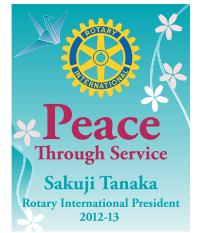




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## ASRAB

### Kevin Kaminski, Disabled Athlete

Bart introduced our guest speaker Kevin Kaminski, a disabled athlete who is blind.

Kevin was born in Regina in 1962 and moved to Calgary in 1966. He originally trained as a Community Rehabilitation Practitioner where he was employed for 10 years. During that time he became interested in massage therapy and became a licensed Massage Therapist in 1995, and is owner of Mountainview Massage Therapy operation.

Kevin has been happily married to Patti since 1986 and they have 2 daughters, Kate 23 and Claire 18. He gives much credit to his wife for being able to lead a regular life despite his blindness. He was 14 years old when he noticed his vision was a problem, when he went duck hunting with his father and was unable to focus his right eye. The problem is Optic Nerve Atrophy, and he was virtually totally blind before finishing high school. He refused to use a cane. By the way, he attended high school with Fred Jessee's son.



Kevin attended Mount Royal college where he met the founder of Alberta Sports & Recreation Association for the Blind (ASRAB) who, among other things, introduced him to Goalball, an athletic game which made a great difference to his fitness and athletic challenges, a big step for this former athlete. He has competed in this for over 20 years, has helped earn 6

national championships, represented Canada in 3 world championships, and 3 Paralympic Games ( Korea, Spain Greece). He has been Vice-President of ASRAB since 1988, where he founded and nurtured the SightNight Fun Run which has raised \$250,000 to help those with vision problems.

Graham Boone thanked the speaker saying he is an inspiration to us all, and presented the usual certificate helping a person in the DR.



## Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook

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**October 2nd, 2012** **Scribe: Ed McLean**

It was nice to have Betty back on the piano today to lead us in the usual opening of the meeting.

After lunch Bruce Bohnet introduced Bob and Lynda Better from the Campbell River Rotary club, Evelyn Stewart who may become a member here, the Elwahab brothers from Cairo, Egypt and 4 members from Calgary South who were welcomed in our usual fashion.

President Dave called for minute persons to be ready.

Garth Plunkett reminded us the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation welcomes donations to the fund to help build an endowed capital fund for the future of Calgary Rotary Clubs. Talk to Garth about making a donation.

Bart will be selling tickets to the Rotary Remembers meeting on November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Kensington Legion to be attended by members of all Calgary Rotary clubs to hear Lt. Gov. Don Ethell.

Sydney Richmond, summer associate member from Mexico says thanks for our welcome to her, and for the help given to her club to stock a library for the benefit of her community. She plans to return to her home there shortly where the club membership of 20 swells dramatically during our winter months.



Dale introduced the members in attendance today who have birthdays during October. They included Paul Hussey, Hank Popoff, Fred Jessee, Tom Ranson, Ron Smith, and Anne Dale. Wedding anniversaries will be recognized later in the month.

*Photos courtesy of John Beatty*

Exchange Student Janos spoke about his adventures during the past week which included camping, golf, curling, shopping, the Stampeders football game, and he had a fun time.



The 50/50 draw was won by Bart.

Monty was SAA today. He fined Bruce for mispronouncing names, Dale for not announcing anniversaries so members don't forget, Fred, Bill and Gerry for not knowing the October birthstone. He then told of a rather exasperating attempt to use Club Runner, followed by a joke ... which he suggested members could put a loony in the pot if they enjoyed it. It was actually funny but hard to know if folks remembered to put a loony in the pot. There were a few Good News Bucks.

Bart introduced guest speaker Kevin Kaminski, Disabled Athlete who is blind.



President Dave reminded us that next week is an evening meeting with the District Governor Fran Leggett as guest speaker. The meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.

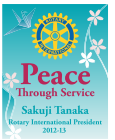
## Greeters

October 9th	Janos Takats & Barry Korpatnisky
October 16th	TBA

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



# Upcoming Events



## Vocational Service Month

October 9th District Governor Fran Leggett — evening meeting @ 6pm  
 October 16th Craig Hazle, Skyline Hikers  
 October 21st Volunteer Appreciation Night — 5pm drinks, 6pm dinner @ Cravings  
 October 23rd New Generations program  
 October 30th Rick Istead, Rotary Youth Exchange

## Rotary Foundation Month

November 6th moved to November 8th  
 November 8th Remembrance Day All Clubs Meeting at Kensington Legion  
 November 13th Jason Kenney, Federal Minister of Immigration  
 November 16th - 18th Parking @ Spruce Meadows Christmas Market  
 November 20th Gerry Dattilio, CFL Veteran  
 November 23rd - 25th Parking @ Spruce Meadows Christmas Market  
 November 27th Club Assembly



## Family Month

December 4th Duke Duplessis, Alberta Oil Sands  
 December 11th Seniors Christmas Luncheon, 12 noon @ The Carriage House Inn  
 December 18th Club Christmas Party — evening meeting @ The Carriage House Inn  
 December 27th Fellowship Meeting

