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Rotarians and guests from 8 Calgary Rotary Clubs gathered at the Carriage House Inn to honour our veterans and remember the 75th anniversary of D-Day. It was obvious that the meeting brought together people from the many Clubs to socialize and catch up with old friends. The meeting was brought to order at 10:30 by Master of Ceremonies Lt Col (ret) James Hennessey CD.

DG Christine Rendell greeted the gathering with a personal story of her Uncle Lloyd Seward who served in the RN. He was captured in the Pacific theatre by the Japanese and served as a POW for 3 years under horrific conditions. He happened to be a skilled wood worker and was able to make wooden shoes for his fellow prisoners and the prison guards, which helped him to survive. After the war, weighing only 90 pounds, he returned to his large family in Newfoundland, and is now 101 years old, still spry and alert.

We have our freedoms today because of the actions of our veterans. Unfortunately, many of those veterans have fallen between the cracks and 5,000 of them are living on the streets in Canada, lost, suffering, some with mental problems. Rotary in Calgary has come together to support Homes for Heroes, which brings some of those homeless together in their own facility.

Rotary Clubs across Canada are being asked to spread support for this program in their areas by helping to pay for the tiny Homes. The Centennial Club has committed to one home, and Rotary South has donated \$50,000 through our Large Grants in 2017/18.

Hugh Delaney, accompanied by Ruth Wylie on piano and bugler Dave Foley, led us in O' Canada. Major Harold Aitkenhead (Salvation Army) performed the blessing.



The Rotary "Honour Roll" of surviving and deceased serving members of Rotary was presented by the Presidents of the 8 Rotary Clubs:

Rotary Club of Calgary South

Rotary Club of Calgary West

Rotary Club of Calgary North

Rotary Club of Calgary Centennial

Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook

Rotary Club of Calgary East

Rotary Club of Calgary Fish Creek

Rotary Club of Calgary Downtown

Chas Filipski

Gerry Meek

Brian Larsen

Roger Frayne

Paul Gaudet

Brian Carnahan

Leanne Fraser

Rick Erven



President Chas noted his personal connection to the military family. Both he and Terri were born on military bases. His father served in the U.S. Marine Corp, and Terri's father was U.S. Navy.

Roger Frayne from Rotary Centennial noted that his Club has sponsored one of the Homes for Heroes. All the current Homes have been sponsored, but a second village is planned for Calgary, so there is another opportunity to participate. Our veterans have not been well served, and deserve our support.

In Flanders Fields

by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow

Between the crosses, row on row,

That mark our place; and in the sky

The larks, still bravely singing, fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago**We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,****Loved, and were loved,** and now we lie

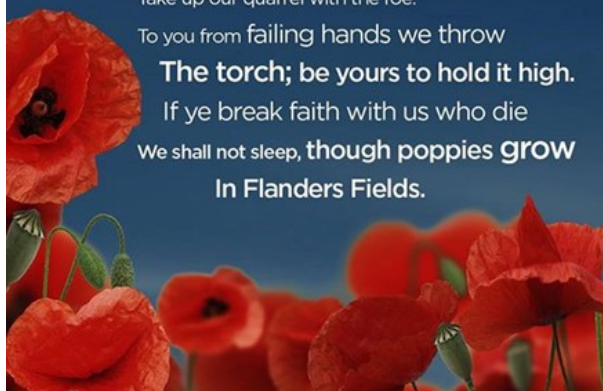
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

To you from failing hands we throw

The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow**In Flanders Fields.**

Keith Davis read "In Flanders Fields", followed by the "Last Post", Dave Foley on bugle, Two Minutes of Silence, and then Reveille, Dave Foley on bugle.

Keith followed by reciting "They Shall Not Grow Old", which is part of the famous poem "For the Fallen", by Robert Laurence Binyon.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.

They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.





Anthony Tonkinson introduced the Guest Speaker, Dr. Stephane Guevremont, noting that he has been attending Dr. Guevremont's evening lectures and has been paying \$30 per session, so it is nice to be able to hear him for free.

