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Who Am I ? Gregor Sprenger, Inbound YEX Student



Fran Hochhausen introduced our in-bound exchange student Gregor Sprenger.

Gregor is 17 years old and from Germany, a country of some 80 million people in a land the size of Alberta.

Gregor has a older sister at home who is a university student. His mother is a radiologist and his dad is part owner and superintendent of a golf course. Gregor prefers playing ice hockey rather than golf, much to the distress of his parents.

He is attending St Mary's High School and plays on their football team.

In Germany he lives in the Baden-Wurttemberg region located in the southwest corner of the Country.

Upon returning to Germany, he will finish his grade school and then hopes to study engineering. (Wise boy!)



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November 4th, 2014

Scribe: David Irving

What a busy and interesting month we have ahead of us this November. It is Moovember Month when some of us grow mustaches in recognition of the one in six males who will experience prostate cancer sometime in their lifetime. Next Tuesday, November 11th, we will join the other Rotary clubs in our city here at the Carriage House Inn to honour our veterans of past and present wars. This is also Rotary Foundation Month when we dig into our bank accounts and donate funds to The Rotary Foundation to assist in the fight against polio, and to help the needy around the world. We also have a major fund raising event at Spruce Meadows later this month.

President Stephen got our first meeting of the month off to a start on time with the usual singing accompanied by Ruth Wylie on the piano. We sound much better when Ruth is with us to smooth out our voices!

John Charrett introduced the visiting Rotarians and guests. Marlene Depledge was there with her daughter Suzanne Depledge who is a member of the Nanaimo North Rotary Club; Dave Rupert was the guest of Garth Sabirsh; Rob Wolfson and Jeff Skillen were



guests of Pat Hutchinson. President Stephen reminded us that this is Rotary Foundation Month, and that Christmas cards for the past exchange students were available for members to sign.



Garth Sabirsh spoke about the need for members to sign up for shifts to park cars at Spruce Meadows for the three weekends of the Christmas Market. This is now our largest fund raising event, surpassing each of the horse jumping events that took place earlier this year. If

each of us could do five or more shifts, all times would be covered. The funds raised would be used to carry out our community work in the city and abroad.

Bruce Bohnet, who put in many hours organizing the Club members to staff the casino that was held in September, thanked the Club members who contributed their time to make it a success. Bruce commented that the patrons who participated during our shifts contributed greatly to the profit pot that will be distributed to the several organizations who

participated during the period. More funds raised for the good work of Rotary.



Bart Dailley announced that he has shoe boxes available for Club members to fill for the Operation Christmas Child project of Samaritan's Purse. These boxes, filled with toys and useful items, will be distributed to needy 2-14 year old boys and girls around the

world. Pick one or more up from Bart and return the filled boxes to him this month.



Past President Terry Green gave a second call for nominations for officers and directors of our Club for 2015-16. Nominations close on November 18th. If you would like to stand for one of the positions or want to recommend someone, contact Terry. Terry was also selling tickets for the all clubs meeting next Tuesday-November 11th.

Garth Plunkett is our representative on the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. He is giving us the opportunity to donate to this Foundation. The earning from the donations made by our members are distributed back to the Club for our use in our community work. The capital remains intact and continues to earn more funds each year for future uses by the Club.



Wayne Wiebe circulated a folder to solicit help for a dinner at the Mustard Seed from 4:00 to 6:30 on November 26th.

Tammy Truman reminded us of the annual Christmas Party on Wednesday December 17th. The band will play music from the 50s and 60s for you older people. Sign-up in the circulating folder.



Rotary Foundation Month

November 18th	His Eminence Stephano Pick, El Presidente — Australia in Pictures Cut-off for nominations for the 2015-2016 Board
November 21st - 23rd	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Christmas Market
November 25th	Daryl Slade, CFL Historian Elections for the 2015-2016 Board
November 26th	Serve dinner at the Mustard Seed from 4:00 to 6:30 — contact Wayne Wiebe to volunteer
November 28th - 30th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Christmas Market



Family Month

December 2nd	Stuart Simpson, President, Community Mediation Calgary Society
December 9th	Seniors Lunch
December 16th	No noon meeting re Club Christmas Party on the 17th — and Curling Christmas party
December 17th	Club Christmas Party — Wednesday evening meeting
December 23rd	Terry and Rosemarie Greening, Canadian Rabbit Hopping Club
December 30th	No meeting

2015

Rotary Fellowship Month

June 6th - 9th	RI Convention, Sao Paulo, Brazil
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Tammy (where does she get the time and energy!?) is also organizing the annual Seniors Christmas Luncheon – to be held at the Carriage House Inn on December 9th. A sign-up folder is circulating. Men to wear a white shirt and dark (black) pants. She didn't mention shoes and socks but I expect we should wear those as well.

President Stephen admitted that there was some confusion over the birthday table and the wine that was provided. None of the members seated at that table admitted to having a birthday, but they (Including Ron May) drank most of the wine as we sang the happy birthday song to whoever. John McBean, who claimed it was his birthday and was sitting at another table, did manage to negotiate a small glass of the birthday wine.



Neil Beatty won the 50-50 draw and gave it back to the Club – he should get a tax receipt for that, shouldn't he?

Hank Popoff acted as the Sargent-at-Arms. He extracted a fair amount of change from people who hadn't signed up for parking or who hadn't worked the Grill and Serve project. All members over 80 living with their parents were exempt.

Photos courtesy of John Beatty

Membership

It is with great regret that the Board has accepted the resignations of:
Ann Marsh and Orion Taylor



Rotary 
Club of Calgary Chinook

10th Annual
SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

 **Tuesday December 9th, 2014**
Lunch 11:45 am - 1:30 pm
at the Carriage House Inn

Rotarians ! Please be there by 11 am sharp !