## 2012

## Promote RI Convention Month

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

## Rotary Fellowship Month

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

## A Note of Thanks

August 14th, 2012

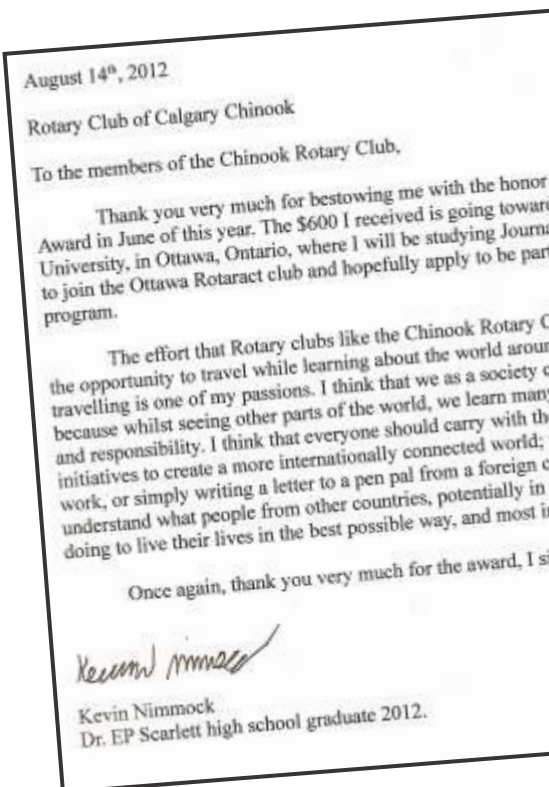
To the Members of the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook:

Thank you very much for bestowing me with the honor of receiving the Academic Excellence Award in June of this year. The \$600 I received is going towards paying for my tuition at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario, where I will be studying Journalism and International Relations. I plan to join the Ottawa Rotaract club and hopefully apply to be part of the Ambassadorial Scholarship program.

The effort that Rotary clubs like the Chinook Rotary Club put in towards giving young adults the opportunity to travel while learning about the world around them is very important to me because traveling is one of my passions. I think that we, as a society, cannot underrate the importance of travel because whilst seeing other parts of the world, we learn many lessons about empathy, understanding and responsibility. I think the everyone should carry with them the responsibility of promoting initiatives to create a more internationally connected world; whether that be through travel, volunteer work, or simply writing a letter to a pen pal from a foreign country. All of these acts allow us to understand what people from other countries, potentially in worse economic situations than us, are doing to live their lives in the best possible way, and most importantly, how we can help them..

Once again, thank you very much for the award, I sincerely appreciate it.

Kevin Nimmock  
 Dr EP Scarlett High School graduate 2012

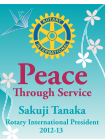






# THIS AND THAT

## Public is aware of Rotary, but unsure of what we do



Excerpt - Rotary International News -- 27 September 2011

Do your friends and co-workers know that you're a Rotarian? Do you tell acquaintances about your club's good works in the community or internationally? It's up to every Rotarian to tell the world what Rotary is and does. People are much more likely to know about Rotary and perceive it positively as a charitable organization if they personally know a Rotarian.

Awareness of Rotary varies from country to country, and culture to culture. But awareness of Rotary doesn't necessarily translate into familiarity with what it does. Boosting awareness alone will not be enough to get the public to readily associate Rotary with good works, or to generate greater community involvement.

Demographics play a significant role in whether people have heard of Rotary. Clubs may need to gain a better understanding of what would increase interest among younger professionals. Rotarians are viewed by the public as charitable, respected, and caring. However, Rotary is still being seen as a male-dominated organization. Work needs to be directed toward communicating opportunities for women to join.

The public's interest in joining a Rotary club is low. Among the countries surveyed, an average of only 16 percent of respondents said they would be likely to join a local Rotary club. More than 59 percent said they would be unlikely to join. In the United States, women were half as likely as men to report interest in joining.

"Because each Rotary club is independent in deciding what services they want to be involved in, this can cause mixed impressions in the communities on what we do," Leung says. "These surveys underscore the importance of having a consistent message."

The 1.2 million Rotary club members worldwide are the organization's greatest strength.

Rotary International has a number of resources that clubs can use to promote Rotary. Visit the RI website for more information and resources.

### Cribbage Club

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



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

**Start play:**  
We would like the tables of four ready to start play at 6:30 sharp.

**Membership:**  
New members are welcome. Lifetime Membership is \$3.00

**Dates:** Thursdays      October 11th & 25th  
November 8th & 22nd  
December 6th & 20th

Questions, contact Norm Moro at [nlmoro@shaw.ca](mailto:nlmoro@shaw.ca)

### Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

**October 21st, 2012**  
**at Cravings, 7207 Fairmount Drive SE**  
**Drinks @ 5pm, Dinner @ 6pm**



<b>First Course</b> one of the fresh soups or small salad from salad bar	<b>Second Course</b> pizza by the slice offered to the tables
<b>Main Course</b> choice of one of: Steak & Shrimp Rotisserie 1/4 Chicken & Rib Atlantic Salmon Burre Blanc <small>* all mains served with harvest vegetable medley and roast potatoes *</small>	<b>Dessert Buffet</b> array of small bites of sweets & cakes <small>*coffee and tea station will be set-up at the front</small>

**\$12.50 per person      Drinks \$6.00, Pop/Juice \$2.50**



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