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## Understanding People

Lynell Ible



Bart Dailey told us a very pathetic joke and then introduced our speaker.

"Understanding People" was Lynell Ible's topic. She is a leadership coach and behaviour consultant. She also played rugby at Concordia university, is a dancer and has coached snow boarding and rugby — so don't mess with her!

Some of her points were — who do we need or want? People are like a battery charger and we need a connector so we need to understand human behaviour.

We were then given a small test using numbers and when completed, she explained how the numbers were laid out on the page. We then did the same test and we all did better.

She divided all people into 2 basic groups — task oriented or people oriented, and 90% of all conflict happens between these 2 groups.

She then went on to explain that all groups can be broken down into different areas of strengths or gifts, and that to accomplish most tasks we need people with strengths from all areas.

From the chattering after her talk it appears that everyone was very interested in the topic. I don't know if many of us will improve in the future, but the quizzes were very interesting.



## Nature Park Meeting



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**Rotary**  
Club of Calgary Chinook



August 25th, 2015

Scribe: Sydney Richmond

I followed a gimpy lady on crutches into the Rotary meeting, and it was our President Dale who later told us all the sad tale of being run over by her own car one evening after parking at the Global Fest. Her ankle is fractured but the bones are not misplaced so she should be back in fighting trim shortly, but in the mean time watch out for the crutches! I'm quite sure contributions towards new brakes would be welcome.



Our greeters were Linda Coldclough and Ian Burgess who later stumbled through the names of our guests. They were Lynnell Eble, our speaker, and Trent Larson, Bill Sumner and Hans Tiedeman from the South club.

Harry gave the Sunshine Report that

he, Neill Beatty and Dave Saunders went to visit Jan Tollefson. Al Imler is still in hospital undergoing therapy for the stroke he suffered. I would like good news next week please.



## Minute Men:

- Paul Gaudet begged us again to consider



working a shift at the upcoming Spruce Meadows event. If we all did our bit we wouldn't have to listen to his begging every week !!??

- Rob Wolfson is trying to make us all better.

He is starting his "losers" pool for the NFL. \$20 per person and he



said he'd explain the rules to those who are interested.

- Bev Tonkinson was asking us to participate in driving the people movers on September 16 up at "City Scape" from 11am to 2pm. It is to support the polio drive and the Rotary/Mattamy Park projects.



- Guess what !? August is Rotary Membership Month and Ron Smith was reminding us to bring guests to meetings.
- Peter Bickham, who was Anthony Tonkinson today, was telling us about the "Foundation



Direct" way of donating

. Please ask him for more details.

- Sydney, this month's scribe, reminded all of us of the effort that goes into the



Arch. It provides humour, information and history. Take the time to read it!

- Last but not least, Jim Thompson reminded us about our "Picnic in the Park with Rotary" for next week.

50 /50 was won by Alex Soutar.



SAA Cowboy Joe Levy figured he could relieve many of us of a few coins by quizzing us all on the Blue Jays. Unfortunately for his pocket book, club members knew a lot more about the team, or were great guessers, and the SAA lost the bet with many of the tables. It was a fun exercise.

## Good News / Bad News:

- Ron Smith's son is on a year's teaching exchange to France.
- Graeme Boone's wife is progressing slowly and is now able to use a walker.
- Tom McKee apologised for all the smoke in the air but explained that it is actually all the hot air the presidential hopefuls are blowing up from the States!

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## October 22nd ... Invest some time in the future of YOUR Club !

On October 22nd, 2015 the Club is having a special evening members only meeting to discuss Membership initiatives. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm in the Windsor A Room with coffee and some light snacks. We need you to attend for a couple of hours.

Over the past 5 years the Club has faced continued membership decline and ageing. The Club is getting smaller, which in itself is not a bad thing, but it will limit Club activities in future. Current fund raising initiatives will be difficult to staff. Quality speakers hard to attract. There will be reduced networking opportunities for working members. We can either evolve into the dynamics of being a smaller club, or seek out to expand and enhance membership to previous levels. Let's develop a plan, not just sit back and let what happens happen!



**Be a gift to the world**

Over the past few years the Membership Committee has been doing what it can, but has only been able to mute the continued decline, not stop or reverse it. Membership is the responsibility of every member of the Club, thus your input and active participation is sought.

All members need to come and provide their input on Membership Goals and Initiatives the Club can undertake. In addition, what steps can be done to make the Club more attractive to new members, and address membership retention.

We have a great Club with many long-term committed Rotarians. Think back to your early years in Rotary ... What prompted you to join and stay? The social dynamics of today have changed. However, many of the triggers that get our community members to get involved and provide "Service above Self" within the fellowship and networking dynamic of a Rotary Club remain valid today. The structure of the Club may need to evolve, but the underlying personal commitment that drives us to join and do our good works remains. The "how" may need to change, but the "why" remains solid.



**Your ideas matter!** Please plan on attending. It's just two hours of your time to start the process of Club membership renewal! Yes "start", your continued active participation will be needed.

