The Rotary Club of Calgary

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Jay Feaster: Calgary Flames

So this was probably a bad day for me to be the Cog reporter. Not that I'm anti- hockey or anti-Flames (god forbid!) but it's just that hockey kind of comes in behind a lot of other sports in my hierarchy of sports enthusiasm. Like baseball, and tennis, and curling, and bowling – well, you get the picture. But no matter, I'm a gamer and so I listened intently on what our speaker, Flames GM Jay Feaster, had to say. I understood little and recognized no names. Alas, I cannot even fake it.

It was nice of him to come though. In his own words, when he gets an invite for a free lunch when his team is under-achieving this badly, he is surprised it is not rescinded at the last moment. And kudos to Roly Cyr too, for a great introduction and a peek into the soul of a hockey General Manager. Everyone second-guessing him; everyone thinks they can do a better job than him – soul-destroying work, really. Oh, and I had no idea that Jay was the GM of the Tampa Bay Lightning the year we beat them in the Stanley Cup finals! And yes, he does admit we beat them with that goal that wasn't allowed. Clever boy.

It was interesting to hear that he met with each player one-on-one at the end of the season, as he wanted to know if they were willing to play within a team concept. He said he was satisfied with the answers, but the Flames still haven't put together a solid 60 minutes. It seems that it's all in their heads though, and the trick is to try and tap into each player's passion.

Then Jay took his life in his hands and threw it open to the floor for questions. Larry Shelley, that hockey aficionado, was first up, asking about building a team from a draft or from trades. Excellent question, if I only knew what it meant. Jay answered that one like a pro, by talking a lot about hot young prospects.

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Sing Song



Tim salutes the King of the Road



Frank hams it up with Tim

Jay Feaster (cont'd)

Other excellent questions followed, on hockey stats, equipment and head shots, but no time to detail all of them. Jay did mention you needed guys with lionhearts to win cups. Let's hope we have a few little Simbas on our team.

Meeting Report

A rousing rendition of *O Canada* started us off and Rob Brookwell gave us a thoughtful invocation. But Rob, could we not have thrown in a prayer for the Flames too? Tim Heaton then came up and led us in an equally rousing rendition of "King of the Road," in honour of the Flames upcoming travel season.

Secretary Eva welcomed our visitors and guests and then introduced us to Snow Princess, the cow who lived to be 16 years old and produced 9,000 pounds of butterfat. The mystery city this week survived three tornadoes and became the dairy capital of Canada, no doubt due to Snow Princess' progeny. Woodstock and their Rotary Club was the topic, and they sure are a fun bunch. They have a best legs contest, and yes, they can be hairy. Our incoming President Doug MacDonald was born there.

New director season! The four nominated candidates are Andy Crooks, Jan Damery, Ralph Lundberg and Lou MacEachern. Congrats to all!

And we have two more Rotarians in our midst! Granted the first, Glen Michael Eastwood, has been a member since May, but was reintroduced by a former member, Michael Halliwell. Glen seems like a great guy – and not just because Michael told us he was. He is a career banker, who, much like a career soldier, moves around a lot. Welcome, Glen! Our real new member, Rod Wendt, was introduced by Rob Brookwell and is also a banker. Rod is the manager of the Scotiabank main branch here in Calgary, and comes to us with impeccable credentials, including a 25-year marriage. Welcome, Rod!

Then Madeleine King came up with a promo! Remember, do NOT come to the Palliser looking for a Rotary meeting on Tuesday, November 22. Instead, head over to Donegal Irish Pub on 17th in the evening and support the fine work of the World Community Service Committee! It's a real Rotary meeting and that means attendance credits, but there's also a TON of great prizes to be won. We're hoping to raise \$25,000 for our international projects – so come out and help us save the world!

Also, a note of thanks to Dave Macdonald for helping out at the office and a plea from President Bruce for more office help. And because we often get confused, Bruce reminded us we are meeting as usual next week, even though there is an all-clubs dinner meeting on Nov. 10 at the Ogden Legion with the Lieutenant-Governor.

Upcoming events

2011 Christmas Hamper Campaign

60 Families from 3 schools annually receive Christmas hampers from the Rotary Club of Calgary. We need your help to ensure this happens in 2011.

We're looking for 3 - 4 Rotary members to join our fabulous committee! The more members, the less volunteer time required by each person.

We're also looking for shoppers and, of course, donations.

Stay tuned for details in the weekly COG and announcements at the lunches.

Carol Rosdobutko / Mark Stiles – Co-Chairs





Carol Rosdobutko with guest Diane Jones-Konihowski

WCS EVENT



New Members!



President Bruce and Michael Halliwell welcome new member Glen Eastwood



New member Rod Wendt presented by Rob Brookwell

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Upcoming Luncheons

- Nov. 8 Bill Fowlis "Tax implications of owning US real estate"
- Nov. 10 Lieutenant Governor Donald S. Ethell Remembrance Day with Heritage Park Club. (Note: 6:30pm at Ogden Legion)
- Nov. 15 Tom Jackson "Tom Jackson SIS"
- Nov. 22 WCS Evening Fundraiser (Note: 5:30pm at Donegal Pub)
- Nov. 29 Frank McKitrick "Kool Keyboards at Knox"
- Dec. 6Rob Cardinal "Tom Jackson SIS"

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Rotary Remembers



Fellow Rotarians,

On November 10, 2011 the Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park is hosting an all clubs Remembrance Day ceremony at the Ogden Legion, with special guest, the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta.

6:30PM - Cocktails (cash bar) and fellowship

(Sandwiches before ceremony, cash bar open before and after) 7:30PM - Formal Ceremony

Seating is limited - please register early! Tickets are available online for \$20 or by cash/cheque - contact Bill Hope <u>rcchp@shaw.ca</u>. Parking is free. Event proceeds going to support Veteran Programs.

We will be accepting non-perishable food donations at the door for the Veteran's Food Bank.

NOMINATION FOR 2012 – 2014 BOARD MEMBERS:

Andy Crooks Jan Damery Ralph Lundberg Lou MacEachern.

Additional nominations for election to the Board from members of the Club may be made to the Secretary of the Club at any time prior to the close of nominations. Nominations shall close at 12:00 noon on the day of the third regular meeting of the Club in November of that year.

Those eligible for election or appointment to the Board shall be those members in good standing who, prior to the first meeting in January of the election year, have not served as elected Directors for a total period of one (1) year and who have been members of the Club for not less than twelve (12) months on nomination day.

Nominees shall indicate their willingness to accept the nomination by a letter signed by the nominee and at least four (4) members of the Club in good standing.

NEW ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM

The Rotary Foundation Canada has switched to the new online payment system. There are significant advantages to Canadian Rotarians with the new system including expanded options for directing donations to specific programs, a simplified process to make memorial donations and online sign up for TRF Direct Canada.

One change that does affect Canadian Rotarians is that to make an online donation they now require a Rotary member access account.

In the past Canadian Rotarians have not had to use a member access account to make an online donation. Most Canadian Rotarians have already created an account on the RI website. Member access includes personal donation history, the RI directory, simple registration for Rotary International events and other services.

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