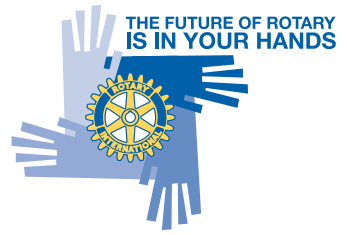




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## ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY LIVING Bruce Uditsky

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Bruce not only has an M.Ed. and is CEO of the AACL, he is an Adjunct Professor of Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Calgary. He consults in his speciality and research issues in many European countries as well in Canada, the USA, Mexico, Australia and New Zealand. He is also author or co-author of numerous publications. He is recognized for his public advocacy in his field and is a recipient of a number of rewards. His presence at our meeting this day was to help Rotarians in our district to come on board and help find ways to give jobs to those with disabilities. It is significant that one of his two sons has intellectual disabilities. Bruce is a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Edmonton Sunrise.

He was with this day in large measure to give information about AACL, and hopefully garner support for seeking places of employment for those who have developmental deficiencies such as Downs Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Autism or MS. Such members of our society can't completely fulfill their needs from government alone, and have feelings and needs for participation in our society and in appropriate employment. Statistically about 2 out of 3 are employable. AACL's experience is that to this point, only half of the two-thirds are finding employment, and find they are too dependent on government and live well below the poverty line. Employment not only answers some of these problems, but they often experience significant gains in self-confidence and motivation. Bruce was aware that clubs in Calgary have had some success in the past, but this fell on the wayside a number of years ago. He is hoping that this presentation will stimulate some action in the Rotary clubs in and around our city again.

A few years ago when Frank Develin was RI President, one of his objectives was to help those with developmental deficiencies find some answers to their problems. As Rotary serves, there are ways that businesses and professions could help by hiring them. This was how he helped in Edmonton, and so he joined a Rotary club to add to the action. He found that Rotarians in Edmonton have created an impact for persons with development difficulties and this was part of the reason in speaking with us today. Also, and this is the quote, "we (Rotarians) were involved years ago with Copithorne's involvement". As well, he stated that "finding cuts being made by the provincial government to a class of citizens who were most vulnerable in our society" was not going to help and "what happens to these adults when their parents pass on?". This was when he mentioned again that one of his sons was of this group, and then quickly said that "Rotary is a valued added organization" at this time. It was his view "that government has examined this and found AACL was the most cost-effective". Then he said that he knew that we were having a Club Assembly in January, and asked us to review this matter important to so many, at that Assembly. It was as powerful a reference to "Service above Self"



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# Meeting Minutes



December 22nd, 2009 Scribe: Ian Bruggs

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 pm by President George.

Ruth Wylie was at the piano for O Canada! and the welcome to visiting guests and Rotarians.

John Beatty introduced the guests including Alexis Beddoe, our guest speaker, and Rick Istead, President of Fish Creek club. Also in attendance was Leila Cobez from France, Rotary exchange student with the Fish Creek club.

The Sunshine report reminded us that Chuck Bury was in Rockyview with a number of fractures, and Graham Hoard is recovering, slowly, from his heart attack. Neil Sawyer (Mo Tynan) has had an encouraging report on his tests.

President George then introduced David Wartman who gave his classification talk. David gave us an interesting survey of his life. He noted that he and Kathryn, his wife, have two daughters, Breanne and Kera. After graduating from high school in North Battleford in '66, Dave tried a number of occupations. Subsequently he registered at U of Regina as a "mature student". He went on to work in several government departments and eventually moved on to graduate school. He studied labour relations at Cornell University. (At the same time Kathryn entered the MBA course.) He came back to Regina to teach and eventually became director of Human Resources for Sask. Pool. After a move to Hamilton, he settled in Calgary where he worked with Canadian Occidental Petroleum. Subsequently he went into consulting by setting up a couple of companies including Delta Strategies Group. In 2007 he set up a couple of other companies, First Legacy Executive Search Partners and Legacy Human Capital Group. Dave has been a director of the Pine Brook Golf Club, the Interfaith Food Bank and Canadian Medical Alert. He is a percussionist, musically and also is into cooking, hiking and cross-country skiing.

- Bruce McDonald thanked the club for their support of the Calgary Rotary Foundation.
- Gord Billings did the sergeant at arms thing and Will Schmidt who won the 50/50 and donated it back.

December 29th, 2009 Scribe: Keith Hansen

The response to this meeting was in the forty some members who came to the Carriage House's special eating area at the back of the restaurant.

It was very conducive to socializing which casts a special and proper meaning to socializing than what we commonly thinking of as political. There were a few business matters, which mostly came up at the first meeting in the new year and are reported in the Minutes.

