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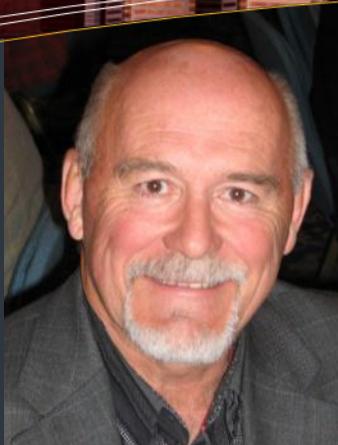
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Paul Paynter



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### Bob Rowe: Hall of Famer story

The Club was privileged to welcome Bob Rowe, a Calgarian through and through and a respected oilman in this province over the last forty years. Bob recently produced his first book, "Pappy," the life story of his father, Calgary Stampeder and CFL Hall of Fame great Paul Rowe. The theme of his speech was "The Forgotten Heroes". The timing could not have been better, as we were transported by Bob from the afterglow of an epic Labour Day 2012 Stampeders' victory over the Edmonton Eskimos, to a much earlier celebration in 1948 when the team won its first of six Grey Cups with Paul Rowe starring.

That year was perhaps the greatest season in Stamps history, when they became the only professional Canadian football team ever to achieve a perfect season with a record of 12-0. They capped the year with a 12-7 Grey Cup victory over the Ottawa Rough Riders at Toronto's Varsity Stadium. It was also during that same Grey Cup festival that Calgary fans brought pageantry to the game and turned it into a national celebration, featuring pancake breakfasts on the steps of City Hall and starting the Grey Cup parade. The well-beloved former Lt. Governor of Alberta, The Honourable Norman Kwong, was another player on that famous Stamps team. The day of their triumph, November 27<sup>th</sup>, also happened to be the very same one that Bob Rowe was born. As Bob joked, it was a toss-up as to which of his parents was more tired at the end of that day!

Paul Rowe remains the only athlete commemorated in five Canadian Halls of Fame – the CFL, BC, Alberta, Greater Victoria Sports, and Canadian Sports Halls of Fame. He was also a two-time winner of the Dave Dryburgh Memorial Trophy as the leading scorer in the West, but what makes it all the more interesting is that he won it first in 1939 and again nine years later in 1948. As Bob proudly related, his father is also the holder forever of the 220 yard dash record for his "alma mater" the University of Oregon, as that distance is of course no longer run in the metric age. His career was divided by five years proud service for Canada during World War II, and one of his career highlights was the thrilling 16-6 win over the United States at London's White City, truly "beating the Americans at their own game".

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## Rowe (cont'd)

Bob's passion for "Forgotten Heroes" also shone through as he relayed his experiences with water projects in Africa under the "Hope for the Nations" initiative, headquartered in Kelowna BC. Bob told us how these initiatives had changed the lives of local people, such as the women who prior were often obliged to endure a round trip of twelve miles on foot to seek fresh water, and worse still the young children orphaned and in many cases abandoned by parents stricken by the terrible and mortal toll of AIDS. These projects have irrigated land which was previously unproductive, so that local people – many of them widows and orphans – can now grow nutritional food such as kale and spinach, even mangoes, rather than maize whose lower nutritional value can fail to provide optimal resistance to disease. It was the Club's privilege to hear how the spirit of teamwork and achievement – as with so many families in our great city – had passed on from Paul Rowe to son Bob.



Joe Fras thanks our speaker

## The Meeting

On the first day that Calgary's children, to paraphrase Shakespeare "crept like snails unwillingly back to school," Doug MacDonald sounded the lament for summer and Michael Pierson raised our spirits with a spirited rendition at the piano of "O Canada".

After the invocation by Chris Simpkins and the acknowledgement to volunteers, Doug MacDonald thanked this week's COG sponsor Michael Colborne, and visiting Rotarian Anthony Tomkinson was welcomed from the Rotary Chinook Club.

The featured birthday boy was Roy Boettger, born on September 5<sup>th</sup>, in Nelson, BC (which prompted a memorable, if unsolicited, intervention from the floor about the alleged preferred leisure activities in that part of the Kootenays). Roy, a lawyer by trade, has served on many club committees since joining in 1988.

The undoubted highlight was the superbly confident presentation delivered by our 15 year-old Exchange Student from Denmark Lise Lykke, who fully deserved the standing ovation that she received. Lise's passion to learn and to help others was a shining example to us all, and her presentation on her country and her life was fascinating. Her sporting and academic achievement was evident too. One hopes that there will be Club members who can take Lise to see the Lake Louise she dreams of, join her skiing in the Rockies, and maybe even help fulfill her wish to, "see a bear and hear the wolves."

