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## A word from our President - Sandra Zeznik

As my year as President draws to a close I look back and think has it really been a year? Was it really that easy and that rewarding? The answer to all of these question is yes. Why? I think the answer to that is the club and the members. I have received a great deal of support from this year's board both for me personally and more importantly for taking on their tasks and completing them. But the general membership has come through when we need extra hands to get a job done and has made our weekly lunch meetings informative and fun!

Certainly, the tools offered by Rotary International are invaluable in planning the year. PETS was inspirational and I certainly came back ready to take on the world as well as Rotary President. The tools offered online through RI and Club Runner helped me keep organized and on course.

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## Youth - Kim Shatford

Our outbound youth exchange student Chloe Mayes will be off to Thailand in August. Chloe will attend a lunch meeting prior to her departure. Be sure to wish her well if you have the chance.

Our inbound student Carla Milletti from Italy will arrive sometime in August and attend an orientation camp on Lake Coeur d'Alene Idaho in early September.

The process to select a student for exchange next year will begin early in the fall.

I encourage you to consider becoming involved in our youth programs.

Stay tuned for word on a planning meeting in late summer.

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## **Dates not to forget!**

July 1st Canada Day
(150 years old)
July 1st Rotary Birthday
August 7BC Day
September 4Labour Day
October 31Halloween
November 11Remembrance Day
December 25Christmas

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The job of President requires you to build upon what has come before, try to make small changes that will improve your club and become building blocks for the next president. This year saw many small and large accomplishments – the Rotary Washrooms reached completion, Rotary Auction had the biggest year to date, membership was enhanced with new active members, donations were made to the local community and our committees worked at improving our club and enhanced the name of Rotary.

Of course, topping off the year with the International Rotary Convention in Atlanta was phenomenal. Seeing and hearing inspirational speakers, seeing what Rotarian can do, and meeting some of those Rotarians from other countries was certainly a highlight of my year. Everyone should go to a least one International Convention and mingle with 35,000 Rotarian from all over the world....gives you goosebumps.

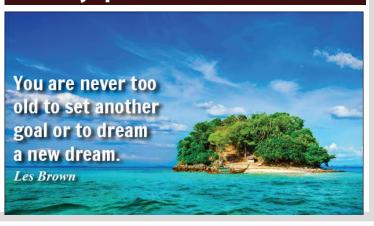
Be proud to be a Rotarian and find others to join in our journey to serve humanity in so many ways. You are all talented and have many skills so consider joining the board and also consider allowing your name to stand for President. The rewards and satisfaction far outweigh the work (maybe not the fines, however!).

I leave my year as President more determined to support others in the club, to search out new members and to enjoy the fellowship and laughs Cranbrook Rotary brings. I wish John and the board every success in 2017/18 and thank all of you for a fabulous year!

## Treasurer Report - Jim Chiu

As our Rotary year coming to an end and the new Rotary year about to start, I would like to thank president Sandy and the board for all their hard work! Also, best wishes to president-elect John and the new board for another successful Rotary year! I would also like to thank my partner and co-treasurer Carol McGrath for all her hard work spending many hours in preparing the financial data for me to present to you, the members, and the directors. And please remember to thank her for her many, many hours spent in preparing and compiling Continued .....

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## Installation 2017 - Sandra Zeznik

The installation of officers and directors for the 2017 – 2018 year took place at the Cranbrook Golf Course on Monday, June 5, 2017. A casual dinner of chicken or beef burgers with salad, chips and dessert was enjoyed by all.

Our distinguished MC Lorne Archibald welcomed all members to this preeminent Cranbrook Rotary Event. He gave us some historical facts about Canada in this the year of our country's 150 th birthday.

Following the 'birthday' theme Arlene Bryne toasted Queen Elizabeth on her 91st birthday. Maryann Jenkins added to our knowledge of Canada as she toasted our 150th birthday. Ed Murray completed our toasts with a salute to Rotary Foundation's 100th birthday.

Norm Magee honoured our members who have had perfect attendance. Rotarian Ed Murray once again was once again rewarded for his remarkable long term attendance. Jim Chiu presented Paul Harris Fellow Awards to those present. The recipients of PHF awards for 2016-2017 were: Lallah Gunst, Bill Bennett.

Outgoing President Sandy Zeznik presented awards for this year to some of our very deserving Rotarians:

- Most Engaged Rotarians Carol McGrath, Stephen Wik and Paul Heywood for working hard on their committees as well as being counted on to help with other projects and club activities.
- Techie Awards Stephen Wik, David Morley and Russ Kinghorn for their comedy act of setting up presentations with the computer, projector, flash drives and all other things 'geeky'.
- Rotarians of the Year Lallah Gunst and Russ Kinghorn for all of their work to make our Cranbrook Rotary Club great! Lallah especially for her work on the auction and Russ for his work on the Rotary Park washrooms.