Dr. Stephane Guevremont is a former aircraft mechanic with practical experience at Pratt & Whitney Canada (Flight Testing) and Bombardier Aerospace (Action Centre). He was also a senior guide at the National Aviation Museum of Canada, Ottawa for four years. He then taught French as a second language for federal government employees across Canada (Hull, Ottawa and Vancouver before completing a Ph.D. program at the University of Calgary in 2010 on "The Development of a Canadian Aircraft Industry, 1909-1949." In addition, he holds a CEGEP Degree in Aircraft Maintenance, a B.A. (First Class Honours) in History from McGill University and a civilian M.A. in War Studies from the Royal military University of Canada, Kingston.

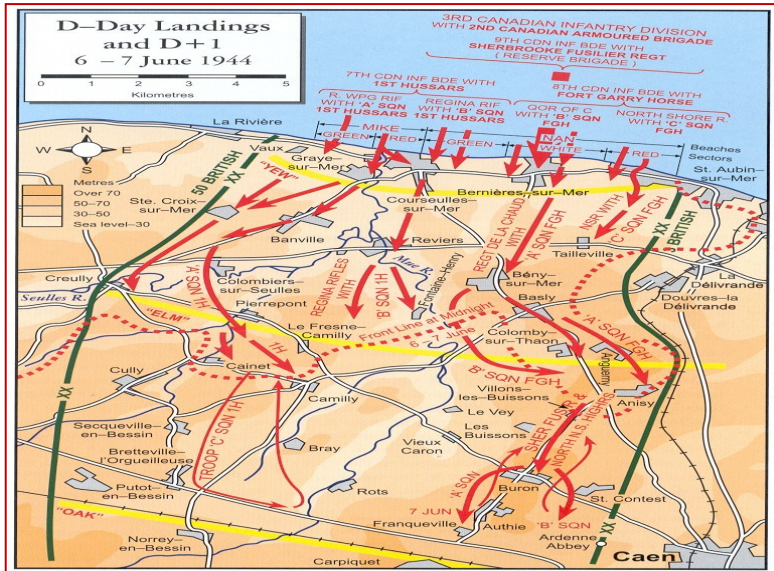
Stephane is currently teaching on his own for adult audiences. He taught European and military history in the Humanities Department at MRU in Calgary for six years and for the Faculty of Continuing education at U of C for four years. He speaks as regular columnist on CBC French Radio One in Alberta and often presents public lectures in various Canadian cities. He also organizes Canadian battlefields and history tours in Europe. From 2015 to 2018, he was the Honorary Colonel of 419 Tactical Fighter training Squadron of the RCAF based in Cold Lake, Alberta, and has recently published the 75th anniversary book of the unit. In his spare time, he plays several sports, does volunteer work with seniors and high school students, as well as building scale models of figures, aircraft, ships and vehicles.

Dr. Guevremont presented an amazingly informative talk on a great Canadian battle, Juno Beach, D-Day, June 6th, 1944. No military history is being taught in schools these days, so this great victory is being forgotten. Landing on the most heavily defended beach in the Normandy invasion, 14,000 Canadian soldiers made the greatest penetration into France of the first day of the invasion, achieving 2 of their 3 objectives and advancing 11 km before night fall. No other force got off their landing beach. No "Longest Day" or "Saving Private Ryan" movies even mention or celebrate this achievement.

The Juno Beach landing area had 4 sectors: Graye-sur-Mer where the Canadian Scots and Royal Winnipeg Rifles landed; Courseulles, Royal Winnipeg Rifles on the east and Regina Rifles on the west; Bernieres-sur-Mer Queens Own Rifles; and Saint Aubin-sur-Mer, North Shore Regiment. The first two sectors were supported by 1st Hussars tanks and the second two by Fort Garry Horse tanks. British Royal Marines (7,000 men) also landed on the left flank. Specialized British "Funnies", amphibious double drive (DD) tanks that could maneuver in the water and on land, flail tanks for breaching mine fields and barbed wire emplacements, mortar/flame thrower tanks and mobile bridge launchers to cross sea walls and bunkers were also in support.