Suffice it to say that the meeting lasted about an hour and the conversation was continuous and the food and fellowship were appreciated. It was a good meeting to attend as a break of norm between Christmas and New Years. When pictures were taken there were smiles galore and joy expressed.

Don't you wish you had come ? ... or were you out of town ?

- Tom Sorenson paid out on the hockey pool, with winners being Rob Whitfield, Anthony Tonkinson, Norm Myden and Barry Korpatnisky.

Rob Whitfield then introduced Alexis Beddoe who is a member of the Fish Creek Club and is the District Ambassador for Shelter Box Canada ([www.shelterbox.ca](http://www.shelterbox.ca)). She showed a PP video of Shelter Boxes and noted that there are 1,000 boxes strategically stored world wide. 200,000 people were aided by release of boxes to them in the Sumatra/Indonesia tsunami disaster. Similarly 15,000 were aided by Shelter Boxes after the Burma typhoon. Rotarians have donated approximately half of the money which has gone into the Shelter Boxes and now are involved in a program called "EVERY Club EVERY Year" aimed at having donations to support the supplying and deploying of Shelter Boxes on an annual basis. (Ed. note: the numbers quoted are suspect as the scribe had trouble catching the exact numbers spilled out during the PP presentation.)

Rob then commented on having met Tom Henderson of the Rotary Club of H&C in Cornwall, who was the determined and accomplished Rotarian who designed and developed the Shelter Box project. Rob presented Alexis with a cheque for \$4,800 to purchase 4 more Shelter Boxes in the name of Chinook Rotary. To date the club has purchased some 12 or 14 boxes. The usual "thank you" certificate of lighting to a family in DR, was presented by Ian Burgess.

The final item was the comment by Ian Burgess, District Literacy Chair, that we should consider, as a club, supporting the project of District 5550 (Winnipeg) to build a school for girls and women in Kabul, to honour the 100th anniversary of Rotary becoming an International organization (when Winnipeg became the first club outside of USA, in 1910). The concept is to obtain \$250 from each club in Canada and match it with funds from CIDA, to provide some \$800,000 to construct and equip the much needed facility. (Ed. Note: This is in keeping with some of the things Jamie Miller spoke of, too!)

George adjourned the meeting with season's greetings at 1:30pm.

## Shelter Box Update

To date, Calgary Chinook has sponsored Shelter Boxes to:

Somaliland	2
Haiti	4
Bangladesh	4

Note that this list does not include the most recent donation of 4 boxes, that was announced at the December meeting. Nor does this list include private donations by Club members.

## Cribbage !

January 28th, 2010  
6:30 pm  
at the Horton Road Legion



# Upcoming Events



January 12th	Larry Elford — Anti-Fraud Expert
January 19th	Club Assembly
January 26th	Chris Ollenberger, Pres/CEO — Calgary Municipal Land Corporation
January 28th	Cribbage Club @ Horton Road Legion, 6:30pm
February 2nd	Fred Van Zuiden, Author
February 9th	Valentine Party — details to come
February 16th	Chinook Integrity Award Winner
February 18th - 21st	District 5360 / 5370 Curling Bonspiel — Athabasca
February 23rd	Rotary International — 105th Birthday — an all Calgary Clubs meeting Featured speaker, Bob Scott, Past Rotary Foundation Chair Integrity Awards will be part of the program
March 2nd	ClubRunner Demonstration
March 9th	Ed Lukowich, former Alberta Brier Champ
March 16th	Club Anniversary
March 23rd	Fairview School lunch
March 30th	John Syratt, Antique Dealer

January 5th, 2010

Scribe: Keith Hansen

Singing of our National Anthem and our Rotary Grace accompanied by Betty French felt certainly a good way to enter this new year. However, the meeting actually started when our President George Kimura asked us to stand and take a minute of silence to review our forces in Afghanistan and any other thoughts we may have in increasing the peace of our world. Then we got down to food and discussion.

Guests and visitors were introduced. Guests were Bruce Uditsky who was our Guest Speaker; Steve McAuley, guest of Hank Popoff (Steve is to be accepted into our club next week); Jim Zebedee, guest of Harry Nazarchuk; and Ashleigh Metc and Ruth Wylie, guests of Dave Wylie. Garth and Pauline Evans were visitors from the Calgary West Club.

