The Rotary Club of Calgary

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The Rotary Club of Calgary is an organization of professional and community leaders who come together through commitment and fellowship to create opportunities and a better future for generations to follow.





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Gianetta Baril: Music without borders

Erich Bennett was proud to introduce a very special speaker/performer, Gianetta Baril (left in photo above), who is one of the finest Canadian harpists of her generation. After living in Germany for 16 years, Gianetta decided to return to Canada with her four children in 2001. She now resides in Calgary, maintaining a very busy schedule both performing as well as teaching at the University of Calgary and Mount Royal University, where she also recently founded a harp ensemble. Gianetta's numerous recitals have been broadcast on CBC Radio and TV, and on Radio France. Her CBC SM-5086 recording of the Alberto Ginastera and Oskar Morawetz Harp Concerti with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra won international acclaim as well as a Juno Award for the Best Recording of a Canadian work.

Gianetta spoke about the role music plays in breaking down the borders that often separate us. The harp speaks a universal language that requires no translation. She demonstrated how music is organic and has the power to speak to the world, uniting all of mankind with its message of peace. She played three memorable pieces of music on her very beautiful harp. She chose a well-loved music piece by Handel that ignited our emotions, leaving us with a feeling of hope that one day peace and prosperity will rule the world. Next she played a famous Claude Debussy piece called "The Girl with Flaxen Hair". It made us yearn for the day when everything seemed possible and it evoked strong memories of good times. I saw more than a few Rotarians wipe a tear from their eyes as the music resonated in their hearts and minds. Gianetta surprised us by playing a very familiar tune that was immediately recognizable to many as the theme song for "The Friendly Giant". She noted that many Canadians are able to visualize the drawbridge opening and the friendly giant placing chairs in front of the fire. The last piece of harp music we heard was from Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring". The music world was originally hostile to this revolutionary piece but today when we listen to it with an open mind we can feel hope for change since spring always follows winter.

After tremendous applause Lisa Phernambucq, a member of the Instrumental Society of Calgary (ISC) where Gianetta is the Artistic Director, stepped up to the podium. She explained

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John Riddell thanks our speakers



Barbara Young welcomes visitors and guests



Lise's 16th !



Lise takes harp lessons

Music (cont'd)

that the purpose of ISC is to continue the Society tradition of providing an outstanding, affordable chamber music concert series to Calgary audiences. The ISC focuses on providing a stage for Calgary-based chamber musicians to showcase some of their favourite music in an intimate 'chamber' environment. Check out their website if you would like to attend future performances (<u>www.instrumentalsociety.ca</u>). Randy Boriesenko thanked Gianetta and Lisa for their gift of music and noted that a donation had been made to CAWST in their names.

The Meeting

Doug MacDonald called the meeting to order and Frank McKitrick played an inspiring version of "O Canada" that left us all feeling very proud to be Canadians. Dwayne Keen gave a heart-felt invocation. Doug thanked the volunteer ticket sellers, GeoLOGIC for their ongoing sponsorship, and Phil Libin & Stuart Libin and Harmin Holdings for sponsoring the COG. There was no sing song this week due to a very special performance surprise coming up after lunch. Barbara Young asked five guests to stand and be acknowledged. The Crystal Ball Room was buzzing with fellowship and good cheer. Barbara Young announced a few Rotarian birthdays and a very special happy birthday song went out to Denmark exchange student Lise. Wing-kee Chan presented Lise with a special birthday gift and cake too.

John Riddell introduced new member Paul McIntyre Royston who recently worked in the area of fund development for University of Waterloo and SunnyBrook Hospital Foundation. Paul moved to Calgary with his young family after accepting a new position, Executive Director of the Calgary Public Library Foundation. He is charged with raising funds for the new central library, an incredible project that will change the landscape of downtown Calgary. Next Michael Broadhurst introduced new member Brent Alexander, a Managing Director for RBC Commercial Financial Services. Brent has an undergraduate degree from University of Alberta and an MBA from the Ivey School of Business, Western University. He is a very active community contributor and enjoys skiing, rollerblading, cooking, and most importantly helping to raise his two young sons. Walter Haessel was up next. He displayed a plaque that our club received from Rotary Challenger Park for supporting their golf tournament.

