Place of Rescue Dance Performance at Cardel Theatre

This week’s program featured a Dance Group from Cambodia. To provide them with an area to perform the meeting was moved to Cardel Theatre where an excellent auditorium with a stage is available.

Following a great Chef Michael Zacharki Soup and Sandwich Lunch, President Ken gave us some background on our involvement with the Place of Rescue Foundation. During a trip to Cambodia a few years ago Steve Mason and Jamie Moorhouse had the opportunity to visit these facilities and this led to our supporting the Foundation with two grants through World Community Services. (Jamie has provided us with an overview of our involvement and it is included in this Bulletin)

Place of Rescue operating as “Songkrua” stated with just 15 homes caring for AIDS families and have now expanded into 3 Centres and 3 University Dorms throughout Cambodia, caring for over 400 children, 50 families including 30 adults living with AIDS and over 30 elderly Grannies. Children are placed into family settings with Christian house parents, who raise either ten girls or ten boys in a home on one of the three centres.

President Ken introduced Blaine Sylvester, the Executive Director, who gave us an overview of the Foundation and its operations. Blaine is located in Calgary and looks after all the Canadian Operations from his kitchen table.

The Foundation is a registered Canadian Charity and has a local Board of Directors. Songkrua was founded by Marie Ens (Grandma) who joined us today. Marie turns 82 on Saturday and we all joined in a chorus of “Happy Birthday”.

We heard that she went to Cambodia with her husband in 1961 but they were forced to leave during the takeover by the Khmer Rouge in 1975. Returning as a widow in 1994, she has stayed, working to establish and grow Songkrua.
Marie added a few words telling us about their current Tour with a group of Dancers. They arrived in Vancouver on Sept 5th and leave October 26th and have 10 dancers (boys and 5 girls). The tour takes them all over BC, Alberta and Saskatchewan and the last performance is in Fort McMurray. Grandma answered questions from the floor about AIDS drugs and how the Foundation is funded. Donations come from all over the world but the majority of support comes from Canada. Local support is minimal however they recently got a ton of rice from the Government but go through 2 ton per month!

We then all headed into the Auditorium to enjoy a short performance by the young dancers. The first dance “Blessing Dance” was performed by the girls. The second number with both the boys and girls was the “Fish Dance” and represented the catching of fish after the large lake in the Centre of Cambodia floods annually and strands fish in smaller ponds. It also looked like a bit of romance developed during the fishing expedition! We were then treated to a Canadian Line Dance complete with white Stetsons. Marie explained that Paul Brandt and his wife visited the Orphanages and through his sponsor, Smithbilt, all the children received white hats. They put together the line dance using Paul’s “I am going to fly” and Paul is going to join the last concert in Fort McMurray to perform for those affected by the fire.

Marie told us that while they rely on virtually everything being donated they also try to instill a sense of giving in the children and when the Calgary Flood hit they raised $900.00 to support us. This effort was recognised locally and nationally.

The presentation closed with Marie thanking us sincerely for our support in the past and inviting us to say hello to the performers on our way out.

President Ken thanked Marie and Blaine and all the dancers for entertaining and informing us today.
From: Marie Ens
Subject: Letter for Rotary Club
Date: January 13, 2016 at 5:53 PM

I want to give you an update of how we used your generous donation at Place of Rescue. Approximately 100 desks were repaired and refurbished. Here are before and after pictures.

NOTE FROM JAMIE MOORHOUSE: The WCS has supported Place of Rescue on 2 occasions. Our first was for general maintenance and new desks at the main Place of Rescue Orphanage and school in January 2015. The second is for window repairs and is just finishing up. The two projects combined total $14600CDN.
President Ken opened the meeting today at Cardel Theatre. Who was the member that went to Rotary House? With no Piano, Glenn Potter got us on the right note for O Canada and Grace. Ken thanked Cardel for the use of these fine facilities….. Just a way for Cardel to give back to the Community. They are provided at no charge with a donation to the Food Bank and we donated $500.00

President Ken thanked the House Committee for setting things up at Cardel Theatre and for the lunch catered by Michael Zacharki.

No head table today but President Ken acknowledged that we had been joined by Steve Cochrane, a past Rotarian, and welcomed back Len Kushner from a leave of absence.

Guests: Roselyn Jack welcomed Sam Switzer, Steve Cochrane, Mike Weekes and Noreen Devitt to today’s meeting. We broke out into our usual rousing welcome song

Devitt Anniversary: We all joined President Ken in acknowledging the 60th Anniversary of Norm and Doreen Devitt. Congratulations.

Election Process: Past President Al Johnson on behalf of Past President Murray Flegel made the required announcement starting off the Election of Officers process. We will require a President-Elect, Four (4) Directors and A Secretary for this Election period, The Past-Presidents met and have put forward Ron Prokosch as their suggested candidate for President-Elect. A complete review of the Election Process will be included in the Bulletin and the Nomination Forms and candidates will be attached to the Bulletin (in pdf form).

