

## International Service Committee Report Graham Boone, Committee Chair

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Graham Boone, with the able assistance of projectionist Peter Bickham, provided a report on the activities of the International Service Committee. Chaired by Graham Boone, the committee members are Peter Bickham, Jim Hennessy, Syed Ahmed, David Irving, Neil Beatty and Sandy Swan.

The Areas of Focus are :

- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development



Over the last 10 year period, the Club has raised a total of \$991,596 through parking, casino, grilling and grants. Of this \$383,805 (38.7%) has been spent on International projects.

The list of countries supported is long, including:

Myanmar, Vietnam, Cambodia, Ukraine, Uganda, South Africa, Malawi, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Brazil, Mexico, Columbia, Guatemala, and Honduras

Graham then went on to describe the types of projects supported, including but not limited to, LED solar lighting, Malaria prevention, Micro Credit, water cisterns, and many more. He went into the background on each of the items briefly.

A great new initiative being looked into is the 'Hippo Water Roller'. It enables the movement of 90 litres of water, vs the traditional 20 litre bucket on one's head. This



saves labour time, improves sanitation and frees up time for other activities like education and micro enterprises. The UN reports that women and girls spend 200,000,000 hours every day to collect water. Diverting a portion of this time into more productive activities can only benefit society. The committee is looking into if our Interact Clubs want to get involved in this program.

Another project presented was the Hearing Assessment Project in Islamabad Pakistan. This project [cont'd on page 4 ...](#)

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President Paul started the meeting a tad late, but with Ruth thankfully on the piano to accompany us, we sang the national anthem and Rotary Grace in an acceptable manner.

Following lunch, President Paul updated us on the All Presidents' meeting that was held in Cochrane at the Camp Jubilee Girl Guide Camp. The camp covers 80 acres and was heavily impacted by the 2013 flood. Rebuilding is ongoing and efforts to raise \$600,000 for a "natural playground" are also ongoing, with phase one having been completed.



Kimura is back on his feet and in attendance today. Keeping things in balance, unfortunately, Moe Tynan fell on some ice and broke her leg. Jim Thompson is also laid up after having part of his big toe removed. Finally, Terry Green has had a gall bladder operation. All the best to the latter trio for a speedy recovery and return to the Club.



Graham Boone then introduced our **guests** that included DG Christine Rendell (Calgary East), Mary Billings, and a Rotarian from the Calgary Stampede Club (ex Calgary South) whose name I failed to catch.

Pat Hutchinson had a full **Sunshine Report** to deliver. First the good news that George

## Minute People:

- Gwenyth Gourley advised through Paul that the Celebration of Life for her mother was to be held this upcoming weekend. Contact President Paul for the details.



- DG Christine spoke to promote the upcoming District Convention. It will be run in a different format, with a focus on families. There will be a day care. Plan is to have fun, and one might be able to get screeched in and have to kiss a cod.

- Anthony Tonkinson came up and advised of changes to the lunch menu.

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Greeter Schedule			
February 11th	Bruce B, Wayne W	March 17th	Alex S, George V
February 18th	Bill S, Bob M	March 24th	Peter B, Ron M
February 25th	Hank P, Bev T	March 31st	Garth S, Michael S
March 3rd	Dale M, Paul H	April 7th	Moe T, Paul H
March 10th	Francis A, Neil C		



## Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

February 11th	Chris Manderson, Urban Conservation Lead, Calgary Parks — Bobcats in Calgary
February 13th	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
February 18th	Keith Blake, Chief, Tsuu Tina Police Force
February 20th	Networking Night @ Limericks Pub, 5:30-7pm — contact Rob Wolfson
February 25th	Dr. Richard Frayne and Dr. Linda Andersen — Brain Aging
February 27th	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30



