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**The Daybreak for the week of Tuesday February 27, 2024**

**We will meet for breakfast at the Hume Hotel and hear Tara Brown speak about Nelson’s official community plan.**

**Role Schedule**

Greeter: Sheila Hart

Inspirational Message: Alan Inkster

Toast: John Stegman

**International Dinner On the evening of March 1 – 171 guests registered**

**Reception, Silent Auction, Bag Auction at 5PM, dinner at 6PM**

**Online auction opens Feb. 23 and closes March 1 at 7 pm**

Get ready to bid on an array of incredible items! Our online auction kicks off on Friday, February 23rd, providing early access to exclusive offerings. From unique experiences to valuable goods, there's something for everyone. Keep a keen eye on the auction platform as items will be added. Place your bids on desired items throughout the auction period. Stay engaged and monitor the auction closely for new additions and bidding updates. Visit <https://www.32auctions.com/DaybreakRotary2024>



#### **To Date (Feb.23), our team has raised $1870 towards a goal of $2500.**

To date $86, 682 of a $90,000 goal has been raised in Nelson. 96%

To date there are 211 walkers registered on 42 teams and 71 volunteers.

Alan Inkster has once again volunteered to be our Team Leader. He set up our team on the [Nelson (Nelson CARES Society) - Coldest Night of the Year 2024 Canada (cnoy.org)](https://cnoy.org/location/nelson) website.

**The Team Name is Nelson Rotary Daybreak and Noon Night Walkers.**

Team members can enter their information and identify their fund-raising success. Members who sign up to walk must sign a waiver which is available on-line. If you can’t walk but want to support a team or a team member, there is a search box online to find the team or walker.

#### The walk will start at Wildflower (Central) School, Sd8 Admin offices.

#### All walkers participating at the Main Event on Saturday, February 24, 2024, must check-in upon arrival.

* Toques! Fundraising walkers who raise $150+ (or $75+ for those under 18) will receive a [CNOY toque](https://cnoy.org/toque) as a thank you on event day, while supplies last.
* Offsite fundraising walkers can contact their local event director to arrange toque pickup the week of the event.

All participants must [register online](https://cnoy.org/register) and accept the electronic waiver.

* Adults accept the waiver automatically when they register online.
* Youth/Children under 18 need a waiver signed by their parent or guardian.
* An online form will be emailed to all parents/guardians before CNOY Day.
* You may also bring a filled-out [printed waiver](https://cnoy.org/tools/waiver).
* Waivers will also be available at check-in on CNOY Day.

### Schedule

* 4:00 pm: Meet Check-in + Welcome.
* 5:00 pm: Move Send-off
* 6:00 pm: Munch Light meal served.
* 7:00 pm: Mosey Goodbye + see you in 2025!

Routes

There are two routes for Nelson, one is a 2klm walk and the other is a 5klm walk.

**Non-Walker Volunteers Needed**. Please visit the CNOY Nelson Website and complete the form that outlines volunteer requirements.

**Spring Assembly will be held on Saturday March 23 at Spokane Valley Technical School**

Registration for the Spring Assembly will be coming out early next week.  Please plan to attend in person, if possible, and encourage your club members to come as well.  We will have a wide variety of sessions to appeal to all members, not just presidents, secretaries & treasurers.  Also, a top-notch guest speaker will be coming with a topic that is vital to us all at this time.  Plan to carpool, if possible, and bring members who have not attended a District Event previously.  The cost for the District Assembly is $35 (USD), which covers our lunch cost, and a little more for supplies.

We have planned this event so that it can be attended without having an overnight stay, though for those traveling from the "far reaches" of District 5080, it will be a long day.  Doors open at 9 a.m., but the sessions don't begin until a few minutes before 10 a.m., and we expect to be wrapped up and finished by 2:45 p.m.  It will be an action-packed day.   For those who prefer to stay overnight, there are a limited number of rooms available at the Mirabeau Park Hotel, just a short drive from the Spokane Tech Center @ $119 (+ taxes USD).  509-924-9000 is their telephone number.

**Note: Sheila Hart is planning to drive to Spokane Valley early on the morning of March 23 and return home that night. She would love some company.**

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**Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Thursday, May 2 to Sunday, May 4, 2024.**

On May 2, the District Celebration 2024 will be held in beautiful Coeur d’Alene, Idaho and we want ***you***to attend. Why? Because we all could benefit from spending time with fellow Rotarians to network and celebrate all the good we’re doing in our district and beyond. Register before March 14 and be entered to win a free night in the **luxurious Hagadone penthouse suite**at the Coeur d’Alene Resort [**https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77708734&NoCaptcha**](https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77708734&NoCaptcha)

