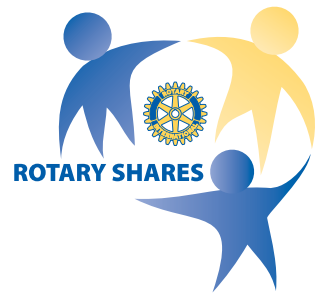




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Annual Meeting

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CALGARY ROTARY CHALLENGER PARK

Jim Zackowski, Executive Director



Our guest speaker was Jim Zackowski, Executive Director of Calgary Rotary Challenger Park. Jim provided the following information:

- Calgary and area Rotary Clubs contributed over \$1,500,000 towards the building of the park, and were a key factor in making the Park a reality.
- The park is 95% complete and will be fully completed in the spring of 2008.
- The Park has generated a surplus of \$130,000 in fiscal 2007 and has no capital debt.
- The surplus funds go into an Operating Reserve to fund ongoing life cycle maintenance. Over the next eight (8) years, the financial requirement will be a total of \$1,000,000.
- In 2005 the Park enjoyed 10,000 person usages, and in 2007 that usage had increased to >45,000. In those numbers are over 6,000 disabled people who were able to use the Park's facilities.
- Management has three (3) priorities --- maximize facility utilization, total community involvement, and ensure the Park is financially sustainable.

Jim concluded by enthusiastically stating that the Park's future is **BRIGHT**.



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Meeting Minutes



January 22nd, 2008

Scribe: Rick Kellington

CORRECTION: In the January 15, 2008 issue of the Arch, two long time serving Club members' names were incorrectly recorded. In the eighth paragraph of the Minutes, Bob MacDonald should have read Bob Montgomery; and in the ninth paragraph, Al Enders should have read Al Imler. The scribe offers his apologies to both these fine gentlemen.

President Pat opened the meeting with the singing of the National Anthem and Grace.

Jim Moore introduced our three (3) guests and one (1) visiting Rotarian to the fifty-one members.

President Pat announced the cancellation of the January 29 Hitmen Hockey game event. This event was cancelled due to a lack of participants. The Club needed 40 members to attend in order to receive a discount. A total of 23 members had signed up. Bart Dailley returned the ticket money to the respective paid members. President Pat advised that in lieu of the Hitmen hockey game, our regular scheduled meeting for January 29 will be held at Rotary Challenger Park @ 12:00.

Jim Thompson advised that Coca Cola had donated \$5,000 towards the cost of building the Gazebo at the Calgary Chinook Rotary Nature Park. Jim noted that the corporate community has contributed >\$50,000 to date.

Barry Korpatnisky presented Ron May with a single sapphire Paul Harris pin recognizing Ron's contributions to the Paul Harris Fellowship Program.

Ed McLean won the 50/50 draw. Ed generously gave it back to the Club during the Sergeant-at-Arms session.

Speaking of Sergeant-at-Arms, Dick French continued in his role for the month of January, and led an active round of fund raising based on the theme — Rotary Shares. As mentioned, Ed McLean set a good example. Dick noted that the Four Way Test was created by Herbert Taylor in 1932 and accepted by Rotary International in 1949.

Don Mclean advised everyone that the Kerby House is in need of the following items: pots, pans, kettles and crock-pots.

Ron May announced that they had a successful youth exchange weekend, in which 15 councilors participated.

Graham Boone presented his review of the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook Society (his remarks are recorded under a separate heading).

Bob Montgomery presented the members with comments and statistics to aid in a discussion re the future direction the Club takes regarding one of its major and long standing fund raising events — Spruce Meadows. Bob will be presenting a follow-up report, however there were five major concerns identified by the Chairman of the Spruce Meadows Committee (Dick French). The five (5) concerns were:

- 1) Our Club members are getting older each year, and some members are not able to participate due to health issues. Approximately 50 members carry the load.
- 2) The hours required by Spruce Meadows are increasing each year and our member ship is not. (Larger Major Tournaments and more Special Events)
- 3) We have Club members who participate from very little to nothing.
- 4) There is no succession plan in place for exclusion of this project, and we believe that this is a matter that needs to be addressed by the Board and the Committee.
- 5) The \$ paid/hour by Spruce Meadows have no correlation to the expert job that we do for them even, though there may be a few fringe benefits.