Some simple thoughts to ponder on:

- Do our members reflect the diverse professions and cultures in our community?
- Are we achieving our Club's goals?
- What qualities make our club attractive to new members?
- Are we meeting the "Service Above Self", fellowship and networking needs of our members?

**Join our community of leaders to exchange ideas and take action at home and around the world.**

# Rotary



September 1st, 2015

Scribe: Sydney Richmond



A picnic is a pleasure outing including a meal out of doors, and so it was on Tuesday at noon.

The sun shone and the wind was a breeze — like most of the time — and the wasps helped us to enjoy the sandwiches, veggies and most of all the cookies! All the food was provided by McKenzie Meadows Golf Club plus a delightful lady to make sure we behaved ourselves.

Our President Dale was not with us but Jim Thompson was our host, and he told us about what had been done to the area since we had been there lastm and what was in the future for the area. The original storm water ponds from 22X have been altered, by engineers I expect, and the water now goes into our pond which has expanded greatly drowning most of the plants that were planted there before. Some of these plants are trying to come back and only time will tell. Another plan is to build an amphitheatre of stone for the use of school tours, and of course anyone else who wishes. The beavers appear to have found better trees elsewhere so have left the area leaving the area free for the deer.



Around the pavilion where we were meeting, there were lots of very large thistles and the best suggestion put forward to rid the site of them were goats — but - how do you get them to only eat the thistles and leave the rest for the deer?

Rob Wolfson tried to explain his NFL “Loser” pool to some of us, and those who understood wanted to participate.

Bev Tonkinson has conscripted some of us to drive people movers for the opening of the new trail somewhere in the NE part of the city on September 16 — if you get to Strathmore you’ve gone too far!!! If you wish to help you are welcome to join us. *(See insert for more information.)*

After lunch some of us strolled along the paths and enjoyed the area.

Last but not least — faithful Connie was there to take our money. Next time we should find out what the cost will be and take the correct money so it’ll be easier for her and when the wind blows, she won’t have to chase after the \$20 bills that blow away !



*Our scribe suggests that members ought to read the Arch after all the effort the scribes put into the content !!*





**I received a call from Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter last week to inform me that I, on behalf of our curling league was one of this year's recipient for the Tulip Award.**

What is the Tulip Award?

*"It is the highest honour that the organization can bestow. Through the gifts of time, money, energy and caring, the award recipients have demonstrated their commitment to helping families build safer, healthier and happier lives.*

*The tulip is a hardy flower that blooms through the snow each spring, and this strength and perseverance is why they are used as a symbol for the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter. The tulip serves to denote the many Calgaryians who push through the darkness of family violence, trusting that with a little support, they too will bloom again in lives free from abuse."*

There will be a special award ceremony on November 4 where the award will be presented.

As well they would like to have all members of the Curling League at a "leaders" luncheon. They will arrange a time that all of us could go to the shelter and see first hand the work that they do and what our dollars are helping to provide. As the league does not start up til October, it would be after this date.

## **They asked for a recap of how this all came about ... this is the background info I sent:**

Rotary is an international organization and Calgary currently has 12 clubs.

**Our Mission:** We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

**Motto:** Service Above Self

Curling is a popular sport in Calgary amongst Rotarians so we formed a curling league which has players from many different clubs in the city, and we gather once a week to play. After curling we enjoy some fellowship and for many years, different members would bring a small item to raffle. We would sell tickets and the lucky ticketholder would walk away with that week's prize. In 1998 we decided that it made more sense to stop the weekly fun draws and do a larger one at the Christmas dinner. We all agreed that we could then all donate various items, sell tickets on the prizes and select a Charity to receive the cash proceeds.

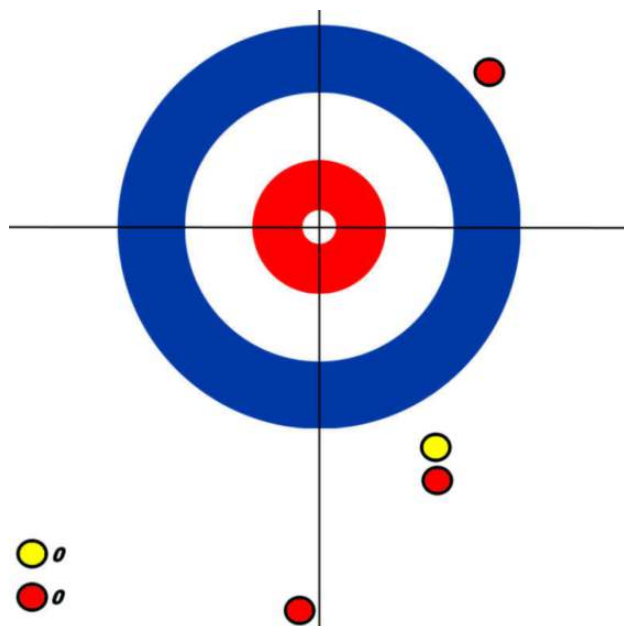
Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter was the first name to come up. Christmas is a stressful time for a lot of people and we felt that it would be great to give to an organization that truly makes a difference year-round and would especially be in need at Christmas time.

