



# Spinoff

ROTARY CLUB OF WEST OTTAWA;  
Pardeep Ahluwalia, President  
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## Program: "youturn" A youth support system-Cathy Hay and Shirley Rocque

### Intro

At noon **Pres Pardeep** invited the members and guests to the buffet. Key roles today were filled by **Baxter Willis** on reception, with greeters being **Tammy Whelan** and **Victor Mazzola**. **Linda Flynn** marked attendance and collected meeting fee. **Pres Pardeep** called the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Rotary Year to order at 12:25 and requested all to stand up for O Canada which we sang with **Rod Holmes** performing his usual accompaniment. Afterwards **Pres Pardeep** offered a wonderful grace.

**Baxter Willis** introduced our guests and visitors: Fletcher Berry guest of **Dirk Keenan**, Cathy Haya and Shirley Rocque, our guest speakers from youturn and regular Rotarian visitor Johnny Marquez from Caracas, Venezuela now residing in Ottawa. We welcomed our guests in song in our usual manner

The Past Presidents Draw was run by **Graeme Fraser** and **Tammy Whelan** won a Food card.

### Announcements:

**Jen Ahde** for the Future Directions Committee told us our Club would now also hold a breakfast meeting once a month for the convenience of members, such as those still working, for whom noon meetings are difficult. The first breakfast meeting will take place on Friday, 19 July at 7:45 a.m. at Broadway, 1896 Prince of Wales Drive, where it joins Fisher Ave at the mini-mall. The new morning meetings will provide another opportunity for Club members to get together. They will not replace Tuesday meetings but attendance will count as a make-up.

**Susan Diening** talked about how to get an ad for the back of the Cash Calendar. She added that there are few wrong times to sell ads; she had just sold one to a person at her table.

**Andrew Young** reminded everyone of Shakespeare in the Park performance near his house that evening and asked us to let him know if we were going to the post-show reception Dorothy and he were hosting.

**Pres Pardeep** reiterated that the Club committee membership listings for the new Rotary year within the club are still very thin and more volunteers were needed to fill the gaps.

**Caroline DeWitt** asked that Cash Calendar committee members meet afterwards to vote on the photos for next year's calendar.

### Presentation

**Dirk Keenan** introduced our guest speakers **Cathy Hay** and **Shirley Rocque**.

**Cathy Hay** started the presentation by giving a chilling story of human trafficking in which she had almost been a victim. **Shirley Rocque** continued the presentation telling us 'youturn' counsels youth and their families who are or may become involved with the justice system. It is a non-profit organization that has been around for 30 years servicing vulnerable youth 12 to 25 years old. At present youturn has 11 board members and is always looking for more. It provides a multitude of programs like **A Different Street Supportive Housing**. - affordable housing for homeless or unstable young men 16-21. **Collaborative Problem-Solving**- parent group therapy addressing challenging behavior present by our youth. **Community Support Team**-Community-based services aimed at prevention or limiting a

young person's staying in custody. **Intensive Support and Supervision Program**-Community-based program designed to provide an alternative to custody for young persons found guilty of a criminal offense that have a mental health disorders. **John Bosco Achievement Centre**-educational program for youth who have been or are involved in the criminal justice system and who are working towards high school credits or employment skills. **On Point**-for youth 12-21 who are at high risk of gang involvement. **Anti-Human Trafficking Program**-young people 12-25 who are vulnerable or are survivors of human trafficking. **Youth in Transition** -support to youth for their successful transition out of the child welfare system to adulthood. **youturn** face budgetary constraints but focuses on helping as many youth as possible. The youturn philosophy and approach summarized on their website is worth a read <https://www.youturn.ca/philosophy-approach/> Answering **Peter Fisher** our speaker said that youturn had supported youth involved in "all kinds" of offenses. **Merv Letts** was told referrals came from the youth themselves and other organizations. **Andrew Young** learned that Cathy had been saved by routine border patrol inspection of the back of the transport truck in which she was being carried. **Jim Maxwell** mentioned that significantly larger school classes tended to have more challenged youth than normal classes. **Don Butler** asked if youturn dealt with cultlike gang youth recruitment techniques like those reported in CBC Uncover's *Escaping NXIUM* but was told it did not. **Bill Rolph** appreciated the info on human trafficking. **Dave Morton** thanked the speakers for an interesting presentation and presented them with the usual gifts and certificate for a donation to End Polio.

### Happy Dollars

**Ginette Thomas** was selected and collected from

**Rob Shaw-Wood** had enjoyed the two week visit of a friend

**Andrew Young** thanked **Don Butler** for the nice jar of herrings

**Alan Bowes** enjoyed watching the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo in Halifax.

**Larry Chop** – celebrated his granddaughter's birthday

**Henry Akanko** celebrating wedding anniversary.

**Peter Fisher** celebrated 47 years of marriage.

**Hadi Mortada** thanked **Ken Murray** for the pair of socks even though they were meant for his wife **Teresa**.

**Mary Wattie** also enjoyed watching the Nova Scotia tattoo and mentioned she knows the tattoo director of bagpipes, **Wayne Moug**.

**Jean Begin** had a wonderful night reminiscing with six girls from her high school years.

**Johnny Marquez** from Caracas, Venezuela celebrated 54 years of marriage and has started his immigration process to Canada.

**Ron Scott** attended his granddaughter's 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation and was amazed at the way the ceremony was done which included playing a recorded 30 second interview with each student as they made their way to receive their certificate.

**Sucha Mann** found 3 toonies in his pocket and 1) Called for continued progress in replacing non-reusable products for Club meetings, 2) At an event a Carleton University was delighted that the Governor General greeted people in the appropriate indigenous language.3) Item missed.

**Len Baird** celebrated 62 years of marriage.

**Bill Rolph** celebrated 36 years of marriage.

### Meeting ends

**President Pardeep** finished the meeting by again reminding us that there will be no meeting next week, that Rotary Connects the World and to act on the principle that "Rotarians are People of Action, helping make a difference " and, finally, to invite potential Rotarians to a meeting.

### Photos

<https://rcwo.org/PhotoAlbums/youturn-youth-support-service-1>

### Cash Calendar

Here are the winners of the Cash Calendar draws for the week, July 3 – 9, 2019:  
3216 \$20 François Villeneuve, Cantley, QC

0159 \$125 Norm Morrison, Ottawa, ON  
0135 \$25 Jonathan Cumming, Mountain, ON  
1968 \$50 Michael Proulx, Nepean, ON  
0933 \$25 Hamish Robertson, Orleans, ON  
3232 \$50 Eric V. Farnell, Welland, ON  
1423 \$25 Luigi Mangone, Ottawa, ON

**Tuesday 16 2019**  
**NO MEETING**

**Tuesday, July 23 2019**  
**Wilmer Pulido ‘Teaching in China’**  
Intro: **Ken Murray** Thanks: **Hadi Mortada**  
Chair: **Alan Bowles**  
Greeters: **Sabby Duthie/ Henry Akanko** Reception: **Joe Wattie**  
Grace: **Larry Chop** PP Draw: **Joe Parkinson** Editor: **Rod Holmes** Photos: **Larry Chop**  
Sales/Attendance: **Mary Wattie**

**Tuesday, July 30 2019**  
Program details to be advised  
Chair **Graeme Fraser**  
Greeters: **Chris Wanna, Dirk Keenan** Reception: **Susan Diening**  
Grace: **Tony Watkins** PP Draw: **Bill Morris** Editor: **Rob Shaw-Wood** Photos: **Mike Traub**  
Sales/Attendance: **Mary Wattie**