The Review Committee presented four (4) Options to be considered, as follows:

- 1) Continue with current program "as is"
- 2) Seek more assistance:
 - (a) existing organizations
 - (b) additional organizations
- 3) Phase back:
 - (a) fewer events
 - (b) fewer lots
- 4) Phase Out
 - (a) exit strategy
 - (b) revenue replacement

Bob advised that the Committee will continue to review the above, along with comments received from the members and report back to the Board and Club.

Greeters

February 5th	Wayne Wiebe, Garth Sabirsh
February 12th	Gary Ladd, William Worthington
February 19th	Peter Robison, David Wylie
February 26th	Cantos Music Foundation Tour

If you are unable to GREET on your assigned day, please arrange a substitute.

Spare Wanted for Rotary Curling Team !!

February 13th and 20th

FONDLY KNOWN AS THE "DREAM TEAM", we are Chinook Rotary's finest with a perfect record ... 0-16 for 2007/08, among teams from all of the top Calgary Clubs.

Our Skip is "Harry the House Nazarchuk"
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 Our Lead is "Paul the Push Gud Day"

We play at the Ogden Legion Wednesday at 4pm
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Upcoming Events

February 5th	Delaney Collins — Canadian Women's National Hockey Team
February 12th	Jill Kulhawy — Gamma Girls
February 19th	Dave Moberg — Banff Springs Hotel
February 26th	Cantos Music Foundation Tour
March 4th	Jennifer Hedayat — Engineers Without Borders
March 11th	Syed Soharwardy — Muslims Against Terrorism

January 29th, 2008 Scribe: Rick Kellington

Our meeting was held (on the coldest day of the year -31C not including the wind chill factor!) at the Calgary Rotary Challenger Park. President Pat opened the meeting with the singing of our National Anthem followed by Grace.

After a delicious meal, President Pat welcomed our visitors numbering five (5), and twenty-three (23) members. Among the guests were Maureen Tynan's parents, Bill and Mary Tynan.

It was announced that Irene Johnson (one of our newer members) had a stroke a few weeks ago and is currently being cared for in the Foothills Hospital. Irene is taking visitors.

Rotarians are encouraged to visit Alistair Limpitlaw at the Southwood Care Home, located at 211 Heritage Drive SE (between Bonaventure and Fairmont).

Rob Whitfield announced that a former Calgary Chinook Rotarian, Ken Stogran, was gravely ill. Subsequent to the preparation of the minutes, Rob advised that Ken passed away on Wednesday, January 30th, 2008.

Norm Moro announced that there will be an ice cream sale at the Henry Wisewood High School February 5th - 7th inclusive during the time frame 12:15 PM thru to 12:45 PM. The event is being held to raise money for Life Line Malawi.

Paul Gaudet advised that there are still empty squares for the Super Bowl Pool. The squares cost \$5/ea.

In lieu of a 50/50 draw, several draws were held for golf shirts provided by Challenger Park. The winners were: President Pat, Bill Tynan, Bill McDaniel, and Stephen Pick.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was missing in action on this coldest day of winter.

Our guest speaker was Jim Zackowski, Executive Director of Calgary Rotary Challenger Park.

The next item on the agenda was "Classification Talks" given by our newest members:

GARTH SABIRSH

Garth is the owner of a financial services firm known as Calgary Financial Services Ltd that works alongside our President Pat. Garth is originally a farm boy from Saskatchewan and is a graduate of the University of Saskatoon. He worked on drilling rigs for three years. Recognizing the hazards involved, Garth moved into the Financial Services industry where he has enjoyed great success for the past twenty-six (26) years. Garth's goal is to slow down and become more involved in charitable work, hence

his attraction to Rotary. His primary hobby is horticulture, focusing on roses, of which he has over 150 different varieties in his yard. Garth is an avid baseball player, and enjoys basketball and badminton. **Welcome Garth.**

