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DIRECTORS' REPORTS presented June 15th

President Paul kicked off the annual review assembly meeting, thanking each of the Directors and all their committee members and chairs for their efforts in making this a successful year for the Club and both simplifying and complicating his term as President. Each of the Directors presented reports on the activities of their areas, and these will be featured in the Arch over the next few weeks. The series of reports continues with Community Service, prepared by Ted Wada.

Community Service 2010 - 2011

The main objective of the Community Service this year is to increase the hands-on activities within the city of Calgary.

The committees under the Community Services are:

Community projects: chaired by Gary miller - Gary and his team organized the Operation Santa Claus which helped send Christmas gifts to Canadian soldiers oversea, volunteered at the Mustard Seed kitchen twice and at the Ronald Macdonald House twice. Thanks to the effort of this team, the club was able to get involved hands-on in various community projects.

Volunteer projects: chaired by Harry Nazarchuk - Harry and his team were very busy leading up to Christmas doing projects such as Salvation army kettles on two Saturdays, Samaritan purse shoe box volunteers, and Christmas wreath deliveries for CUPs. The club members were all eager to volunteer for needed positions and we had very successful year again.

Fish Creek Nature Park projects: chaired by Jim Thompson - The Nature Park committee was of course idle over the winter. We are going to do our annual detail clean-up in a couple of weeks, in preparation for the annual "picnic in the park meeting" in early August. We would appreciate you asking the board to carry over our 10/11 budget to 11/12 Rotary year as the additions budgeted for won't be billed or installed until late July.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF CALGARY Diane Reid, Director of Donor Relations



Bruce McDonald introduced our guest speaker, Diane Reid, Director of Donor Relations for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary.

In Calgary, like in many other Canadian cities in 1939, there was a "boy" problem. Fathers were often away at war and after school; boys lived in the congested, semi-slum areas of the inner city. They were left pretty much to their own devices, formed small gangs and often ran with undesirable companions. This resulted all too often in visits to juvenile court. The Chief of Police approached Rotary for help and they put together The Rotary Boys Town Club providing space, financing, and leadership for approximately 125 boys.

In 1942 Rotary raised an additional \$70,000 to extend their work with youth and by 1943,

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Scribe: Paul Gaudet

July 5th, 2011

Dave started his first meeting right on time at 12:15 by welcoming everyone to Rotary and introducing our standard "Oh Canada" and "Rotary Grace".

Dave's first announcement was to advise all that we were circulating Ai's Flag and "best wishes" book for the signatures and best wishes of all members.

Gerald Langereis introduced our visitors and guests today, including: Nancy Gant (guest of Hank Popoff), Gary Bobnoff (guest of Ron Hardie), Sheila Scrutton from Rotary Club of Rocky Mountain House, Terry McDonough from Calgary South, Duncan McKillop from the Calgary Club, and Patti and Denis Beaudry, formerly from Calgary but now from San Miguel de Allende, Mexico.

The Sunshine Report by Don McLean was the best kind: "Nothing new to report". It was noted that Don wasn't wearing socks (by John Beatty of course), a fact that would cost him later in the meeting.

Ai's report was brief but significant as she noted that this will be her last meeting at our Club as she will be off to her homeland within two weeks. She expressed her gratitude for all our support and told us that she will miss our friendship. She was definitive in saying that she expects to revisit Calgary in the not too distant future. Safe journey Ai, we'll miss you too!

Linda Colclough did a fine job on the "birthdays and anniversaries" for July. She noted that there were 11 members with birthdays this month and recognized the six who were in attendance today: Betty French, Bob Montgomery, Gerald Langereis, Jim Thompson, Bruce McDonald and Harold Hanna. Our anniversaries this month were all long term ones : Norm Moro (and Lorraine) at 52 years, Don McLean (and Margaret) also 52 years, Terry Green (and Faye) 45 years, Jack Steen (and Patsy) 43 years, Bart Dailley (and Barbara) 40 years, Bruce McDonald (and Carol) 39 years and Paul Gaudet (and Beti) at 37 years.

Dave called up our two visiting Rotarians from Mexico to exchange banners. They also noted our efforts to help with concrete water filters and spoke of their efforts to aid children in Mexico.

