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The Youth Night Meeting was chaired by John Charrett, Director, Youth Services.

After dinner was served, about 7:30 pm, John gave a "Rotary" preamble, suggesting that Rotary was a world wide service organization with about 1.2 million members in 3,300 clubs across 200 countries.

This year our Chinook Rotary Club celebrates its 40th year of service. The club is involved in many local areas including, for example, Mustard Seed, Ronald MacDonald House, Rotary Nature Park (south of Hwy 22X), and the 138 km long Greenway pathway system around the city of Calgary, a pathway that will be the longest around a city in the world when it opens in September. The Club is also sponsoring a major fundraiser for a new centre for Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) at the University of Calgary.

Internationally we are involved with Medical Mercy in Cambodia, supplying LED systems in Myanmar, and with the Rotary Club of Clairmont, we are providing childhood development in South Africa. In Rwanda, our Anne Dale is teaching local women's hygiene and micro finance, and in Malawi we are providing support through scholarships girls at a girls' school.



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Youth Service Month

May 2nd	Dawn Rennie and Dustin Rennie — Director's Report re Club website
May 5 - 7th	DisCon 5360 "Strength in Numbers" @ Sheraton Red Deer Hotel, register at www.discon5360.ca
May 9th	John Hufnagel, Calgary Stampeders
May 10th	Kickin' It Country — Charity Concert with Lindsay Ell in support of the UofC Inflammatory Bowel Disease Unit @ Ranchman's Cookhouse & Dancehall, 9615 Macleod Trail SE, doors open @ 6pm
May 16th	Dave Reid — Future Calgary Flood Concerns and Solutions
May 18th	Rotary Networking Night, Limericks Traditional Public House, 5 - 6:30 — contact Rob Wolfson
May 23rd	Julia-Maria Becker, Pembina Institute
May 27th	Year-end Celebration Dinner 6pm @ the Carriage House Inn
May 30th	Larry Albrecht — Ethics



KICKIN' IT COUNTRY

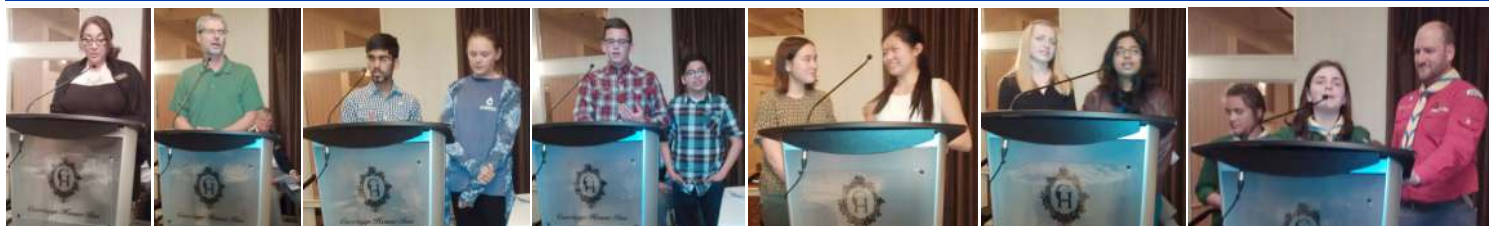
Rotary Fellowships Month

June 3rd	Grillin' and Servin' for 700! — Brain Sprint, Edworthy Park — contact Hank to sign up
June 6th	Dr. J. Silvius, Provincial Medical Director
June 7th - 11th	Parking at Spruce Meadows for "The National"
June 10th-14th	Atlanta 2017 RI Convention
June 14 - 17th	Rotary Friendship Exchange group from Sri Lanka — contact Bev Tonkinson or David Irving if you can be a host or have any questions



Youth Night

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Youth Services are a big component of our involvement at Fairview High school. Mentoring is an important component of our work. The Mentoring program helps to instill trust and self-confidence, helps promote the decision to stay in school, and encourages leadership skills.

The Social Awareness Society at Fairview focuses on services and awareness, and helps the student council to financially support the school and its improvement. As a result of the Council's initiative, the "famine" at the school finished first in Canada which brought a \$7,000 World Vision prize.

The Rotary Cup is awarded to one student in each program in the school. It recognizes perseverance, hard work, academic success and service/volunteering. There is also a Citizenship award recognizing a commitment to the well-being of Fairview.

RYPEN and Two Wheel View are other programs which we supported and worked together with staff at Fairview.

We are also involved in two Interact Clubs: Henry Wise Wood with 30 members, and Dr. E.P.Scarlet with 55 students. The former club has a number of activities including a spring fair and raffles and also a bake sale. They help new immigrants with clothing, etc. They also donate to Shelter Box. The E.P.Scarlet club had a charity basketball event and Stampede Breakfast to raise funds.

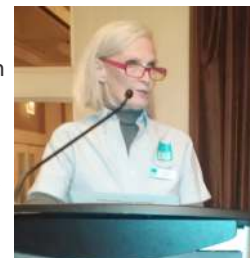


Our Scout Troop, which we have supported for 10 years, is the 264th Somerset Bridlewood troop. They started 10 years ago with 10 members and now are up to 130, with 24 Leaders. They are working to send a number of their troop to the Canadian Scout Jamboree in Nova Scotia this year.

Our Bursary scholarship program provides \$1000 bursaries to students at seven high schools. We have now branched out to give two additional scholarships. The first is in honour of our first president, Father Greg McLellan who died in 2013. The memorial scholarship is a \$2000 award presented to an applicant from St. Mary's University. The second is in honour of Ron Southern, founder of Spruce Meadows. The award of \$2000 will go to a deserving young rider.

John, on behalf of the club awarded cheques in the amount of \$800 in support of programs at the Fairview Junior High School, \$300 to each of the Interact Clubs in support of their fundraising, and \$1000 to help send scouts in the 264 Somerset Bridlewood Scout Troop to the Jamboree in Nova Scotia this summer.

Dale made a short presentation on Shelter Box informing us all that Shelter Box has been in business for 15 years and in that time has assisted at 270 disasters in 95 countries. Remarkable! To thank Dale for her work on behalf of the club, as liaison with Shelter Box, John presented her with our thank you certificate on behalf of Polio Plus.





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