Bruce Fenwick took over the podium. He advised us that November was Rotary Foundation month. We can expect to learn more about the importance of supporting the Rotary Foundation (TRF) and the Calgary Rotary Club Foundation (CRCF) – see page 5 for more details. Bruce reminded us that when we make a donation to TRF's Annual Programs Fund, fifty percent comes back to our District. He talked about how fortunate we are to have CRCF and how the fund management is in good hands. Bill Redmond will talk more about it next week. Next Bill presented a Paul Harris Crystal to Walter Haessel in recognition of his generosity and commitment to improving the lives of others. Walter mentioned that he and his wife Ann support TRF. The meeting ended with a standing ovation in tribute to one extraordinary Rotarian – Walter Haessel!

Notice to all Club Members

The Nominating Committee for the Office of President for the 2014/2015 Rotary year has nominated Rotarian Ronald (Ron) Esch. Note that in accordance with the By-Laws of this club, nominations for the Office of President for the 2014/2015 Rotary year are open until close at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, November 13th, 2012. Please see By-Laws for details. The Club By-Laws 2007 are posted in ClubRunner under Organization - Documents.



WCS Big International

November 27, 2012 Donegal Irish Pub 1637 - 37 St SW, Calgary Starting at 5:30 P.M.

Admission: \$40.00

This event qualifies as a regular meeting of the Rotary Club for attendance

Click here for WCS BIE ticket order form



From now until the end of March, every dollar that you donate to Rotary's Polio Fund is matched by both the Canadian Government AND again by the Gates foundation. That's three for one! (Up to 1,000,000 = 3,000,000).

Read all about it at the <u>CIDA site</u>. Donate now at the <u>Rotary site</u>.

Event





John Riddell and President Doug welcome new member Paul McIntyre Royston



Michael Broadhurst introduces new member Brent Alexander



Walter Haessel presents Rotary Challenger Park award to Bruce Fenwick







Veterans' Food Bank

Near Remembrance Day, for the past several years, the members of our club have generously donated to the Veterans' Food Bank. Please contact Ken Moraes if you did not receive his email with a simple donation form. Our club is donating two wheelchairs for needy veterans.

Ken Moraes: 403-271-4556

Christmas Hampers

We are looking for people to help in a variety of roles for this year's Christmas Hamper effort. We will be delivering hampers to 60 families on December 15, so lots of work to do!

We require coordinators, shoppers, wrappers, elves to deliver and of course, donations. Details to follow in the coming weeks.

Please contact Mark Stiles at 403 571 2209 / <u>mstiles@calgaryflames.com</u> or Carol Rosdobutko at 403 265 5670 / <u>carolrosdobutko@sandler.com</u> to let us know you're interested.

Christmas Wreath Fundraiser

In conjunction with CNIB, the Calgary Rotary West Club is conducting a Christmas Wreath Fundraiser happening. For \$40 including GST you can get a boxed and fresh Nova Scotia Balsam Fir Wreaths delivered for free to clients, family, friends and Rotarians. Help from other Clubs in the city is appreciated. Details to follow.

Helen King, Calgary West Rotary Club.

Birthday Girl

- Undergraduate degree from University of Hamilton
- Ph.D. in Science & Technology Transfer, from Reading University, England
- Provides consulting and training for pipeline professionals and operations
- Works both nationally and internationally
- Currently President & CEO of MCC Pipelines Group, providing Oil and Gas Pipeline Consulting and Training
- Joined Rotary in 1996 (early days for women)
- Has been International Director, Youth Services Director, and has been involved in WCS, the President's Ball, as well as other activities
- Currently on Speakers Committee and New Members Committee

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Cristina Castro!



Rotary Foundation Month - November 2012

DID YOU KNOW?