Greeters

July 26thRoger Brett and Graham BooneAugust 2ndGordon Billings and Ian BurgessAugust 9thNo greeters - Nature Park meetingIf you are unable to GREET on your assigned day,
please contact Barry Korpatnisky so he can get a
replacement ... 403-278-8982

There were two Minutemen: Bruce Bohnet who asked for help in signing up for our upcoming Casino (September 28th and 29th), and Garth Sabrish who discussed our upcoming responsibilities at Spruce Meadows commencing on Wednesday. There are way too many open shifts and while we recognize it is a busy time of year for everyone, this is our major fundraiser and it is extremely important that we do the very best we can to help meet our Club's obligations. Garth also advised those who are working on the west side to check in at lot 7, while those working the east side should check in at lot 2.

Dave noted that anyone who had their picture taken by Linda and Cam at the President's Ball could still order copies from Linda.

Bob Montgomery was our Sgt at Arms and kicked off his fund raising activities by fining your scribe for many things, too many to list, all at \$1 per offence. It cost Don McLean a dollar for forgetting his socks, birthday celebrants got to pay a dollar each for enjoying their wine, Gerald paid a dollar for struggling with the introduction of guests, and finally, we all paid a dollar in recognition of our love for Ai (the only popular fine). The only "Good News" report was by John Beatty, the proud papa of Brianna, who advised that her team had won the City soccer play downs and would be off to the Provincials in Edmonton.

Dave thanked Paul for his year as President and called him up to present his new Rotary "Past President" pin and plaque (with gavel).

Sheila Scrutton, from the Rotary Club of Rocky Mountain House, thanked our Club for helping out with their World Community Service project in Peru and reported that it was up and running.

Dave then introduced our new Board; Dave Wylie as President, Dave Saunders as President Elect, Terry Green as Vice President, Paul Gaudet as Past President, Graham Boone as Treasurer, Steve McAuley as Secretary, and our six Directors; Ann Marsh (International Service), Rick Kellington (Club Financial), Paul Hussey (Club Operations), Ghalib Abdulla (New Generations), Kathryn Kaldestad (Club Service) and Ron Hardie (Community Service).

Dave then outlined a few of his goals for the upcoming year. Firstly, he plans on concentrating our recruiting/membership activities on vocational classifications. He noted that almost half of our Club is retired, which means that there is a lot of room in our Roster for new members in many of our major classifications, such as banking, finance, engineering, law, retail, tourism, etc.

Dave also noted that the average age of our membership is 65.5. Some say the younger generation is too busy to join but is this true? Jason, Gavin, Orion, Kathryn and others in that age group are here for the benefits of Rotary and the good it



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Upcoming Events

Janice Eisenhauer, Co-Founder, Canadian Women 4 Women in Afghanistan

Membership Month

August 2nd August 9th August 16th August 28th - 30th August 30th

New Generations Month

September 13th September 16th - 18th September 20th September 27th September 28th & 29th

Vocational Service Month

October 4th October 11th Garth Sabirsh, Chinook Member, Roses Nature Park meeting Alexandra Starker, War Amps Parking at Spruce Meadows — AKA Dog Show Harry Morrison, Berundi Project

Wayne Coristine, Community Relations Co-ordinator for Money Mentors Waterton-Glacier Peace Park Assembly Rotary Exchange Guests from England Tom Flanagan, Political Scientist, U of C Casino

Rick Hanson, Calgary Police Chief District Governer Vivist



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Meeting Minutes - July 5th

does in the world. Perhaps we need to ask them to help in building our membership.

Apparently Calgary has a ratio of one Rotarian per 1,400 in population. Edmonton has one Rotarian per 950. Grande Prairie is one to 176. It seems there is room for us to try to achieve better penetration into the community.

Dave advised that while Rotary needs to change our approach to membership in order to address the needs and expectations of the up-coming generations, we have to do it right in order to keep building on this great and caring organization. We must find a balance between meeting the expectations of our long time membership while still encouraging and supporting participation by the next generation of Rotarians.

He wants to encourage fellowship and make such events as our President's Ball possibly less formal so that more members will want to attend.

Dave adjourned his first meeting 5 minutes early, a fine job indeed!

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF CALGARY

although statistics showed a 50% increase in delinquency for the Dominion of Canada, Calgary showed a declining rate. Spurred on by this success, Rotarians purchased and renovated the Old Ukrainian Hall at 605-7th Avenue SE, which allowed them to increase the Club's membership to over 200 boys. By 1947, the membership again exceeded the facility's capacity and a playground and hockey rink were added.

By 1949 the Rotary Club set up an independent board to govern the Boys Club. The Club was incorporated under the Societies Act, and became a separate entity known as the Calgary Boys Club. Although Rotary turned over all the assets, land, equipment and funds to the new organization, many Rotarians continued to serve as board members and continue to volunteer directly with youth.

