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LIFE AFTER CURLINGEd Lukowich, Brier and World Curling Champ

Bart stepped up to introduce our guest speaker. Our guest today was Ed Lukowich (Fast Eddie), one of the more famous of our curlers in Calgary from 1978 through 1994. During this time "Eddie" had won the Alberta Brier Championship five times and the Canadian Brier twice. He and his rink also won the World Champion ship once, in 1986 and the Olympic Bronze medal (Demonstration) in 1988.



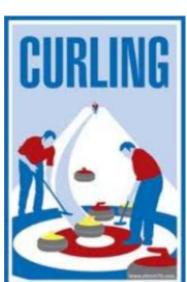
He has written four books on curling and is currently writing "science fiction" books. He has also been in the broadcast booth for curling competitions, including the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. He has also been National and Olympic coach for the US curling teams.

Ed experienced great appreciation for some of Albert Einstein's humour and then branched into the more erudite humour of Yogi Berra. Ed really appreciated the philosophical depth of Yogi's "when you come to a fork in

the road take it", and used it to illustrate how he had used the thought to take him through the curling and post-curling world.

In answer to questions, he indicated that he had started curling at Speers, Sask., at the age of six and had won a number of competitions before he was an 18 year old. He won the Canadian Junior championship in 1962, and his first Brier when he was 32.

When asked about the compensation for curling, he noted that it was not in the same league with hockey or baseball, but was much better than it had been. Now the winner of the Brier will receive \$50,000 for the team, plus \$50,000 a year for two years for development money. He discussed the advantage of the electronic handles so there is no need for judges to sit at ice level and watch the deliveries. (Unless the rock is malfunctioning.) (The development of the electronic handles is credited to a couple of curlers from Saskatoon.) Sweeping, with push brooms and corn brooms was discussed, as well as the effectiveness of one two or three sweepers.



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Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook

Chartered March 14th, 1977





Meeting Minutes



March 5th, 2013 Scribe: Ian Burgess

Meeting was called together at 12:06pm, by our peripatetic president who had returned from Dominican Republic and China visits.

Betty French made it possible for us to do a reasonable job, both on the grace and O Canada.

Jack Leuw presented our guests and visiting Rotarians, of which there were only five including our guest speaker, Fast

Eddie Lukowich. The others were Janet Popoff, a true curling fan, as well as Bruce Williams from Downtown, and Terry McDonough from the South Club.



Harry Nazarchuk, having learned that some of us don't hear so well.

approached the microphone, with only a little trepidation and reported that our only Sunshine victim was Dick French who was recuperating at home.

Dale Perret reminded us that our meeting on March 19th will be at Fairview School, and asked us to sign up and arrive before 12 noon, so the meeting could start on time for the School timetable.

Bev Tonkinson started on the Birthdays and Anniversaries theme by first giving us a presentation on "Know You Are Old..." She indicated that a number of famous personages had their birthdays in March, from Bobby Orr to Albert Einstein (who was freely quoted by our guest speaker). Even the inimitable Ed Lukowich was born in March (March 1). Betty led us on the piano, with Happy Birthday. Then Bev reminded of the anniversaries to be noted by Joe and Ed and Bill and David. She even reminded how long some of us have been in Rotary with our anniversary date being in March. The five remaining charter members have been in the club for 36 years!

Norm Moro corrected the date of the next Cribbage Champs meeting at Horton Road Legion to March 14th.

Greeters

March 12th Bob Montgomery and Norm Moro

March 19th No Greeters – Fairview School meeting

March 26th Gary Miller

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

Anne Dale reminded us that copies of the updated membership application form were on the tables, and advised us to take the forms and go forth and Propagate? or Promulgate? or even Recruit!

Linda Colclough took over the meeting for a short interlude and advised us that there would be an auction of a potpourri of materials brought back by our president, and eventually won by Don McKenzie, after 40 \$2 bids were placed.

Then Linda reminded us of the Pot Luck Dinner to be held at Red Deer Lake Church on March 16th, and asked us to get our act together and sign up to attend and bring an item for the menu.

The President then retook control of the meeting, almost as though he hadn't been absent for a prolonged period, and reminded that Janos' Hungarian dinner was on March 9, and that Janos was under the weather today. Also Dave reminded us of the upcoming Rosebud Theatre trip on April 27th.

