**EyeOpener**
**September 26, 2021 – Changing Ways**

Alan opened the meeting with a video of *O Canada*

Land Acknowledgement of Treaty 6 was read by Destiny

*We acknowledge that the Rotary Club of Camrose Daybreak is located on Treaty 6 land. This is the traditional territory and an ancient gathering place of many Indigenous peoples for thousands of years.

We recognize that we are all Treaty people and have a responsibility to become aware of our shared history, understand the Spirit and Intent of the Treaties and by doing so we can honour the past, be aware of the present, and create a just and caring future built upon Peace, Friendship, and Understanding.*

Destiny, presiding this meeting in President Odell’s stead, welcomed all to the meeting which included welcoming our guest speaker, Kari Cameron from Changing Ways, a CDSS program.

**Presentation:** “It’s Not Right: Neighbours, Friends and Families for Older Adults”

Kari Cameron presented on her role with Changing Ways addressing elder abuse in Camrose and Camrose County. Her role in the community is as the Case Manager for Changing Ways. This role is to respond to complaints or concerns of elder abuse, make contact with suspected victims, arrange a home or office visit, assess risk and make a safety plan, assist in determining needs and set goals, provide emotional support, consult with other professionals and refer to organizations, and follow up with clients to ensure continued safety and connection to community. She is eager to educate, navigate and support older adults (55+). All services are free and are available to residents in the city and county of Camrose. Her office is housed in Mirror Lake Centre.

**Happy Bucks:** Dean for a tractor fixed, Rob for an amazing moon at the cabin, Larry for a blue moon, Destiny for the Northern Lights in Alberta, Cliff for the thousands of Canadian geese and snow geese around Camrose, John for flags going to be displayed at the Canada Women’s Team-Kodiaks hockey game November 4th at the EnCana Arena.

**Zoom Christmas gathering**: Chris reported that Craig Wentland, Augustana Campus Chaplain, has offered to do a Zoom gelato making class as our Christmas social. The cost of the class is a suggested $50 to $100 donation to the U of A, Augustana chaplaincy program. The club response is positive but having this event in January 2022 is preferred.

**Chase the Ace:** Morris reported that *Camrose Chase the Ace* is looking for organizations to support in Camrose and area. Average donation to date is $480.00. Please let Morris know groups in our trading area you want us to support.

**Bingo Update:** John reported that no other service organization in Camrose is interested in taking over TV Bingo with Eastlink. The question remains as to what to do with the bingo equipment. Advertise for other groups interested in a fundraising opportunity to work with Eastlink, advertise for community groups that want to move the equipment to their hall, other ideas?

**Officers Needed:** John reminded us that board elections for July 2022 - June 2023 are coming up. Club President-Elect and Youth Director are currently unfilled. He asked current board members to let him know your intention - stay in portfolio, move to a new portfolio, or leave the board (BTW: leaving is NOT allowed). All members - please provide John with your willingness to be on the board and recommendations for new board members. Let him know soon, our elections are on November 23rd.

**Rotary Moment:** Polio Foundation: 2.5 million children globally have been vaccinated! Still more work to do in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Only ONE case each in those countries this year and Afghanistan is allowing house-to-house vaccinations now.

**4 Way Test**: Rob led us in the *Four-Way Test*

**Next Week:** Tuesday November 2, 7:00 am Zoom Meeting – Remembrance Day Reflection

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