



Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus Dan and Marlene Doherty

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Anthony introduced Marlene Doherty, Chair of the End Polio Now campaign and her husband Dan, last year's DG.

Dan Doherty is past President of Calgary West Rotary, where he has been an active member for 37 years. Dan has a passion for advocating for and empowering youth, especially those without a voice. Dan has been on fifteen Mexico home building trips and is currently organizing the 16th "Homes of Hope" trip in April 2020. Recently having returned from a Polio NID in Ethiopia and mission work in Uganda and Malawi, Dan is reinvigorated in the Rotary Polio eradication fight. Dan was awarded the Distinguished "Service Above Self Award", the highest tribute awarded in the Rotary World.

Marlene joined the Rotary Club of Calgary West in February 2015 after participating on a Polio NID (National Immunization Day) trip to Ethiopia. She is currently the Director of "Fun & Fellowship", District 5360 Polio Chair and President Elect Nominee for Calgary West. Marlene is a retired Physical Education teacher whose volunteer commitments also include the Junior League of Calgary and Grace Presbyterian Church. She enjoys

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All Clubs Remembrance Day Jim Hennessy, MC

Scribe: Anthony Tonkinson

Firstly, a thank you to Jim and Terry (and Faye) for organizing this.

I heard many comments at how this event is so well arranged, and the quality of the speakers is always of a very high standard.



Jim Hennessy was the Master of Ceremonies, and at 10.30 he started the programme.

DG Christine Rendell welcomed everybody. Hugh Delaney lead us in O Canada with Ruth on piano. Salvation Army Major Harold Aikenhead gave the Blessing.

REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let's We Forget

The Presidents of Stampede Park, West, North, Centennial, Chinook, East, Fish Creek, and Downtown read the Roll Call for their clubs.

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President Paul called the meeting to order at 12.15. Ruth is back to lead us in the National Anthem and Grace.

Tom Sorenson and President Paul went to St Mary's University to present the Father Greg McLellan Scholarship.

Introduction of guests by greeter Dale:

Marlene and Dan Doherty (West), Al Muller (Centennial), Hans Tiedeman (South), and guest of Hank, Alina Oprea.

With Ruth back we almost erased the memory of the recent terrible performance to welcome our guests.

Minute People:



- Al Muller of the Centennial Club talked about the collaboration of the two clubs to put on the Ribfest. He thinks we should do more of this.

His club works with Connaught School, an inner city school. Two days a week they provide soup and sandwiches. The club is putting on a fundraiser for the school,

"Everyone Can Be Santa through Rotary". It is at Willow Park Golf & Country Club on November 28th. Tickets are \$60.00, and can be bought on line through WhaZup.



- Past President George announced that nominations for President Elect, and three Directors for 2020/21 will close November 26th, 2019.

Rob Wolfson talked about the End Polio Now event he put on in October with Jane Audet from the East club. The \$26.50 charge covered a glass of beer and 10 wings. The

extra cash after the bill was paid, plus a fundraising effort at the event, raised a very impressive \$1,047.00.



- Bart is passing out Christmas Shoeboxes to be filled. If returned by November 19th, Bart will take them to Operation Shoebox.

Rotary Remembers Monday November 11th at the Carriage House starts at 10.00am. Dr Stephane Guevremont is the speaker. No meeting on Tuesday.

- Tammy announced the Rotary/Truman Insurance Seniors' Lunch is December 3rd at the Carriage House. 250 seniors will attend. 17 volunteers are needed to be table servers. If you are not able to help but would like to attend the lunch, the cost is \$25.00.

At our November 19th meeting, Annika the Executive Director of the Carya Foundation, explains how the seniors are selected to attend the lunch.

- The Chinook Club Christmas Party dinner is on December 11th ... a 3-course dinner with Elvis at \$50.00 pp ... organized by Tammy.

Rob passed out \$20.00 to Gwen B, Peter, Bev, Paul G, George K and Sandy.

Rob announced the Annual Bowling Party will be at Toppler Bowl on Saturday November 30th, 4pm-6.30pm. Its 'Glow in the Dark' this year! If you are interested, email Rob. Companions and friends are welcome.

- Grey Cup tickets — Rob is again selling envelopes of 20 tickets for \$40.00. This generates \$1800. and \$950.00 gets donated to the club.



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RI Vice President 2016/17, Jennifer Jones, was in Calgary to promote this campaign. Jennifer is from Windsor, Ontario; and is currently Co-Chair of the 'End Polio Now - Make History Today' Campaign, to raise \$150 million. There was a party at Schanks South on November 7th.



Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus

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family time, ringing handbells, playing soccer, traveling and walking "Molly" – their family pet. Dan and Marlene have 4 children and three fabulous grand children.

In 2018/2019, District Governor Dan and Marlene focussed their energies on "Club Health", and for the first time in six years, District 5360 had a growth in membership. Two new Clubs were chartered as well as one new "e-Rotaract Club". Understanding that there is still a lot of work to be accomplished, Dan has agreed to Co-Chair the District 5360 Membership Committee.