The assault was planned to begin at 7:30 AM, but most units were delayed by heavy seas, equipment problems and heavy resistance. But by 8:30 the initial landings had been made. All of the DD tanks were late, except for one unit, so this delayed the advance off the beaches until they arrived to clear out defensive gun emplacements. All of the initial assault units lost at least 50% of their strength in the first few minute. The QOR were landed by mistake directly in front of a major bunker at Bernieres, and lost 80% of their casualties within the first minute of landing.

The landing force at Saint Aubin ran into a German regimental headquarters which took 10 hours to clear. By 10:30 AM, all reserve units had landed, albeit 2 ½ hours late. By 11:45, 3rd Division HQ was set up on the beach and by 12:00 all beaches were secured. At 1:00 PM the move inland was ordered and the first objective had been met.



Canada House can be seen in the distance, and in the pictures below





By late afternoon, 3 Sherman tanks of the 1st Canadian Hussars, encountering minimal resistance, had actually reached the 3rd objective of the day, the Carpiquet highway and rail line. Because they had advanced so rapidly, they had outrun their communications and support and had to withdraw. By 9:00 PM the Canadians were dug in at Villons-les-Buissons, 11 km inland from the beaches, which was further than the 2nd objective for the day.

At 8:00 PM a German panzer recon unit actually breached the lines between Sword and Juno beaches, but for some unknown reason withdrew without engaging or doing any damage.

Canadian forces suffered 1,000 killed and wounded on the first day.

Al Pettigrew thanked Dr. Guevremont for his inspiring and informative talk on the start to the end of WWII. His very effective use of historical photos and videos was most impressive and the appreciation from the audience was very evident. As a gesture of thanks, a donation to Polio Plus will be made in Dr Guevremont's name.

"For those who have not visited the Juno Beach Memorial and other Normandy battlefields, it is well worth the trip. You will notice that the seawall along the beach is only 2 - 3 feet tall. On D-Day, this wall was 7 -- 10 feet tall, with defensive gun emplacements every 500 metres which made the feat of breaching it immeasurably harder. It took much ingenuity, and perseverance, with many casualties to get over that wall while under fire at all times."

(It must be noted that there was no way your Editor could capture the essence of this talk by note taking, as it was largely an audio visual presentation and he spoke without notes. Dr. Guevremont graciously stayed after the meeting and went over the salient points with me so I could complete this writeup. Many thanks to him.)

Before the meeting concluded, Mr. Pettigrew drew our attention to a group of people who receive very little recognition at these Remembrance events – those who served in Resistance Groups. Especially during WWII, underground groups throughout Europe organized espionage, uprisings, assassinations, sabotage, propaganda and refugee support. Their activities contributed in a large way to the defeat of the Axis forces, and we recognize and honour their services.

Hugh Delaney led us in the singing of God Save the Queen, and the meeting adjourned at 1:15.

LINK TO REMEMBERS PHOTOS: [Rotary Remembers Photos](#)





Rotary Club of
Calgary South



2019 - Honour Roll for Rotary Remembers

Current Members

Jack Black	Dick Shaw
Bob Brawn	Jim Smith
Keith Davis	Michael Zacharki

Deceased Members

Roy Alsip	George Montgomery
Harvey Bietz	Ron Morris
George Brierley	Herb Parker
John Campbell	Fred Peacock
Clayton Carroll	Al Pearce
Bob Dawson	Chuck Porter
Jim Fetterly	Jim Porter
Gene Filipski	Jim Rankin
Bob Gee	Clayton Richardson
Wally Gibson	John Rooney
Sidney Guttman	George Seaborn
Doug Hagerman	Don Skagen
Jim Hart	Wayne Smith
Cyril Hegy	Arn Swanson
Larry Kwong	Bernie Tharp
Lloyd Liggett	Cam Warrender
Andy Little	Bob Watson
Don Magee	Jim Watson
Howard Mallabone	Norman Weber
John McColl	Jack Westbrook
Terry McDonough	Larry Winter
Don McNeill	Mac Young



One of our newest Rotary Club of Calgary South Members **Nancy Spence** will be participating in this event. Please feel free to sponsor her. The Sponsorship form will be attached to the Bulletin email.