PETER ROBISON

Peter immigrated to Canada in 1962 from England where he was a police officer. His first job in Canada was as a sales representative for a foot care company. Peter then moved into the life insurance industry for four (4) years. Peter and a partner then formed a business operating the first car crushing plant in Canada. The plant was located in Lloydminster, Alberta. In 1972, Peter joined Royal Trust's commercial real estate group where he has enjoyed a successful career spanning more than thirty-five (35) years. Peter enjoys daily exercising. He was one of the founding members in Calgary of the Canadian Progress Club, and started the Uncles at Large program of which he was President and former Governor. Peter and his wife have two (2) daughters and four (4) grandchildren. **Welcome Peter.**

JIM MOORE

Jim is a native Calgarian, born and raised in the East Village. He has had a successful career as both an entrepreneur and senior banking executive for 30 years. In the year 2003, Jim said he experienced a turning point in his life when he had a major heart attack during which he "flat lined". Jim recovered and his last deal before making a commitment to help the underprivileged was the sale of the hotel property located at 4510 Macleod Trail. When this deal was concluded, Jim left his well-established business career and became the Executive Director of the Calgary Dream Centre (located in the hotel property at 4510 Macleod Trail). He has now dedicated his life to helping the less fortunate and the homeless. The Dream Centre houses 125 men of whom 95% have some form of addiction. Jim is committed to giving back to the community with a focus on abolishing homelessness. **Welcome Jim.**

The meeting then concluded.

Fund Raiser for Kick Start Malawi Project

The Interact Club at Henry Wise Wood High School are running a fund raiser for their "Kick Start Malawi Project.

Tues, Wed, and Thurs February 5, 6 & 7

They will be selling ice cream to eat, ice cream cake gift certificates and ice cream gift certificates.

Location: Elbow Drive and 75th Avenue SW

Time: 12:04 and 12:35 pm sharp

Any members who would like to help will be guaranteed a "sweet time" !!



Chinook Rotary Club Society Annual Meeting (January 22nd, 2008)



Tom Sorenson was Secretary for this meeting and Graham Boone was Chairman. All members in good standing of the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook are automatically members of the Society.

It was moved and seconded that the Vice-President (George Kimura), Past President (Graham Hoard), Treasurer (Graham Boone), Secretary (Tom Sorenson), and the Director of International Service (Paul Gaudet), and the Chairperson World Community Service (Dave Saunders) should be affirmed as the Board Members of the Chinook Rotary Club Society.

The motion was approved by the members.

The Society is a limited corporation and was incorporated on July 20, 1999 under the Alberta Societies Act. The Society operates exclusively as a charitable organization without purpose of gain for its members.

The eligibility criterion to obtain grants from the Wild Rose Foundation is as follows:

- Organizations that have been legally registered for one year under the Societies Act of Alberta;
- The nature and scope of programs and services are health, social service or community service oriented.

The very fact that we have a Society permits us to apply for grants from the Wild Rose Foundation.

As a direct result of our having a Society, we are required to submit to the Government annually our audited financial statements. Our financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2007 were audited by Bob Montgomery and Don McKenzie and their audit report and the related statements were filed with the Alberta Government. If a Society does not file its audited financial statements within the time limits, the Government will

terminate its charter -- which of course means the end of any Wild Rose Foundation grants.

The Society only had two expenditures last year.

- Some \$ 5,000 came in from the Rotary Club of Orangeville, Ontario. This was matched with \$ 5,000 of funds from our Club, and we forwarded \$ 10,000 to Lifeline Malawi to allow it to build a brick-making machine. The machine is capable of producing 1,000's of bricks per week, and of course allows for the construction of more appropriate homes or buildings in the area.

- Some \$ 26,000 was contributed into the Society by several Rotary Clubs - Calgary South, High River, Calgary West and ourselves. The Wild Rose Foundation granted an additional \$25,000. This permitted us to forward \$51,000 to Jan Tollefson, in the Dominican Republic, for the construction of the Centre for Community Action. Jan requires \$28,000 more to complete the building. The building is up, the roof is on, and basic plumbing and electrical work has been done. It still needs doors, windows, toilets, sinks, more work on the flooring, paint, and countertops in the kitchen, etc. Dave Saunders feels confident that the construction will be completed within the next 3-4 months.

It was moved and seconded that the members appoint Don McKenzie and Bill McDaniel as the auditors for the Chinook Rotary Club Society for the year ended June 30, 2008.

The motion was approved.

The meeting was then formally adjourned.


*Graham Boone
Treasurer*



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