Cleven Awards: Terry Allen reminded us that he is taking submissions until tonight. Too late by the time you read this so just make sure you come out to the meeting on November 17th.

Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation: Bryan Targett reminded us all about CRCF. Our target this year is $60,000 and while no donation is too small with 100% participation we can reach that goal. Norm Legare had the Credit Card machine at the door but it was not working properly and he (or a more capable operator!!!!) will be available next week. Bryan reminded us that all the funds are invested and we receive the annual income. It started in 1972 and if $100.00 had been donated then, it would have returned $220.00 over the years. Greg Martin keeps track of member’s donations to ensure that suitable recognition is given at various milestones.

Dinner Club: Paul Brick still has lots of room on the list. Paul has extended the deadline until October 14th.
On October 6th, 2016 the nomination period will open for all positions to be elected this year. These positions are:

- Four (4) Directors for the 2016/2018 Term
- President-Elect Nominee, will become President-Elect on July 1, 2017 and will be President for 2018/2019 Term
- Secretary for 2017/2018 Term

The timeline for the election process is as follows:

1. September 29th, 2016: The Chair of the Nominating Committee will announce to the club that nominations will open on October 6, 2016 and will outline the nomination process. The Chair (or his designate) will repeat this notification at each of the meetings up to and including October 20, 2016. That notification will also be published in the club Bulletin newsletter in those dates.

2. October 6th, 2016: Nominations will open for all positions to be elected. The October 6th Bulletin newsletter will (as pdf attachments) publish nomination forms. Kathyann will send an email to all Members in good standing containing names of all members eligible for election to position of Director and Secretary, and a second list of Members in good standing who are eligible for election to position of President-Elect Nominee. Printed copies of nomination forms in standard format will be available from Ted Rowsell, Club Secretary at each of the meetings up to and including October 20th.

3. All completed Nomination Forms must be in the hands of Ted Rowsell, Club Secretary no later than 12:00 Noon on October 27th, 2016. Nominations MUST be received in standard format, stating:
   - Position being sought by Nominee
   - Name of Nominee, including a signed declaration by Nominee of willingness to serve if elected
   - Nominating signatures of two Members in Good Standing of the club who are eligible to vote.

4. Nominations will close at 12:00 Noon on October 27th, 2016. If a sufficient, or fewer, number of candidates are nominated by the deadline for nominations, then the slate of candidates will be declared elected by acclamation, and Nominating Committee will be directed to appoint sufficient Directors to meet requirements.

5. If more candidates are nominated than positions to be filled, an election will ensue in order to collect secret ballots from all Members in good standing. The process will be as follows:
   - On November 3rd, 2016 a brief profile of each eligible candidate will be published in the club Bulletin. It is the responsibility of each candidate to prepare an abbreviated profile in standard format, and to submit that profile to Past President Murray Flegel 2016 Chair: Nomination Committee. This must be done before the November 3rd regular meeting of the Club, in order that they can be published in the November 3rd Bulletin.
   - On November 10th, 2016 ballots, showing names of all nominees, will be sent to all Members in good standing of the club. Ballots will include name of the candidate, position they are seeking, name of person who nominated them, and name of the person who seconded that nomination.
   - All ballots must be received by Ted Rowsell, Club Secretary no later than 12:00 Noon on November 17th, 2016 in order to be counted.
   - Nominating Committee, as set out by Club bylaws, will be a committee made up of Past Presidents of our club.

This committee will meet on September 28th, 2016 to identify a candidate for the position of President-Elect Nominee and, upon the consent of that candidate, his/her name will be made known to members of the Club by the 2016 Chair: Nominations Committee (or a representative). His/her name will also be included on ballot as a nominee for that position. All Members in good standing of the club will be encouraged to submit nominations for the position of President-Elect Nominee, in addition to the name put forward by the Past Presidents.

Any questions regarding this election process should be directed to Past President Al Johnson or Past President Murray Flegel
2016 ELECTION PROCEDURES

President-Elect Nominee

- Must be a member of our club for at least five (5) years
- Must have served on the Board of Directors for at least one (1) year
- Must not have previously held the office of President of our club
- Is a member in good standing of our club, having maintained 70% attendance in the two years prior to nomination
- Has demonstrated a strong commitment to all club expectations for involvement in club activities, such as committee work and fund-raising activities and, in particular, completion of Dream Home shifts as expected by the club

Director

- Must have been a member in good standing of our club for at least three (3) years
- Must not have served in any position on the Board of Directors for the preceding three-year (3 years) period
- Must have demonstrated a strong commitment to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the club.
- Is a member in good standing of the club, having maintained a 70% attendance in the previous two (2) years prior to nomination
- Has demonstrated a strong commitment to all club expectations for involvement in club activities, such as committee work and fund-raising activities and, in particular, completion of Dream Home shifts as expected by the club

Secretary

- Must have been a member of our Club for at least three (3) years
- Has demonstrated a strong commitment to the Rotary Club of Calgary South to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the club

Treasurer (NOT REQUIRED THIS YEAR)

- Must have been a member of our Club for at least three (3) years
- Has demonstrated a strong commitment to the Rotary Club of Calgary South to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the club
What is “Dinner Club”?
Dinner club is a club within the club allowing small groups of Rotarians to enjoy a social gathering in smaller groups over a meal.