Dan took the podium first to talk about the Foundation, and announced the awards that were presented to District 5360 at our Zone 24/32 Conference in Niagara:

- 2019 James Davidson Award — New Club Development
- Largest Net Gain in members
- Highest Per Capita Giving by District — Polio
- Largest Overall Contribution to Annual Programme Fund
- Highest Per Capita Giving by District to Annual Programme Fund



We were the Number One District in the World for per capita donations to The Rotary Foundation.

Marlene then made a presentation on World Polio Day and Polio Plus. She stated she was not a polio expert - but became a Rotarian because of Polio. After she retired in 2015,

she was invited on NID (national Immunization Day) to Ethiopia and it changed her life

She and her daughter Kayla joined a group of approx. 20 (US & Cdn) led by Ezra T- Seattle. They spent their first few days in Addis Ababa to acclimatize, and then had their first exposure to the devastating effects of polio. Visits were made to the Cheshire

Hospital, an assessment treatment and therapy centre. They met up with the Entoto Rotary Club and toured projects. Finally, prior to heading out on the NID, they met the WHO for a briefing and also met with the Ambassador of the USA

Then it was off to immunize. They drove to Adara (2 hours from Addis Ababa). This was a big event for the area. A rally, banners, speeches - more speeches - dancing- singing. After meeting with the health workers, who are the TRUE HEROES, they drove to the village - a scene like out of National Geographic - walking hut to hut past chickens, goats, laundry, garbage - parents welcomed us and willingly brought their children ages 0-5

On her second NID trip, Dan joined in. They met with the Canadian ambassador & President of Ethiopia- who thanked us and Rotary for helping his people. They flew to Dire Dawa, close to the Somalia border and from there travelled in UN armoured cars to a Muslim area with multiple compounds of 4-5 families. A very different experience than the previous trip.

The participation on these NID had many moments for Marlene that she related which had touched her deeply and she states have changed her life.

Paul thanked the Dohertys appropriately, by making a donation on their behalf to Polio Plus.



Photos courtesy George Van Schaick

The
Rotary
Foundation



All veterans were asked to stand and be recognised. Keith Davis read "In Flanders Fields". Dave Foley (bugler) played the Last Post followed by two minutes of silence. Dave Foley then played Reveille.

Anthony Tonkinson introduced Dr Stephane Guevremont the guest speaker.

In photos and live videos, he took us through Juno Beach landings on D Day, and for the next few days as the Canadian Army pushed further into France then any other Allied force.

Again many great comments about Dr Guevremont's presentation. He walked the stage and spoke without a microphone and without notes. There were many touches of humour. After his presentation he took questions.

November Networking Night

We are going on the road once again !!

to The Cat 'N Fiddle Pub on 540 - 16th Avenue NW (sorry for the longer drive). We are working in partnership with Calgary East (as they are regular supporters of the Networking Nights) to have our regular meeting, but with a program focussed on our potential new member prospects.

Thursday November 28th from 5:30 - 7:00/15.

The Cat 'N Fiddle then has 'Pub Trivia' and 'Name That Tune' for those wanting to stick around with Calgary East members for more fun and fellowship. You are responsible for your own food and beverage. I will buy the first drink for any new potential members. If you have anyone in your network that you have been wanting to ask to be a member, please invite them to this event.

I am going to have the full spectrum of members take 5 - 7 minutes each to tell their Rotary story, why they are Rotarians, and what they enjoy most.

The Rookie — Francis Akinouye — Calgary Chinook

The Veteran — Jane Audet — Calgary East

The Incoming DG — Mary Turner

Please do consider anyone you have invited to previous speakers (i.e. Kelly Hrudey, Jason Kenney), or have invited to a meeting, as this will be a great opportunity for them to hear these Rotary stories from members with various tenures and experiences.

All 'Friends of Chinook Rotary' that want to learn more are welcome of course!

Please reply via email if you can attend and if you have any guests.
Yours in Rotary, On behalf of the Membership Committee, Rob



Al Pettigrew thanked Dr Guevremont and presented him with a certificate recognizing that Rotary gave donation to Polio Plus in his name.

The ceremony ended and lunch was served.

Jim asked Dr Guevremont if he would speak next year. He will and his topic will be the "Canadians and the Liberation of Holland". This is particularly relevant as it will be the 75th Anniversary.

Dr Guevremont lectures during the week on many historic topics. Jim, Anthony and Al P, and on many occasions Al's sons, attend. Al H's wife Jeannette and a friend of hers also attend regularly. There is a season fee or a drop in fee of \$30.00.

If you are interested email me and I will send you Stephane's contact information.

Anthony
44tonk@gmail.com



Proposed New Members

The following new **Member** proposal was accepted by the Board for membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook:

ALINA M. OPREA

Proposed by:

Hank Popoff

Classification:

Investment Consultant

The following new **Friends of Rotary** member proposal was accepted by the Board for membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook:

SABRINA M. PLANTE

Proposed by:

Rhea Graham

Self-employed, Independent Market Partner Monat

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 Honourary) of the Club within seven (7) dates following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of admission fee (if not Honourary 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."

