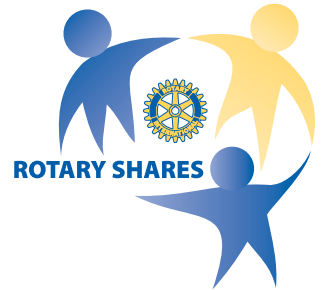




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CALGARY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Gerry Meek

Paul Gaudet introduced Gerry Meek, who has been President of the Calgary Public Library for 17 years.



Gerry has been a leader in various libraries over the years and very active in his community including membership in the Fort William (Thunder Bay) Rotary Club for several years. He considers Librarians are the second oldest profession.

The Calgary Public Library was founded in 1908 so is now in its Centennial year. The population in Calgary then was 23,000 people which grew to 77,000 by 1912. The Calgary Women's Literary Club (which still exists) was the main thrust behind the founding of the Library and the renowned Andrew Carnegie supported it financially.



Gerry considers a library to be:

- A people place
- A community action centre
- Part of the next Alberta advantage
- The new community Commons

Calgary is a leader among North American library systems and is the second largest in Canada with 17 outlets and 33.5 million users each year. Globally libraries are reinventing themselves which is powered by new technological capabilities.

Libraries in places such as Berlin, Seattle, Montreal have majestic architectural buildings. There is a new one in Alexandria where libraries began over 2,000 years ago.

Today's libraries are dynamic, community focused with emphasis on learning, exploration and culture. Gerry expects his library to play an important role in Calgary's future, and hopes to have a new building for the Central Library in the City Centre.

Pres. Pat thanked the speaker and presented the usual Certificate for LED Lighting in the Dominican Republic.



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Meeting Minutes



June 3rd, 2008

Scribe: Ed McLean

President Pat rang the bell calling the meeting to order promptly at 12:20 p.m. and Betty led us in the National Anthem and Rotary grace.

Norm Myden introduced the 5 guests, 2 out-of-town Rotarians, 1 from Downtown, 1 from Heritage and 3 from Calgary South. The guests included Ghalib's mother and father (a former member of this Club) from Nairobi, and former member Keith Hansen. While not introduced, we were all glad that Tammy was able to join us today.



Marg Zankl's 17 years of service to the club on the reception desk were recognized by a floral tribute provided by Ted Wada.



Pres. Pat was pleased to report that at this month's All Presidents' meeting, which included Presidents Elect, the Chinook Club was presented with a citation signed by the R. I. President recognizing the Club's outstanding

performance in Membership development during the past Rotary year. We will have a few more inducted on June 24th to bring out total new members for the year to 19. The Club was also recognized at the District Conference with two citations including one for WCS work.

Calgary Crowchild Club will hold a Texas Hold'em Tournament on June 17th. Pres. Pat has details. This Club was recently down to 6 members but is now up to 12.

Rotary Challenger Park needs volunteer help on June 21st for an important event, so if you can help on that day please call Jim at the Park.



The Club received a letter of thanks from Thelma Reid for flowers and best wishes following her recent knee replacement surgery.

Dick French reminded us all of Spruce Meadows this weekend.

Secretary Tom Sorenson would like us all to respond to his request for the Committees you wish to serve on next year.

Ian Burgess reminds us of the Spending Seminar next Saturday at C.O.P.

Stephen Pick is up-dating the roster so changes should be advised.

Bob Montgomery was wearing the Red Vest to be worn by Canadians to honour the Canadian President of R.I. at the Convention later this month in Los Angeles.

Bob then went on to name this month's birthday members: Joe Hooper, Dave Wylie, and in absentia Terry Green and Will Schmidt. He also mentioned that Harold and Audrey Hanna will celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary this month.

Paul Gaudet won the 50/50 and donated it to the Club.

Bart was S.A.A. and fined a few folks then waited for the Good/Bad News Bucks to flow in.

Paul Gaudet introduced this week's speaker, Gerry Meek, President of the Calgary Public Library

Adjournment 1:35 p.m.



Greeters

- June 10th Harry Nazarchuk, Dick French
- June 17th Paul Gaudet, Garth Plunkett
- June 24th Terry Green, Peter Robison
- July 1st Harold Hanna, Eric Roston

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



Upcoming Events

June 10th	John Gilchrist — Calgary Herald Food and Restaurant Reporter
June 15-18th	Rotary International Conference, Los Angeles — "See The Stars"
June 17th	Ashleigh Morrison and Kwan Uansri, Exchange Students
June 24th	Pat Hutchinson and Bob Montgomery — Changing of the Guard
July 1st	No meeting
July 8th	Fort Calgary Rotary event (details later)
July 15th	Lisa Cyr, former Chinook Outgoing Exchange Student
July 22nd	Joe Carbury, Voice of the Chuckwagon Races
July 29th	Nigel Douglas — Alberta Wilderness Association
August 5th	Galib Abdullah — Islam
August 12th	George Loades — North American Bluebird Society
August 26th	Bill Brooks — Prostate Cancer
September 9th	Constable Jim Amsing — A Day in the Life of a Cop
September 19-21	Waterton-Glacier Peace Park Assembly
September 30th	Martin Schiavetta, Calgary Police Officer — Gang Violence
October 14th	Lionel Conn — Numismatics
October 28th	Tom Huffaker, United States Consul General

Rotary Foundation - Facts and Figures

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

The 2008-09 Foundation goals are:

1. Keep our promise to eradicate polio.
2. Embrace the two pillars of support for The Rotary Foundation: the Annual Programs Fund through Every Rotarian, Every Year and the Permanent Fund.
3. Participate in Your Foundation/Our Foundation, a "lend a hand" program for sharing funds from club and district foundations to permanently establish the Rotary World Peace Fellows program and support global polio eradication.
4. Enhance Rotary's public image.
5. Support the Future Vision Plan of The Rotary Foundation.

