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Reading Project

Sydney Richmond, Rotary Chinook Member

Chinook Rotarian, Sydney Richmond, is a snowbird in Mexico each winter. While there, she is a member of Club Rotario de la Penita, which is about 60 km north of Puerto Vallarta. That club, which is the only bilingual one in Mexico, has 15 full members and another 20 in the winter season.



They support a number of youth projects including: kindergartens with bathrooms and kitchens; building playgrounds with sunshades; computer labs; sports complexes for soccer, baseball, basketball, track; leadership courses for students; renovating classrooms and schools; scholarships; a community centre where they have a kitchen to prepare breakfast and lunches for school children, education up-grading for adults, sewing classes, etc.

They get projects from local groups and government, and pitch the best ideas to visiting Rotarians to take back to their clubs.



Sydney is pitching her passion of "Learn to Read" for primary school age children. Funds are needed to buy books (a minimum of 250 to start) and kindergarten teachers' training and salaries. Schools and principals are requesting this assistance. With "boots on the ground" there is a great chance for success.

There has been some initial support from Nebraska Rotary clubs, and Sydney is asking our Chinook club to consider an "Adopt a School" project, where \$800 would finance one school for a year.



(Scribe's thought ... if the budget is not fully committed, why not 4 or 5 schools to start? With Sydney there for 6 months a year, to see that it was administered effectively, it would seem a project worthy of our consideration.)



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May 26th, 2015

To a full and enthusiastic house of 85 members and guests, President Stephen called the meeting to order, and with Ruth Wylie at the piano, we sang O Canada and the Rotary grace.

Ted Wada introduced 6 visiting Rotarians and 16 guests. (This should be re-phrased to say that Ted was afraid to make a mistake with so many Rotary partners, so he asked that they be introduced by the member who "brung 'em".

Our two newest Rotarians, John Barratt and Rob Wolfson, were presented with a book of "Rotary in Calgary".

Minutemen were as follows:

- David Irving advised that our club is hosting a Rotary Friendship Exchange from Australia from July 1 to 5. In order for them to meet and greet Chinook Rotarians, our meeting of Tuesday, June 30, is being moved to Thursday, July 2.
- Garth Sabirsh advised that there are still many unfilled shifts for the National, from June 3 to 7. Check the website to see if there are openings that you can fill. (Don't Garth and Paul do a fantastic job!?)



- George Kimura reminded us of the Spruce Meadows appreciation dinner on June 3, at Canada House. Social hour at 5, meeting at 5:50, dinner at 6, course walk at 7, prior to the competition. Park in lot 7.
- John Fortuna, of the Fish Creek Club, invited all golfers to their fund raising golf tournament.

- Jack Gates of the Fish Creek Club, thanked Chinook Rotarians for sponsoring their club in 1996.

Photos courtesy Stephen Pick and Heide Kramer

Arch Photographer



The Arch, your weekly report on meetings and the goings on in the club, needs a member to volunteer as club photographer. Duties are simple ... at the meetings, snap a few photos of the speaker and any presentations, and then

email them to the Arch publishers for inclusion in the next issue. Talk to Ian Burgess or Stephen Pick if you can take on this role. No fancy equipment needed,

Scribe: Bob Montgomery

Hank, as Sargeant at Arms, asked for good news and received donations from Ernie, Anthony, Graham, Al P (57th anniversary), Fran, Al H, Fred, and Laurie Duff from the Arbutus club in Vancouver. That was obviously not enough, and he extracted more from members for various slights and omissions, both real and imagined.

Hank also announced that our next grilling and serving fund raising event is Saturday, June 13, when 12 volunteers are needed.

Good-bye to the McLeans



It was a sad time to bid farewell to Ed and Diane after 28 years with the club. They are moving to Winnipeg, where they will be closer to relatives, as they grow old. (They are keeping their existing email address, so we can stay in communication with them).

Both Ed and Diane have spent many thousand hours at Spruce Meadows since 1987, and Ed says that he enjoyed every minute of it, regardless of the weather.



In this regard, Spruce Meadows donated a number of mementos for them, including logo-ed jackets, and an anniversary poster, celebrating 40 years of horse play.