**Jim Reimer Speaks So Highly of the Work of Haiti Arise**



**In January 2024, many of us were concerned when Jim followed his heart and made a trip to Haiti Arise. We need not have worried because Haiti Arise is thriving. Jim shared some sad statistics with us, 80% of the Haitian population lives below the poverty line, 1:5 children die. There are still 225,000 slaves in Haiti. We give thanks to the Canadian family who rescued Mark Honorat from slavery and set him on his life’s journey of creating Haiti Arise. In 2010, Haiti was struck by an earthquake in which 225,000 people died, 90% of buildings were destroyed and 20,000 people were left homeless. At Haiti Arise, the lesson was learned to rebuild the complex so that it can withstand future earthquakes. The Technical School, the medical clinic utilized by 90 people a day, the school that educates 400 elementary school children and 185 in high school, and the Children’s Village all rose from the ashes and are the hallmarks of Haiti Arise. Jim thanked the club for its ongoing support in funding a teacher’s salary at the school. Jim also encouraged members to consider sponsoring a child. Elementary school student support is $40 per month and High School student support is $60 per month. Go to the website to learn more about Haiti Arise and choose a child to sponsor.** [Sponsorship | Haiti Arise, Grand Guave, Haiti](https://www.haitiarise.org/sponsorship)

**Volunteers Needed for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 30**

Sheila Hart is so thankful for the 29 club members, Friends of Rotary and Trafalgar Interactors who have confirmed that they will help out with this major community event. Save-On will be involved and is being very generous in terms of charges for hot dog supplies. However, more volunteers are still needed to fill the following positions and if you can be available or have a family member who can help or a friend in the community who can help, please let Sheila know as soon as possible.

Hot Drink Maker and Server

Easter Bunny #2 – must be tall enough to wear the costume.

Set Up volunteers x2 from 7:30 – 9:45

Clean Up volunteer x1 from 10-12 or until the job is done.

Craft Table Leader and 4 or 5 crafters.

Pop and Chips volunteer

Condiment Workers x 2

A few musicians to lead the Easter Bonnet parade around the park.

**Pacific Northwest President Elect Training Seminar**

It’s official, DGE Lorne Westnedge inspired in his first official function as incoming District Governor when he lead the D5080 District meeting at PETS. Sheila Hart attended as she prepares for her second term as Club President; her first term was about 27 years ago.

Here are a few pictures of the event:

 



*Sheila enjoys the company of PE Maddy Harlamovs, PETS faculty Debi Dockins and AG Maggie Crawford as well as the dining table that included Past RI President Jennifer Jones. DGE Lorne Westnedge proudly introduced founding members of the Global Action for Refugees and Forced Migrants which was recently chartered in D5080 and has 58 members.*

**Seeking a Community Service Chair for the Forthcoming Rotary Year**

We still need a Chair or C0-Chairs for our Community Services Committee. This is a key position in our small but mighty club and is a great role for someone who likes to organize things or work with the key players who have filled a variety of roles over the years. The Chair may have new ideas that will foster enthusiasm in the club. However, in the coming year, we must be cautious as we will be busy with the District Conference.

**Committees for Rotary year 2024-25 Confirmed to Date at February 9, 2024**

**President:** Sheila Hart

**President-Elect for 2025-26:** Allison Alder

**Past President:**  Andy Leathwood

**Secretary:** Sandra England

**Treasurer:** Ian Comishin

**Programs:** Chair Sandra England

**Club Administration Committee:** Chair Dave Simpson

**Membership Committee:** Chair Allison Alder

**PR Committee including Facebook**: Sheila Hart, Pat Dooley

**Youth Services including Trafalgar School Interact:** ChairMarilyn Miller, Ezra Foy, Dave Douglas

**Foundation Committee**: Chair Peter Chipman

**Community Services Committee:**

**International Services Committee:** Chair John Stegman

**WaCanId Reps** – Dave Simpson and Alan Inkster

**Conference Committee for 2025 District Conference:**

**Co-Chairs:** Andy Leathwood and Ainslie Mackie.

**Home Hospitality and Home Stay:** Sheila Hart and June Nuyens

**Future District 5080 Conferences**

**May 2-5, 2024, at the Coeur d’Alene Resort**

**May 2-4, 2025, at Selkirk College in Nelson**

**Future RI Conventions
2024 Singapore – May 25-29
2025- Calgary – June 21-25 Lorne’s DG Year (Calgary conventions are always late in June as earlier dates might be impacted by Stanley Cup play-offs)**

**2026 – Taipei, Taiwan -June 13-17**

**2027 – Hawaii – June 5-9**

**Special Notes for 2024**

Saturday February 24 – Coldest Night of the Year Fund-Raising Walk

Friday March 1 – International Dinner

Monday March 11 at 6:45 AM Executive Meeting on Zoom

Saturday March 23 – District Assembly – Spokane Valley Tech.

Saturday March 30 – Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday May 2 – Sunday May 5 – District Conference at the Coeur d’Alene Resort

May 25-29 – Rotary International Convention, Singapore

Friday September 6 & Saturday September 7 – Road Kings Queen City Cruise

Monday September 9 – Cops for Kids Dinner

Sept 11-15 – Rotary Institute in Spokane. This involves 30 Districts.

Sunday September 15-Wednesday September 18 – RFE visit of Australian Team from Adelaide

Saturday September 21 – District Council, Rossland

Saturday October 5 – Fall Assembly in Spokane; Sunday October 6 – Fall Assembly in Creston

Week of November 5 – World Interact Week

**2025**

Friday May 2 – Sunday May 4 – District Conference in Nelson

June 21-25 – Rotary International Convention in Calgary