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| **EyeOpener Nov 1, 2022 – Camrose Public Library Update**  ***Monthly Rotary Theme: Rotary Foundation***  The meeting was opened by President Alan with *O Canada*. There were 8 members (none on Zoom) present. Alan read the Treaty 6 Acknowledgement:  *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.*  **Guest Speaker: Alyssa Martin, Director, Camrose Public Library**  Alyssa stated that the main goal of the library is to connect the public with information. There are 3 pillars to this access: access information and knowledge, ability to get this knowledge through navigation and, finally, ability to share and discuss this new knowledge.  Financially, there was a 10% cut before the pandemic, another cut during the pandemic. Also, the library has lost one of three programmers which affects their ability to provide community programming and library support. However, the circulation of books and visits per day are steadily improving. Alyssa mentioned all the services that they are providing (Imagination Library, Camrose Helps, Snacks for Kids after school, newcomers support, personal tech help, National Day of Truth and Reconciliation) and initiatives in the next few years (self check-out, third programmer, summer student, fax machine).  Regarding the facilities, the current building needs renovations and improvements or replacement. The library building and provided services are falling far behind expected provincial standards. As the City of Camrose owns the building, the Library board and Alyssa have started discussions with the city to consider options.  For more details, Alyssa’s power point presentation will be circulated soon.  Alyssa was thanked with a certificate denoting the vaccinations of 30 children, with matching grants, against polio.  **Business**   * Board members and executive need to be considered by all the members. Please contact John with your preference of how to serve * Motion: That we give $3,000 to the Canadian Mental Health Association in Camrose for their VIBE Program. Moved by Harry, seconded by Varghese. Motion carried.   **Happy Bucks** for: renovations complete at his daughter’s house, a pending cruise, and the Sahakarini Dinner at the Norsemen Inn this Saturday, Nov 5th  **Announcements:**   * **Chase the Ace draw this Wednesday, Nov 2 with a jackpot of $17,600 and 19 cards left in the deck.** * Odell was recognized by the Bethany Group as an Honourary Lifetime Member of the Bethany Foundation in the role of Board Chair * Joint Rotary meeting Nov 14 at 6 pm at the Norsemen Inn. Email [RotaryCamrose@gmail.com](mailto:RotaryCamrose@gmail.com) if you are attending and ordering a meal at $25.00 * Publicity Chair, Chris, will away for Nov 22, 29, Dec 6 and Dec 13 meetings. Odell volunteered to write the EyeOpener. Speakers for Nov 29 (Jim Gillespie) and Dec 6 (pending with Varghese) will be supported by Alan * **Reminders of Upcoming Events** * District Conference, Nov 26 at Nova Yellowhead, Edmonton. Our club will cover cost of registration – in person or ZOOM * Nov 8th speaker is Carol Wideman on Special Olympics Alberta – Camrose Affiliate * Nov 15th at 8 am via ZOOM is a board meeting   **Alan led us in singing the *4-Way Test.***  The next Rotary meeting will be on Nov 8 at 7 am Via ZOOM ONLY  Alan will send the ZOOM link  **ROTARY JOINS LEADERS | ROTARIANS SHARE IDEAS | ROTARIANS TAKE ACTION** |
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