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ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE Bob Montgomery, In-bound Co-Ordinator

Bob Montgomery's role is District Inbound Co-Ordinator of the Rotary Friendship Exchange and he undertook to introduce the visitors today. He started with a good joke about a Brit cabbie.

The Exchange Rotarians arrived July 8th and their hosts from Chinook, the West club and Fish Creek club were recognized. One of their original host clubs was to be High River, but due to circumstances, this role was assumed by the Airdre club. After 4 days each, with Airdrie and Chinook hosts, they are off to Lethbridge, to complete their 2 week exchange in district 5360.

The Friendship Exchange visitors are from 2 clubs, Havant and Gillingham, in District 1110, which is in the south of England. They are:

Derek & Jan Holmes Phil & Jenny Wheatley Lin Venters John & Marilyn Blake Jenny Edgell Shirley & Peter Varnish

Evelyn Stewart's guests were Alf Saunders, and Bob Scott, former Deputy Minister of Tourism. Both of these men have been Stampede volunteers for many years.

Alf and Bob presented a short video on Alberta; then performed the White Hat ceremony for the Brits and Janos, making them all Honourary Calgarians and able to wear their white hats even while seated at the dinner table. The importance and history of the ceremony were mentioned.





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ALBERTA LOTTERY FUND



Meeting Minutes



July 16th, 2013

Scribe: Ed McLean

President Terry called the meeting to order at about 12:15 p.m. and with Betty at the piano, we did our usual with O Canada and the Rotary grace.

The greeters today were Albert and Dave W. but they did not have to introduce the guests and visitors as that was part of the programme.

Harry, in his Sunshine Committee role, informs us that Lyle still needs medical attention, Mary Ellen Boone gets home from treatment tomorrow, and Fran is still nursing a broken leg.



Pres. Terry mentioned the Airdrie Rotary club is having its 4th annual golf tournament on Saturday, September 14th at Woodside Golf Course, and if you want more info talk to Terry.

George Raham of the Canmore Rotary club says the 21st annual golf tournament there has been postponed to August 1st and he invites us to participate.

Paul G. thanked everyone for volunteering during the recent Spruce Meadows North American event. He says the kennel show will be in August and we may be asked to play a role. Also the Ride for Cancer is scheduled for August 11 & 12, and we may be asked to volunteer for it. Paul will let us know.

Dale P. says GlobalFest is scheduled for August 16-25 and volunteers will be needed. Pamphlets were on all the tables outlining activities. Also go to www.globalfest.ca.

Bumper Stickers for the Elderly

* I asked my wife if old men wear boxers or briefs. She said Depends.

* I'm so old I don't buy green bananas.

* That snap, crackle and pop in the morning ain't my Rice Krispies.

* Sometimes I wake up grumpy, and sometimes I let him sleep.

* Senior Campbell's: New Large Type Alphabet soup.

* The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly and lie about your age.

* I'm not old ... I'm chronologically gifted.

Janos is leaving for home this evening and he was thanked effusively and deservedly by Pres. Terry.



50/50 draw was won by Wendy from Fish Creek club.

Ron Hardie appeared at the podium ostensibly to act as Sergeant-at-Arms but while explaining he was not ready for the job, he was punted by Tammy who was ready for action as usual. She promptly fined the President for calling on the Sunshine Report so early in the meeting when we should be happily eating and visiting rather than hearing about members' ailments. Tammy recognized Mo's appearance in Swerve magazine and her major contributions to the community, in particular the Calgary Stampede. All at Mo's table were fined a buck. Also fined were Keith for English usage and a few other fines augmented the fund. Happy Dollars came from John Charrett and David Wartman, and Dan Scrivens gave \$100 to recognize his grandson being called to the bar. He also mentioned another grandson who is now playing for the L.A. Kings not the Toronto Maple Leafs. Pres. Terry thanked Tammy for her active role in the community and the volunteer work she does.

Local visiting Rotarians were introduced separately.

The room was full and the meeting was busy today as it was time to meet the Rotary Friendship Exchange guests from the United Kingdom.

Meeting adjourned 1:30 p.m.



