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Dear Rotary Club,
Fairview would like to express the greatest gratitude for your continuous support for the 30th Famine. We really liked the Subway lunches, all of our participants were very grateful. We are also happy to announce that this year's Famine raised more than \$5000. Fairview couldn't have done it without your support. Thank You.
Sincerely,
The Fairview Social Awareness Society

RYPEN 2012

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Meeting Minutes



May 8th, 2012

Scribe: Rae Campbell

A good crowd of Chinook Rotarians gathered at Fairview School at noon on May 8. It quickly became quite a noisy group! Your scribe noticed a number of snowbirds etc. who were reconnecting with Rotary friends.



Our Vice President Terry Green led the meeting once again. Two young ladies from Fairview led us singing the National Anthem.

Terry gave the Club's thanks to several people who have helped the program over the year.

Hank Popoff made strong recommendations for all of us to attend the Spruce Meadows Appreciation Dinner May 16th, and the President's Dinner on May 19th.



Lunch was good. Someone tried to hide the cupcakes but we found them!



Fairview's Principal made remarks to the group. This was a bit of a challenge overcoming the school's musical bell system, but he is used to it.

There are two programs at the school. One is French Immersion. Over the past year, changes in our provincial government have put education under a microscope. Premier Stelmach cut funding. Then Premier Redford restored some of the funding. This meant that last September Fairview cut staff, and then restored staff

in November. Now the newly elected government is saying they will build 200 new schools, but we do not know what the impact will be on Fairview.

Fairview tries to minimize the impact of changes on staff levels, so the budget cuts show up elsewhere as less resources for programs. There may be positive outcomes from a new idea for "wrap-arounds" of school, social, and health services.



Fairview is fortunate to be a school where most students apply for the privilege of attending there.

Our club received a thank you note from the school's social awareness society. ((see page 1)



Patricia and Dale were thanked for organizing the day.

Barry Korpatnisky read us a letter from Ai our exchange student last year. She is now in university.



Photos courtesy of John Beatty

Greeters

- May 15th Jack Steen and Ron Smith
- May 22nd No meeting - President's Dinner
- May 29th Anne Dale and Fred Jessee

If you are unable to GREET on your assigned day, please contact Barry Korpatnisky so he can get a replacement ... 403-278-8982

Don't forget ... !



SPRUGE MEADOWS

Appreciation Dinner & Orientation Meeting

Wednesday, May 16th

Tours at 5:15 pm and 5:45 pm

Dinner at 6:30 pm

Congress Hall @ Spruce Meadows

Be sure to attend if you've signed up !

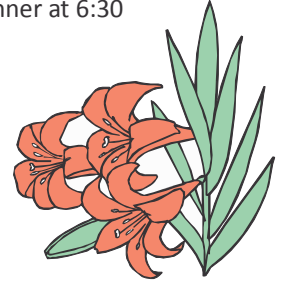


Upcoming Events



Promote RI Convention Month

- May 15th Club Assembly
- May 16th Spruce Meadows Appreciation Dinner, Congress Hall – Tours 5:15 to 5:45, Dinner at 6:30
- May 19th President’s Dinner
- May 22nd Meeting replaced by President’s Dinner evening
- May 25th - 27th District 5360 Conference, Radisson Hotel & Conference Centre, Canmore AB
- May 29th World Community Service Meeting



Rotary Fellowship Month

- June 5th Rob Walker, Yoga Instructor
- June 12th Trudy Cowan – History of Heritage Park Synagogue
- June 19th 35th Anniversary Photo Session – make sure you attend and be part of this commemorative event!
- June 26th Passing of the Gavel

New Generations Month

- September 14-16th 80th Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Assembly in Kalispell, Montana at the Hilton Garden Inn. The Hands Across the Border Ceremony will occur in Glacier Park.

Rotarians leave Bangkok encouraged to fight poverty and finish the job of eradicating polio

by Ryan Hyland Rotary International News -- 9 May 2012 EXCERPT

Rotarians and friends left the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, energized to keep up the fight against polio and to use their ingenuity to help reduce global poverty. The four-day event, which drew to a close Wednesday, attracted more than 35,000 attendees from 181 countries and geographical areas and included a celebration of two major milestones in the global polio eradication effort.

Attendees were also treated to a preview of the next RI Convention, which will take place 23-26 June 2013, in Lisbon, Portugal.

In his closing remarks, RI President Kalyan Banerjee reminded Rotarians that “what’s important in Rotary isn’t what we say. It’s what we do, and who we are. There dwells within you the power and spirit that can evoke the energy you may not realize. You have to be hungry enough to reach within and release the energy to help you embrace humanity. I believe this is the state we call happiness. I have just given you the prescription for it. Rotary can help you achieve happiness in life that you seek.”