Ed has been more than a one-horse pony, and has led our club in many endeavours, including president in 1993/94. As past president he remained involved and helped our club through thick and thin, always an inspiration to those of us who came after.

We will miss you both dearly.



Rotary Fellowship Month

June 2nd	Ina Bechthold, Ferret Rescue / Education Services (DG Garth Toombs club visit)
June 3rd	Spruce Meadows Dinner and Show Jumping Event
June 3rd - 7th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The National
June 6th - 9th	RI Convention, Sao Paulo, Brazil
June 9th	John Barratt, Classification Talk
	Casey Eagle Speaker — Giving in the Aboriginal Culture
June 13th	Grillin' and Servin' — Superstore, Country Hills, 3-7pm
June 16th	Gregor Sprenger, Exchange Student 2014-15 — Gregor's Wrap-up
June 23rd	Alex Neve, Amnesty International
June 27th	Grillin' and Servin' — Superstore, Signal Hill, 3-7pm
June 30th	No meeting - moved to July 2nd



New Rotary Year Begins

July 1st - 5th	Rotary Friendship Exchange Group's visit and activities
July 1st - 5th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The North American
July 2nd	Rotary Friendship Exchange — Presentation on Australia
	Changing of the Guard
July 7th	Annual Carriage House Stampede Pancake Breakfast
July 14th	Club Assembly — Introduction of the new Board
July 21st	Katherine van Kooy, Calgary Chamber of Voluntary Organizations
July 26th	Grillin' and Servin' — Iron Man, Glenmore, 11am-4pm
July 28th	Brian Burke, Calgary Flames President of Hockey Operations



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Plaque Inscription

ED McLEAN

With thanks and sincere appreciation for your years of exemplary service on behalf of our club, community and world
Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook
1987 - 2015

Note from Ed & Diane

Thank you to all Chinook Rotarians and your spouses for your friendship and companionship over the past 28 years. We will miss you all very much and will think of you often. In particular thanks for your kind words and gifts at the meeting today which we will forever remember. Our lives will not be the same without you. We plan to return to Calgary periodically to visit with you to retain this friendship.

Our address in Winnipeg will be
#66 - 380 John Forsyth Road
Winnipeg, MB R2N 4E9.

We do not plan to change our email address and will pass on our new telephone number in due course.

Warm Rotarian regards from Diane & Ed





When I began this Rotary year as your President, I wanted us, above all, to Light Up Rotary. I wanted us to share with the world how many wonderful friendships and experiences we have found in Rotary, and how Rotary has transformed and enriched our lives. I knew that by telling others about Rotary, we would increase membership, build stronger clubs, and improve our ability to help people in need.

As we end this 2014-15 Rotary year, I am honoured by your response and will always be grateful for how you have risen to this challenge. You have answered my call to Light Up Rotary by holding many successful Rotary Day celebrations in your communities; you have outdone yourselves in your contributions to our Rotary Foundation; and you have moved all of Rotary forward with new members and new clubs.

When I chose my theme for my year as President, I was inspired by the words of Confucius, who said, "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness." This year, more than 1.2 million Rotarians, along with Interactors, Rotaractors, Rotary Youth Exchange participants, and Rotary Peace Fellows, have lit their own candles in tens of

thousands of communities. Together, the lights we have kindled have created a great light that shines for all the world to see.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your President this year, and for the hard work and dedication of our volunteer leadership and our staff members. I came to them with high expectations – and they delivered.

I also am grateful for the many friends I have made during this Rotary year, and for the wonderful visits I've had to so many places. I will always remember, with great fondness, riding on the Rotary float in the Rose Parade, watching children enjoy the Japanese drummers at the Rotary Day open house at RI headquarters in Evanston, and bicycling through the night in Colombo during the Ride to Light Up Rotary event, celebrating a polio-free Sri Lanka.

I have seen a new energy in Rotary this year, and felt a new excitement. We've seen more and more women and young people join Rotary as well – including my wife, Corinna, and our three children.

I hope that in the year to come, you will continue your wonderful work to Light Up Rotary – and to help it Be a Gift to the World.

Gary C K Huang
President 2014 – 15

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