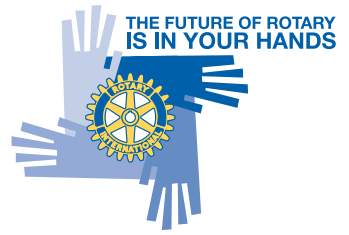




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..... THANK YOU !!!

It didn't take long for us to realize how much our country appeals to people from other parts of the world. Many, many people seek to become Canadians and often arrive in our country without invitation or previous attempts to become a Canadian. We learned that you can arrive in our country to escape being ill-treated by your birth country. We learned you could even stay permanently in Canada by seeking to be permanently hired for a job. In fact, this scribe spent a good deal of time "googling" the web to follow through what Judge Dirks told us. It was soon obvious that this was a very complex topic, and Canada is very appealing for many reasons.

Almost every Canadian has an immigrant history and for each of us our history is often unique. The Judge gave examples of how unique those coming in front of her are. In order to be considered for Canadian Citizenship you will be investigated by Canadian Immigration and this report will be given to the Citizenship Courts. There are many very happy cases and a few less than happy cases. Amongst the latter are those who really are not escaping from discrimination from where they came from, and were not treated unfairly.

The Judge has to be very well-advised and perceptive in looking at each person's story. She challenges them to take their responsibilities very seriously and examines their knowledge of what this means and often how they came to be here. She has to check their knowledge of our country and what it means to be a

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KIDS CANCER CARE FOUNDATION Ashlee Guise

Ashlee brought us three messages. First, she emphasized that "cancer in childhood or in one's youth is uniquely problematic and needed special attention". Second, there is hope because there is help available. Third, there is living proof of success. And because she works for KCCFA and had Jenn with us today we learned a great deal and had the living proof in front of us. To contact Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta you can turn to the internet at kidscancercare.ab.ca. Then Ashlee introduced Jenn to tell her story which she did so well.

Jenn explained that her family had a history of cancer as her Aunt and Great-Aunt had had cancer. As if on cue Jenn found that at a very young age she had been diagnosed with cancer ... serious cancer but then learned about Kids Cancer Care. So Jenn's family turned to them. Quickly they gave her hope and counsel. One of the first things they did was link her with Camp Kindel which is sponsored by KCCFA. CAMP KINDEL is located 10 kilometres west of Water Valley quite close to Calgary. So close, indeed, that it doesn't even need long distance connection to phone 403-637-3975.

This scribe did call and spoke to the caretaker and found a welcoming voice. As we talked he explained how happy these children were and how they came together with a common problem. Camp Kindel was a happy place with laughter and lots of joy as they played and grew together.

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Meeting Minutes



March 30th, 2010

Scribe: Keith Hansen

Little knowing that the meeting would end in a manner probably with a deepened meaning of our country, we sang our National Anthem and Rotary Grace accompanied by Betty French. Once the meal, fellowship and table conversation were done, we turned to welcoming guests and visitors. As you read later this deepened meaning for most of us was led by our guest and speaker, Judge Joy Dirks. We also welcomed Matthew Hanrahan, guest of Kathryn Katldestad; Lise Ladd, guest of Gary Ladd; and Tahir Khan and Ken Carter, guests of Danny Holden. We welcomed Bob Junkey and John Holden, visitors from the Calgary Downtown Club, and Terry McDonough from the Calgary south Club.

There was further joy that there was no additional illness to hear about. We were though saddened with the news that Mo Tynan's dad had passed away and that the funeral was yesterday. Many of our members had been in attendance. We were very heartened to have Chuck Bury and Danny Holden present for the third and second time in a row.

There were a number of events, meetings and responsibilities ahead of us:

- There is a Board meeting on April 12th at the Legion and all

- April 20th brings a Vocational Services Evening meeting with exhibits, a time to mingle and listen to two speakers.
- Keep October 23rd, 2010 in mind for this year's GALA
- The club's visit to the Rosebud Theatre is on for April 10th but a few spots remain.
- April 2nd still needs 2 volunteers for the Casino Fundraiser.

President George remember the 50/50 Draw – yea but this scribe didn't win it – did you?

Kathryn was today's Sgt-at-Arms and much money was raised, and a variety of Good/Bad was heard and added to the funds. She was very resourceful in the manner of things that made all of us reach for our change. Well done!

Remember that the end of March brings April Fool's Day one day later. Be prepared!

