#### FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING - NORTH ISLAND BRANCH
March 14, 2002

Bernie called the meeting to order. He welcomed our special guests, Marnie Bruee, Third National Vice President and our Regional Director, Duncan Dunsmore accompanied by his wife Lute. The ladies had been presented with corsages by Barbara Schneider, Program Director.

It was moved by Tom Dandeno and seconded by Ian Sibbald that the minutes, copies of which were on the tables, be accepted as presented. The motion carried.

#### Committee reports:

**Treasurer:** The financial statement to March 11, 2002, was reported by Tom as having a closing balance of \$19,602.77, subject to correction. He also told the membership that the On Guard costs were being assumed by the National office. It was moved by John and seconded by Audrey that the report be accepted. Carried.

Membership: We have a membership of 1243 but there are 103 members who pay by cash or cheque who have not renewed for 2002. Reminders will be sent following the General meeting.

Welfare: Halle told us of the death of three of our members since the December meeting.

**Program:** Barbara thanked all those who helped in the preparations for the meeting and said she hoped everyone had enjoyed their meal.

Media: John had nothing to report.

**Newsletter:** Ron said that the last Newsletter had finally been mailed after a few glitches. He also said that Leif had the digital camera with him and that some folks might show up on the web site. He also asked that anyone who had a contribution to make to the next Newsletter have it to him by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Following the presentation of the reports, Al Dawber came forward to make two motions. The first, seconded by Tom Dandeno, was that we donate \$1000.00 to the Comox Fire Department toward the purchase of a Thermal Imaging camera. He also moved, seconded by John Davis, that we donate \$1000.00 to the Comox Valley Hospice Society. Both motions carried.

Duncan introduced Marnie Bruce to the members. She gave a very interesting talk on the activities of the members of the National Executive and told us of all the Organizations in which we have representation. She told us of planning for the future of the Public Service Health Care Plan and the discussions regarding the Supplementary Death Benefits. There has been a lot of work going on with the Seniors Group, which is comprised of 12 organizations. She also told us that Rex Guy, National President, will be going to meeting in Spain in April as a representative of all the Canadian Seniors. She stressed the importance of the organization to pensioners.

The draw for the basket presented by Mike Gariepy of Royal LePage was won by Wayne Adams. The winners in the 50/50 draw were Celia Evanson, Bryan Lind and Al Dawber.

The meeting was adjourned.

# **FSNA** helps firefighters



Richard Tait, chairman of the Comox Firefighters Association, accepts a cheque for \$1,000 from John Davis, executive member, and Bernie Poole, president, of the Federal Superannuates National Association (FSNA), North Island Branch, to aid in their purchase of a second thermal imaging camera.

## Comox Fire Department

1870 Noel Ave. Comox B.C. V9M 2K9 Tel: 339-2432 Fax 339-1988

April 10, 2002

Federal Superannuates National Association Fund Box 1420, Comox B.C. V9M 7Z9

Dear Friends

On behalf of the Comox Fire Department I would like to thank-you very much for your very generous donation of \$1000.00 towards our Thermal Imaging Camera project. We have already put into service our first camera and expect to receive our second one soon.

When dealing with a fire situation every second counts. This equipment will make it much easier and quicker for our firefighters to find and rescue victims trapped in a fire. In addition to this, the equipment can be used to find the seat of the fire making it quicker for us to extinguish. This technology our fireground operations will be safer for our firefighters.

This project is a great example of how with community support our fire department can provide outstanding service to our citizens at very reasonable costs. We are very fortunate to have a service club like yours willing to assist us with this important project.

Once again I thank-you very much for your financial contribution and take comfort in the fact that we have many wonderful citizens willing to step forward to assist us.

Sincerely

Gord Schreiner, Fire Chief Comox Fire Department

### Comox Valley Hospice Society

2137 Comox Avenue, Comox, B.C., V9M 1P2 Phone: 339-5533 Fax: 339-5063

May 1, 2002

Dear F.S.N.A. North Vancouver Island,

Thank you for your recent, generous donation to the Comox Valley Hospice Society. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Donations to the Comox Valley Hospice Society,
support us in our vision
to allow patients to live until they die, their families to live
with them until they die,
and to go on living afterwards.

Sincerely,

Frances McAlonan, Palliative Care Coordinator on behalf of the C.V. Hospice Society Board of Directors

## **Comox Valley Hospice Society**

PO Box 3193, Courtenay British Columbia, V9N 5533 (250) 339 5533

Bernie Poole Local President FSNA 1361 Mountain View Drive Comox B.C. V9M 3R3

Dear Bernie,

On behalf of the Comox Valley Hospice Society I would like to thank both you and all FSNA members for your generous donation of \$1000.00 to Comox Valley Hospice. Participation from people like you is making the difference in our efforts with Hospice Palliative care in the valley. The money you have given will go toward assisting the members of our community and their families as they experience lifes final journey through terminal illness. This is the goal of all the members of our not for profit organization, and of course that goal can only be obtained with the aid of people like you and your organizations.

Thank you again

Sincerely

Barbara Simonson

Fundraising Committee Chair

"the Team with a Dream"