What is the Purpose?
The purpose is to facilitate Rotarians getting to know Rotarians at a deeper level than typically happens in a large group social event.

Testimony
Dinner club will allow you to get to know most of the members in our club along with their spouse or significant other and to form a much stronger bond and affiliation than might otherwise have been the case.

Appeal
If you are new to our club I really encourage you to take part in “Dinner Club”. It will add immensely to your Rotary experience and will also allow your spouse or significant other to develop better friendships within the club.

How Does it work?
- We look forward to having up to 42 couples/singles participate in this year’s Dinner Club.
- It runs from October to the end of May
- Emphasis on socializing and not on providing a gourmet meal. Some of us are happy with beans and wiens or our favorite college meal of KD.
- Each participant will host one dinner and attend 2 dinners within the period.
- Hosts may invite additional participants if they want. (Many have included new members, widows, potential members, exchange students, etc.)
- Singles are encouraged to participate.
- Once registration closes we will assemble a roster of hosts and guests for distribution.
- The Host then contacts the guests and sets the date, time and menu and the location. (Some have hosted at a Chinese restaurant or sushi. That way they got to enjoy the company and the discussion a little more).

Please complete and give to Paul Brick or email it to: paul.brick@shaw.ca or 403-271 6474 or 271 7734

Name:_______________________________________________________

Phone:_________________   Phone #2 ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________

Preferred Hosting Period:

October/November ________
February/March ___________
With the help of Rotary, **Amarok Society** is spreading the word about the work our extraordinary mothers are up to in some of the poorest slums in the world for the sake the children growing up there.

We need your help and would like to invite the members of your club and their friends to a “Tour of Amarok Society” event next week.

Jordan Katz from the Rotary Club of Calgary Crowchild (Urban Spirits), is organizing a *Tour Amarok Society* event on **Wednesday, October 12th** from **7:00 pm to 8:30 pm** at The Celtic Tap which is located at:

380 Midpark Way SE Calgary AB.

Here's what you'll hear: A short intro - What started Amarok Society in the first place. 3 stories with short videos illustrating: Teach A Mother, Transform A Community, and Step Up For Peace.

The experience of learning through song in a way most of us never have - this is the way we teach mothers with accelerated results.

A Q & A Session and discussion to follow. Anyone over 18 is welcome to come.

We are limited to 40 people.

Gabriel Munro, Amarok Society

Please RSVP to **Rick Scott** at ellobo@shaw.ca or 403-860-6060.
OCTOBER IS CALGARY ROTARY CLUBS FOUNDATION (CRCF) Month For Calgary South

“Leaving your money in your own community to help those in need.”

What is the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation?

It is a place where all Calgary Rotary Clubs can invest their charitable funds and is overseen by a Board representing all participating clubs. Each year funds are distributed according to a pre-agreed formula to these clubs. We have about $2.6 million invested at this time and about 5% is returned to our Club on an annual basis.

Why should I donate?

There are no administrative fees for this Foundation. Every dollar you donate goes directly into the Foundation. You will receive a tax receipt. All funds that you commit will remain in our local community to help those in need. Through your generosity you will help feed those who are hungry, help house those who are homeless, help those living with disabilities, help those who are sick, and help those who just need your support to re-build their lives so they, too, may contribute to their community.

How are donations recognized?

Donor recognition begins at $1000 and you receive a Calgary South Benefactor pin, a personalized certificate, and your name is included on the Donor Recognition Board. Each successive donation of $1000 includes crystals on the benefaction pin. All annual donors are listed in the CRCF Annual Report regardless of amount contributed.

What are our Club targets?

Our objective is to build a capital fund that will provide enduring support for our community service activities. We would like to encourage all members to work toward becoming a Calgary South Benefactor. All donations are gratefully received and records will be kept for you.

How do I make a donation?

Donations can be made by credit card, cheque, or cash. Donations may be made by corporations, families and other supporters of the work we do in our own community. You may make a donation for a family member or friend to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, a passing, or a work milestone – whatever memory you would like to acknowledge.