- That there are two Rotary Foundations which provide income funds to support our local and/or international work the CRCF and TRF?
- That the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation is a registered charitable foundation so all donations will receive a receipt for income tax purposes?
- That in the last 3 years, our club received an average per year of \$900,000 from the CRCF for use in our programs, and in June 2012 our Club received a cheque for \$1,335,000 from the Foundation?
- That all 13 Rotary Clubs in Calgary have members who have made contributions to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation?
- That our members' participation in the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation made it possible for the Club to partner with the Flames Foundation to provide seed money for five major health initiatives in Calgary?
- That last year 48 members of our Club made donations to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation (CRCF)?
- That Melinda Gates, co-chair of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, dedicated the monetary award of one million dollars she accepted from the Tailberg Foundation (a humanitarian service organization that has made Poliofree its top priority) to Rotary International in support of its global effort to eradicate polio?
- That The Rotary Foundation (TRF) has three main funds?
 - Annual Program Fund which provides Grants and Scholarships.
 - Permanent Fund, an endowment that ensures the long term viability of The Rotary Foundation.
 - Polio Plus Fund, which supports Rotary's goal of a Polio-free world.
- That the Rotary Club of Calgary's contribution of \$210,000 to CAWST was leveraged eight times and has the possibility of being leveraged further by almost 40 times in support of WET Centres providing clean water throughout the developing world?

"I am an enthusiastic supporter of the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. One of my most proud moments as a Rotarian was the opening of AARC, the Alberta Adolescent Recovery Centre, which was opened following a substantial donation from the CRCF. I have left a legacy in my will for the CRCF and make regular donations in memory of friends who have passed on."

Chuck Simpson

(former President)

The Rotary Foundation information The Rotary Foundation donation form

CRCF donation form on page 8, available on-line soon.





Bruce Fenwick explains the Rotary Foundations

"You will find the more you give, the more you get."

Bíll Andrew

"I fully support the concept of the two foundations."

Carl Smith

"Monetary contributions require a certain critical mass to make major impacts."

Bill Kaufmann

"...a small personal way that I can help people far into the future."

George Brookman

"The Rotary Foundation has achieved great things for millions of people."

Bruce Fenwick

"These are two great Rotary Foundations."

Steve Allan

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Upcoming Luncheons

- Nov. 6 Remembrance Day
- Nov. 13 Bernie Carriere The Rotary Foundation
- Nov. 20 Deborah Yedlin, Herald Columnist
- Nov. 27 Big International Event Fundraiser (Donegal Pub)
- Dec. 4 Peter Kujawinski, new U.S. Consul
- Dec. 11 Colin Brown, Executive Director AARC
- Dec. 18 Christmas Luncheon with Jeremy Tuff

Many thanks to this week's COG sponsor, Philip & Stuart Libin and Harmin Holdings Ltd.



Tuesday, September 25, 2012

Howie Shikaze Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown 300, 1202 Centre Street S Calgary, Alberta T2G 5A5





Dear Howie:

RE: Feed the Hungry Dinner - Sunday, September 16, 2012

On behalf of the Feed the Hungry family, we would like to take this opportunity to say "THANK YOU" to the **Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown** for serving with us on Sunday, September 16, 2012.

Your partnership in our Sunday dinner program is a crucial ingredient in making Sunday a different experience for our guests. We are truly grateful for your generous support! By partnering with us, the **Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown** is demonstrating a genuine sensitivity to the needs of the less fortunate living in our community.

By giving our guests a more "traditional Sunday Dinner" experience, Feed the Hungry is creating a sense of community and an atmosphere of warmth, dignity and respect each Sunday evening. Our four course, sit-down meal is a welcome change from the traditional soup kitchen meal service many of our guests are familiar with. It is because of your generous efforts that this experience is even possible!

Once again, thank you to you and your volunteers for taking the time out of your busy schedules to assist in providing **506** dinner guests with approximately **700** meals.

We would also like to thank you for allowing us to schedule the **Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown** alongside another sponsor group. By agreeing to this arrangement, you were able to further leverage your financial contribution by helping to cover the costs of the dinner on **Sunday**. **September 2**, **2012** for which no sponsor group could be located. In doing so, you assisted in providing an additional **465** dinner guests with **775** meals.

We are blessed to be working in partnership with you and look forward to continuing to serve together.

God bless,

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Jordan Dahlke – Interim Program Coordinator Feed the Hungry Program

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CALGARY ROTARY CLUBS FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION FORM

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2. INDIVIDUAL COMPLETING THIS FORM(if different from donor)						
Name		Daytime phone				
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Please send your completed form with contribution. Mail: Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation, 310, 105 – 12th Ave. SE, Calgary, AB. T2G 1A1

For more information contact your club representative.