END POLIO NOW!

If you attended Pints for Polio or the Polio Event at Schanks we heard the testimonies from Polio survivors and RI's latest initiatives to drop to zero. Come join us **this Saturday** for an indoor Ride to End Polio (indoor spins class) If you are unable to ride then consider sponsoring a rider or making a contribution to Polio Plus

HELP US DROP DOWN TO ZERO



JOIN US IN THE RIDE TO HELP ERADICATE POLIO!

Saturday, November 16th

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

at HotShop in Silverado

#918, 19369 Sheriff King Street SW

Minimum donation of \$25, or choose to get pledges from family and friends, for greater donations. All proceeds are donated for Ending Polio Now. Wear comfortable clothes, bring a water bottle, and if you're new to spin, arrive 15-20 minutes early for bike set up.

For more information please contact: Marlene Doherty doherty8@telus.net



ALBERTA FUNDRAISING PROFESSIONALS AWARD CEREMONY

The Rotary Clubs of Calgary won the award for Outstanding Group Philanthropist through Alberta Fundraising Professionals in the Calgary Region. for the great work we all did to support the installation of the Rotary Bethany Atrium.

The Rotary Clubs of Calgary will be honoured at this year's annual celebration at the Bella Concert Hall at Mount Royal University on Thursday, November 14 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 pm. Please get your tickets and join us in this honor!! Contact Luanne for more info **(403-243-7587)**



CLEVEN AWARDS

Nominations are now open for Cleven Awards

It is a leadership award that has been annually given since 2006. Nominations will be accepted until November 21st.

The award(s) will be presented at the Christmas Social on December 12.

FEED THE HUNGRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

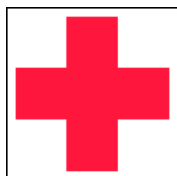
Ted Stack is looking for volunteers. The Club is sponsoring a Feed the Hungry event at St. Mary's Hall on Sunday November 24. I am reaching out to all of our club members to help with our volunteer commitment for "Feed the Hungry" which is being held at Saint Mary's Cathedral Hall.



The morning shift has been filled but we need **50 more volunteers** for the afternoon shift which goes from 2:30 to 6:00PM. If you would, please consider asking family and close friends to step up for the afternoon shift.

Please email me at: ehtedstack@gmail.com to confirm. I can answer any questions regarding the shift commitments.

HEALTH, WELLNESS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE



Ron Prokosch will be your *Health, Wellness and Transportation* contact for the months of November and December to report any illness, or transportation needs. Tel. 403 269 7767 Cell 403 651 1722



ROTARY REMEMBERS ...

Thank you to **Jim Fitzowich and the District Rotary Remembers Committee** for allowing us to Remember and Reflect on those that have granted us our freedoms today.

Thank you to Bulletin Editor **Bev Ostermann** and Photographer **John Shield** for capturing the meeting through word and photos



SALVATION ARMY KETTLES

Dave Read needs three more shifts covered for December 14th. Please reach out to him directly if you are able to assist.



SANTA NEEDED

The Social Committee is looking for a Santa for the Christmas Luncheon on December 19th. Please respond to **Darlene Whitmore** at: darlene.whitmore@mkmk.ca or 587 893-5564 if you can assist



VULNERABLE PERSONS POLICE CHECKS

If you are planning on taking a Youth or Vulnerable Person somewhere on a Rotary related outing you **MUST** have a valid Police Information Check form filed with the Vulnerable Persons Committee

If you have any questions please contact Larry Stein, Carol Graham or Dorothea Schaab.



