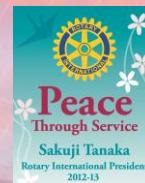


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This week's reporter
Thalia Kingsford



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Lest we forget

As a tribute to Remembrance Day, Ralph introduced four members to speak about war heroes in their memories.

John Lindenbach told us about his Uncle Joe, a young, bright engineer who joined the Seaforth Highlanders. On December 27th, 1943, during the Italian Campaign, he was shot in the head by a sniper. His injuries resulted in permanent disability with epilepsy and the loss of his eye, limiting his life and leaving a profound memory with John. Uncle Joe lived in a rooming house on the lower East Side of Vancouver until he was moved to a Veteran's facility in Burnaby where he died leaving a substantial legacy.

Bob Ermter told us that he had no memories of war, but only of Calgary during the Victory celebrations as WWII ended. He remembers bonfires blazing along 9th Avenue beside the imposing high rise, The Grain Exchange. He told us of his memories of our Club member, Urban Guichon, the kind, gentle and soft spoken founder of Riley & McCormick, and father of Brian. At Urban's funeral in 1993, Bob discovered that Urban had served as an Officer in the Canadian Intelligence Corps. He was Canada's top spy. So as poppies blow among the crosses, row on row, we remember him.

Frank Hall, who served as a British Army officer himself, told us of his grandfather. Frank's grandfather spoke so little about his war experience. He represented the majority of veterans who kept their memories very private: the common response with those who have experienced trauma. Frank told us of an opportunity to view modern day Cologne with his grandfather. He described it as a "magnificent site" but reminded Frank that the last time he had seen it was shortly after the wartime bombing raids, and only the famous Cathedral was left standing. Frank remembers him talking and then stopping abruptly. He was so profoundly affected by the memories. He had lost three brothers within the last three weeks of the war, and his life was changed as he was permanently traumatized by his "shell shock". Frank believes that as we remember sacrifice on this scale, it is essential to respect every contribution and achievement, even those we know so little about.

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Bill Redmond on the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation



John Ink before delivering the Ode of Remembrance



Our storytellers Bruce Millar, Frank Hall, Bob Ermtner and John Lindenbach



Sabre Jet vs F-18
John Ink & Vlad Dhillon

Remembrance Day (cont'd)

Bruce Miller was a self-described little monster, age 4 when his father enlisted. He and his mother followed his Dad to Camp Borden where Bruce remembers exciting times climbing in and out of tanks and old trucks. In the summer of 1941, Bruce's father went overseas. Bruce and his mother were moved to Bremerton, Washington where he saw new bombers being built at Boeing Field for the Canadian war effort. Then everything changed. The attack on Pearl Harbour brought fear to the coast of Washington and Bruce remembers all of the presents that he and the other kids were eagerly anticipating for Christmas, being burned in a huge bonfire. They were made in Japan. After four more years, Bruce's father came home to his family. He had changed and Bruce had too.

Sadly, those years were never able to be regained and Bruce feels that his relationship with his father was never the same.

It has been said that memory, even the collective memory of a far-off war, begins with personal experience. We have lost so much of our opportunity to hear these experiences as time goes on. But "the faceless emptiness urges us to look for a connection", and we, who were at the meeting, were fortunate and most grateful to have that connection from our very own members.

The Meeting

Our very special meeting of Remembrance began with Frank McKitrick at the piano, playing Mademoiselle from Armentieres.

Ralph Lundberg called the meeting to order looking very elegant in his dark suit.

The Anthem was followed by Catherine Brownlee's Invocation.

John Ink gave us his Ode of Remembrance from Laurence Binyon's "For the Fallen".

Mike Scott, an expert trumpet player from Tim Heaton's band, played The Last Post.

Ralph asked that all veterans and servicemen please stand and be recognized.

