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Ann-Marie Syslak:

Canadian Parks Society

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- At a minimum give Editor your hand written notes
 Try to encourage weekly speakers to send out advance
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- Anything for the Bulletin needs to be submitted by 2:00 pm on Thursdays in order to go into the current Bulletin

Thank you for your assistance.

It's difficult for the Bulletin Editors to take accurate Notes at a busy and loud meeting so let's help them out

Do you want to watch this week's Meeting? CLICK THE LINK: <u>https://bit.ly/2IKLIVc</u>



Toby Oswald-Felker introduced **Anne-Marie Syslak**. Anne-Marie Syslak is the Executive Director of the Southern Alberta Chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS). She has a background strongly rooted in science and education (B.Sc, B.Ed, M.Sc), and has worked in this field for the past 20 plus years.

Since joining CPAWS in 2004, the organization has won an Alberta Emerald Award and also a national award of excellence for contributions to environmental learning in Canada from the Canadian Network for Environmental Education and Communication. Anne-Marie has spoken at conferences both locally and internationally.

Outside of work, you can find Anne-Marie skiing, hiking, painting or camping with her family.

I should point out that Anne-Marie's' daughter Emma participated in our Short Term Exchange program last year and was introduced to the club along with her exchange student from Italy last July. That makes Anne-Marie part of our Rotary family and I'm so pleased to be able to introduce her today to tell us about The Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society and the great work they do to contribute to Alberta's outdoor heritage and the value of parks and protected areas in this region.



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The Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society have 13 Chapters across the Country with one being located in Southern Alberta. Anne –Marie is the Executive Director and told us that she grew up being involved in all sorts of outdoors activities and following a visit to this part of the Country she moved here in 1997.

She asked for a show of hands as to who has been outdoors in the last couple of weeks!. And what have you been doing? Apart from Door Knocking, we had hikers, walkers, skiers, and a couple of golfers. Where? We heard Fish Creek Park, Lake Louise and Canmore Trails. All areas that have benefitted from some involvement by CPAWS in the past!

Ann-Marie went on to give us an overview of activities and history of CPAWS. 50 years in Alberta. They are not political but work with Government, Industry, First Nations and Citizens on all issues concerning Parks in the Province.

Parks

"Southern Alberta has an abundance of breathtaking wilderness. Parks and protected areas are a vital

part of conserving these natural areas and the biodiversity they support. We need parks now more than ever. Establishing a network of connected reserves is necessary to maintain ecosystem services essential both for human health and species conservation."

Wildlife

"Wildlife in southern Alberta requires healthy, intact, and connected habitats. CPAWS SAB focuses on a landscape level approach to protection with a priority on ensuring the ecological integrity of wilderness areas are maintained so that threatened species, such as grizzly bears, have the space they need to thrive."

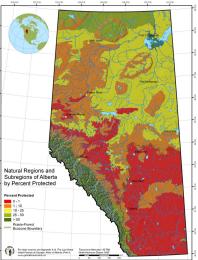
Wilderness

"Southern Alberta's wilderness contains a diversity of rich landscapes. From our picturesque prairie grasslands, rolling foothills, and inspiring parklands, to our epic Rocky Mountains – these places are special to us all. CPAWS Southern Alberta is dedicated to protecting and preserving our wilderness spaces today and for future generations."



Alberta Protected Areas







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Policy

We have varied needs for the land in Alberta. It can be tricky to find the right balance to ensure our environmental, economic and cultural well-being. However, with proper land-use planning, we can make necessary trade-offs and still protect our ecological and cultural heritage. CPAWS is working to conserve southern Alberta's wilderness areas, ecosystems and communities. To do so, we are working to have environmentally responsible land use planning policies implemented.

Anne- Marie covered various topics and closed with taking questions from the floor.

Tell us about the use of the Animal Crossings on Highway 1?...The use is monitored by cameras and tracking hoof and paw prints. Uptake was slow but the animals have gradually adapted to using them. Different species prefer the under the road tunnels to the overhead crossings.

What about Parking Issues in the Parks?. We have been involved with various stake holders on a Human Use Strategy for all areas. This has been looking at practical ways to enhance the visitors experience and still maintain the integrity of the Park Areas.

Where do you get Funding? Like you we are a Non-Profit organization and our funding comes from various sources. No Foreign money! We do generate modest income from conducting educational programs. Financials are published on the web site.

Jim Fitzowich thanked Anne-Marie and said that CPAWS and Rotary share common goals; Promoting Parks and Youth Involvement. Great presentation!