Bart Dailey then introduced Citizenship Judge Joy Dirks who left us with a personal involvement for being Canadian (please see the regime of her presentation elsewhere in the ARCH).

President George then honoured her in our usual manner and then declared the meeting done.

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here that she depends on the report from Immigration. It is here that we learned that the Department of Immigration and Citizenship is really a two-pronged department. Sometimes there is something that shows discrepancies between what is said and what is in fact the case.

Presently there is a revision of the laws regarding seeking citizenship. It was quite definite that we all should pay close attention of this revision. People can be permanent residents without becoming citizens. They can also become citizens without learning one of the two recognized national languages of our nation. Being born here is significant even if the parents were not and may have arrived here illegally.

This brought all kinds of questions and responses from our members. Possibly the two most memorable questions or responses was the importance of being a Canadian now having citizenship many years ago, and how much it meant to him even though he was from a European country of repute and common to many others of us. The other most significant action by Judge Dirks was to invite all of us to stand and repeat after her the Canadian "Oath of Allegiance". There was silence for a while after we had done, so as it brought home to us the things we take for granted just being Canadian. Almost everyone in the room had never been called before to do what the Judge invited us to do and almost all did. For this scribe it brought memories of the many stories of my heritage on both sides of my family and the variety of stories of the three people who married our three children and brought to my wife and I five grandchildren. To add complexity they also shared the heritage of this scribe's

heritage. By the time all of this took place our appreciation of our country and the job that Judge takes on throughout her days and years of being a Judge in the Citizen Court is important and significant to all but or soever complex. Thank you Judge Dirks!

To Bart Dailley ... it was asked how did he find such a wonderful topic and speaker in just one day when the person who was to speak couldn't come. So thank you, Bart. Thank you very much!

Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook
President's Ball 2010
 Saturday, May 1st, 2010
 6:00 pm - Cocktails • 7:00 pm - Dinner • followed by Dancing
 Willow Park Golf & Country Club
 639 Willow Park Drive SE

Mark your calendars for fun and fellowship!!
 Tickets will be available soon.
 For more information, contact
 Bob Montgomery



Upcoming Events



April 13th	Eric Francis – Calgary Sun Sports Man and Jack FM Radio Morning Man
April 20 th	Evening Meeting featuring our Rotary Youth
April 27th	Lisa Bowes, CTV – Olympic Coverage of Canadian Women’s Gold Medal
May 1st	President’s Ball – see ad on pg 2
May 28th - 30th	District 5360 Conference in Banff
June 20th - 23rd	RI Conference in Montreal
October 23rd	Annual GALA



Meeting Minutes

April 6th, 2010

Scribe: Keith Hansen

As Betty played, we stood and sang our National Anthem and Rotary Grace. Even before we ate we were reminded of the Rosebud Trip this weekend and that JanTollefson was in need of chess sets and a digital camera for her and our work in the Dominican Republic (World Community Service), and was soon to visit there. The dinner was served!

Once we had nearly finished our meal, President George called us to order again and Hank Popoff introduced our guests and visitors. Ashley Guise and Jenn Murdock were our Guest Speakers. Marideth Petre was the guest of Jack Steen, Donna and Ken Carter were the guests of Dan Holden, and Tahin Khan was the guest of Pat Hutchinson. Ashlepph Metcs (outbound exchange student for Calgary South) and Ana Pagnan (inbound exchange student for Calgary South from Sao Paulo, Brazil) were guests of Fran Hochhausen. Fran informed this scribe that our outbound student was now traveling in Austria for the best part of a week. Ben Steblecki was visiting from Calgary South. P.S. ... have you read the email sent to those of us with access, of the excerpts from Lucas our immediate past inbound? Please see Barry Korpatnisky if you don't have access to the internet. Lucas continues to pass his joy along of having been in Calgary and part of our club for the year. He is now taking civil engineering and enjoying his high level of speaking and reading English. He misses us!

Then Tammy Truman welcomed those with birthdays and anniversaries as only Tammy can do. This scribe sometimes thinks it would be great to have two birthdays a year so she could applaud us and we can learn how we could identify some of our undeveloped talents. April apparently is a month of a lot of our members' birthdays.

Eric won the 50/50 draw – not within his birthday month at all.

Dick French was called upon to read the induction for two new members, Donna and Ken Carter sponsored by Danny Holden. We learned of their backgrounds, how they met and were married and now work together in Carter and Associates Real Estate here in the city, operating their own business. We ere also very pleased as Danny Holden, who sponsored their membership, was back with us having succeeded in overcoming cancer and severe lung inflammation. Welcome all!