The winner of the 50/50 draw was Bill Churchward who put his winnings back in the pot!

Paul Gaudet, Sergeant at Arms, reminded us that March was Literacy month in the Rotary Calendar and asked all the members who hadn't read four books in the past year to put up a dollar (the Rotarian reported that the Average American read 4 books a year, and the SAA felt we should do at least that well). Also he noted that four countries had elected women leaders in the recent past. Which country (all starting with the letter I) had elected two ladies with the same first name? That cost us money ... the answer "Ireland".

Paul also reported that the club had made a recent donation of \$1,000 to Polio Plus.

Bart stepped up to introduce our guest speaker and began with a rather acerbic comment on patients and Dr's receptionists.

After our speaker's presentation, the meeting was adjourned by President Dave at 1:30pm, while reminding the club that next meeting's speaker was 17 year old Jocelyn Davis.

Whether they play for fun in small-town clubs or for glory at the winter Olympics, one thing's for certain: Canadians love curling, and they've produced some of the world's best players. Though some have called it "shuffleboard on ice", supporters say it's a game with a grand Canadian tradition of skill, strategy, and sportsmanship.



Upcoming Events



Literacy Month

March 12th Jocelyn Davis, 17 year old Philanthropist

March 16th Fellowship Event: Potluck Dinner at Red Deer Lake Church

March 19th Fairview School Lunch

March 26th Shibanee Verma, Strategist in Health Care Space

Magazine Month

April 2nd Kim McConnell, CEO, AdFarm Canada April 9th Harry Sanders, Calgary Historian Laureate

April 13th - 14th Parking for the Horticultural Show at Spruce Meadows
April 16th Robert Palmer, Manager Public Relations, WestJet

April 23rd New Generations / Youth Night

April 27th Fellowship Event: Rosebud Theatre – lunch and play
April 29th - 30th Casino @ 'Calgary Casino' — contact Joe Hooper for info

Promote RI Convention Month

May 3rd to 5th District 5360 Conference 2013 "Peace, Passion & Partnerships" in Lethbridge

May 7th John Hufnagel, Head Coach and GM, Calgary Stampeders

May 14th Wendy Fleming, Outbound Exchange Student

May 21st Challenger Park meeting May 28th Spruce Meadows Dinner

Rotary Fellowship Month

June 4thJoe Hooper, Spruce Meadows PreparationsJune 5th - 9thParking @ Spruce Meadows for "The National"June 11thSteve Allan, PDG, Calgary Poverty Reduction Initiative

June 18th Janos Takats, Exchange Student

June 23rd - 26th Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal

June 25th Assembly ... Passing of the Torch





Rotary Challenger Park Casino - May 31 & June 1st

It's Casino time again, and we would really appreciate it if you could kindly spare some of your valuable time to volunteer at the event, either on Friday May 31 or June 1 or both if possible. Your time and support is greatly appreciated. Forms can be emailed to you for completion. Please sign up prior to March 22nd.

Please contact : Anar Dharshi, Assistant- Executive Director, Calgary Rotary Challenger Park

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LIFE AFTER CURLING contid from page !

He noted that the Brier began in 1927 and was in its 84th year this year as there were a couple of cancelled years during the second great war. Also he said the Ferby rink from Edmonton

held the record for wins from Alberta.



Finally Ed gave his ten rules to try and live/survive by.

The meeting was wound up by George Kimura making the presentation of a gift certificate for a family in DR to upgrade their house.

Inbound Exchange Student

We have been advised that our new inbound student for the 2013/14 year will be Adalberto Damini Jr. from Brazil.

His main interests are guitar – he plays and teaches the Brazilian 10 string viola – and fishing. Adalberto is an honours student and seems to be very dedicated to his studies. His English is very good.



We are in the process of looking for an inbound counsellor. I will begin the paperwork to have him accepted to the Calgary Board of Education, with the expectation that he will attend Dr. E. P. Scarlett High School.

Fran Hochhausen



THIS AND THAT



Distinguished Rotarian of the Year

NOMINATIONS FOR DISTINGUISHED ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

This award is presented annually to a current or honourary member in good standing with ten or more years of service who personifies "Service Above Self" both in Rotary and otherwise.

Submit your nomination in writing to Hank Popoff, Chair of the Awards Committee, no later than March 29, 2013. Please handle your nomination in a confidential manner to avoid embarassment to all nominees. Selection criteria is available from Hank if you need it.