- George reported that a letter of appreciation had been received from Shelter Box for our donation to them at a previous meeting.
- The club has also received an e-mail from Australia that there are four spots still open for the trip to that country. Please talk to Peter Bickham for more information as this is the last week.
- Bob Montgomery announced that our club was having a Casino this year on April first and second. As there are forms to fill out please see him, or Bruce Bohnet if you are available.
- Barry Korpatnisky reported on his contact with Lucas over the holidays. He is well, he is writing examinations for university entrance, He misses Canada and our club and he is doing well.
- Paul Gaudet emphasized the Integrity Awards were pending, and that three nomination forms were passed out and only one had been returned at this point.
- Number "...545" was the chosen number for the 50/50 draw and went to Peter Bickham.

Gwynneth reported the Sunshine Report as she did at the Social a week ago. She just found out this morning that Brian Kinder's father died recently and was in this morning's paper. Our condolences, Brian, to you and your family. Gwynneth spoke to Graham Hoard yesterday and the doctors have fixed half of the problem and are hoping to succeed with the other half with medication. She reported that Graham sounded somewhat worried. When she checked with Moe Tynan her husband is doing very well, and the doctors are pleased, but with a twinkle

eye she also reported that he was not doing a jig yet. As for Chuck Bury, Gwynneth's father, he is still in the hospital and is having his surgery this Wednesday.

Paul Gaudet, as the Sgt-at-Arms, caught almost everyone in some manner or other as much of the contributions this month will be going to Polio-Plus and should be eligible for doubling the amount by the provincial government in honor of Rotary Month being January. Money came in for Bob M's "special tool" mentioned last week, and that Diabetes on an average loses 15 years on the lives of those with it. There were many good news/bad news bucks so the baskets had more in them than usual. Then Paul presented three puns at that special level of one of our Past-Presidents. This scribe wasn't certain whether the groans were stronger than the laughter.

Dick French introduced our Guest Speaker, Bruce Uditsky. Please read the write-up in this issue. When finished, Bruce was honoured in our club's usual way and then George declared the meeting adjourned.

*(Please note: this scribe has made a point of keeping these minutes as brief as possible. Please see him if you have any thoughts or comments.)*

## The Newfie Diet

A Newfie was terribly overweight, so his doctor put him on a diet.

'I want you to eat regularly for 2 days, then skip one day, and repeat this procedure for two weeks,' the doctor instructed the Newfie. 'The next time I see you, you should have lost at least five pounds.'

When the Newfie returned, he shocked the doctor by having lost nearly 60 pounds!

'Why, that's amazing!' said the doctor. 'Did you follow my instructions?' The Newfie nodded ... 'I'll tell you, though, by Jaysus, I t'aut I was going to drop dead on dat terd day.' 'From the hunger, you mean?' asked the doctor. No, from the



# This and That

## Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation

by Bruce McDonald (an excerpt from his speech)

In 2007 our Rotary club joined with 12 other Rotary clubs in Calgary as a partner in the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation (CRCF). By doing this our members started building a capital fund in the name of the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook. I like to call this our 'in-house legacy fund'.

The CRCF is a great investment for our club as a hedge against declining revenues. This is a major challenge facing all Calgary Rotary Clubs – namely identifying safe and assured funding for future community service.

In our first two years in the CRCF, our invested capital grew to over \$60,000. We have the honour of being the 5th largest – in total revenue – of all 12 clubs. The distribution policy guarantees a minimum of 5% annually in years of low financial productivity. In good years we can earn as much as 10% with any excess being credited to our capital fund.

As more Rotarians become acquainted with the CRCF and the effect it can have on their club and the community in which we

live, more estates will be adjusted to benefit our clubs and their philanthropic work. This ensures the donor that their gift to their Rotary club will continue the good works they came to be known for as a member of Rotary. If you believe in your Rotary Club as I do, and the men and women that have consistently made sound decisions regarding the distribution of funds raised through parking and other fund raising, you will know then that you can be proud of the way your CRCF donations and annual earnings will be managed by our club and the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation in perpetuity.

If you have been thinking about donating this year, contact me, Bruce McDonald, or Graham Boone our club treasurer, and we will see that your questions are answered and your funds are looked after immediately. Donations can be made through, bequests, life insurance, donation of securities, property and memorial tribute, and of course cash contributions.

## Membership Recruitment

by Ron Smith

We are now half way through the Rotary year and we need to refocus on membership recruitment.

It is important for us all to be thinking about finding new members for our club. So far this year, 5 members have left us and we have one new member ready for induction.

Can I put out a request to all our members to think about the single most important thing for Rotary, "membership".

- Without members, we cannot contribute to our Foundations.
- Without members, we cannot continue to provide "Service above Self".

- Without members, the good that Rotary does at home and around the world would disappear.

Lets start by inviting a prospective member to lunch in the New Year.

Your Membership Committee

## Roster Book Changes

**Updated Roster pages** will be run early this year. Please send your changes to the Club Secretary, and to Stephen Pick.



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