Anthony Tonkinson, Secretary
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Rotary Foundation Month

November 19th Annika Triantafillou, Agent, The Way In
 November 26th Barry Berman — Prehistoric Aliens
 November 28th Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham
 Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
 November 30th Glow in the Dark Five Pin Bowling — 4-6:30 @ Toppler Bowl, 7640 Fairmount Drive SE
 Cost \$25 pp, includes 2 hrs bowling, shoe rental, pizza — contact Rob Wolfson



Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

December 3rd Seniors Christmas Party
 December 10th No meeting re Christmas Party
 December 11th Club Christmas Party
 December 12th Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham
 Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
 December 17th Mike Colborne — Rotary Employment Partnership
 December 24th No meeting
 December 31st No meeting



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Vocational Service Month

January 7th Bart Dailley — Macdonald's History
 January 14th Club Assembly
 January 9th Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham
 Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30



Meeting Minutes

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Kent Fraser (FC Club), Brad Sorenson, Dave and Jeff Beatty.

- Alex announced he is looking for volunteers to help serve dinner at the Drop In Centre, downtown, on Thursday November 28th.

- Tom announced the winners of the World Series pool: Alex, Larry Ross, Janet,



Bev announced Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Birthdays: Harry Nazarchuk 2nd, Sandy Swan 4th, Lyle Davidson 8th, Pat Wierzb 8th, Rob Wolfson 11th, John McBean 23rd, Moe Tynan 23rd, Ted Wada 27th, and Dean White 28th.

Spouse Birthdays: Eeva White 5th, Peggy Churchward 20th, Nancy Soutar 25th.

Anniversaries: Ian and Gwen Burgess 59 yrs, and Ted and Grace Wada 47 yrs.

Rotary Anniversaries: Jim Hennessy 19 yrs, John McBean 40 yrs, Harry Nazarchuk 40 yrs, Moe Tynan 27 years, Don McLean 26 yrs,



Bev won \$90.00 in the Chase the Ace pool. She generously (she didn't consult the scribe!) donated \$40.00 to the club. However no luck picking the elusive Ace. Over \$900 in the kitty!

Good News/ Bad News:

Al H happy to report his operation went well, and he is walking with just the aid of his cane. Anthony was upset because he

bought the winning ticket for Bev and all she had to do was pick the Ace! Bev said he bought the tickets with her money so he didn't win that argument (as usual). Anthony was able to make a \$142.00 donation to the club ... this was left from the Brewery lunch and includes \$20.00 each from Rhea and Dean who didn't make the lunch but had paid and donated the money.



Photos courtesy George Van Schaick

Grey Cup Tickets

from Paul Gaudet

Russ Kane, President of Calgary Centennial advises that they have just had Mark Stephen (voice of Stampeder football) as a speaker at their Club. As an ambassador to promote the Grey Cup, Mark has extended a discount on Grey Cup tickets. He provided a promo code to use when booking your tickets at TicketMaster, and said that it can be shared.

The Promo code is "GCNOV24". Hope to see you at the show! Further detail on the discount was not included. Something to consider!?





Seniors Lunch December 3rd

Thanks to those who already have signed up. Currently the only openings left are for 17 people to be table servers.

Please read the file before you sign up. I want to make sure you are aware that if you would

like to be a part of this day, and just come and enjoy the turkey dinner, live music and Stampeders guests you are very welcome. The cost is just \$25.00 per person and this should be paid ahead of time to Connie. As well, I MUST know as we need an official head count for table settings and food supply.

Attire is white top and black bottom, and we will provide the Christmas Tie. The buses are scheduled to arrive between 11.20am and 11.40am, but as you are aware, many come extra early and it takes awhile to get our group organized. So please try to come early (10.30-10.45) if you are working the event ... and remember to come with a full stomach as you will have no opportunity to sit and eat like usual. In the past if there have been cancellations or Carriage House has extra turkey, they may offer it after the event, but there is no guarantee on this.

Some of you have expressed concern that the people we are serving may not be really worthy. Please try to attend the meeting on November 19th so you can hear first hand from Annika, the director of Carya on how these people are selected.

I also plan on having media around this day so please be on your best behaviour ... 😊



Christmas Party Dinner December 11th

Who wouldn't want to go out on a Wednesday night, have a delicious 3-course meal, be entertained by Elvis, and have a chance to dance and socialize all for \$50.00 per person !?! PS you will also be home in bed by 10.30 if you want! 😊

Email me to sign up with your food choice, or look for file that goes around at the club meetings.

I would really appreciate payment by **cutoff which is December 3rd**. You can write a cheque payable to Chinook Rotary, pay cash, or use your cc and give it to Connie. It's just so much easier to have this done ahead of time. Otherwise 50 of you show up at same time and I won't have a machine or change etc — payment in advance would make the evening flow much easier upon arrival!

Thanks for your support and looking forward to a couple of great events.

Any questions, please email me at tammy_truman@cooperators.ca



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