Lorna Curtis**
- **Set-up and take-down: Bryan Crockford**

Presentation Summary:

The Children's Health Foundation has been serving the Island for close to 50 years and strives to ensure that all Island kids and families have access to the health care they need.

From its beginnings as the Queen Alexandra Foundation for Children, the Foundation has instituted assistance programs and has built physical facilities to help families.

The have instituted a program of *Financial Support* for families needing health care (over \$600,000 was distributed to 646 families) as well as a *Home Away* program to house families with children in hospital and who need accommodation close by. The present homes in Victoria and Campbell River are so busy that a third residence is being planned for the Nanaimo area.

The Foundation also distributes financial support through two bursary programs, for families and students with special needs.

The 50/50 was won by Lorna Curtis - \$40 in winnings! She also won the random draw for people who had sent in Elevator Speeches! Lorna's lucky day!

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on July 9 at 12:15 at the Bamboo Room of the Monterey Centre. Guest speaker will be Michael Pierone of the Victoria Hand Project.