Incoming RI President Sakuji Tanaka outlined his plans for his term, which begins 1 July. Tanaka will ask Rotarians to achieve Peace through Service. “Through service we learn that the problems that may seem large to us are really very small. We learn empathy for others. We come closer to people who seem very different from us. And we begin to understand how much we are all the same. Through our Rotary service, we know that cooperation is more productive than conflict. We know that every one of us has something to give, and everyone has something to teach.”

Delegates elected nominee Ron D. Burton, of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, USA, as the 2013-14 RI president during the fourth plenary session earlier in the day. “I am both

honored and humbled to accept the nomination of president of Rotary International,” Burton said in his acceptance remarks. “I take a tremendous amount of pride in being a Rotarian. To me, Rotary isn’t just another service organization. It is something different, something special.” Burton says the best years are still to come for Rotary. He emphasized RI’s Strategic Plan as the tool to make that happen. “The plan is a way to look clearly at who we are, where we are going, and how we should get there. It’s a powerful reminder of our goals and priorities, which at their heart are the same as they’ve been since Rotary was founded.”

Jose Ramos-Horta, president of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, talked about his country’s struggle to achieve peace. He told Rotarians that peace can be difficult but, with the right people in place, it’s attainable. “Peace is a process — sometimes a long one, too long. It can be a formal political process. But to be sustained we have to deal with human beings as individuals, as communities, as people with traumas, emotions, and anger, but also with hopes, hearts, and feelings.”

During the fourth plenary session, General Secretary John Hewko outlined five priorities for the Secretariat to get Rotary on the best footing possible to embark on its second century. These included eradicating polio, implementing the Strategic Plan and Future Vision, finding an effective way to track and demonstrate the value of the service provided by Rotarians, increasing membership, and bringing Rotary into the ranks of major players in the world of global humanitarian assistance and development.





THIS AND THAT

Did You Know !? (historic club tidbits)



Did you know? Some would consider our first President's Ball the night we received our RI charter at a very large ceremony at the Palliser Hotel, March 14th 1977 (there was no dancing that night either).

Our charter President was Greg McLellan, formerly of the South Calgary Club, before that Medicine Hat Sammis, and all the members being accepted into RI as Charter Members of our club were present, with spouses. Representatives from all Calgary clubs of the day were there too, along with the District Governor and other district officials. It was a Grand affair. We had a group photo taken that was republished in a recent addition of the Arch. I think I'm the only one that still looks pretty much the same!

After that party in 1977 we established that every year we would have a 'President's Ball', formatted on the example set by our sponsor clubs, Downtown and South, even though our club numbers were not nearly as great. The first was held at the Trade Winds Hotel in March 1978. The Trade Winds was our home for several years before the wrecking ball took it down and we relocated to the Carriage House. The first party, and it was a heck of a party!, went into the wee hours of the morning, MC'd by the always full of P&V, Jim Costello, who became our 2nd President after Greg had logged nearly 2 years organizing and administering us through our formation year.

Our annual President's Ball was held every year since at a variety of venues, including the Glencoe Club, the Wainright Hotel, the Blackfoot Inn, Spruce Meadows and others ... always as a choice of the present President. One year, I believe 1987 (??), we had a Tri-Presidents Ball, and included the West and East clubs to fill the venue, which was the Glencoe Club ballroom. Entertainment has included a number of 5 piece bands and a variety of entertainers. I don't remember ever having a bad meal, whatever the location. Often the dinner wine was 'sponsored' by a member or two.

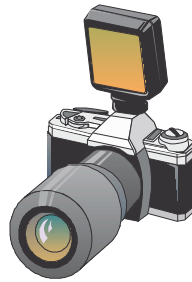
I like the renaming of the annual celebration to the 'President's Dinner'. It is the right tribute to a member concluding a year as President. It eliminates confusion as to whether or not this is an anniversary party as well and it provides for greater flexibility in when it can occur. I don't think Judy and I have ever missed this annual event since we chartered. It is right to salute the President for a year of 'service above self', we're really looking forward to this one too!

See you all May 19th!

Jim Thompson

35th Anniversary Photographs

The Club will be arranging to take a photograph of as many of our members as we can bring together in honour of our 35th anniversary. Linda and Cam Colclough have agreed to see that it gets done in a professional manner. The photographs will be offered for sale to our members.



We need to maximize attendance ! Be there or be square !?!

Arrangement will be made for the photograph to be taken on a regular meeting day, for which the actual program will be the taking of the picture. **We have chosen June 19th to be the day.**



Mark your calendars and ensure you attend the meeting on the 19th!

Thank you! Paul Gaudet



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