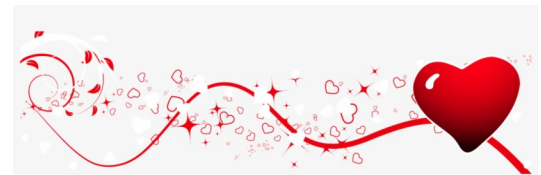
## Water and Sanitation Month

March 3rd	Wilner Pagaling, Founder, Bread Beyond Borders
March 10th	Rhea Graham — Interact Program
March 12th	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
March 17th	Membership Mingler
March 24th	Breanna MacSephney, Intake Coordinator, Calgary Meals on Wheels
March 26th	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
March 31st	Julia Reimer, Co-owner, Firebrand Glass Studio



## Maternal and Child Health Month

April 9th	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
April 14th	Club Assembly
April 21st	Rhea Graham — Youth Appreciation
April 23rd	Cribbage @ Horton Road Legion — contact Peter Bickham Fellowship @ 5:30, games @ 6:30
April 28th	Dan Doherty — Home for Mexico



## Youth Service Month

May 5th	John Hufnagel, Prez/GM, Stampeders
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## Meeting Minutes

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There will no longer be desserts on the table, nor buns. A supply of both will be off to the side for those who want some. This is in an effort to reduce waste as many of the above items are left untouched, but still have to be discarded.

- **Mark Your Calendars:** A message from absent PE Rob Wolfson was delivered. The 2020 Rotary YYC RibFest will be held over the 4 days of the August long weekend (July 31st through August 3rd).



- Peter Bickham reported on the Club's status regarding the Rotary Foundation. 60% of Club members have an online account to make donations, and he hoped the remaining 40% would get on board with this.

**Birthdays:** Bev Tonkinson announced the

birthdays: Albert Amaniampong, Pat Hutchinson, Gordon Billings, Ron Hardie, and our honourary member Margaret



Southern. The only spousal birthday was Verna Nazarchuk. With no wedding anniversaries this month, the call was made for someone to step up and resolve this issue.

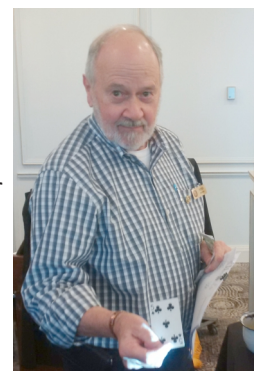
**Chase the Ace** winner was Peter Bickham, who received \$32.00 for his ticket, but drew the 5 of Clubs to everyone's delight.

Then stepping up as **Sargent at Arms**, Peter (who hopefully fined himself on his winnings) fined many for perceived infractions. Further, he should have fined himself for his closing joke!



Anne Dale came up and introduced the International Service Committee and their Chair, Graham Boone, and thanked them for all the work they do for Rotary.

*Photos courtesy George Van Schaick*





is headed up on site by our club member, Sayed Ahmed. The target is to identify children under 9 with hearing loss, and provide hearing aids when required. Educating health care and education workers on hearing loss is also a critical component.

Graham has a Power Point Presentation that goes into a lot more detail than I have space for here, so if you are interested in all the fantastic activities this Committee is doing, ask him for a copy. Better yet, look into joining the committee to help them in their efforts.

President Paul thanked Graham for his very thorough and enlightening presentation.

ISC DONATIONS VS TOTAL INCOME		Countries Supported	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Income Sources 2010 to 2019:</li> <li>CRCF, Parking, Casino, Grilling, Grants</li> <li>Total: \$ 991,596</li> <li>ISC Donations:</li> <li>Club \$ 150,959</li> <li>Society \$ 232,846</li> <li>Total \$ 383,805</li> <li>Percentage 38.7%</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Malawi</li> <li>Dominican Republic</li> <li>Haiti</li> <li>Brazil</li> <li>Mexico</li> <li>Columbia</li> <li>Guatemala</li> <li>Myanmar</li> <li>Vietnam</li> <li>Cambodia</li> <li>Ukraine</li> <li>Uganda</li> <li>South Africa</li> <li>Honduras</li> </ul>	

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