



Club Assembly Meeting Minutes

July 2nd, 2019

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At this, the first meeting of the 2019-2020 Rotary year, we were greeted by two distinguished Club members ... immediate Past President George K, and Bill Stemp who was fresh from his very informative presentation at Limericks regarding Wills, Power of Attorney, and Estate Planning.

Our President Paul Gaudet started his first meeting (this time around) with George Van leading us in the singing of O Canada and the Rotary Grace.

Do you know that Paul is originally from Prince Edward Island, the land of Anne of Green Gables, the "Cradle of Confederation" and the first province to ban the use of plastic bags?

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Rotary RibFest YYC !!!

Rotary RibFest YYC
 Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook
 Club of Calgary Centennial
 Club of Airdrie at Night

Come for some great eats!
September 6-7-8

Five Rib Trucks
 Fry Wagon
 Beer Garden
 Live entertainment

Ribs, Taters & Family Fun
 on an entire city block
 just north of
 Stampede Park

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*Free Admission — but donations gratefully accepted
 All donations and funds raised go to support local needs in the community*

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Rob Wolfson is looking for volunteers in a number of areas to prepare for this event. Please contact him to see where you can help out in this preparation stage.

A sign-up sheet to book shifts during the event will be circulated in the near future. As alcoholic beverages will be served, our license requires that all legal-aged volunteers take the ProServe certification. The on-line training course is offered by the Alberta Liquor and Gaming Commission:

www.proserve.aglc.ca

Contact Anthony Tonkinson if you need help with the course.

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President Paul reminded us of the celebration that will take place on August 28th in the Bethany Atrium marking 30 years of women becoming members of Rotary. Details are in the WhaZUP announcements.

He also asked that members who have not already done so, submit the list of committees they wish to join. All members

should be on at least one committee. The Directors need your participation so they can form their dynamic groups.

Sandy Swan is transferring her membership to our Club from her club in Mexico. Let's welcome Sandy as our newest member.

Rotary t-shirts have arrived, and most have been or will be distributed.

Pat H had a conversation with Diane McLean in Winnipeg. Former member Ed is in a personal care home and not able to attend his Rotary club meeting of his club, so they took their meeting to his place of residence. While there, he was made a honorary member of the club. Ed sends greetings to all of our members.



Alex reminded us of the **President's Dinner** at McKenzie Meadows Golf Club on July 19th, during which Past President George will be feted. Tickets are still available from Alex.

Ted Wada offered **FREE ADMISSION** tickets to the **Calgary Japanese Omatsuri Festival**

taking place at the Max Bell Centre from 10:00 to 5:00 on August 10th. If you didn't



get a ticket from Ted at the meeting, he will likely be able to find one or two for you.

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

Bev announced these: **Member Birthdays** — Bart, Jim Thompson, Bob Montgomery, Bev, Herb, and Gerald L.

Spouse Birthdays — Bernice Bohnet, Bev as Anthony's spouse, and Martha Hardie.

Wedding Anniversaries — Margaret and Don McLean 60, Faye and Terry Green 53, Patsy and Jack Steen 51, Barbara and Bart Dailley 48, Bernice and Bruce Bohnet 47, Beti and Paul Gaudet 45, Michael and Anne Dale 24, Lise and Ron May 23, Ang and Rob Wolfson 19, Lise and Gary Ladouceur 9.



Sargent-At-Arms: Rob performed the duties extracting coin from members who were unable to remember or know the names of past Stampede Parade Marshalls. Way back in 1977 when Herb, Jim T, Tom S, Ian, Ron Smith and many others were in the process of chartering our Club, the Parade Marshall was Charles the Prince of Wales.

It took two draws to give away the **Chase the Ace** money this week. The holder of the first ticket did not identify themselves, so a second draw was done, much to Bruce's pleasure. The crowd cheered and clapped enthusiastically when he did not draw the Ace. The pot rolls over!!

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New Rotary Year Begins

July 9th Greg Wigle — The History of Cigars
 July 16th Dr. Ryan Hoffman — Feldenkrais
 July 19th **President's Dinner @ McKenzie Meadows Golf Club**
 July 23rd Shigenobu Koayashi, Consul General of Japan
 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

Basic Education and Literacy Month

September 28th & 29th Casino Fundraiser @ Calgary Casino — contact Bruce Bohnet or Joe Hooper to sign up

Economic and Community Development Month

October 3rd FUN Casino Night Fundraiser @ the Carriage House Inn



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THE NEW BOARD

President Paul called the new Board to the front of the room. He advised that Ryan MacLean needed to step down from serving the second year of his two-year term due to business reasons. Pat Wierzba has been appointed to serve that term.