A Rotary Club of Calgary South story ... in 1959, the Manchester Club, as Calgary South was originally known, wanted to establish a youth camp in Kananaskis (leased from the Province) and funded \$5,000 over two years to get the camp started. It was called "Camp Adventure" and today, 52 years later, they are still using the same lodge.

So while the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary began with Rotarians doing everything, they have evolved into an independent and successful operation. From helping 150 boys originally, they now "touch" over 38,000 youth in our Province annually. From a \$5,000 donation to get started in 1939, they have grown to a \$13 million annual budget today.

They began with an initiative to help young boys who were suffering from a lack of attention at home and now address such issues as teen pregnancy, suicide, teen prostitution, homelessness and poverty. While issues change, the solution in many respects remains the same: adults providing attention to kids.

The organization has very diverse programs such as 7 community Clubs in high needs areas and their "clean up" contract with the



Boys & Girls Clubs of Calgary A good place to be

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Community Service 2010/2011 Year End Report



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There is a considerable activity on the north side of the park adjacent to Hwy 22x, as the storm drain holding pond is expanded and landscaped. This is all beneficial to the park and to the environment, as increased storm runoff from the expanded road system, will be retained before eventually draining into the river, reducing pollution of the river. The park remains open through this and there is a temporary access to both the park and the golf course a little closer to 22x.

You may not be aware but Rotary International has recognized this project with a "Significant Achievement Award" in recognition of outstanding and significant community service effort. A letter from RI General Secretary Ed Futa accompanies the award. This is our 9th year since we officially opened the park. You should also know our park was singled out by the group behind the huge Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park Foundation, as being a considerable influence on their plans for improvements in that massive 3500 acre park near Cochrane.

Our band of Park groomers continues to be dedicated to this project and wants it to be the standout example of the Rotary Chinook's contribution to preserve a bit of nature in an urban setting, now and in the future. (reported by Jim Thompson)

South Glenmore Park projects: chaired by Garth Sabirsh - I am in discussion with the City of Calgary and Urban Forestry about planting some trees in this park. As you know our club has budgeted \$3000 for this purpose. Tentatively we will plant the trees in early September 2011. The City also has several other ideas on getting involved with the National Shoreline Clean-up program, and several schools art projects for decorating their fences. (reported by Garth Sabirsh)

Senior's Christmas Luncheon: chaired by Alex Soutar - This year's Christmas Luncheon received excellent reviews from the committee and staff at the Kerby Centre, Calgary Family Services, and most importantly the seniors themselves. This event was possible because of the great support we received with 59 Rotarians signing on to insure it's success and was completed within the \$7000 budget allocated. The table centrepiecess arrived from Bonavista Flowers early in the morning and this allowed time to place them on the tables. The salads and dessert trays were prepared ahead and that smoothed the way for a continuous delivery to the tables by the servers.

The buses from Pacific Western Transportation arrived a little early this year and caused some delay processing the coat checks. We should be able to streamline this in 2011, due to a new entrance on the East side of the Kerby Centre which will allow more room to welcome the seniors in an orderly fashion. The food servings were excellent and

served in an orderly fashion. The entertainment was the Bow Valley Fiddlers and as usual they presented an entertaining performance. In addition to the fiddlers, there was a special guest appearance by the Calgary Stampeders players and their coach and GM John Hufnagel. This was a special bonus for a lot of the seniors in attendance. A big THANK YOU to Tim Horton who once again supplied gifts to all of the guests and these were distributed to the table by the table hosts and allowed an orderly flow as the seniors picked up their coats before leaving.

There was a very productive wrap up meeting at the Kerby Centre in January. The Kerby committee offered several suggestions in order to make the 2011 event even better from their kitchen and serving to the distribution tables. This will be discussed with the new Rotary seniors committee for this year's event. We have tentatively booked Wednesday December 7, 2011 as the date of the Seniors Luncheon pending board approval. (reported by Alex Soutar)

Calgary Region Immigration Employment Council Committee: chaired by Anthony Tonkinson - This is a new committee which was spearheaded by Anthony Tonkinson. The objective is to provide mentor assistance to newly landed immigrants who may have language issues or other difficulties in integrating into the society.