WINE CLUB EVENT AT RICHMOND HILLS

The Next Wine Club Event is November 23rd, 7PM. At Richmond Hill Wines. Tickets are \$40. Contact Gena Rotstein if you are interested.

Gena must know by NOVEMBER 12TH NEXT WEEK what our numbers are for this.

Please confirm by payment of \$40/pp ASAP so that Richmond Hill Wines can order the wine and snacks. You can give Gena Cash or you can e-transfer her to confirm your spot.

The End Polio Now Event that was held at Schank's Sports Bar Macleod Trail on Thursday Nov 7th was a fun evening of fellowship and education!

The event was emceed by Mark Staratt from the Downtown Rotary Club. We were privileged to hear stories from Guest Speaker Catherine Ford about her experience living with Polio, along with Jennifer Jones, Past Rotary International VP and Co-Chair of End Polio Now.



Don Taylor organized a fabulous and engaging Trivia Game that was hosted by Doug Casper of "Know the Show Trivia Company". The first round of questions were based on "The Rotary International Organization", and the second round was "The Cause". All 90 guests learned a lot about both! Participating teams preregistered with a generous entry fee and the competition was fierce!!



So proud to say that the winning team was from our very own Rotary Club of Calgary South! Congratulations to **Jamie, Dorothea, Paul and Carol**; you represented our club well with panache and your smarts!!

Thank you to everyone from Rotary Club of Calgary South that attended: **Don Taylor, Dorothea Schaab, Carol Rosdobutko, Jamie Moorhouse, Paul Brick, Dilan Perera, Ken Farn, Rudy Roberto, Kathy Demorest and Craig Stokke**

Also in attendance were District Governor Christine Rendell and Past District Governors Dan Doherty and Rick Instead.

Submitted by Kathy Demorest



KAYLEE'S CULTURE & FUN IN SPAIN



I have had a great second month in Spain. My understanding of Spanish is improving and my speaking as well.

I have made more local friends in Nigrán and Vigo. I was able to visit Santiago with my family. We visited the cathedral there that is known to be the end of the Camino De Santiago.

I learned about the history of the area and of the religious figures, I really enjoyed learning about such an important part of Spain's history. I also went to Madrid again for a Halloween rotary event.

I really enjoyed seeing the exchange students from my district, we had a lot of fun too. All the exchange students in my area came together to learn about some Indian culture with our Indian exchange student. We learned how to make traditional Indian food and celebrated Diwali. I am excited for what's to come in my third month in Spain!

... Kaylee



**CALGARY
FOOD BANK**



Rotary



Rotary Club of
Calgary South

DECEMBER VOLUNTEERING

Join us for any / or all shifts to lend a hand at the Calgary Food Bank. This is an annual giving back activity where our club distributes food to clients or sorts food in the warehouse.

SHIFT DATES, TIME AND WORK REQUIRED:

⇒ **Monday, Dec 2, 9:45 am – 1:00 pm**

Distribute food to clients. We require 16 volunteers.

⇒ **Tuesday, Dec 17, 12:45 pm – 3:00 pm**

Sort food in the warehouse. We require 25 volunteers.

⇒ **Monday, Dec 24, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm**

Distribute food to clients. We require 12 to 16 volunteers.

This Shift is the last shift on Christmas Eve. The Food Bank is unsure of how busy it will be. The Food Bank is not promoting being open on Christmas Eve but will be there to ensure clients have food for Christmas. In 2018, this shift was very slow, however, it is impossible to suggest what 2019 will bring.

Sign up is available until all spots are filled.

You are welcome to bring family and guests but children must be 16 and older.

Please email Corinne Wilkinson at: corinne@whitehathospitality.com to sign up and indicate your preferred date(s).

Please advise if you are bringing any additional volunteers with you.

Thanks everyone!