There is still room on the trip to Kalispell (Sept 14<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>) to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park. Contact is Trevor Axworthy. Craig Stevenson reminded us of the worthy "Feed the Hungry" volunteer opportunity closer to home on September 16<sup>th</sup> at St Mary's Cathedral Hall. With 750 to feed there is plenty of scope to make a difference. There is still room for volunteers too – and tickets available - for the Rotary Music and Motion events on the weekend of September 15-16 at the new Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park between Calgary and Cochrane. Over two days the highlights are the Beethoven on the Bow symphony, a gala evening and a fun walk/run. Rick Erven is the contact, with all funds going to support the new Provincial Park and to help build the Rotary Trail connecting Cochrane to Calgary – see [www.rotarymusicandmotion.com](http://www.rotarymusicandmotion.com)

Jeff Bradshaw called on all Committees to make full use of the website. Committees can highlight their activities in a number of ways – for example, upcoming events can be announced on the calendar, and brief & concise descriptions of projects, including a title and a couple of images, can be featured. This is an excellent way to keep the rest of the club informed. Please send all material to the office.

Last but not least, the Club heard an update from Tom Loucks regarding the CAWST Wet Centres. Five years ago the Club provided \$225K seed money for clean water projects for three Wet Centres overseas, project-managed by the Centre for Affordable Water & Sanitation (CAWST). These funds were multiplied nearly eight-fold thanks to donations from 645 organizations and 1900 individual donors. This funding has led to the huge success of the Zambia Wet Centre, with other projects in Haiti and Nepal continuing. Great work all round. [See page 7 for a detailed report from Tom.]



Lise Lykke on Denmark



Jeff Bradshaw updates us on the website

# What's Happening – Fellowship Calendar

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
Bi-weekly	Mastermind Group	Steve Stein <a href="mailto:stevejstein@gmail.com">stevejstein@gmail.com</a>
September 15, 16	Rotary Music and Motion	Rick Erven <a href="http://RotaryMusicandMotion.com">RotaryMusicandMotion.com</a>
September 16	Feed the Hungry	Howie Shikaze
September 20	Frank 'n Stein	Frank Sparks <a href="mailto:frank@foothills.ca">frank@foothills.ca</a>
September 23 10:00am	Highway Cleanup (Mt. Kidd RV Park)	Dave Macdonald
September 29	Top That Hat (TELUS Spark Science Centre)	<a href="http://www.TopThatHat2012.com">www.TopThatHat2012.com</a>

## Rotary Music and Motion

Please email me at this address if you can volunteer for the "Grits for Glenbow" event on September 15th, 2012:

[rotarymusicandmotion@gmail.com](mailto:rotarymusicandmotion@gmail.com)

We need the following:

Cooking Crew: Shift 1 - 10:00AM to 3:00PM - 3 people

Shift 2 - 3:00PM to 8:00PM - 6 people

Serving Crew: Shift 1 - 3:30PM to 7:30PM - 16 people

Meat Carvers: Shift 1 - 4:30PM to 7:30PM - 4 people

There is no parking on site - all volunteers will be bused in from Gord Graham's home at 41023 Big Hill Road, Cochrane, so please allow 30 minutes prior to start of shift for transport to site. Please provide your best contact phone number (and cell phone if available), as well as preferred email in case we need to reach you.

Thanks for helping out!

*Rick Erven*



Tom Loucks...a CAWST update



Garry Kelman amuses President Doug with his curling announcement

## Stamps Group Discount

Calgary Stampeders special group discount offer - \$26/person (regular price is \$35) for groups of 20+. Seating is provided in the lower bowl.

If you are interested, please contact Matt Reid at [mreid@stampeders.com](mailto:mreid@stampeders.com).

## Rotary Ride for Ronald

I am Dave Hogarth, Chair for the Rotary Ride for Ronald and I need your help to raise funds to help operate two Ronald McDonald Houses in Alberta. These Houses have to raise 90% of the funds needed and do not receive government grants.

Donations can be paid online with a credit card or cheques can be made out to *Ronald McDonald House* and mailed:

c/o Dave Hogarth  
Box 4201  
Olds, AB T4H1P8

Please watch the video on our website at [www.rotaryrideforronald.com](http://www.rotaryrideforronald.com) to understand how important these Houses are to families in Alberta.

## Exchange Student

All those wishing to contact our Exchange Student, Lise Lykke, please do so through her current Counsellor, Eva Friesen, or Wing-Keen Chan.