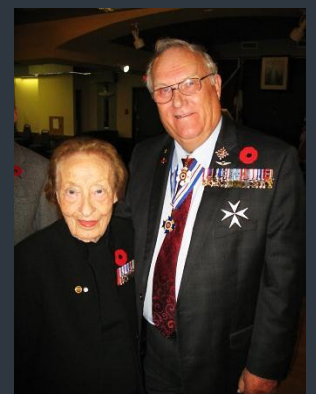
Gord Cumming had brought a military display from his Crown Surplus collection. It included a photograph of two flying aces from World War II: RAF Air Vice Marshall James Edgar "Johnnie" Johnson and German Luftwaffe General Mayor Adolf "Dolfo" Galland. After many wartime missions, and later in life, they met in Calgary, received our "White Hat" and travelled the world together.

Barbara Young gave an emotional tribute to Lacey Jones-McKnight, who died tragically in Calgary recently. Lacey was a Stay in School Award winner, mentored by Michelle Morie. Barbara is the President of the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters and works tirelessly to improve the opportunity for women who are victims of domestic violence. The Club held a moment of silence in memory of Lacey.

Bill Redmond gave a presentation on the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation as November is Foundation Month. There are 13 Clubs that participate in the Foundation with representatives sitting on the CRCF Board. The balance is \$33.6 million which provides income to all Clubs based upon the amount they have donated; our Club receives \$1.5million annually to support our programs. There are many ways to donate and tax receipts are issued. All donations make a difference.

Tim Heaton and his Quartet of three friends (and Frank) sang a medley of war time songs, It's a Long Way to Tipperary, Pack Up Your Troubles, The White Cliffs of Dover, Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy and We'll Meet Again.

ROTARY REMEMBERS



You are cordially invited to our 2nd annual fundraiser for World Community Service. There will be a silent auction, raffle and door prizes. Ticket price includes a pub meal and 2 bar drinks. Please join us for food, fellowship and fun!

WCS Big International Event

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](#)



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 / mstiles@calgaryflames.com or Carol Rosdobutko at 403 265 5670 / carolrosdobutko@sandler.com 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.



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 [CIDA site](#).

Donate now at the [Rotary site](#).

Rotary Foundation Month - November 2012

DID YOU KNOW?

- 🌀 The Rotary Foundation (TRF) and the Calgary Rotary Foundation (CRCF) are complimentary in helping us achieve our objectives.
- 🌀 The prime source of funds for TRF and recognition for donations are Paul Harris Fellows, each of which requires \$1000 donation to TRF. Paul Harris “points” can be accumulated over time by regular smaller donations.
- 🌀 TRF donors can choose for the funds to go to the Annual Programs Fund, Polio Plus or the Permanent Fund.
- 🌀 As new \$1000 plateaus are reached by an existing TRF donor, sapphires and then rubies are added to the PH pin, eventually reaching Major Donor status at \$10,000 cumulative.
- 🌀 Anyone who contributes US\$100 or more per year to the Annual Fund of TRF is automatically recognized as a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member. You may become a Benefactor by making the Permanent Fund a beneficiary in your estate plans or by donating \$1,000 or more to the fund outright.
- 🌀 The Arch C. Klump Society of TRF (a bequeath of \$250,000 or more) has two new members from Alberta this year – both from the Rotary Club of Medicine Hat – Sandy & Jane MacKay and Wayne & Bernice Chesley.
- 🌀 Ev Mayhood, our former member whose legacy generates a majority of the CRCF distributions to our Club, was Chair of our BBQ committee for many years.
- 🌀 Ev Mayhood was well known to many Rotary Club of Honolulu members as well, since he and Ellen had wintered there for many years and he was a donor to their Club too.
- 🌀 Ev’s decision to donate to the Rotary Club of Calgary was based upon his belief that Rotarians here and internationally are the most effective and trustworthy people to do good with his legacy.
- 🌀 The CRCF has a very low cost structure due to a strong volunteer Board of Rotarians.
- 🌀 The Rotary Flames Gift to the Community was totally enabled by CRCF distributions; we simply could not have done it otherwise.

[The Rotary Foundation information](#)

[The Rotary Foundation donation form](#)

CRCF donation form on page 7, available on-line soon.

“You will find the more you give, the more you get.”

Bill 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. 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**

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