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Good afternoon and Welcome to the Rotary Club of Calgary South for April 18th, 2019. Today **President Elect Chas Filipski** was standing in for **President Ron**.

Chas asked if we wanted a moment of silence or a cheer after the Election!. He said that his son reminded him that today is the 64th Anniversary of the passing of Albert Einstein! That takes us back to 1955... the Year this Club was Chartered and the year he was born!

Please join Lisa Fernandes in the singing of O Canada and Rotary Grace

Following Lunch Chas introduced the Head Table: Anne-Marie Syslak (Speaker), Toby Oswald-Felker, and the new Directors on his Board next year: Gena Rotstein, Ted Stack, Mike Ruttan and Jamie Moorhouse.

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Visitors and Guests: Brenda McKinley looked after introducing our Guests.



50/50 Draw: Ben Steblecki looked after the Draw today and the winner of \$120.00 was our guest Nicolas Mason. Ben had a good joke.... Those not in attendance ask him the next time you see him!

New Members Celebration: John Fitzsimmons gave a big thank you to **Carol Rosdobutko and her team** for putting together a very unique New

Members Celebration last Thursday. Thank you to **Christine Kyte and Reflective Catering** for a great meal.



Health and Wellness: Dorothea Schaab reported as follows

- **Lynn Grant** is on the mend. Two weeks ago he was hospitalized with Influenza A, but is home now and getting stronger.
- Earl Huson is struggling with Sciatic nerve pain in his leg.
- Leon Popik is now scheduled for Hip Surgery in June. 2 1/2 years since he started having hip problems.



Paul Harris Fellow Awards: Jack Thompson presented the following Awards: Dilan Perera: +4, Larry Kennedy: +4, Harry Pelton: +6 and Bryan Walton: +6





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President's World Fest: Keith Davis reminded us all that the Presidents World Fest is taking place this year at the Acadia Recreation Centre on May 24th. Tickets are one for \$40 and 2 for \$80!

Rotary T-Shirts: Hans Tiedemann: circulated a list for anyone interested in "Rotary People in Action" T Shirts. If you want one give him a call soon.



Stay In School Mentors: Earl Huson has 4 new students this year and needs 4 new Mentors.

Attendance Milestone Awards: Norm Legare presented the following awards: Dorothea Schaab for 100 meetings, Ken Farn for 200 meetings and Earl Huston for 1,000 meetings







Sergeant-At-Arms: Jack Thompson was to look after this task today but Chas postponed him due to time constraints. Chas will be fined next week!

2019/2020 Outbound Student: Kaylee Quinney: Kathy Demorest introduced Kaylee and welcomed her mother Shannon along with her Grandfather Bill Quinney a member of Calgary West. Kaylee is a Grade 11 student at St Gabriel School in Chestermere. She is very involved in School activities and numerous sports including being a Black Belt in Taekwondo. Kaylee got her Country of first choice..... Spain





Kaylee told us all how excited she was to have this wonderful opportunity and how she will always be attached to Rotary for giving her this chance. Before she leaves she has a couple of goals..... Move up from 200 to 600 words in Spanish and be able to carry on a "Caveman" conversation. When she comes back she wants to be fluent in Spanish and have visited as many Cathedrals as possible along with five Museums. Have a great year Kaylee and we look forward to your report when you come back next in 2020.

President-Elect Chas then adjourned the meeting

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK





Please note that <u>Kathyann Reginato</u> will be away from April 17th to April 26th and May 20th to May 24th. Please do not phone the office at this time but you can send out emails and she will be checking them

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Please be advised that **Nancy Spence** has been proposed for active membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary South as Sponsored by **Kevin MacLeod** and Seconded by **Larry Stein** with a proposed Classification of **Wholesale Lawn & Garden**

Nancy Spence's membership has been approved by the Board of Directors on the basis of the recommendation of the Membership, Qualifications and Classifications Committee subject to completion of a formal application and communication of his name and proposed classification to the membership.

If any Member objects to **Nancy Spence** joining our Club or to his proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary at:

larrystein@shaw.ca prior to May 2nd, 2019

Shaw Family Scholarship at Mount Royal University

A scholarship in the name of Gardie and Jeanne Shaw was established by our Club in 2005 recognizing Gardie for his many contributions to our Club, the District & Rotary International when he chaired the 1996 convention committee. Our Club finances this award along with a contribution from the estate. The recipient of this scholarship for this year is Cora Palumbo. Here is her note of thanks.

