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Kermit the Frog and the Medicare Monopoly

Ron Kustra

Kermit the Frog and the Canadian Medicare Monopoly was the topic of our speaker, Ron Kustra. He has been involved for over 32 years with the Alberta Medical Association drafting policy papers.

He told us that Canadian Medicare was all started by Tommy Douglas who had had a number of operations on his leg before he came to Canada, but here the doctors were able to really help him, and that everyone deserved the same type of treatment.

Ron told us we need a change but not the end of Medicare. Politicians are scared of change and political correctness is very important.

Kermit told us it isn't easy being green, and that applies to changing ideas. All Albertans, and of course the rest of Canada, should be able to get first class treatment without prolonged waits.

Ron feels that Medicare is not sustainable as it is at present, and it will soon use 100% of the taxes each year. We should have different levels of care — Emergent, Urgent and Elective, and this would relieve the stress levels on families.

Ron finished by saying that Medicare is important but not good today. There is no simple cure and public debate is needed.



Full Soul – Improving Maternal Health in Uganda

Christina Marchand

Bev Tonkinson introduced today's speaker Christina Hassan, who is also a Rotary member of the Fish Creek Rotary club. Christina is a former member of Rotaract and RYLA. While travelling in Europe, Christina was invited to join the German national women's hockey team.

Christina is a founder of Full Soul, a group of individuals looking to improve the state of maternal health in Uganda by developing medical equipment to assist in the safe delivery of newborns. This was spurred on by a traumatic experience Christina encountered at a hospital delivery room where the patient died during a delivery process. The process is to reduce the Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) by seeking

care, transporting to care, and an improved health care setting. The Full Soul group continues to work to provide medical equipment to medical facilities in Uganda.



President David thanked Christina for her presentation and closed the meeting at 1:30 pm.

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September 20th, 2016

Scribe: Sydney Richmond

The meeting was opened on time by our vice president, Alex Soutar. Our president was M.I.A. this week.

Our anthem and grace were played by Ruth Wylie, thank heavens!

We were greeted by Maureen Tynan and Dave Wylie who then introduced our guests: our speaker Ron Kustra, Ryan McLenan, Jeff Pallister from Sarcee club, and Terry McDonough from the South Club.

Minute Men:



- Paul Gaudet told us we were needed to park cars at Spruce Meadows for the Obstacle Race, and our rates were to be \$20/hr and that should bring in more dollars for the club.

- Paul also mentioned that the Okotoks is having a "Lobster Dinner" and tickets were available. I failed again to write down where, when and the cost!

- Anthony Tonkinson attended a

rally/meeting at the Peace Park. It is a prestigious event attended by many people. It was started 84 years ago by the people in Cardston.

- Peter Bingham reminded us that cribbage will be starting on October 13th at 5:30pm at the Horton Road Legion.



Paul Gaudet raffled off 2 second level tickets to a hockey game — Flames vs Oilers — on Monday October 26th. They were won by Don McLean.

Weather report by Pat Hutchison. Tom Ranson has kidney problems, George van Schaick had a cholecystectomy and is now home, and Barry Korpatnisky says he's coming along.

Stephen Pick won the 50/50.

Albert Amaniampong was our SAA. He explained that a Nexus/Global card?? was the only thing to carry when travelling across borders as it decreases frustrating lineups. He also explained to us how to pronounce his last name and how to spell it!



Kermit the Frog and the Canadian Medicare Monopoly was the topic of our speaker, Ron Kustra.



We're Over Halfway There !!



Rotary Remembers



Friday, November 11, 2016

The Carriage House Inn

9030 Macleod Trail South

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker

Lt. Col. (Ret) Ross Wickware



Register online before Friday, November 4

rotary5360.ca/event/rotary-remembers

Tickets \$25.00

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Economic and Community Development Month

October 4th	Ron Davison — Climate Change from an Engineering Perspective
October 11th	Donna Leuw — Days for Girls
October 13th	'Business & Rotary Networking Night', Limericks Traditional Public House contact Rob Wolfson
October 13th	Cribbage Night @ the Horton Road Legion, 5:30 to 9 — contact Peter Bickham
October 18th	Karen Flamand — Fort McMurray Fire ... "A View from the Claims Department"
October 22nd	Grillin' and Servin' — 'Kathy's Run' at North Glenmore Park
October 25th	Former DG Steve Rickard — MicroCredit



