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CANCER SURVIVOR Glenda Standeven

Paul G. introduced guest speaker Glenda Standeven, a cancer survivor and member of the Chilliwack, BC Rotary club. She is co-author of the book "Choosing to Smile", which was on sale today for \$20 with \$5 of each sale given to our club.

Glenda and her husband have been married since 1982 and have 2 sons. In 1987 at age 32, Glenda lost her entire leg including hip and pelvis to bone cancer, just 3 years after giving birth to their first son, Kevin. Two years after the amputation, she found she was pregnant again and in 1990 gave birth to their second son, Andrew, in a natural birth procedure. Glenda felt it important to give hope and encouragement to others facing adversity and now has a long history of volunteering. She was Chilliwack's Woman of the Year in 2003, and received the Governor General's Caring Canadian award in 2005. She has been involved in many other community endeavours. She and two friends, who also had cancer, were authors of Choosing to Smile.



We were treated to a 2 minute video of the 3 authors singing and smiling. They all knew the right attitude is needed to deal with the threat of death by cancer, and this they have successfully instilled in many cancer sufferers through the book, conferences and meetings with groups such as ours. They have visited several Calgary Rotary

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ANNUAL NATURE PARK MEETING & PICNIC

10th Anniversary Event

by Jim Thompson

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The 14th of August looked a little suspect as far as weather was concerned, maybe that is why we had only 35 members and guests out for this year's annual Picnic in the Park.

It has been an interesting year indeed. 12 years ago when we started placing various structures in the Park, gathering funds from sponsors and our own resources, we were directed as to where these identifying structures were to be placed by Provincial Parks. It should be stated as a reminder, this special piece of Fish



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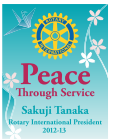
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Meeting Minutes



August 7th, 2012

Scribe: Ed McLean

Club Vice-President Stephen Pick is our Chairman today and called the meeting to order followed by our participation in the national anthem and Rotary grace with Betty at the piano.

Ted Wada, one of the Greeters today, was asked to introduce the 5 visiting Rotarians and guests, which he did after a very amusing tale about his English as a second language. The guests included Chuck Bury's wife and their grandson, Ethan Gourley. The other guests were our speaker and Rotarian from Chilliwack, Glenda Standeven and her husband, Rick, who were welcomed in our usual fashion.

Sunshine Report:

Chuck Bury expects to be released from hospital today, and Garry Miller is again attending our meetings regularly.

A reminder that our meeting next week is at our Nature Park near McKenzie Meadows golf course.

The Calgary Microcredit conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 13, 2012, the 5th annual. Full details are available at www.calgarymicrocreditconference.com. Early bird price is only \$65.

Jeff Evans, Co-Chair of the Rotary Foundation Committee presented Paul Harris fellowship pins to Tammy, Anne, Dale, Alex and Stephen.



Dale is part of the Birthdays/Anniversaries Committee and recognized August birthdays including Neil B., Jeff E., Joe J., Barry K., Lou P., Anthony T., and Tammy T. August must be a popular month for weddings as anniversaries include Luis Cortes-Silva, Ron H., Keith H., Barry K., Jack L., Steve Mc., Don McK., Duncan McK., Tom R., and Chuck B.

Out-bound Exchange Student Cole Demorest is leaving for Thailand on Friday and says he is about ready to go. He thanks the club for making this possible. On behalf of the club, Orion wished Cole well on this adventure.



Joe H. reports receipt of \$11,688 from Spruce Meadows for the North American show and thanked all for the parking support.

Paul G. thanked workers for helping during the past weekend at the Alberta Kennel Club event, where we were able to fill all 64 spots. John McBean handled 8 of them himself ! which is one eighth of total.

The 50/50 was won by Al Imler.

Jeff Evans was SAA today and seems to have a good handle on how it works. He fined Bart to start, then singled out Tammy for her high visibility in the community. She confirms she is a staunch Calgary Stampeders fan albeit she is from Redvers, SK, which is close to Carlyle, SK and both are close to Manitoba where the Winnipeg Blue Bombers play. (Snuck that in!) There were a few Good News Bucks.

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Before the introduction Paul & Glenda exchanged Rotary Club banners.



CANCER SURVIVOR

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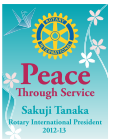
clubs. They felt the priority had to be laughter and this they have conveyed. Glenda spent some time at the G.F. Strong facility in Vancouver learning how to walk with crutches, and there she found many patients suffering from a wide variety of threatening health situations. All were trying to meet their challenges with a positive attitude. Many were faced with similar threats to Glenda's which was "If you don't have this surgery, you are going to die", and she surprised her doctor by very quickly agreeing to the surgery. She had some dreams about the future that helped her make decisions.

