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MEETING NOTES

On this grey and overcast day, there was nothing but warmth and sunshine on entering the Gunn Dairy barn, President Bill Skinner rang the bell at 7:00 and informed us that today was a United Nations special day: World Tourism Day.

Stan Christmas led us in a resounding rendition of Oh Canada. President Bill then provided some remarks by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau regarding our National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

Visitors were welcomed: Mark Bowman, Randall Dyck (membership in process), Jonathon McCarthy, Manon Mitchell (also a visiting Rotarian and Guest Speaker), Rob Wolfson (also visiting Rotarian and Guest Speaker), Ashley Yu (Inclusion AB), Carey Taylor (Inclusion AB), and Brielle Savage (Inclusion AB). Pres. Bill offered a Rotary thanks for our food, fun and fellowship, and we headed off to the breakfast buffet

PROGRAM

Judy Corcoran introduced our guest speakers, Manon Mitchell and Rob Wolfson. Both are active Rotarians (Manon is Calgary Downtown, Rob is Calgary Chinook), and have been extensively involved in leadership roles in Rotary. Manon is our DG Nominee for 2026-27. Rob chairs the Calgary Rotary Foundation and the Learning & Development Committee for District 5360 and is currently president of his club. Their topic was Rotary Learning Centre. Following a game led by Manon, to pique our interest and underline the benefit of having some guidance for our learning, Rob provided an overview of the Rotary Learning Centre and how to use it. Highlights included:

It is a one stop shop for information about Rotary for any Rotarian, whether in a leadership role or as a member (including new members).

It is found at www.Rotary.org under 'knowledge and resources>learning centre.' You need to log in as a Rotary member (create a password, etc).

There are 10 categories (boxes) of courses covering a wide range of topics. Each category contains multiple courses. You can take a course over time, as it saves your information. Start with the 'Getting Started' course to learn how to navigate the site.

There is a Q&A feature if you have questions of RI. While the number of Rotarians who have taken courses is increasing (274 members in District 5360 have signed up and 2958 courses have been taken), the majority have yet to sign up. In fact only 63% of Rotarians in 5360 even have an RI account. Rob and Manon encouraged all of us to try it at least once, as they are sure we'll then use it often.

Stay tuned for upcoming webinars by Rob about the Learning Centre.

For more information contact either Rob Wolfson at robwolfrotary@shaw.ca (403-560-6471) or Manon at manonyyc@gmail.com (403-862-5452).

Judy thanked Rob and Manon

FRIDAYS 7 AM. GUNN'S DAIRY BARN, HERITAGE PARK, 1900 HERITAGE DRIVE SW, CALGARY



MINUTES

Marlene Doherty: an education program called 'NStep that promotes food literacy in schools in Ab, BC and Ont is planning its 11th annual plant fundraiser. It is supported by Rotary Calgary West. This year they want to blanket the city with plants in Rotary colours (blue, yellow and red for polio). Orders are taken in January; pick up is end of May. They need some volunteers including to monitor the platform and to help distribute the plants. Contact Marlene if you wish to help out

Sheila Tyminski: Sept. 30 is National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. There are a number of events for members to participate in, Sheila will send an email later on Friday listing them. All are encouraged to attend an event.

HAPPY BUCKS

Sheila, Walter, John, Judy, and Doug MacDonald were all happy.

NEW MEMBER

The Board has approved the application for membership of Randall Dyck.

Classification: IT Porfessor

Barring any objections from the members he will be inducted in a couple of weeks.

CLOSING REMARKS

In closing the meeting, Bill quoted the humourist Dave Barry, who said that all of us are born with a set of instinctive fears, such as falling, of the dark, of lobsters, of falling on lobsters in the dark, of speaking before a Rotary Club, and of the words 'some assembly required.' We recited the 4-way test and the meeting was adjourned.

NEXT WEEK

Bill asked everyone to plan to attend next week's meeting on October 4th, as it will be our annual visit by our District Governor, Christina Hassan. She is a very inspirational speaker. Bring a friend, especially if there is someone you have considered for membership.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS



PHIL HOCHHAUSSEN	OCT 4
SHEILA TYMINSKI.....	OCT 10
VANESSA FREEZE SUMNER	OCT 10

DUTY ROSTER

OCTOBER 4, 2024

GREETER	VELMA NOBLE
DOOR SALES.....	MIKE MIKKELSON
INTRODUCE & THANK.....	BILL SKINNER
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