



The Weekly Westerner

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Grey Eagle Hotel, 3777 Grey Eagle Drive (Corner of 37 St SW and Glenmore Drive)
Mondays 12.10 pm - 1.30 pm

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On this warm sunny (17C) day in Calgary, our Monday club meeting at the Grey Eagle Hotel was called to order by **President Terry Felton**.

Today's *O Canada* was followed by an invocation by **Don Axford**. There were approximately 65 people present. At this meeting, we featured our Youth programs, a cornerstone of Rotary. We featured all the Youth recipients, led by Chair **Judy Cochran**.

On the Head Table today with President Terry were Judy Cochran, **Sa'adat Keshavjee**, **Marlene Doherty**, **Darren Grierson**, **Marie Rickard**, and **Steven Strang**.

Visitors and Guests: We had eight students, some parents and three guests. It was good to see **Des DeFreitas** lead us in music and song.

Dinner was enjoyable: chicken a la king, roast potatoes and compote of vegetables.

The 50-50 draw for \$47.00 was won by our RYLA student, **Azra Jeraj**

Announcements

- **Rotaract has a fund raiser** on June 10th at the Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association.
- **Cherries, \$80.00 for a 20lb box**, specially reared by our own **Chris Lee** in an Okanagan Orchard. Ready for pick up or delivery some time soon.
- **President's Barbecue- a not-to miss event** at Sam Switzer's ranch in Bragg Creek, June 17th, at \$50 per person. This is the occasion when we honour of our fearless leader. Please be there by 4 pm, as dinner will be served at 5pm, followed by program and dancing. Contact **Gail Williams**, if you are interested.



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- **Lobsterfest** at Sam Switzer's ranch, Saturday afternoon, August 26th. The price is not determined yet, but the occasion is happening. Stay tuned for more information. Don't miss this wonderful lobster event. See **Debbie Barry**, if you are interested.
- **Stampede Parade Breakfast**. We are half way to our target and need to sell 700 more seats for this world-class event. **Tony Knight** announced that at \$55 per person for breakfast and a bleacher seat, this is a wonderful event that should be promoted by us all to our friends and family.
- **Golf at Carstairs**: **Bill Lawless** still has space available. Please contact him for more information.

Sergeant at Arms Mike French enlightened and entertained, then fined us for not knowing enough about our club history and its contribution in the past 50 years. We have had five past district governors and one coming up in two years. He remembered past members **Stan (Coach) Mulligan** for cricket and **Roger Joki** for sky diving into the William Roper Hull Rotary Stampede breakfast event.

Youth programs in Action

"It is not a year in a life for me, but a life in a year."

Our Youth programs were on parade today. Judy Cochran, our dynamic Youth Chair arranged a fine display of the programs we support, the end result being an exposé of eight successful young people explaining their experiences.



Adventures in Citizenship is a four-day trip to Ottawa to learn about being a Canadian citizen: **Khalil Mulji** outlined his experience with his trip to Ottawa to learn more about the wonders of Canadian citizenship and the impact it has had on his life.

Sa'adat Keshavjee was recognized for his 20 years as Chair of Adventures in Citizenship.



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RYLA Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is a three-day camp on youth leadership. **Khalid Keshavjee** and **Karim Kurji**, two of the youth counsellors, were in attendance. Also present were five of the six students we sponsored: **Azra Jeraj, Kenzie Benesh, Hannah Tarasco, Lauren Simpson, Lori Mattei.**

They all explained the wonders of this program. Some of their experiences included learning about teamwork, communications, creativity, courage, styles of management and the benefit of consultation.

Rotary Youth Exchange: Lori Mattei made a passionate speech about his year away from Italy. Lori leaves in July. During his time with us he has stayed with **Val and Don Campbell, Steve and Marie Rickard, Linda and Steve Strang, Marlene and Dan Doherty** and now **Darren Grierson.**

Lori ended by saying, "It is not a year in a life for me, but a life in a year."



It was heart-warming and rewarding for us as Rotarians to witness how productive these Youth programs are, and what impactful outcomes they produce. Thank you Rotarians, for the support you give to our club in making these programs happen. A special thanks to Judy, her Youth Committee and the host parents for facilitating these wonderful programs. Remember, your support has a long lasting impact on the lives of our future generation...and that is the beauty of our Rotary Youth Programs.

President Terry thanked the program participants, announced the program for next week, our Charter event and the 19th, when we hand over the gavel to our new president, **Ben Kormos**.

The meeting ended at 1.30pm.

Coming Events

June: Rotary Fellowship Month	
5	Youth Programme: RYLA, YEX, Adventures in Citizenship, etc.
12	Charter Date June 10: Tentative Jubilee Event
19	Team Meeting and Turnover of Gavel to Ben Kormos
26	Canada Day Sesquicentennial Meeting. Cpl Curtis Peters, RCMP
July: Stampede and Okanagan Cherries Month	
3	No Meeting
7	Friday: CWRC Stampede Parade Breakfast
10	Stampede Yahoo! Ben Kormos Induction
17	Calgary Humane Society

May 5 - 7, 2017: District Conference, "Strength in Numbers", Red Deer
 June 10 - 14, 2017: Rotary International Conference, Atlanta, Georgia



24	Jacob Holder - AIESEC Youth Leadership Development
31	Local Community Service: A Jubilee Programme
August: Membership and New Club Development Month	
7	No Meeting: Family Day
14	World Community Service: A Jubilee Programme
21	Tanya Ward-Shaw: Native Friendship Society
28	TBA
September: Basic Education and Literary Month	
4	No Meeting: Labour Day
11	District Governor Rick Istead
18	Youth Exchange: A Jubilee Programme
25	Ghada Al Atrash: "Stripped to the Bone", a Portrait of Syrian Women
October: Economic and Community Development Month	
2	Dr Charles Samuels: Centre for Sleep and Human Performance
9	No Meeting: Thanksgiving Day
16	TBA
23	TBA
30	Hallowe'en Programme: Costumes and Magic Tricks
November: Rotary Foundation Month	
6	RI Foundation and Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation
13	No Meeting: All Clubs Remembrance Day Meeting
20	Grey Cup Special Weekend Presentation
27	TBA
December	
4	TBA
11	TBA
18	Jubilee Programme: End of Jubilee Year
25	No Meeting: Christmas Day!