Tammy Truman introduced our two speakers: Ashley Guise and Jenn Murdoch, and told of their respective connections with Camp Kindel which is under the organization of Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta and is located ten kms. west of Water Valley. Ashley is employed by and an advocate for KCCF of Alberta, while Jenn went there for care and therapy for her cancer. Cancer hits a lot of us or someone amongst our family or friends. We listened with close attention. Camp Kindel would be a wonderful place for Chinook Rotary to select for one of 4 visits.

There are a number of things that Chinook Rotary is having this spring and into summer. There still are some places for parking this weekend at Spruce Meadows Home & Garden Show (more correctly – The Spruce Meadows Horticultural Show).

UPCOMING EVENTS is an important part of the ARCH, and whether you read it on hard-copy or on the internet, it is valuable to check often.

President George then honoured and showed our appreciation in our usual manner. The President closed a very inspirational meeting of our club.

CORRECTION: IN THE MARCH 23 ARCH IT SHOULD HAVE READ – “We also learned of Tammy's birthplace in Saskatchewan and her early jobs as a teenager.” My apologies for disappointing a true prairie girl! Keith Hansen.

Greeters

April 13th	Bart Dailley and Lou Pomerance
April 20th	Alex Souter and Ron Smith
April 27th	Patricia Garner and Garth Plunkett

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



This and That



KIDS CANCER CARE FOUNDATION

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Jenn explained to us that after she learned of her diagnosis, she felt greatly helpless and lost. She cried and cried. One of the greatest influences at that time was her mom who had what they believed was cancer. The family found out it wasn't and that gave her the first hope. Jenn went into the hospital for a year of treatment. Her family, and her new friends helped her. She had to learn to walk again, to be able to talk again, and begin a slow recovery. When she left the hospital she was in a wheel chair, and had few friends as they were still in the hospital or at home too. But there was the promise of Camp Kindel. It was there for her and as she described it, "it was wonderful". Camp became her second home. There were 180 or so kids at camp, all with cancer and all with hope. Together and with the camp staff and fellow campers they took up the challenge, and the power and hope and success.

This day, there was Jenn standing and having walked to the podium without any sign of a wheel chair. There she was speaking calmly and fully into the mike. Yes, her development had been delayed as she was shorter for her age and looked younger than she really is. Already we were quietly sighing in relief and excited for her and her presence with us this day. There is hope, there is promise and it is available in our city and its environs. All the words written above cannot come close, however, to the power of the two girls' presence and their words and proof of success expressed in front of us. The work is that Jenn no longer has cancer but does have to reach for the therapy to catch up with her physical and intellectual development which it is assured will be forthcoming from the help that is available and the power of the person and her story.

Thank you Ashlee and thank you Jenn. Many of us have personal stories to prove you correct. As Tiny Tim said so long ago, "God bless us, everyone", and we found the sun was shining as we left the Carriage House with a new power of insight and hope. There was Jenn, smiling and walking!

Rotary Clubs of Calgary Curling League

April 5, 2010

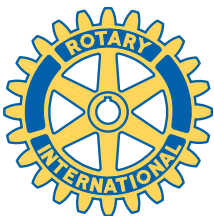
The 2009/2010 Rotary Clubs of Calgary Curling League has drawn to a close. I am not sure how long the league has been running, but I started in 1993 and it was going well before then. This league is made up of Rotarian curlers from Calgary and for the past few years, we curl out of the Ogden Legion on Wednesday s @ 4:00pm. We generally have 14 – 16 teams. Most teams are made up from the various Clubs but now there are more teams with mixed club participants. We are a fellowship league although some of the games are very competitive; but the fellowship after the games when we tip a few "pops" in lounge is really great. RCC Chinook had 7 of the 16 teams this year. Our teams were skipped by Norm Moro, Joe Hooper, Paul Hussey, Ed McLean, Terry Green, Al Imler and George Kimura. 3 of our teams made the one game playoff on Wednesday, March 24th.

- Al won "A"
- Terry was second in "B"
- George won "C"

We are always looking for new curlers so if you have any interest at all, contact one of our skips. You really don't need any experience – just the desire to have some fun and a little exercise. If you don't feel you can commit to a full season, sign on as spare. Many teams try to carry an extra player or 2 for many of our guys like the warmer weather at some time during the winter, or have other activities. Come and join us!

To all that participated this year, I hope you had fun and see you next year!

George Kimura



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