Calgary Rotary Foundation: chaired by Bruce Macdonald - As you know I'm retiring from the Foundation board after four years as a member representative for our club. I feel pleased to have been able to launch this program into our club in the spring of 2007. Total funds raised in 2007/08/09/10 have amounted to \$100,733. For 2010 the average number of members donating amounted to forty four. Only three Calgary Rotary clubs have larger member donations to the Foundation. Our club is fourth in ranking of 12 member clubs. Personal bequests in member estates have been sizable, increasing individual clubs' investments into the Foundation. The CRCF was founded in September 1972. Just imagine the size of our endowment if we had started the year our club was formed.)reported by Bruce McDonald)

Integrity Award Laiason: chaired by Bart Dailley - The Integrity Award event was cancelled this year. The event will be restructured and possibly in fall of next year, it'll happen again.

Challenger Park Laiason: chaired by John McBean - We had a wonderful lunch meeting this spring at the Challenger Park. We talked about the club's initial involvement with the park as well as current and future development plans of the park.







July 19th, 2011

Dave started our meeting right on time at 12:15 by welcoming everyone to Rotary and introducing "Oh Canada" and "Rotary Grace" with Betty doing her usual excellent job on the piano.

After lunch and fellowship, Dave opened the meeting at 12:35 and announced that Paul would be the scribe today and that Bob Montgomery would be our Sgt. at Arms.

Bruce Bohnet introduced our visitors and guests today, including: Peter Aunger (guest of Tom Sorenson), David Richardson (guest of Eric Pullam, himself a visiting Rotarian from Estavan, Sask.), Past District Governor Peter Sen from Saskatoon North, Brian Targett and Terry McDonough from Calgary South, and Bill Churchnard from the Rotary Club of Calgary. We were also pleased to see Ashley Morrison in attendance, our outgoing exchange student (to Thailand) from two years ago.

The Sunshine Report by Don McLean noted that Garry Miller is experiencing some difficulty with his diabetes but was looking forward to rejoining us as soon as possible. Don told us a tale of the young man enjoying a day of "stampeding" who then did the right thing, he took a bus home. He arrived home safe and warm, which was surprising as he had never driven a bus before.

Dave asked David Irving to introduce our newest member, Duncan McKillop, who is joining us after 11 years with the Rotary Club of Calgary. Duncan was born in Moose Jaw, Sask., moving to Calgary with his family in 1945. He married Barbara in 1962 and they had two children, Janet and Michael. Duncan is a lawyer with a specialty in constitutional law, was active in politics in Alberta in the 1960's, and took an early retirement at 61 to pursue other interests such as community service, genealogy (both his great grandfathers came to western Canada in 1881), and an extensive interest in travel. Duncan has a very interesting background, both personally and career wise, so we encourage all our members to make Duncan welcome and get to know him better. Bob Montgomery performed the induction ceremony and Bruce McDonald was appointed as Duncan's Rotary mentor.

We missed Ai's report today as she had just boarded an aircraft for her return home to Japan. She is an impressive young lady and will be missed by our members. We hope she will return for a visit in the not too distant future. A special thanks to all her host families during the year without whom this experience would not have been possible.

We had five Minutemen today:

• Harry Nazarchuk reminded everyone about the Waterton Peace Park "Hands across the Border" ceremony being held this year on Sept. 16th to 18th. This is the first Peace Park in the world and is a great experience for all members, new and old. See Harry for registration details.

• Linda Colclough advised the Club that she and her husband, Cam, had the opportunity of a lifetime during the Royal visit, to conduct a photo session with a number of Scribe: Paul Gaudet

Alberta dignitaries and the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. They actually met William and Kate and have created an art picture of the couple from their photo opportunity. Linda brought it along to show our members and it is truly spectacular. Thanks, Linda, and congratulations, we are all envious.

• Garth and Garth both reported on upcoming parking assignments; this week at Currie barracks for the "Weekend to Cure Cancer" and the following weekend at Spruce Meadows for the Kennel Show. We are in need of parkers and would greatly appreciate your support wherever possible. We fully realize that there are only so many weekends in the summer and that it is the peak vacation period of the year. We have been very busy with weekend parking in June and July and know it is an imposition on everyone to keep asking for your valuable time. However, this is the time of year when we need to raise funds for our charitable activities during the rest of the year. On the positive side, the weather is generally nice and the fellowship is fantastic.

• Bruce Bohnet reminded us of our scheduled Casino on September 28th and 29th (Wednesday and Thursday) and that we need 20 or so volunteers to complete this project.

President Dave asked Ashley Morrison to choose our 50-50 ticket winner and long time youth exchange supporter Rob Whitfield was the winner. He promptly donated the funds back to Ashley. Well done, Rob.