In 1998 we raised \$500 and thought that was a success ... and so we have kept the tradition going for the past 17 years, and the amount we raise from the 48 curling Rotarians just keeps growing and has now surpassed the \$50,000 mark.

We are proud to support your mission and your work to end family violence.

So once again a big thank you to all the skips and team members who so graciously support this initiative.

Tammy Truman





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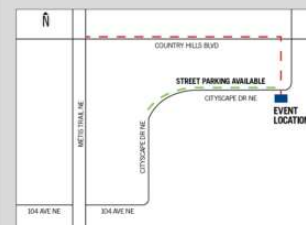


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## Spruce Meadows Run Series

On a cold and wet Sunday morning of the long weekend, a group of 5 Chinookers braved the elements and handled the parking for the "Summers Gone - Run On" event. The event was certainly appropriately named! It was a fun time, but we all headed to the IHOP to warm up after the shift ended !!





## Basic Education and Literacy Month

September 8th	District Governor Martin Harvey's visit
September 9th - 13th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Masters
September 15th	Classification Talk — Bill Stemp
September 22nd	Vicki McLaughlin — The Cinderella Project
September 29th	Drs Margaret Korble and Lesley Lussier — Hearing Loss

Welcome  
**SEPTEMBER**  
be sweet!

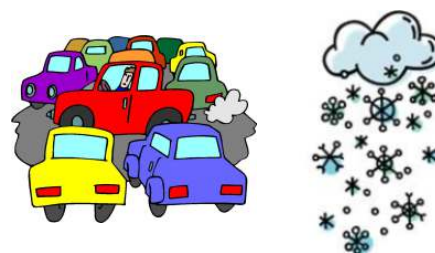
## Economic and Community Development Month

October 6th	Alan McMillan — Rotary Employment Partnership
October 13th	Anam Kazim, Calgary Glenmore MLA — SW Ring Road
October 20th	Karla Tejeda-Inglesias, 2014/15 Outbound Exchange Student to Germany
October 22nd	Develop the Club's long-term Membership Plan 6:30 to 10:30 pm at the Carriage House, Windsor Room A
October 25th	Grillin' and Servin' — Kathy's Run for Pancreatic Cancer, North Glenmore Park, 10am
October 27th	Interact Call for nominations for President Elect, Vice President and 3 Directors for 2016/17



## Rotary Foundation Month

November 3rd	Ann Stang — Alberta Family History Society
November 10th	Nominating Committee report
November 13th - 15th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Christmas Market
November 20th - 22nd	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Christmas Market
November 24th	Annual Meeting and Elections
November 27th - 29th	Parking @ Spruce Meadows for The Christmas Market



## Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

December 8th	Seniors Luncheon @ the Carriage House
December 15th	Club Christmas Dinner @ the Carriage House



## Cribbage Club



Join us for Cribbage  
Thursday evenings !!

October 8th  
October 29th  
November 12th  
November 26th  
December 10th

Horton Road Legion  
from 7 – 9pm

## "Get your ASK in gear!"

*Help develop the Club's long-term  
Membership Plan!*

*October 22nd, 2015 — 6:30 to 10:30 pm  
Carriage House Inn, Windsor Room A  
coffee and light snacks provided*

*It's YOUR club – your input is vital!*

There is no better place than a Rotary Club to meet people from diverse backgrounds who offer friendship and networking opportunities. Every Rotary club in the world, no matter how big or small, has one common trait — friendship.

Rotary friendship means standing outside at -20C in a snow covered parking lot in November, parking cars to raise funds for community and international projects. Friendship means attending club social events perhaps at a member's home. It means supporting a club member who is ill. It means funding polio drops to children, providing clean water and lighting to people in need.

Local and global networking and friendship are the reasons to join and stay in Rotary. They are the reasons that being a Rotarian is such an exciting and gratifying experience.

**JUMP ON THE  
BANDWAGON!**

## Rotary International - Areas of Focus

We direct our efforts in six 'Areas of Focus' to enhance our local and global impact. Our most successful and sustainable projects and activities tend to fall within the following areas:

- Promoting peace
- Fighting disease
- Providing clean water
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting education
- Growing local economies

One of our Club's World Community Service projects was to assist a local Colombian Rotary Club with its solar lighting project in Columbia. Due to a financial issue that club's Rotary International global grant funded project had stalled and they needed assistance to get the job done.

Through our Club's Registered Society we were able to channel both our club's funds, and those of other contributors to bring this project into reality. Without our participation, the scope of the project and reliability of the LED lighting installed would have been reduced.

In the end, solar lighting was installed in 400 homes of the poor.

Honourary Club member Jan Tolefson, in spite of her severe illness, played a key role in this project.



*Preparing panels before instalation. Tomorrow will continue installing panels on Wayuu houses.*

*Hi Jan/Bob/Henry,*

*Happiness! We start today the panel installation process. Thanks to you and your Rotary partners for helping the Wayuu people.*

*Regards  
Heriberto Rodríguez Molinares*



The Wayuu are known as the people of the sun, sand, and wind. They are located in the arid Guajira Peninsula in northern Colombia and northwest Venezuela. The Wayúu language is part of the Arawak family and is called Wayuunaiki.

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