Upcoming Events

Bart Dailley – History, 7 Years War (Picnic in the Park cancelled)

Parking for Alberta Kennel Club Summer Classic @ Spruce Meadows

Parking for the Ride to Conquer Cancer @ Grey Eagles Casino

GlobalFest — volunteers needed — contact Dale Perret

Kelly Falardeau, Burn Victim

District Governor visit

Mike Drew, Calgary Sun Photographer

Cole Demorest, returning Exchange Student

Parking @ Spruce Meadows for "The Masters"

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Conference

Sophie Serafino, Founder of Everywoman Foundation

Representatives from Medical Mercy Canada



New Rotary Year Begins July 23rd July 30th

Membership Month

August 2nd - 5th August 6th August 9th - 11th August 13th August 16th - 25th

New Generations Month

September 4th - 8th September 10th September 13th - 15th September 17th

Vocational Service Month

October 8th October 29th

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Magazine Month April 11th -13th

District Conference; Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Room

Wendy Lowe, Executive Director, Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre

ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE

Derek thanked all for the hospitality during their visit, mentioned cultural differences and similarities. and brought greetings from District 1110 which is one of 30 in G.B. and Ireland. He mentioned the serious flooding in our area, empathized with the High River residents, and is aware of the substantial government support to those afflicted. Fairly comprehensive descriptions were provided of the district and history going back at least to Stonehenge.

Banners were exchanged by the participants.

Photos courtesy of John Beatty and Stephen Pick







Polio Update

Gates Foundation joins with Rotary to boost polio endgame support Rotary News -- 25 June 2013

Rotary and the Gates Foundation are determined not to let polio make a comeback. The joint effort, called 'End Polio Now – Make History Today', comes during a critical phase for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. The estimated cost of the initiative's 2013-18 Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan is \$5.5 billion. Funding commitments, announced at the Global Vaccine Summit in April, total \$4 billion. Unless the \$1.5 billion funding gap is met, immunization levels in polio-affected countries will decrease. And if polio is allowed to rebound, within a decade more than 200,000 children worldwide could be paralyzed every year.

"Going forward, the Gates Foundation will match two-to-one, up to US\$35 million per year, every dollar Rotary commits to reduce the funding shortfall for polio eradication through 2018," said Jeff Raikes, the foundation's chief executive officer. "If fully realized, the value of this new partnership with Rotary is more than \$500 million. In this way, your contributions to polio will work twice as hard."





THIS AND THAT



Parking Events

August 2 to 5, 2013

Remember to sign up for shifts at the AKC Summer Classic at Spruce Meadows. Have fun meeting attendees while driving one of the people movers. One of



your few chances to have a St Bernard as a back seat driver (without his cask of brandy unfortunately). Chat with the visitors, all the time admiring the many breeds of dogs on display.



August 9 to 11

The Ride to Conquer Cancer has been rescheduled to August 9 to 11. Sign up and come out to Grey Eagles Casino to help

direct cars to the parking areas. These are all approximately 3 hour shifts directing Riders and Supporters into and out of the Casino entrance to the Parking/Event locations. Members who signed up previously are being given the first call on the new dates, and the sign up sheets will open soon for the balance of the membership.

And do not forget the Masters at Spruce Meadows ...



September 4 to 8th.

SPRUGE MEADOWS

Picnic in the Park July 30th Cancelled

I am sorry to advise, that due to the access road being destroyed and not scheduled for repair for some time, the function at the Nature Park scheduled for noon July 30th is CANCELLED for this year.

The park is NOT damaged fortunately, but access is only available by walking down the long river path from Cranston District, and parking at the top is very restricted. The Parks people did allow that we could take groups down by golf carts, but that cost is far too prohibitive. Catering arrangements have been cancelled.

Further improvements to the park are suspended for now as well.

It may be that the picnic visit could be examined for possibly sometime in September, IF the road is restored by then. Meantime work on restoration of McKenzie Meadows GC, ravaged by flood waters, continues.

Best regards JIM THOMPSON, Nature Park Project Chairman

Roster Books

Roster Book pages will be printed early in the new Rotary year. Please send any info changes to the Club Secretary, and to Stephen Pick. If you have a different photo you would like in the roster, send it to Stephen, or ask John Beatty to take a new photo at a meeting.

Ron Smith will be circulating proof sheets at upcoming meetings. Please verify your photo and info are correct.

Please also update your Club Runner profile!