It's the Holidays, Let's Celebrate

Saturday, November 30, 2019 10:00am
Calgary Golf and Country Club
5900 Elbow Drive SW

Cost \$40.00 Cash ONLY Bar
Loonie/Toonie Collection for Food Bank
Door Prizes and Basket Raffle
Entertainment by MzBehavin Choir

RSVP to Millie by November 25, 2019
ehuslink@telusplanet.net or 403-686-0828

Contact Donna Mintz with food allergies or restrictions
donnamintz@shaw.ca or 403-483-8947

Forward payment to Karen Grant,
3927 Vancouver Crescent NW Calgary T3A 0M2

Need a ride? Contact Denise MacLeod
denisemacleod67@gmail.com or 403-771-1913

We are collecting new socks and underwear for
Canadian Mental Health Association's Street Outreach
Team. (CMHA Calgary)

LUNCH BUNCH



Our **November** Lunch Bunch is on **November 21st** and will be at the Danish Canadian Club: 727 11 Avenue SW at 11:30 am

<https://www.danishclubcalgary.com/menus>

The Restaurant it is very bright, cheerful and comfortable and the food is always good.

There is parking on either side of the building although ride sharing is always a good idea. Please let me know if you can come by Tuesday **November 19th** at: 403-246-0497 or marenny@shaw.ca

Submitted by: Maureen Watson

Rotary Partners Book Club November 18th 2019 The Calgary Golf and Country Club

Please be ready to start at 9:30 am. Cost is \$16.00. Please try to have the correct change. Please let us know if you are COMING or NOT. You must confirm your attendance to Jane Topp at: janetopp@shaw.ca no later than noon on Thursday, November 14th

Please bring the books you have enjoyed to share and return those you borrowed. If you have any magazines to share, kindly bring them too. We will be signing up for our Book Club Christmas Party. Maureen and I look forward to seeing you at CGCC!

Submitted by: Jane Topp

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Nov 14	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
Nov 19	Bethany Riverview Event	Bethany Riverview
Nov 21	Sylvia Whitworth: Skilled Trades Training	BLUE ROOM
Nov 23	Wine Club	Richmond Hill Wines
Nov 24	Feed The Hungry (Need 50 Volunteers)	St. Mary's
Nov 28	David Yager: Alberta Oil / From Miracle to Menace	Rotary House
Nov 30	Partners Christmas Party	Calgary Golf & Country Club
Dec 2	Calgary FoodBank Volunteering	Calgary Foodbank
Dec 5	Bob Wiens: Colombia Projects Update	Rotary House
Dec 12	Annual Christmas Social and Clevelen Awards	Rotary House
Dec 17	Calgary Foodbank Volunteering	Calgary Foodbank
Dec 19	Annual Christmas Luncheon	Carriage House Inn
Dec 24	Calgary Foodbank Volunteering	Calgary Foodbank
Dec 26	NO MEETING: CHRISTMAS	NO MEETING
Jan 2	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
Jan 9	President Chas: State of the Union Address	Rotary House
Jan 14	Wine Club	Christine Kyte's House
Jan 16	Alex Heron: PimCo Economic Forecast	Rotary House
Jan 17	Tentative Date:L. Kwong Chinese New Year Celebration	Regency Palace
Jan 23	Burns Day Celebration	Rotary House
Jan 30	Senator Black: Bill C69	Rotary House
Feb 6	Brian Farrell: Mind and Music	Rotary House
Feb 13	Valentine's Day Luncheon with Partners	
Feb 20	Jen Davies: Stigma Roots: Cannabis: from Roots to (Stock) Tips	Rotary House
Feb 27	Stay In School Presentation	Rotary House
Mar 5	Membership Development Day	Rotary House
Mar 12	St. Patrick's Day Celebration	Rotary House
Mar 19	Glen Street: CEO Street Characters	Rotary House
Mar 26	TBA	Rotary House
Apr 2	Gus Yaki: Alberta Southern Prairie Orthinology	Rotary House
Apr 9	Tom Leppard: Field of Crosses	Rotary House
Apr 16	TBA	Rotary House
Apr 23	New Members Celebration	TBA
Apr 30		



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