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Our meeting is on ZOOM ... Join in today @ noon!



Why Focus on Girls?

Inequality immobilizes the progress of humanity by placing the weight of the world on girls' shoulders. With an education girls can lift the world, and with their hands transform it into something beautiful.

Best of luck to these future APU scholars! The pictures show students from APU's local intake area writing their entrance examinations just last week. Those who do well will be interviewed and receive full scholarship to attend APU, beginning their Form 1 year in January 2022!



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Rotary (**)

September Birthdays & Anniversaries



Paul Gaudet Sept 01



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Ron May Sept 03

Rae Campbell Sept 05



Wayne Wiebe Sept 07 (on the left)





Alex Soutar Sept 17





Bill Stemp Sept 27









Herb & Madeline Imler Sept 03, 2005 16 years













Rotary Remembers

Thursday, November 11th @ The Carriage House Inn





Summer Book Bags:

Report to Supporters



The Book Bags crew had a busy time getting this project off the ground in such a short amount of time, we couldn't have done this without the support of so many people in our community. Thank you for your support, whether through words of encouragement, providing advice, sharing our mission on social media or with your networks, donating materials, or donating money, it all contributed to our success.

117

youth received a bag with 8 books, school supplies, and summer activities

994

1186

books donated appropriate for Pre-K to Grade 12

total books donated

Thank you to our Sponsors!







September 30th

October 19th

What's Up!!

Basic Education and Literacy Month

September 21st ZOOM meeting @ noon ... be sure to join in!

Speaker: Grant Hanna, Toastmasters International

Dixon's Evening Meeting — on ZOOM @ 7pm

Speakers: Ron & Lise May — BelCanFran Youth Exchange Program

Economic and Community Development Month

ZOOM meeting @ noon ... be sure to join in! October 5th

Speaker: Dan Doherty — Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Rotary

ZOOM meeting @ noon ... be sure to join in!

Speaker: Damen Heron, the 'man inside Darth Vader'

Rotary Foundation Month

November 11th Rotary Remembers @ The Carriage House Inn

November 16th Gary Webster, Centennial Club — Child Adolescent Mental Health Park Project

Rotary Remembers November 11th, 2021 The Carriage House Inn

Member News

Syed Ahmed

I joined RCIM (Rotary Club Islamabad Metropolitan) for a Tree Plantation ceremony at a local institution. Photo and article ...



ISLAMABAD: A tree pla tion drive was conducted by the Rotary club of Islamabad the Kotary Club of Islamabad Metropolitan on Thursday. The tree plantation day was organized by the efforts of Farkhanda JS Andrabi the president of the RCIM in collaboration with Dr Khalid, Principal of Islamsbad Graduate College H8/2. An area of the college allocated for the tree An area of the college was allocated for the trees to be planted by the members

the clean and green slogan. RCIM president and mem-bers participated in the tree plantation and promised to donate more fruit trees in the near future. Further-more, Farkhanda JS Anthe near luture. Further-more, Farkhanda JS An-drabi President RCIM and Professor Dr. Khalid princi-pal of the college discussed and shared ideas regarding the needs of their college

students in their research projects. Farkhanda JS Andrabi RCIM

president promised to help in terms of facilitating those students who want to pur sue their degrees ab and need help on Im their English pro



Did You Know ... Are You Interested!? Jim Thompson

I have been involved with this Rotary Club from inception, as a Charter Member, a unique role shared by four of us at this time. That is 45 years, (four and a half decades!). There have been many different Prime Ministers, Mayors and 40+ District Governors, many of which I knew, a few who were business partners. I have served the club as Secretary, Director, Vice President, President and Past President. I have participated in the Paul Harris awards program, honouring myself and Judy several times, and all four of our children. Both of our sons were selected for the RYLA program, 10 years apart, and one of my 6 granddaughters was selected for Rotary's Early Start program sponsored by another Calgary Rotary Club. I served a DG as Public Relations rep, the District on several committees including the biggest one, the procurement of the 1996 RI convention, followed by being a Member of the Host committee for said convention. Judy and I hosted numerous exchange students, once four at the same time. I was a Rotarian through the first 18 years as a men's only service club, and stepped up to support the inclusion of women by sponsoring the very first female member in 1992, who remains a solid member to date. The Nature

Park was my fulfilled dream for the club as a major footprint in Calgary, and I oversaw all the improvements and dealing with issues to assure its success. I hosted fellowship trips to Windermere and Panorama for many years, hosting as many as 14 members at my home there.

One of the distinct pleasures through all this was travelling as a Rotarian, throughout the world on our pleasure trips and to a few RI conventions. Our recent ZOOM speaker, a travel agent, sparked those memories. I thought how much better it might have been had she been able to include some detail about the Rotary Clubs in Mexico, in the locations that she was promoting? On several holidays abroad I was able to fit in visits to clubs ... in Paris, England, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Hawaii, many in Arizona and many more in our district while travelling with the DG, plus several in BC. There are many ,many more as well ... always welcomed, always a worthwhile Rotarian experience. As we move on during these difficult times, damned by COVID and government changes, think positive, apply the four way test to everything, and stay well.