Sign-up sheets circulating for
Coat Check, Table Hosts, Bus etc Assistance
or email Tammy at tammy_truman@cooperators.ca



Stephen exchanged banners with Suzanne Depledge, Bob & Marlene's daughter, who is a member of the Nanaimo North Rotary Club

November 4th, 2014

Scribe: David Irving

This Remembrance Day meeting kicked off at 10:30 with Jim Fitzowitch from the Centennial Club acting as the master of ceremonies. There were approximately 300 Rotarians and guests in the Carriage House and Jim had a difficult time getting the audience to settle down as we were all enjoying great fellowship.

Several Rotarians from the different Calgary clubs played a role in the program, which included the reading of the names of the club members who served in the Canadian armed services. President Stephen did the honours for our Club, announcing the following names:

Chuck Bury, Bob Depledge, Dr Tom Alexander, Barry Moreland, Leuw Reid, Don McLean, Al Pettigrew, Heide Kramer

We are all grateful for the contribution these members made in the defence of Canada and in safeguarding our families. The poem that John McCrae wrote in the battlefield in 1915, 'In Flanders Fields', and one that is always appropriate for this time of year, was presented by a Rotarian.

You can show your support for our troops all year round by buying a special licence plate that contains the wording "Support Our Troops". The plate costs \$75 with \$55 going to the Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services to help current and former Alberta members of the Canadian Armed Forces and their families. The plate is available from registry agencies. The design pays tribute to the first four soldiers from the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry based in Alberta who died in the mission in Afghanistan.

The Speaker

Garry Miller was the proud introducer of the speaker, his son Major Jamie Miller. Major Miller is stationed in Washington D.C. where he is the liaison between our Armed Forces Intelligence Branch and the U.S. Intelligence section. Major Miller gave a very detailed review of the present situation in Iraq and Syria where the ISIL organization is attempting to force their beliefs on the people of the region.

ISIL wants to overthrow the existing governments, remove all existing religious practices, as well as any people who oppose them, and force the people to adopt their view of Islam. He believes that the only solution to the situation is for the leaders of the Shia and Sunni tribes to join together to stop the reign of terror.



George Kimura thanked Major Miller and advised that any surplus from the day's meeting would be given to the Poppy Fund.

Proposed New Member

At the last Board meeting, the following new member proposal was accepted by the Board for membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook:

ROBERT WOLFSON

Sponsor: Pat Hutchinson
Classification: Wealth Advisor

In accordance with Club Bylaws, Article XI, Section 5:

Method of electing New Members

"If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons, is received by the Board from any member (other than Honorary) of the Club within seven (7) dates following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of admission fee (if not Honorary membership) as prescribed in the bylaws, shall be considered to be elected to membership. If any such objection has been filed with the Board, it shall vote on this matter at its next meeting. If approved despite the objection, the proposed member, upon payment of the admission fee, shall be considered to be elected to membership."

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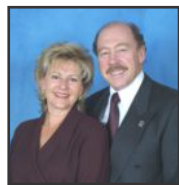
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On November 11, 315 Rotarians from 9 Calgary Clubs joined together in Remembrance.

Our Club played a key role in agreeing to host, arrange for catering and to obtain a speaker. George Kimura and Terry Green did the club proud! I have received a steady stream of positive comments from the other clubs and from attendees.

Thanks Terry and George, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Stephen Pick, President 2014-2015



George and Terry,

On behalf of myself and all of the participating Rotary Clubs, we would like to thank the Chinook Club and the two of you in particular for all of your good efforts and hard work in hosting yesterday's event and for arranging for Major Miller to come to speak. It was no small task to host that many people on a Stat Holiday, and the venue, meal and service was first class.

All of the comments I received were very complimentary with a desire to do the same for next November 11th.

Thanks and regards,
Jim Fitzowich, Calgary South

I agree with Jim. Great job, gents, what an outstanding speaker. He left us with some new insights in to the difficult path ahead for freedom, security and democracy. The venue, food, and program were excellent.

Ron Esch, President 2014-2015, The Rotary Club of Calgary

I concur. I so enjoyed chatting with Jack, Dick and Al from the "South" club. What wonderful gentlemen they are! I am certainly more educated on the problems of the Middle East and hence our world. Let's keep working towards peace!

Manon Mitchell, B.Sc., R.C.H., President,
Rotary Club of Calgary Sarcee, District 5360 Public Relations Co-Chair

Fellow Rotarians,

I echo the sentiments of all the emails that are flying back and forth re the outstanding 'Remembrance Day' celebrations at the Carriage House. It was wonderful to enjoy an extremely well organized, well run and very emotional day. Thank you for extending the invitation to Calgary West. I am already looking forward to next year!!

Sincerely,
Dr. Tony Knight, President,
Rotary Club of Calgary West, Calgary West Satellite Group

I couldn't agree more! Yesterday was outstanding! I've been receiving emails all day from people who were there and are still talking about it.

Thank you for all of your hard work!
Karen Shepherd, President, Rotary Club of Calgary Olympic,
Co-Chair, Rotary District 5360 Public Relations

Thank you very much for a top notch event. It was good to be a part of it. It was very well organized and the program was first class. I spoke with quite a few of our members in attendance and they had the same feeling. The speaker and the content of his talk were very well received.

Thank you again, Greg Smyth, Heritage Park

I agree it was a great day. All the people I talked to were very impressed. I think we should plan to do the same next year on November the 11th. Do we need to book the Carriage House??

Thank you Jim for doing a great job keeping the meeting flowing.

Allan Johnson, President Rotary Club of Calgary South

I agree, it was really meaningful having it on the 11th and the organizing committee (including Jim) did a great job. I heard only positive comments and lots of them!

Sheila Tyminski, Rotary Club of Heritage Park