Rotary Foundation Month

November 1st	Bill Skinner — Help for the Islands of Guatemala
November 8th	No meeting ... Remembrance Day meeting on the 11th in lieu
November 10th	'Business & Rotary Networking Night', Limericks Traditional Public House contact Rob Wolfson
November 10th	Cribbage Night @ the Horton Road Legion, 5:30 to 9 — contact Peter Bickham
November 11th	Rotary Remembers — all clubs meeting at the Carriage House
November 15th	Past DG Mike French — The Rotary Foundation
November 18th - 20th	Parking at Spruce Meadows for 'The Christmas Market'
November 22nd	Bill Stemp — Classification Talk
November 25th - 27th	Parking at Spruce Meadows for 'The Christmas Market'
November 29th	AGM and elections for next year's Board



Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

December 2nd - 4th	Parking at Spruce Meadows for 'The Christmas Market'
December 6th	Seniors Christmas lunch
December 8th	'Business & Rotary Networking Night', Limericks Traditional Public House contact Rob Wolfson
December 8th	Cribbage Night @ the Horton Road Legion, 5:30 to 9 — contact Peter Bickham
December 13th	Club Christmas party — evening meeting
December 15th	Atlanta 2017 RI Convention — last day for early-registration discount — \$340
December 20th	Jennifer McCue, President, Bethany Care Society



Meeting Minutes

September 27th, 2016

Scribe: Alex Soutar

Robert Gentles and Neil Beatty greeted our members and guests at today's meeting.

President David opened the meeting at 12:15 pm followed by the singing of O Canada, and Rotary grace accompanied by Ruth Wylie on the piano.

Neil Beatty introduced our guests including our speaker Christina Hassan, Ryan MacLean guest of Bob Montgomery, and Barbara Larsen from Fernie BC. Our guests were greeted in the usual Chinook fashion.

Minute People included:

- Paul Gaudet thanked the membership for the parking shifts just completed at Spruce Meadows, and was pleased to report that the next event at Spruce Meadows has all of the shifts filled ahead of the event.
- Rob Wolfson introduced a new hockey pool as part of his extensive fund raising efforts.

Bob Montgomery introduced Ryan MacLean who was inducted as our newest Chinook member. Ryan received his Bachelor of Commerce degree from the Haskayne School of Business here in

Calgary, and is currently a financial planner with RBC. Ryan is involved mentoring students with junior achievement, a volunteer board member with a local theatre group, and an avid sports fan.

President David read a note from Katherine Hockenbury (daughter of Bob Depledge) on the second anniversary of Bob's passing. Katherine also sent a club donation in Bob's name. Chinook members responded instantly with a toast to Bob's memory.

Bob Montgomery was today's Sergeant, relieving several members of deserving funds. Bob welcomed back Steve McAuley after a summer absence. David Wartman announced the arrival of his new granddaughter. Happy Bucks were also announced by Robert Hay, and David Wylie. Sad Bucks from Rob Wolfson for the loss of the family dog during their time away, and Sad Bucks from Tammy Truman for the sudden loss of the Calgary Stampeder player Mylan Hicks.

Bev Tonkinson introduced today's speaker Christina Hassan, who is also a Rotary member of the Fish Creek Rotary Club.





District 5360 Grants Seminar

The District 5360 annual Grants Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, October 15th

This seminar explains the grant process in our District, including what is available, the process of applying, and how to manage the projects including preparing an acceptable Closing Report. This will be of interest in particular to those committees that deal with international projects, local projects and youth.

The seminar will be conducted at the Blackfoot Hotel in Calgary from 8:30 to 12:30, with satellite locations in Medicine Hat, Lethbridge and likely Red Deer.

Registration can be done on our District website: rotary5360.ca. Please note that at least one person from every Club must participate in order for the Club to be eligible for grants in 2017/18. There is no cost to the Club or member attending, but pre-registration is required. We may do a short add-on for those wanting to stay longer and get some tips on writing Global Grant applications.

Don Taylor, Chair, District Grants Subcommittee

the Arch — Notice

There will not be an Arch published next week (October 11th) due to the long weekend. 😊

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