“We are strongest when we stand together to build a vibrant, healthy community where no one in need is ever alone.”
SMALL GRANTS REQUEST

Bill LeClair has requested that all Small Grants Applications be submitted to: kathyann@rotarycs.org by

The following proposed new member is Bryan Burt

He has been approved by the Board of Directors. If any Member objects to them joining our Club or to the assigned classification, an objection must be filed in writing and delivered to the Club Secretary by: October 17 2016

Name: Bryan Burt
Classification: Foundation Repair / Maintenance
Proposed by: Michael Ruttan
Seconded by: Ron Prokosch

MUSTARD SEED AND RONALD MacDONALD HOUSE
UPCOMING DINNERS
Dinner at the Mustard Seed: November 14
Dinner at Ronald McDonald House: November 25
Please contact Harry Pelton

Bryan Walton was at the Rotary Club of Banff today.
This was his first visit and was able to show us this photo of his time there today
HIKING CLUB

The planned hike to Jura Creek boulders was likely to be treacherous with a fresh snowfall. The plan was changed to Fullerton Loop. Despite the cold, 3 hardy hikers set out. We changed our plan again and hiked Iron Springs and Snagmore. We enjoyed hot chocolate and the alluring baked bread aromas in the Sugar and Shake Bakery after.

From a height you clearly see how broad an expanse the Elbow River occupies post flood

We were also surprised to see what we found out later, from the Ranger, was the set of “North of Sixty”. They are currently filming there again.

The creek has the look and feel of fall, as did the hike

We were rewarded with long lasting Harebell flowers along the path

PARTNERS IN PRINT

Address Changes for Roster
If anyone has a change of address, phone number or email address would you please forward the change to patfarn@telus.net
I know that the people living in Heritage Pointe have all been given new addresses thanks to Canada Post changes. Please send them to me to update clubrunner and the Partners’ directory.
Submitted by: Pat Farn

Our next book club is MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 at the Calgary Golf and Country Club. Please let me know by NOON ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13th so I can submit the numbers to the Country Club. Please email me at: reikiangel444@shaw.ca or call me at 403-256-1379. Coffee is at 9:00 and the meeting starts at 9:30 with a $16 cost.
Submitted by: Kelly Brittain, Book Club Chair

Hikers:
On Wednesday October 12th lets hope it’s dry so we can get to Jura Creek (near Exshaw) If not we will go to the Hoodoos in Banff along the Bow River. Watch the weather to see which it will be!
For more information contact Constance Jackson: (403) 931 4018
2016 ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

OCTOBER 2016
Oct 13  Erin O’Conner: Calgary Film Studio
Oct 20  Dr. Jeff Keshen: Mount Royal University: Shaw Scholarship
Oct 27  Visit from District Governor Neil Berg

NOVEMBER 2016
Nov 3  Katie Von Hansen: Parkinson Alberta
Nov 10 NO MEETING DUE TO ROTARY REMEMBERS AT CARRIAGE HOUSE
Nov 11  Rotary Remembers: Carriage House Inn
Nov 14  Mustard Seed Dinner (Contact Harry Pelton)
Nov 17  Cleven Awards
Nov 24  STARS Tour: At the STARS Hangar
Nov 25  Ronald MacDonald House Dinner (Contact Harry Pelton)

DECEMBER 2016
Dec 1  Todd Hirsch: Chief Economist (ATB)
Dec 8  Bob Dubask: Myths about Reverse Mortgages
Dec 15  Christmas Luncheon: Canyon Meadows Golf Club
Dec 22  Christmas Social
Dec 29 NO MEETING DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

JANUARY 2017
Jan 5  Mid Year State of the Union Address
Jan 12  Garry Lamb: Alberta Transportation: Calgary Ring Road
Jan 19  Robbie Burns Day
Jan 20  Larry Kwong Chinese New Year: Regency Palace
Jan 26  Legend Series: Reclassification Talk

FEBRUARY 2017
Feb 2  TBA
Feb 9  Valentines Day Luncheon
Feb 16  TBA
Feb 23  Dan Doherty: Rotary International Polio Plus

⇒ MEANS MEETING AT ROTARY HOUSE
⇒ MEANS OFFSITE MEETING OR EVENT
⇒ MEANS NO MEETING
⇒ MEANS OTHER ROTARY INFORMATION

HEALTH AND WELLNESS: Contact Dick Shaw at: atlanticclipper@gmail.com if you know of anyone that is not well or is there anyone you know that could use a visit.

TRANSPORTATION: Contact Bonar Irving at: bonar@shaw.ca or: 403 254 8476 if you know of anyone that may need a ride to meetings.
I would like to offer you CLUB RUNNER TRAINING one on one Training and also Group Training for those of you that are interested.

Please contact me at: kathyann@rotarycs.org

(just click this link)

or call: (403) 244 9788
to arrange this

Thanks,