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US Consulate Matt Whitton, US Consular Section Chief



Our guest speaker, Matt Whitton was introduced by Bart Dailley. Matt is the US Consular Section Chief of the US Consulate here in Calgary. In Matt's 2 ½ years in Calgary he has never met better partners and friends compared to any of his other foreign assignments. He is one of 10 US employees occupying 6 consulates across Canada. The remainder of the support staff are Canadian. His namesake and great grandfather lived in Ingersoll ON when he enlisted for the 1st World War.

Matt pointed out that although our two countries may run into issues such as USMCA trading agreements, we have a history of co-operation second to none in the world. Our collaboration in space exploration, our military's co-operation, arctic health and science, search and rescue, as well as participation in the James Webb Telescope that will be completed in 2021, is just a small sampling of co-operation by our two countries over the years. Present issues that are being addressed together, such as security against cyberattacks, the opioid crises, law enforcement along with security along our borders, all help to ensure healthy travel and trade between Canada and the US. Our collaborative efforts to address natural disasters is evident in battling forest fires which know no borders.



Rotary has always been a valuable partner in US and Canadian relations. Our hands across the border weekend in Waterton and Glacier National Park is one of many Rotary sponsored friendship weekends that take place between our countries.

US CONSULATE



CALGARY

The labour force of both nations is very transient across the border thanks to our special relationship. Immigration laws of 1952 still apply in limiting Canadian stays in the US to 180 days per year in an attempt to prevent unlawful residency. He noted that NAFTA is still the trade agreement in effect until USMCA is ratified.



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President George opened the meeting.

Visitors:

George Van Schaick welcomed visiting Rotarian Barbara Larson from Fish Creek Club, and our guest

speaker Matt Whitton, US Consular Section Chief.



Sunshine Report:

- Lyle Davidson's wife Anne has been moved into Foothills Country Hospice north of Okotoks.
- Jim Thompson expects to be back to Rotary within a week or two.
- Pat Hutchinson is back after day surgery on his ear.



Pettigrew. Al was introduced to Chinook Rotary by Dooley Radcliffe in 1996, and was previously a member of the Nutana Club in Regina since 1972. Al and his wife Bev have followed their retirement plans of world-wide travel for 3 months of each and every year, a

prescription that has been religiously adhered to. He has served on a number of committees, most notably Club Service and Community Service. He has attended International Conventions in Melbourne, Salt Lake City, New Orleans, Atlanta and Montreal, as well as being a strong supporter of The Rotary Foundation as a Paul Harris Fellow 8 times, and as a Benefactor. His most rewarding experience was the revival of the Seniors' Christmas Luncheons held at the Kirby Centre that focussed on disadvantaged seniors living in subsidized housing. Outside of Rotary, Al was a volunteer driver for the Seniors' Resource Society until his heart attack in 2008 caused him to give that up. Although age has curtailed their participation in some of the club activities, Rotary continues to be a strong component of the Pettigrews' life. They both participate in social events and support the club financially.

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Minute Men:

Paul Gaudet has signed up 28 members so far to go to see the Okotoks Dawgs play Regina on Thursday, June 27 at 7:05pm. The \$30 ticket includes a hamburger, chips and a drink. Add \$10 to move to a stadium seat during the game, \$7 if you want a steak sandwich, \$2 if you want a Spolumbo sausage instead of the hamburger.



Recognition Pin:

This week's recipient of the Recognition Pin was none other than Al

Dale Perret had bags of various styles of coffee beans for delivery from the sale in support of "our" Somerset / Bridlewood Scout Troop.



Maternal and Child Health Month

April 30th

Dr Mukarran Zaidi, Chairman, Think for Actions Committee

Youth Service Month

May 3rd

Fairview Mentoring at ROOTS 2 STEM

May 7th

John Hufnagel, GM, Grey Cup Champion Calgary Stampeders

May 10th

Fairview Mentoring at ROOTS 2 STEM

May 14th

Jeromy Farkas, Calgary City Councillor

May 21st

Abdulfatah Sabouni, Owner of Aleppo Soap, a Canadian success story

May 23rd

Networking & Social Gathering @ Limerick's, 5:30-7 pm — contact Rob Wolfson

May 28th

Jim Riege, Senior Director, Cannabis Calgary Cooperative Society



Rotary Fellowships Month

June 11th

James Maxim, Vice President, Calgary Winston Churchill Society

June 18th

Joan Lee, CEO Vecova Centre for Disability Services and Research

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Chase the Ace:

\$54 was picked up by Gary Ladouceur, but he missed the \$260 pot by picking the King of Diamonds.



Sargent at Arms:



Sgt-at-Arms Bob Montgomery was in contact with Diane McLean and she reports that Ed is recovering from short term memory loss. His use of a walker prevents him from returning home soon.

Bob then proceeded to exact revenge on all who presented him with a \$20 dollar bill to buy \$5 worth of Chase the Ace tickets. He then congratulated George Kimura for stepping up to a second term as Club President, as well as Paul Gaudet for a

second term as President Elect.

Good/Bad News:

- Anthony Tonkinson expressed relief that he had his grapefruit sized tumor removed and the fact that it was benign.
- Pat Hutchinson told us of his efforts to find a lost 7 year old girl in Edworthy Park. He remarked how everyone in the park participated in locating this young lady successfully.



Mark Your Calendars !!

Fun Casino Night Fundraiser

October 3rd @ the Carriage House Inn

Participation by ALL members is needed to make this a success!!



CASINO NIGHT



I used to be addicted to soap, but now I'm clean.

I used to be addicted to the Hokey Pokey, but I turned myself around.

People say I'm addicted to brake fluid but I can stop any time I want.

I'm so addicted to prescription glasses that I got 20/20 to share my story.

People say it's dangerous to hang out on a bridge when I'm so depressed, but it helps me get over things.

We are excited to share some recent updates to Rotaract.

Council on Legislation: Elevate Rotaract

The 2019 Council on Legislation passed enactment 19-72 to acknowledge Rotaract Clubs in the RI Constitution and Bylaws, and elevate them as an important member of the Rotary family. Rotaract Clubs will continue to have their own standard constitution but will have greater support from RI. Our organization will benefit from this change because it broadens the definition of membership in RI to include Rotaract Clubs. We will be able to learn more about Rotaractors and improve the support and resources we offer to help Rotaract grow. As Rotaractors become our partners in service, we'll also be able to better track their impact as well as amplify our reach in communities around the world.

Recent Board Decisions

The RI Board of Directors made two important decisions to provide greater leadership opportunities for Rotaractors at their April meeting.

- Rotaract clubs can co-sponsor Interact clubs!
The Rotary Code of Policies was amended to allow a Rotaract Club to co-sponsor an Interact Club with one or more Rotary Club sponsors. Rotaract Clubs will be encouraged to co-sponsor Interact Clubs to build relationships with Interactors, encourage



our young leaders to join Rotaract, and to put their leadership skills into action as mentors.

- Rotaractors can serve in district chair roles!
The Rotary Code of Policies was amended to allow the District Governor to appoint Rotaract members in good standing in the district to serve in any district committee role. This change provides new opportunities for Rotaractors to create connections at the district level, develop leadership skills, and share their skills and expertise in new ways.

The 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Casino !!

September 28th and 29th
at Calgary Casino



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The Date!

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