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Japan and the World Shigenobu Koayashi, Consul General of Japan



Bart introduced the Speaker, Shigenobu Koayashi, who is the Consul-General of Japan in Calgary.

He received his BA in Liberal Arts from Saitama University in Japan, and a MPhil from the Faculty of Law at the University of Edinburgh. (A mixture of a Scottish and a

Japanese accent would sound interesting!)

He has had a long career in Japan's Foreign Affairs, having entered the Ministry in 1984, and becoming the First Secretary in the Mission of Japan to the EU in 1998. He has been in Hungary, Portland, Oregon, Nashville, Malawi, and came to Calgary last year.



He is married with two daughters in Japan. He likes visiting historical places and skiing.

Japan's economy depends on a peaceful, trading world. The Country provides a lot of aid to improving life in India, Bangladesh, and Vietnam, and was even involved in building a bridge in China. Japan also provides technical aid in farming areas.

Japan is "providing peace, stability, and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific Region". I wish that our first daughter had been with me, as she spent a year in Japan teaching English, and she may have been able to interpret more than I was

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Meeting Minutes



Anthony and Pat W greeted us as we came in to the "Desert Palms". The outside temperature made one think of the Arizona desert, but the room doesn't live up to its name as I have never found a palm tree, or anything that looks like a palm tree, in that room!

George led the 'singing' and the meeting was underway. I saw Dave Wylie at the meeting, but he didn't bring Ruth with him to give George a break.

We had an interesting discussion at our table on sleep apnea, cruises and the proposed new hockey arena. Some members believe that the taxpayer should not invest in sports facilities,

while others believe the investment would provide a financial return to the City. I think that the City and University need to improve the football facilities.



Anthony introduced guest Gwen Burgess and our speaker.

the Arch — Notice

There will not be an Arch published for the next few weeks ... your editor/publisher will be playing hookey!



President Paul reminded us that DISTRICT GOVERNOR Christine Rendell will speak to the Club next week. We all should attend.



Bruce is in the process of filling the roster for the casino on September 28th and 29th. This is a very good fund raise



very good fund raiser for our Club so please sign up for a shift. This year the casino will be up on Meridian Road in the NE. All workers need to complete the ALCB form.

Anthony advised

that it is not possible to go to the end of each section of the ALCB course needed to work at the RIBFEST. Completing the program and passing provides a certificate that is good for 5 years.

Chase-The Ace — Bruce won the day's pot of \$54 and pulled the Q of spades (I think). Too bad, so sad!

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Photos courtesy George Van Schaick





What's Up !!

New Rotary Year Begins

July 30th

Christine Rendell, District Governor

Membership and New Club Development Month

August 6th	Alexandra Kushliak — AHS Greensleeve Project
August 13th	Rotary Nature Park meeting
August 20th	Fairview School Educational Partnership
August 27th	Fellowship Agenda

Basic Education and Literacy Month

sign up

Economic and Community Development Month

October 1st	Dr. Kathryn Schneider — U of C Concussion Studies
October 3rd	FUN Casino Night Fundraiser @ the Carriage House Inn

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Sergeant-At-Arms Bob Montgomery fined several members who played in the Calgary Senior Mens Golf Tournament, including Joe Hooper who has been the MC at that tournament for several years. His Committee was a year late presenting Terry G with a very valuable low-net prize from last year. A late award didn't exclude Terry from a fine. Other notables who won prizes and paid fines included President Paul (2) and Garth P. That's all I remember, but I am sure that any other member

receiving a prize will come forward with payment of a fine. Bob went off on a tangent, asking members what signs they read in various offices.

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.



If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

Never tell your problems to anyone, because 20 percent don't care and the other 80 percent are glad YOU have them.

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able to give you in this short set of notes. Perhaps I should have called on PP George to give me his version.

President Paul thanked Mr. Kabayashi.



Polio Update





Rotary 4

Rotary and ShelterBox celebrate the power of partnership

Rotary International announced on 3 June a three-year partnership renewal with its disaster relief project partner, ShelterBox. For almost 20 years, this unique humanitarian alliance has supported families with a place to call home after disaster.

ShelterBox provides emergency shelters and other essential items to support families who have lost their homes in disaster. What began as a local connection with one Cornish Rotary Club has led to an international movement that's provided 140,000 ShelterBox family tents or 390,000 ShelterKits worldwide to date (a value of over £54 million).

First adopted as a millennium project by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard in 2000, the support of Rotary members and clubs around the world saw ShelterBox become Rotary's Project Partner in Disaster Relief in 2012. Since then, the partnership has helped transform ShelterBox into an internationally recognized disaster relief charity, supporting families with emergency shelter after disaster.

The partnership extends far beyond financial support. Around 1,000 Rotary members are involved in ShelterBox as volunteers, staff or response team members. And clubs worldwide offer valuable, practical assistance to help ShelterBox reach more families fleeing disaster or conflict.

After floods triggered by Cyclone Idai left tens of thousands homeless in Malawi this March, Rotary members connected ShelterBox with communities in the Blantyre region, helping them understand local needs and culture. Members helped deliver emergency shelter to almost 2,000 families. And ShelterBox supported the Rotary Club of Limbe to join the wider disaster response, enabling the club to deliver food to communities whose entire crops had been destroyed by the floods.



Facts and figures

- 90% of ShelterBox responses assisted by Rotary
- 1,000 Rotary members have roles in ShelterBox, in the UK and internationally
- £54m+ raised for ShelterBox by Rotary supporters since 2000

Rotary RibFest YYC !!!

Rotary Rotary RibFest YYC Cub of Cale Come for some great eats! September 6-7-8 Five Rib Trucks **Ribs. Taters & Family Fun**

Fry Wagon Beer Garden Live entertainment

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on an entire city block just north of Stampede Park

O' RotaryRibFes

Unfortunately AGLC has withdrawn the option which allows challenging the ProServe test without taking the course. However you can go to the end of each section and answer the questions. You have five tries to take the final test. Everyone volunteering for RibFest has to take the course. We need lots of volunteers. There are at least 300 shifts which need to be filled. There are many shifts where no standing is required. The AGLC requires one ProServe holder for every 50 adults at RibFest. To find the site, Google 'AGLC Drink Responsibly'. The site is www.proserve.aglc.ca Create your account. The company is "unknown".

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Any questions or problems email me at 44tonk@gmail.com The course allows you to stop at any point, and when you restart it, will return you to that point. Once you have taken the course, please let me know. Also I will need to get a copy of your certificate for our files. Anthony Tonkinson