The names of the Officers and Directors are shown on the front page of the Arch, so I won't repeat them. Safe to say that the members appreciate the time and effort that these members contribute to running this Club.

The new members of the Board were presented with pins indicating their position. Past President George seemed pleased to receive his PP pin.



Requests from the floor for a printed Roster, and to place the sign-up for activities and events sheets on the web site, will be acted on by the appropriate people.

RIBFEST

Rob advised that the steering committee is hard at work. They have been in contact with the Rotary club in Halifax that just completed their event. They had 80,000 people pass through and were able to pass on some good advice to our committee. Lethbridge will be doing a RibFest latter this month which will be attended by someone from our committee. Rob is looking for help in the Administration and Sponsorship areas. The request for working volunteers will be placed on our web site at a latter date. There will be a tent with people and information to promote Rotary.

All workers at the RibFest will need to secure a certificate from the Alberta Liquor Control Board. In order to get this, one must complete an on-line training session and pay a fee of \$26.25. The web site for the training is <https://proserve.algc.ca> Also see Anthony's email describing the process of obtaining the certificate.

Photos courtesy George Van Schaick (what an amazing selfie below!)

GOALS FOR 2019-2020

President Paul outlined some of his goals for this year.

- Improve internal communications — Directors will be asked to participate at meetings so that the general membership will be aware of their work that's been done.
- Fellowship — this big part of Rotary will be continued from the good work done by the Tonkinsons last year. Visits to business establishments will be considered.
- Community Service — we will continue with Wayne's work to serve the local community with our limited resources and hands-on work.
- Membership — we will continue to recruit new members while ensuring that we retain our existing members.



The polio eradication infrastructure helps get us closer to a polio-free world. It's now also used to fight and protect against other diseases. The evolution of Rotary's efforts:

The cold chain: The polio vaccine must be kept cool. The cold chain system — made up of freezers, refrigerators, and cold boxes — was developed to allow polio workers to store the vaccine and transport it over long distances in extremely hot weather. In Pakistan, a measles immunization program now relies on the same system. With the help of the cold chain, Sindh province recently reached its goal of immunizing more than 7.3 million children against measles.

Microplanning: A critical component in immunizing more children against polio, especially in remote regions, is microplanning. A microplan allows health workers to identify priority communities, address potential barriers, and develop a plan for a successful immunization campaign. The workers collect as many details as possible about communities to help them reach and vaccinate all of the children, and this strategy has helped keep India polio-free for five years. Now the Mewat district of India is using microplanning to increase its rates of vaccination against measles and rubella.

Surveillance: The polio surveillance system helps detect new cases of polio and determines where and how these cases originated. Environmental surveillance, which involves testing sewage or other environmental samples for the presence of poliovirus, helps workers confirm polio cases in the absence of symptoms like acute flaccid paralysis (AFP). In Borno state in Nigeria, the AFP surveillance system is now being used to find people with symptoms of yellow fever, and was one of many tactics used during a 2018 yellow fever outbreak that resulted in the vaccination of 8 million people.

Contact tracing: Because polio is a transmittable disease, health workers use contact tracing to learn who has come in contact with people who might be infected. Contact tracing was also critical to containing an Ebola outbreak in Nigeria in 2014. When a traveler from Liberia was diagnosed with Ebola, Nigerian officials were able to quickly trace and isolate the traveler's contacts, helping prevent the disease from spreading further.

Emergency operations centers: An important part of the polio infrastructure that Rotary and its partners have built is the

emergency operations centers network. These centers provide a centralized location where health workers and government officials can work collaboratively and generate a faster, more effective emergency response. The emergency operations center in Lagos, Nigeria, which was originally set up to address polio, was adapted to handle Ebola, and it ultimately helped the country respond quickly to an Ebola outbreak. Only 19 Ebola cases were reported, and the country was declared Ebola-free within three months.

Source: Daniela Garcia, End Polio Now



Casino Fundraiser !!

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We need You !!

September 28th and 29th
at Calgary Casino

Contact
Bruce Bohnet
or
Joe Hooper
to sign up for shifts.

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