Did You Know!? (historic club tidbits)

Did you know? In February 1990, our board passed a resolution, later approved by the membership in a Club Assembly, to eliminate gender from our bylaws, thus freeing the way to accept proposed female members. In a humourous gesture, member Larry Kelly suggested the first female member should honour the oldest female classification and had a manneguin, dressed like a sex trade worker, seated at our head table. The gesture was intended in good fun and accepted as such. We went on from then to lead the Calgary clubs in accepting female members starting in 1992 and to this day, have a very well balanced club of active, service-oriented members of both genders.

Jim Thompson

"Horse sense is the thing a horse has which keeps it from betting on people."

"Riding: The art of keeping a horse between you and the ground."

Author Unknown

Cribbage Club



Thursday, March 14th ... last regular game



Thursday March 28th ... final game of the regular season. Play will be for the Lew Reid Memorial trophy won last year by Hank Popoff. Extra incentive this game ... at a previous game there were 6 hands of 16 which were the highest. Since the playoff for the money was too complicated, it was decided to leave this money (\$7.50) as seed money for the last game. For those of you who don't know - every time a player gets a '19' hand, they throw 25 cents in the pot and at the end, the player with the highest hand takes it all.

Arrive anytime after 5:30 to enjoy food, drink(s) and most of all, fellowship. Tables of four to be

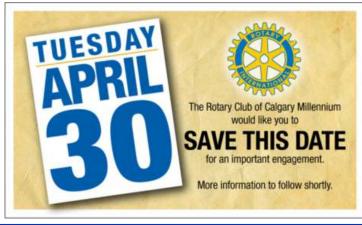
ready to start play at 6:30 sharp.

Cash Tournament - Saturday April 6th ... gather at 9:00am for coffee etc. Play to start at 10:00am. We would like 20 players (5 tables of 4), otherwise tables have to be split and it makes it too complicated. Entry fee \$20.00 payable when you sign up.

See Norm Moro to sign up.

Horton Road Legion 9202 Horton Road SW (close to the bar)





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Janos' Journal

So last weekend was the outbound orientation where we (inbounds) were invited too. As you can see on the picture almost no one is looking at the same camera. It was pretty fun. We get to know the outbound who is going to go our country, and meet the Rotex members who were in our country the previous year, and get to have a good chat with them. On the right bottom corner you can see Kelsey. He is going to go to Hungary next year.... God help him... You can't see his face because he was looking at my really photogenic one where I try to hold my laugh back. And the Rotex who was in Hungary can be found right from me with the nice red Canadian blazer and glasses. She had a very good year in Hungary and tells me that if she could she would love to go back. Hope that Kelsey will have a similar experience too. I also meet a senior Rotex who was in Hungary 7 years ago and still talks almost fluently Hungarian and keeps the contact with her family there. It felt great to talk to these people about our traditions back home. And the next "victim" of Hungarian influence got a lot of useful advices from us.

The programs were good. The presentations were funny by the exchange students. John even took a picture of an RCMP putting

handcuffs on me. You can get him for the picture, I'm sure he would be happy to share that one (If it's allowed to share a picture of an RCMP like that in the club).

I had a basketball game on Saturday. We lost, but it was the most fun game I had so far. It was my last game in the season, because apparently I'm too old to play on the provincials. But my coach offered me to be the assistant coach for those games, so I will still be a part of the team.



Rotary Club of Calgary Fish Creek presents

SOUTHERN FARE

Food Tasting • Funny Money Casino • Bluesros Band

Date: April 13, 2013 Time: 6:30 pm - midnight

Location: Willow Park Golf and Country Club

639 Willow Park Drive SE

Fee: \$50.00

Please join us for some eating, drinking and dancing!

Contact: Leanne Fraser

I-fraser@shaw.ca

Rotary Club of Calgary Crowchild is hosting

The BIG DEAL Casino Royale Event

Saturday April 13, 2013, 6:00pm Calgary Elks Lodge & Golf Club – 2502 - 6th Street NE

Join us at one of two levels of entry to this fun evening: Poker Tickets: \$125 or Fun Money Casino Tickets: \$25

Tickets include: Gourmet Appetizers, Silent Auction & Prizes for best Bond outfits!! Sponsorships available.

Tickets are available at Email CrowchildRotary@gmail.com

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