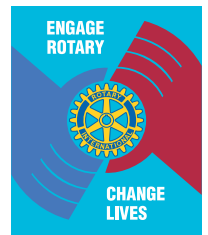




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THE WORST DAY IN EARTH HISTORY

Steven Grasby, Research Scientist

Bart introduced our speaker Stephen Grasby. He specializes in earth history. His theme was "The Worst Day in Earth History".

Some of us thought this would be about politics, but we were wrong. It was about geology, mostly several years before we all were born. The world has survived major temperature and CO2 events, without human interference. His projector was determined to operate on geologic time despite much effort to speed it up.



He received our traditional certificate indicating a microloan made on his behalf.

EVENING MEETING / RECOGNIZING THE FRENCHS



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Meeting Minutes

Photos courtesy of John Beatty and Stephen Pick



October 1st, 2013

Scribe: Rae Campbell

Our crowd of evening revellers collected promptly at the Carriage House at 530 PM. There were no spare seats and a few more chairs were brought in. This resulted in lots of conversation and brisk bar sales. Paul and Connie collected money and attendance stats. A sign of fall was two full coat racks. The meeting opened with (guess who) Betty French at the piano. This helped us stay on key.

As usual, our Carriage House meal was delicious. It started with a salad, then a main course of roast beef, followed by a tasty zero-calorie dessert. Lots of horseradish disappeared.

Our many guests were introduced by someone from each table. Our table had "two Barbaras and a Margaret". President Terry tried to keep things under control, not always successfully.



Minutemen covered lost and found from Spruce Meadows, and youth exchange activity.



Past-past President Dave Wylie assumed the duties of Sergeant-at-Arms. He was somewhat confused(ing) about men who forgot their wife's names. Lou Pomerance and Bill Churchward were fined for sloppy stance while singing the anthem. Curlers paid money for poor performance. Money was collected for lack of knowledge about the Frenchs such as how many pianos Betty has.

Bart introduced our speaker Stephen Grasby, a research scientist who specializes in earth history.

An auction of four tickets to the Sunday hockey game led up to Bob Montgomery chairing the event honouring Dick and Betty French.



Peter Bickham spoke, noting that they will be missed. A contribution has been made to the Foundation in



recognition of their many contributions to Rotary. Peter thanked Rosemary for her efforts on this aspect.



Don McLean described good things done by Dick with the police department and conveyed their best wishes to Dick. Ron May noted that the Club sang better after Betty joined. He

described their activities in Rotary, always with a good smile and sense of humour. He told them to have a good time in Grand Prairie.



Bart took over with a 'more quiet and serious presentation'. He noted that Dick was not a Rhodes Scholar e.g. "the wheel is turning but the hamster's dead", "he speaks his mind but there are several long silences", and his great

baseball skills.

Bob presented Betty with a Rotary plaque, and Dick received a vintage parking vest from Spruce Meadows, as well as a parking pylon signed by all



They thanked the Club, and Dick recapped his Club history and plans for the future, and promised we would see them again.

The meeting concluded at 9:15 PM.



Bob concluded with a poem "Ode to Dick and





Upcoming Events



Vocational Service Month

October 8th	Wendy Lowe, Executive Director, Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre
October 9th	Curling starts at Huntington Hills C.C. with 5 teams from Chinook
October 15th	Al Coates, Hockey Canada
October 22nd	Shane Byciuk, Chairman, Brown Bagging 4 Calgary Kids
October 24th	World Polio Day
October 26th	Make Dreams Real Workshop @ the Marriott Courtyard Hotel, for all Rotarians in District 5360
October 29th	District Governor, Pat Killoran

Rotary Foundation Month

November 2nd	District Grants Seminar — go to the District 5360 website: www.rotary5360.ca
November 5th	No noon meeting (All Clubs meeting on November 7th)
November 7th	All Clubs meeting
November 9th	Fellowship Event — Fall Harvest Pot Luck Dinner at Red Deer Lake United Church basement ... details to come
November 12th	Rotary Interact
November 15th - 17th	Parking for Christmas Market @ Spruce Meadows
November 19th	Guest re The Grey Cup
November 22nd - 24th	Parking for Christmas Market @ Spruce Meadows
November 26th	Rotary Clubrunner Demo
November 29th -30th	Parking for Christmas Market @ Spruce Meadows



Family Month

December 1st	Parking for Christmas Market @ Spruce Meadows
December 10th	Seniors Christmas Program
December 17th	Club Christmas Program
December 24th	No meeting
December 31st	No meeting



World Polio Day - October 24, 2013



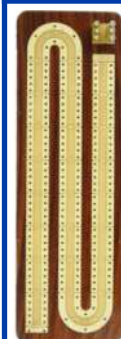
World Polio Day is an ideal time to raise public awareness of the ravages of polio and garner support for the eradication efforts.

Don't forget this date and why not share the story:

<http://wpd.typepad.com/worldpolioday/>



Cribbage



Enjoy food, fellowship starting at 5:00 p.m.
Games start at 6:30 sharp. No late comers, please!

2013: Thursdays, October 10, 24
• November 7, 14, 28 • December 12
2014: January 9, 23

Balance of 2014 dates to be published later.
Same location for all dates: Horton Road Legion
Newcomers welcome – Lifetime Membership \$5.00
Contact Norm Moro at nlmoro@shaw.ca

District 5360 Conference 2014

Engage Rotary ... Change Lives
April 11th - 13th, 2014
Lethbridge, Alberta
www.discon.rotary5360.ca

the Arch — Notice

Due to the Thanksgiving Day long weekend, there will not be an Arch published next week (October 15th).



THIS AND THAT

YEX Shelter Box Challenge



On a recent weekend there was a follow up YEX Orientation session which included a brief presentation on Shelter Box by Kent Fraser (of FC Rotary Club).

The exchange students helped set up and take down the Shelter Box tent and contents, and were also presented with a challenge to fundraise while they are here to fund at least one Box

John Beatty

Photo credits to District YEX Committee, it will also be used in a future DG newsletter article



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