PolioPlus. Rotarians have mobilized by the hundreds of thousands to ensure that children are immunized against this crippling disease and that surveillance is strong, despite the poor infrastructure, extreme poverty, and civil strife of many countries. Since the PolioPlus program's inception in 1985, more than two billion children have received oral polio vaccine. To date, 210 countries, territories, and areas around the world are polio-free, and 134 of these have been certified. As of June 2007, Rotary has committed more than \$633 million to global polio eradication. 2006-07 expenditures: \$23.7 million (includes PolioPlus Partners grants).

PolioPlus Partners is a program that allows Rotarians to participate in the polio eradication effort by contributing to specific social mobilization and surveillance activities in polio endemic countries. As of 30 June 2007, over 6,000 clubs in 502 districts have contributed to 470 PolioPlus Partners projects, supporting National Immunization Days and other polio eradication activities around the world.

Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants fund large-scale, two- to four-year projects that enhance health, help alleviate hunger, or improve human development. Since 1978, 305 projects in 77 countries have been funded at a cost of \$74 million. In 2006-07, 18 new projects were approved. Program awards were \$4.2 million.

Matching Grants provide matching funds for international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts. Since 1965, almost 27,000 Matching Grant projects in 171 countries have been funded at a cost of more than \$291 million. In 2006-07, 2,008 new grants were approved for projects in 124 countries. Program awards were \$34.3 million.

District Simplified Grants support the short-term service activities or humanitarian endeavors of districts in communities locally or internationally. This program began in 2003-04, and over 1,500 grants have been awarded to 473 districts in 64 countries totaling more than \$21 million. In 2006-07, 379 grants were approved. Program expenditures were \$5.1 million.

Volunteer Service Grants support the international travel of qualified Rotarians and their spouses to provide a needed service to a community or to plan the implementation of a needed project. This program began in 2006-07, and 202 grants were awarded to support travel to 47 countries. Program awards were \$1.0 million.

Solidarity in South Asia. Shortly after the deadly tsunami struck south Asia on 26 December 2004, The Rotary Foundation established the Solidarity in South Asia fund to assist Rotarians in supporting long-term recovery efforts in affected communities. In 2006-07, program expenditures were \$0.1 million.

Disaster Recovery. Created in 2005-06, this program allows



This and That



Proposed New Members

To All Rotary Chinook Members:

At the Board Meeting on Tuesday June 3rd, 2008 the following new member proposals were accepted for membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook:

CHRISTOPHER ZEE

Classification: Management Consulting
Sponsor: Pat Hutchinson

TEANG TANG

Classification: Event Management
Sponsor: Pat Hutchinson

KEITH HANSEN

Classification: Education Administration (Retired)
Returning to Rotary – member of Chinook Rotary 1994/2005
Sponsor: Tom Sorenson

LOU POMERANCE

Classification: Retail Clothing Sales (Retired)
Lou is transferring from the Rotary Club of Calgary – Downtown
Sponsor: Pat Hutchinson

*In accordance with Club Bylaws Article XI Section 5:
Method of Electing New Members*

If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons, is received by the Board from any member (other than Honorary) of the Club within seven (7) days following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of admission fee (if not Honorary membership) as prescribed in the bylaws, shall be considered to be elected to membership. If any such objection has been filed with the Board, it shall vote on this matter at its next meeting. If approved despite the objection, the proposed member, upon payment of the admission fee, shall be considered to be elected to membership.

Note: Official notice sent out by Email on Thursday June 5th, 2008.

Any objections must be received by Thursday June 12th, 2008.

Rotary Foundation - cont'd

Rotarians to contribute funds in response to specific disasters. During 2006-07, the Foundation administered three Disaster Recovery sub-accounts: Hurricanes Stan and Wilma (Guatemala and Mexico), Hurricane Wilma (USA), and the Earthquake in India and Pakistan. In 2006-07, there were no program awards.

Rotary World Peace Fellowships. Each year, up to 60 fellows are sponsored to study at one of the six Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution for a master's-level degree. Since the program's inception in 2002-2003, 283 fellows from over 50 different countries have participated at a cost of more than \$18 million. In 2006-2007, 50 peace fellows from 27 countries began studies at the six Rotary Centers totaling \$4.3 million for the two-year program.

Ambassadorial Scholarships. The Foundation sponsors one of the largest international scholarship programs in the world. Scholars study in a country other than their own where they serve as unofficial ambassadors of goodwill. Since 1947, more than 38,000 scholars from over 100 countries have received scholarships at a cost of more than \$490 million. In 2006-2007, 822 scholars from 50 countries studied in 80 countries. Program awards were \$13.9 million.

Rotary Grants for University Teachers are awarded to faculty members to teach in a developing nation for 3 to 10 months. Since 1985, 460 university teachers have shared their expertise with a college or university in a developing country at a cost of \$4.5 million. In 2006-07, 29 university teachers from 9 countries taught in 22 countries. Program awards were \$0.4 million.

Group Study Exchange (GSE). These annual awards are made to paired Rotary districts to provide travel expenses for a team of non-Rotarians from a variety of professions. Rotarian hosts organize a four- to six-week itinerary of vocational, educational, and cultural points of interest. Since 1965, about 60,000 individuals (about 12,500 teams) from 100 countries

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