Dear Calgary South Rotarians,

I wanted to take the time to thank you and the Rotary Club of Calgary South Gardie & Jeanne Shaw for the scholarship I was awarded last year.

Because of your generosity and your contribution, I was able to invest further into my future, and actually used that money to study abroad: a dream I have always had.

Today I am emailing you from Northern France, where I am continuing my semester as a public relations student internationally. The experience has brought me so many rewarding lessons and memories to cherish my whole life.

I am beyond grateful for this opportunity and I can never thank you enough for changing my life in the best way. It is genuinely encouraging that hard work pays off, even in a literal sense.

Without your scholarship and support, this would not be possible for me.

Thank you for making a difference in my life and helping me invest in myself.

Warmest regards from France,

Cora Palumbo, Mount Royal University, Public relations student (Awarded recipient)



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Thank you to everyone that was able to attend the Bethany Riverview on April 12th to see the dedication of the Dining Hall on behalf of the Late Frank King. Frank's legacy continues as we miss him greatly.

According to Jeanette King this is one of Frank's first drawings



COMING TOGETHER

The King Family Dining Room is a gift from the Rotary Club of Calgary South in recognition of long-time Rotary member and Past President Frank King, and the significant legacy he created for our community.

It is around the table, as we come together to share good food, news and stories, music and laughter, hopes and dreams, that we have the opportunity to strengthen relationships, nurture traditions, and imagine new possibilities.

Born and raised in Alberta, Frank King spent most of his life in Calgary, after graduating from the University of Alberta in Chemical Engineering. He was a devoted family man, who was generous with his friendships and passionate about his community.

As a trusted and energetic business leader, Frank served on the Board of many national companies and was actively involved in community initiatives in the areas of health, sports, education and the arts. It was at Frank King's 'table' that innovation and growth flourished, where ideas could be exchanged and re-imagined, to solve problems in new ways.

Frank's vision, as Chairman and CEO of the XV Olympic Winter Games in Calgary, led people to dare to dream beyond themselves and pour their hearts into building a better community for tomorrow. The 1988 Games channeled the creativity and community spirit of more than 10,000 volunteers, leaving an indelible impression on the world and in the hearts of those touched by this experience. A legacy not to be forgotten.

It is our hope that The King Family Dining Room serves as a space for family and community to come together to share joyful moments and create the kind of meaningful connections that make our world a better place.







THE BULLETIN of The Rotary Club of Calgary South **Dinner Club and Mustard Seed Dinner**



Dinner Club: April 6, 2019

We had an evening of fun, games & dress-up at Dinner Club

Margarita's anyone?

Allan & Wendy Johnson, Mike & Susan Ruttan and John Shield were hosted by Kathy **Demorest** to an evening of Mexican flare. It was a memorable evening of fellowship and laughter!!



Submitted by: Kathy Demorest



MUSTARD SEED DINNER

Members of your club, family and friends prepared and served over 300 dinner meals at the Mustard Seed on Tuesday April 16th. Dinner was a pork chop, with mashed potatoes, carrots and broccoli. Dessert was ice cream. Your club contributed \$1,300.00 towards the cost of the meal. Thanks to everyone that helped out.

Submitted by: Harry Pelton



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Only 91 days to the Stampede 2019 Kickoff. The Dream Home is up and at the drywall stage! *Homes by Avi* have developed another gorgeous home.

Home: *\$1,060,000* Dream Home Package which includes \$100,000 Cash. Home will be located in Walden again

<u>Rotary Team & Rotary Volunteer reminder:</u>

there are a couple of significant changes for Calgary Stampede 2019...

Split Em 50 is now called **"Showdown 50-50"** (minimum prize will be \$500,000 take home)



- This now aligns with the rodeo and chucks prizes and Champions... daily winners and a Grand Prize drawn in the eve of Sunday July 15
- Still a cumulative 50-50 (winner gets ½ of the pot) with added 10 daily winners drawn (with an additional daily prize of approx. \$1,000 value) to get us to "Showdown Sunday" where the Grand Prize winner will be drawn and take home ½ of the cumulative pot cash.

Ticketless! Rotary and Kinsmen all ticketless in 2019 – It's a GO!!!

Technology: iPads and Thermal Printers with ability to scan driver's licenses and also do manual entry

•The new technology will be touch screen, menu driven and provide for an awesome seller and purchaser "buying experience". This will include the ability to sell "packages" of prizes...