## Birthday Boy Roy!

### Roy Boettger – a brief bio:

- Born in Nelson, B.C.
- Moved to Calgary at a young age
- Henry Wise Wood High School, U. of C. and U. of A.
- Drafted by Calgary Stampeders, but went to Law School instead
- Married his high school sweetheart (Lynn)
- Practices primarily in wills and estates
- Introduced to our club by Terry McMahon in 1988
- Participates in President's Ball and was on the Committee
- Has written articles for the COG, been on the Governance Committee, Golf Tournament Committee, Membership Committee, LRP Committee, and President of the Club
- Long time Rotary Show participant



Unknown resident of Nelson...



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## Upcoming Luncheons

- **Sept. 11** .....Dawn Farrell – TransAlta Utilities
- **Sept. 18** .....Dr. John Rook – Calgary Homeless Foundation
- **Sept. 25** .....Steve Mesler – Olympic Success Turns Into Olympic Community

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# WHITE SLIPS – New Member Process

<b>Name:</b>	Emil Tarka
<b>Profession:</b>	President
<b>Classification:</b>	Education
<b>Company:</b>	Tarka Consulting Inc.
<b>Proposed by:</b>	Walter Haessel & Charles Pratt
<b>Date:</b>	Aug. 24, 2012

<b>Name:</b>	Jennifer Lavier Jankovic
<b>Profession:</b>	Project Manager
<b>Classification:</b>	Engineering & Structural
<b>Company:</b>	Williams Engineering Canada Inc.
<b>Proposed by:</b>	Williams Engineering
<b>Date:</b>	Aug. 16, 2012

<b>Name:</b>	James Costello
<b>Profession:</b>	Head of Finance
<b>Classification:</b>	Accounting
<b>Company:</b>	Stone Creek Resorts/Western Hydrogen
<b>Proposed by:</b>	Larry Shelley & Catherine Brownlee
<b>Date:</b>	Aug. 22, 2012


## Wet Centres Program Report

About 5 years ago our club approved \$225,000 seed money for a three year program to create Wet Centres. The idea was to create mini CAWST's overseas to provide clean water to many more people, more quickly. This was our International Signature Legacy project, and the second phase of our partnership with CAWST. It followed a multi-year clean water program in three countries led by our club and assisted by CAWST. So how did the seed money for Wet Centres work out?

Our \$225,000 seed money was multiplied 8 times. Encana matched our seed money, and then CIDA provided a grant of 3 times those funds, for a Program Budget of almost two million dollars. CIDA considers the program such a success that it has pledged up to six million dollars to CAWST, over the next 3 years, to create Wet Centres in numerous additional countries. CAWST is now working hard to raise their 25% share which is \$2 million. We certainly created a great legacy that is sustainable and expanding.

645 organizations and over 1,900 individuals were trained to provide clean water. 56 organizations are already implementing independent projects leading to a very conservative estimate of 370,000 people having improved access to water and sanitation. This will compound rapidly for many years.

The Zambian Wet Centre has been an outstanding success and assists water organizations in Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, Ethiopia, Rwanda, South Africa, Kenya, Sudan and Uganda. This [Africa Manzi Centre](#) (WET Centre) project in Zambia and CAWST have been presented with a [National Energy Globe Award](#).



There has been good progress in developing PAIDEH in Haiti into an efficient organization, but the horrific earthquake has delayed development of this Wet Centre. However PAIDEH has been able to attract more than \$150,000 in fees for delivering implementation services for other organizations including Oxfam, Rotary and ACTED.

India dropped out of the program early. CIDA funds were redirected to Zambia and Haiti. Some of our club funds were redirected to Nepal, which we will report on at a later date.

This was a very complex program with many components and took considerably more effort than originally envisioned. An important outcome of this program is that the model to build a WET Centre has now been defined, tested and proved. We have led the way, and other organizations and individuals are now following our lead and providing the dollars to do so.

In terms of signature, the PR component reached 40,000 people, plus Herald articles etc., plus displays at the Rotary International Convention, and The Works Art and Design Festival in Edmonton. The loss of CAWST's skilled PR person seriously impaired the promotion of the program, and our contribution. We also could have done more.

A recent study by Cranfield University UK, of 104 organizations, places CAWST foremost among international development organizations working in the field of water and sanitation. They could identify no organization that fully matched the work of CAWST.

Any questions contact Tom Loucks at 403-243-2874 or [thloucks@telusplanet.net](mailto:thloucks@telusplanet.net).

*Tom Loucks* – August 2, 2012