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# They can conquer who believe they can. Virgil

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Sandy also spoke about the work of our new Rotarians; Arlene Bryne, Mary Burke and Bob Termuende. She also recognized Jim Chiu for being the 'go to guy' and for his work on social media.

Sandy went on to thank her board and present them with a token of appreciation.

Norm Magee presented Sandy with her 'gavel' (a rubber mallet substitute for the real thing that had not arrived yet!)

Sandy installed **John Zimmer** as our new President for 2017-2018, presenting him with his president's pin.

John shared some of his goals for his year, including attracting new members and following the new international president, Ian Riseley's theme, Rotary: Making a Difference (protecting the environment and curbing climate change are essential to Rotary's goal of sustainable service). John asked all club members to plant a tree between the start of the Rotary year July 1 st and Earth day April 22nd.

John installed of his incoming officers and directors as follows:

#### **Officers**

- President John 7immer
- President Elect Ed Murray
- Secretaries Norm Magee & Carla Nelson
- Treasurer Jim Chiu
- Past President Sandy Zeznik

#### **Directors**

- Kim Shatford
- Paul Heywood
- Jody Burke
- Leanne Jensen
- Alan Duffy

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Some final awards were made with much humour, denial and applause!

Paul Heywood present the Fashion Award to Ed Murray for his wonderful choice of outfits to wear to Rotary meetings!

David Morley presented the Fickle Finger award to Lawrence McGibbon as a long-time master of inappropriate and politically incorrect remarks. Lawrence pleaded innocence but the trophy is his until he presents it to the Rotarian of his choice next year!

Alan Duffy completed the program with his sergeant's report. Such a fun way to raise funds for Rotary!

MC Lorne thanked everyone and invited all members to continue to have a drink and socialize.

## **Treasurer Report - Jim Chiu** con't.....

the data for our Rotary Auction. Carol and Lallah have truly demonstrated Service Above Self!

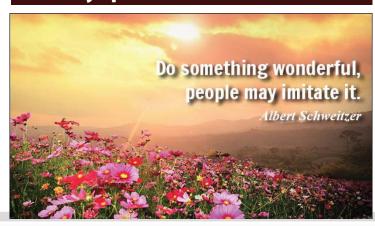
Any member wishes to make a contribution to our Rotary Foundation prior to the yearend, please let me or Carol McGrath know so we can send the funds in a timely fashion. Also, a friendly reminder to newer members

that the board at a few years back has decided we will only accept Debit cards, cash, or cheques for your monthly payments. And thank you all for your cooperation!

The incoming Rotary year will be my 4th year as club treasurer, I will be stepping down after. Anyone interested in filling the position, please let Ed Murray our incoming president-elect know. I will help coaching you!

Thank you all for your support!

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## RI Convention 2017 - Carla Nelson

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Rotary International Convention & The Rotary Foundation 100 th Birthday

President Sandy, Past President Judy and myself attended the 108 th annual Rotary International Convention in Atlanta from June 10-14 th . This was my second convention and it was as spectacular as the first one I attended in New Orleans. Approximately 35,000 Rotarians from almost 200 countries attended this event! With simultaneous translation in 6 languages, 20 large jumbotrons and hundreds of volunteers, it ran smoothly! The venue was the Georgia World Congress Center, which has 5 floors, 4 of which are underground. The House of Friendship housed over 2000 booths!

At the first General Session the flag ceremony was an impressive event and makes you feel like you are at the United Nations. The featured speakers included the Governor of Georgia, Nathan Deal; Mrs. Birla from the Birla Center for Community Initiatives & Development in India – she donated \$1 million to PolioPlus; and the introduction of Rotary International President, John Germ.

The next day we heard from John Cena of WWF fame who introduced the Mayor of Atlanta, Kasim Reed, and the introduction of the major sponsors Coca-Cola and Delta Airlines, both headquartered in Atlanta. Bill Gates took to the stage next, and as expected, pledged huge amounts of matching funds for the eradication of polio. Bill & mp; Melinda Gates are committed! This time he pledged \$450 million USD! Total pledges from individuals, corporations and governments total \$1.2 billion. We need only \$300 million more to finish the job and 'Drop to Zero'!



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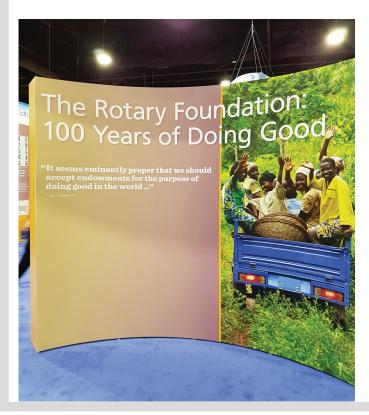
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Next to the podium was US Senator Bob Corker and Ashton Kucher, yes, the actor. Turns out he is a major philanthropist and has developed and donated software that is helping to end modern slavery – human and sex trafficking. His next project – stopping child pornographers.