Comprehensive Training Sessions are planned for Rotarians and our Volunteers:

Sales Managers	Sellers & Sales Ambassadors
Cashiers & Accounting	Technology experts

- We have booked 3 Training Sessions per week for the entire month of June (every Tues, Thurs (evenings), and Saturday (during the day) in June additional details and dates to follow)
- We will have 35-40 sellers per shift required & no printers (we are developing several key and exciting new roles for our Rotary volunteers under 18 years of age)

Stay tuned over the next coming weeks for more specific details, training schedules, launch dates, etc!!

Here's to another incredible *Calgary Stampede in* **2019**!!



THE BULLETIN of The Rotary Club of Calgary South Liisa's Literary Lore



I got to experience spring skiing with my host family and really enjoyed it. The weather in Lake Louise was amazing!

My friend owns a horse and two dogs and I went to the stables with her. I hope I could do more horseback riding with someone else because her horse is currently injured... I also went to Peter's Drive-In for the first time with her and we went to this pretty view spot!



I had fun in the New Members Celebration Dinner and so did Alice who's from Belgium and with the Rotary Club of Cochrane.

I've done a lot of art lately and I really enjoy that class in school. School is going well and I don't have much left until the summer break starts!



Now that the weather is getting better, I'm hoping to try golf and tennis because I'm not good in those sports and would want to learn how to play!











KATHYANN'S LITTLES ...

As many of you know I have been blessed with a small pack of little people lately.

I wanted to make sure that I did not forget my "original favorite" granddaughter Olivia who is 8 as well.

Pictured here are: Princess Sophia, My Original Favorite Olivia and my little man Theodore.

When I am not busy "herding cats" at Rotary South I am dealing with this little crew of monkeys.

Kathyann Reginato (Proud G-Ma)



Calgary South Rotary Partners' Spring Luncheon

Wednesday, Apríl 24, 2019 at 11:30 A.M. Willow Park Golf & Country Club 639 Willow Park Drive SE Ticketz \$40.00 — Guestz Welcome!

Please R.S.V.P. by April 15 to Millie Huson 403-686-0828 or <u>ehuslink@telusplanet.net</u> Send cheques payable to "Calgary South Rotary Partners" to: Karen Grant, 3927 Vancouver Cres NW Calgary AB T3A 0M2



Book Sale! Jewelry Draw! 50/50 Draw!







APRIL 2019: MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH Apr 24: Partners Luncheon: Willow Park Golf and Country Club: 11:30 am **Bob Sartor: Calgary Airport Authority: Blue Room** Apr 25: MAY 2019: MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH Norm Devitt: Rotary Profile May 2: May 3-5: District 5360 Conference May 7: **Ronald McDonald House Dinner** May 9: St. Mary's 4 Way Test Contest May 16: Art Borzel Tribute May 23: Stay In School Luncheon: Carriage House Inn May 24: President's World Fest: Cocktail 5:30 pm Dinner 7:00 pm May 30: Dream Home Registration Kick off May 31-June 2: RCCS Invermere Golf and Fellowship Weekend JUNE 2019: ROTARY FELLOWSHIP June 6: Liisa Lehtio: YEX Presentation and Farewell June 12: Annual Partners Dinner: Willow Park Golf and Country Club: 5:00 pm June 13: Stampede President Presentation: Club House June 20: Small Grants Charity Day Presentation June 27: Changing of the Guard: Must park in Lot 10 Small Grants JULY 2019: July 4: Dream Home Kickoff Breakfast: Heritage Park Celebration Tent: 10:00 am July 11: No Meeting: On Park: Dream Home Ticket Selling July 18: East Village Centre: Walking Tour July 25: No Meeting: Stay In School Golf Tournament **AUGUST 2019** Aug 1: Inaugural Address and District Governor Visit Melissa D'Souza/Lucy Mrakawa: "gutChek" Presentation Aug 8: Aug 15: Alberta Narratives Project Aug 22: **Returning YEX Student Presentation** Aug 29: President Chas Birthday Celebration SEPTEMBER 2019 Sept 5: **Glen Street (CEO): Street Characters** Sept 12: RCCS YouthLink Site Tour Sept 19: Janice McTighe: Renfrew Sept 26: CRCF Campaign Kick off **OCTOBER 2019** Oct 3: TBA Oct 10: TBA Oct 17: **Cambodian Dancers** Oct 24: TBA Oct 31: **Rotary International Foundation Kick off**

Health, Wellness & Transportation for March and April 2019

Contact **Dorothea Schaab** at: 403-238-1730 or: <u>schaab@telus.net</u> if you know of anyone that is not well, that could use a visit or a ride to a Rotary Meeting.





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