Monty then took the floor to perform his Sgt. at Arms duties and as usual left no one out. He fined our Pres for naming the Sgt. too early in the meeting, Bruce for having difficulty with a name during intro of guests, Linda for self promotion (although we're glad she did!), Harry for taking 3 minutes to be a Minuteman. Bob then told a story about Hank (and fined him) about how he dealt with a slow parking shift at Spruce Meadows (he read his car's operating manual), and then promptly fined David Irving for admitting to having done the same thing. He fined both Garths for creating unequal workloads and asked all our members to contribute a loonie to help fill the pot. He rounded out the session by asking all who haven't yet paid their dues to contribute a dollar. As I said, he left no one out!

President Dave reported that the Rotary Club of Crowchild Urban Spirits (meets at Hotel Arts in the southern Beltline) have decided to meet every two weeks and also that they have arranged for Ted Morton to be their speaker on August 23rd.

Bruce McDonald was called on to introduce our guest speaker, Diane Reid, Director of Donor Relations for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary.

Dave thanked our speaker and advised that next week's speaker would be Janice Eisenhauer, co-founder of Canadian Women 4 Women in Afghanistan.

He wished all a wonderful Rotary week and adjourned the meeting at 1:30pm, right on time.



THIS AND THAT



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Calgary Stampede. They have a group home and school in Didsbury to help kids with addictions. They also have a "ready-setgo" preschool program to assist low income families. Kids will drop out of school for many reasons which make them feel like they don't belong. Poverty issues are a problem, parental values and expectations play a role.

They are involved with programs which target success in school, tutoring, financial support, helping kids find part time jobs. The goal is to help keep them in school and to improve their self esteem.

Their Strategic Plan boils it all down to one desired outcome, "to help our youth become self sufficient in adulthood". This means they must finish high school with a plan for the future, do volunteer work, make money to support themselves and include recreational activity. They encourage kids to get back to stability and to re-enter the public school system.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary receive approximately \$5 million from the Province and over a million from Calgary's United Way each year to help fund their \$13 million annual budget. They depend on community and corporate fundraising for the balance.



Change the world by contributing US\$2 a week to The Rotary Foundation

Rotary International News -- 16 June 2011 Through the Annual Programs Fund, which is the primary source of funding for Rotary Foundation programs, Rotarians help make the world a better place. For the 2009-10 Rotary year, approximately 308,000 Rotarians participated in the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative, which funds the Annual Programs Fund. About 235,000 of those contributors are Rotary Foundation Sustaining Members contributing \$100 or more a year. As of 1 July, the start of the Rotary year, to 31 May, about \$87.8 million has been raised toward the Foundation's \$95.5 million goal. If every one of the 1.2 million Rotarians contributed just \$2 a week, in one year the Foundation could raise almost \$125 million.

That's money that goes back to Rotarians in the form of scholarships and grants for projects that bring hope and make a difference in the lives of countless people. Rotarians have used grant money to bring sight to those blinded by cataracts, bought wheelchairs for those who could not use their legs, gave clean water to those made sick by contaminated water, and opened up new worlds by helping people learn to read.

Be a part of changing the world and help The Rotary Foundation exceed its goals.

Roster Book Updates

P lease review your Roster page and advise Stephen P ick (stephen@ontheridge.ca) of any changes.

New Members! Please provide a head and shoulders digital photograph to Stephen.

The revised / new Roster pages will be printed and distributed in the near future.

POLITE WAY TO CALL SOMEONE A BASTARD

A guy was getting ready to tee off on the first hole when a second golfer approached and asked if he could join him. The first said that he usually played alone, but agreed to the twosome.

They were even after the first few holes. The second guy said, "We're about evenly matched, how about playing for five bucks a hole?" The first guy said that he wasn't much for betting, but agreed to the terms.

The second guy won the remaining sixteen holes with ease.

As they were walking off number eighteen, the second guy was busy counting his \$80.00. He confessed that he was the pro at a neighbouring course and liked to pick on suckers. The first fellow revealed that he was the Parish Priest.

The pro was flustered and apologetic, offering to return the money. The Priest said, "You won fair and square and I was foolish to bet with you. You keep your winnings."

The pro said, "Is there anything I can do to make it up to you?"

The Priest said, "Well, you could come to Mass on Sunday and make a donation ... and, if you want to bring your mother and father along, I'll marry them ... "

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"The youth of every generation has stood in a critical position, for the scales have been tipped one way or the other by the training they received from their elders. This is particularly true today. Our boys and girls have greater freedom, exercise greater power, and have more opportunities for both good and evil, than ever before. How important it is, therefore, that youth's great possibilities for good be realized and developed!"