The next day we heard from Jack Nicklaus, another philanthropher, golf icon and polio ambassador. As he said 'Golf is just a game, you've got to do other things in your life that are far more important'.

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In between all these fantastic keynote speakers, we attended breakout sessions on many pertinent topics. We visited the House of Friendship several times, attended a candlelight vigil to end slavery and human trafficking, and had birthday cake to celebrate the Foundation's 100 th birthday. The event moves to Toronto next year – get ready Canada!



In Atlanta, we toured several places – the World of Coca-Cola (over 100 flavours to taste); the Centre for Civil and Human Rights (Martin Luther King Jr); and CNN Headquarters. A few others located there that we didn't have time for – Delta Flight Museum, College Football Hall of Fame, Centre for Disease Control. Rotarians also built a house over the days of the convention with Habitat for Humanity.

There were so many things happening, it was impossible to take it all in. But we were inspired, motivated and moved by all the incredible work Rotarians are doing around the globe!

Following the convention, the three amigas took a road continued......







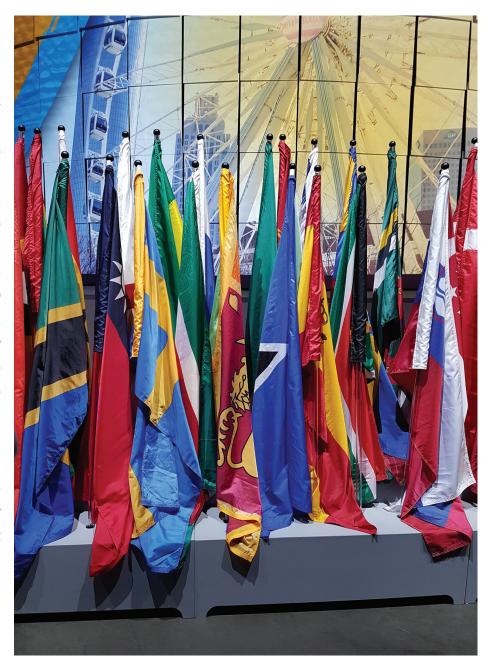
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trip! Savannah – laid back, historic, waterfront, restored buildings, beautiful treed squares and walking paths, great seafood and cool cocktails; Hilton Head Island playground for the rich and famous, with long stretches of beach, multiple golf courses, and beautiful beach homes; Charleston – plantations and slave history. We toured Boone Plantation, still a working plantation, and a museum of 12 slave houses plus a praise house (church). Up to 10 slaves lived in each of these approx. 100 sq. ft. buildings. Only the lucky ones. The rest of the 180 slaves on the plantation lived in the fields. Horrible history, but one that South Carolina does not hide or forget.

I encourage every Rotarian to consider attending a Rotary International Convention at least one year. It makes you understand why you became a Rotarian to begin with, and the power of the people on this planet.









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## Washroom Plaque - Paul Heywood

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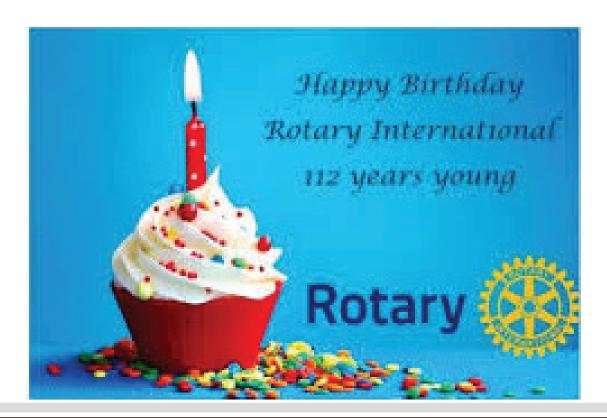
We will be presenting the plaque (Sponsors, Donors, and Brick donations) and once again Opening, the Rotary Washrooms, on Canada Day- July 1st at Rotary Park.

At 2:45, the Mayor, MLA Tom Shypitka, and many other dignitaries will be on hand, as we display the plaque, and watch all the Canada Day patrons and kids use the washrooms to full capacity.

Cheers all and hope to see you there!.

# Resignation

We much regret to report the resignation of: Robert Learmonth (Terri). "Awesome Bob" has been an outstanding member for 17 years (and not just because of his height). We all wish him well & hope to see him as a guest from time to time.









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## **Thank You**

We all thank Past President Sandy and her Board for guiding us through another Good Year, and we thank John and the new Board for volunteering to steer our club through the coming year. We wish them success and a feeling of accomplishment.

They are, no doubt, working on, interalia, the club committees for the new year. It is possible that the

Reporter will be terminated. After close to 25 years as Chairman, "Bud has decided to retire".....He sincerely thanks "Awesome Bob" for the awesome job he has done over many years as bulletin Publisher. His talent really made the Reporter.

Thanks Bud you are an awesome editor.

Thanks everyone Bud & Bob signing off.....