When she realized she was going to lose her leg, her main goal was to live a life that matters after that. Her friend and co-author was terminally ill while writing the book. She keeps her sense of humour by such things as saying her pregnancy after she lost leg, hip and pelvis as a "womb with a view". She never used a prosthesis as she feels she can move faster on her own. Of course she has very strong support from husband, family and many friends with similar health problems, as well as many Rotarians. Her book will be a very worthwhile read.

Glenda was thanked by Cole who presented the usual certificate re a micro-loan to a person in the Dominican.



Upcoming Events



Membership Month

August 21st
August 28th

Deb Tomlinson, Project Manager, Connect Family Sexual Abuse Network
Bob Hartley, Coach of the Calgary Flames

New Generations Month

September 4th
September 11th
September 14-16th

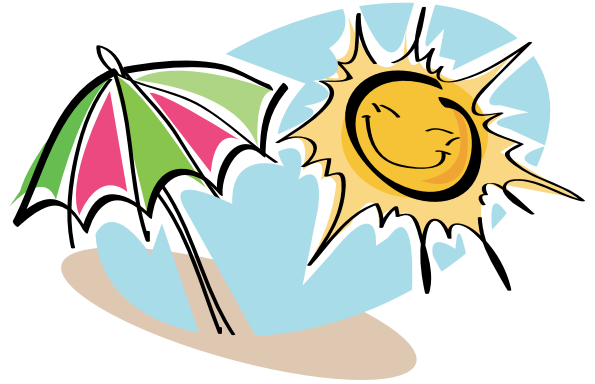
Bob Jarvest, Whitby Ontario Rotarian, Overseer of Rotary work in the DR
Tom Higgins, CFL Head of Officials
80th Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Assembly at the Hilton Garden Inn in Kalispell, Montana. Districts 5080, 5360, 5370 and 5390. The Hands Across the Border Ceremony will occur in Glacier Park.
Club Assembly
Darrel Janz, CTV News Anchor

September 18th
September 25th

Vocational Service Month

October 2nd
October 9th
October 16th
October 23rd
October 30th

Kevin Kaminski, Disabled Athlete
District Governor meeting
Craig Hazle, Skyline Hikers
Volunteer Appreciation Night
Rick Istead, Rotary Youth Exchange



Rotary Foundation Month

November 6th
November 20th
November 27th

moved to November 8th — Remembrance Day Program at Kensington Legion
Gerry D'Attilio, former Als and Stamps QB
Assembly, Elections/ AGM

Family Month

December 11th
December 18th

Seniors Lunch
Christmas Party (evening meeting)

ANNUAL NATURE PARK MEETING & PICNIC

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Creek Park is separated from the main Park by the Bow River and a major Transportation Utility Corridor (TUC) under the direction of a completely separate division of the provincial government. The TUC houses highway 22X and provides for a wide band of land to service future needs of utility services both underground and above. Some of our structures were



directed to be placed on the TUC lands, these now must be identified to TUC officials formally, so as to protect their placement in the future. In addition, the TUC lands serve as retention ponds for City storm waters, which in turn are directed into the pond we have identified as the main feature of our Nature Park. These storm water run offs have raised the level of the pond, destroying much of the vegetation there, which will take some time to return.



Greeters

August 21st Rae Campbell and Lyle Davidson
August 28th Roger Brett and Herb Imler
September 4th TBA

If you are unable to GREET on your assigned day, please contact Barry Korpatnisky so he can get a replacement ... 403-278-8982



Our pathway too has been somewhat altered but is not affected long term. The contractor has agreed to do some remedial resurfacing of the disturbed lands and restore our pathway, slightly detoured. We had hoped

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THIS AND THAT

ANNUAL NATURE PARK MEETING & PICNIC ... cont'd from page 3



while still active, is another feature added this year. We hope to add additional benches near the assembly gazebo in the next while as well as a display of 3 flag poles behind the dedication rock.



The TUC identification and long term assurance of protection of our investment is being addressed, the results are expected to be positive. A new 10 year partnership agreement with Fish Creek Provincial Parks has been executed.

Many thanks once again to the Maintenance crew and Food & Beverage staff at McKenzie Meadows Golf Course for their excellent service. The catered lunch is provided at a very reasonable cost, and includes providing tables and chairs and



other extras at no cost. The Maintenance service likewise is free and includes many hours of staff and machinery cutting and clearing pathways, annually.

Thanks as well to the loyal few in our committee who each year come out to help get things tidied up for the summer season. More and more visitors are gradually finding their way to this terrific little Natural park in the SE, another footprint in the systems of parks identified with Rotary International.



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:

JIM STOMP

Sponsor: Jim Thompson
Classification: Provincial Parks Management

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) days 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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