

## NEW MEMBERS CELEBRATION



**Joe Connelly** was serving as MC for the evening and called everyone to order!? He introduced **President Murray** who brought greetings and welcomed everyone to the Rotary Club of Calgary South New Members Celebration.

Joe proceeded to inform the gathering that the President was available to any table for a price!

He would be the head waiter of the table - serving drinks and food to the table which came up with the largest amount of **COLD HARD CASH**.

President Murray was sold for astronomical price of \$80.00 Canadian.

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Joe called on and introduced all the members of the **NEW MEMBERS CELEBRATION COMMITTEE**: **Bernie Benning, Stan Cichon, Kathy Demorest, Myrna Dube, Amy Giang, Wendy Giuffre, Jack Haman, John Labun, Brenda McKinley, Leon Popik, Guy Simms, Sid Smith and Ted Stack.**

**Don O'Dwyer** was introduced and lead us in a simple Prayer. This was followed by "O Canada" with **Jack Haman** at the piano. Our photographer for the evening was **Clive Pringle** and our Bulletin Editor was **Glenn Potter**.

**There were no announcements and we proceeded to enjoy our meal.**

Bulletin Chair: **Bev Ostermann**  
Editor: **Glenn Potter**  
Photographer: **John Shield**

## NEW MEMBERS CELEBRATION

**To those who were able to attend tonight, this was a very special time**

A time of frivolity and hilarity took place with the dressing up of none other than **Jim Hutchens**. By the time all tables had purchased their items of clothing, Jim set a new standard of “sartorial splendour” that will serve the club for many years to come!!

To assist everyone in getting to know our new members we played a trivia game in which a trivia detail was given and each table had to match the detail with the correct new member. Our MC's table won the contest by correctly matching the last detail to **Leon Popik**.

Upon completion of the meal we proceeded directly to the Auction portion of the evening – our Auctioneer's: **John Fitzsimmons** and **Ken Copithorne**, along with the committee kept things rolling as we proceeded to auction off all the prizes and donated items.

The evening closed with **Sid Smith**, thanking all the members of the auction committee, the various prize donors and everyone in the crowd for participating in a most successful auction event.



***We look forward to hearing the financial results of what was a most enjoyable time. Thank you to Kathy Demorest and the New Member Celebration Committee for your time and efforts***



## NEW MEMBERS CELEBRATION IN PHOTOS





## NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL



The following proposed new member has been approved by the Board of Directors. If any Member objects to them joining our Club or to the assigned classifications, an objection must be filed in writing and delivered to the Club Secretary by: April 30th 2016

**Name: Chloe Dusser**      **Classification: Yoga/Youth/Education**

**Proposed by: Geoff Hughes**      **Seconded by: Kevin Hayes**

## SMALL GRANTS NEWS

We want to say **THANK YOU!** to the Rotary Club of Calgary South for the generous donation of \$5000. These dollars helped us complete our new kitchen renovation. Heinrich Heinz from Rotary South dropped by to present us with the cheque! We were all smiles of course! A great project made possible by great partners like Rotary



**CALGARY DEAF AND HEARING SOCIETY**



**CALGARY PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE**

Brad Brewster is seen here presenting a cheque for \$8,800 on behalf of Calgary Rotary South to the Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre.

The funds are being used for computer equipment and to furnish two counselling rooms at their main centre

## SMALL GRANTS NEWS

**Past President Keith Davis**, on behalf of the Small Grants Committee, presented a \$10,000 cheque to Stephen McPhee & his Mom, Nancy McPhee of Stephen's Backpacks Society. The cheque is toward purchase of a badly-needed delivery vehicle.



Jim & Nancy McPhee were talking about a homeless man pictured in a Calgary newspaper. They were having a typical conversation, wondering who he was and where his family might be at that time of year. Their 5 year old son, Stephen, was playing in the adjoining room and came in to ask a question that would change their lives: "Are there kids on the street, Mommy?"

His Mother confirmed that yes there are children without homes. Stephen blurted out "Mommy, I want to help them." When asked how he wanted to help he said he wanted to think about it. A few weeks later Stephen came to his parents and said he had decided he wanted to make backpacks, a word he had difficulty even pronouncing. He went downstairs, took some of his good toys, crayons & books and brought them upstairs. Stephen's parents were excited about this, as Stephen had been diagnosed with PDDNOS on the Autism spectrum a year earlier and this behavior of wanting to reach out and help wasn't characteristic of children on the spectrum.

The McPhees went out and purchased 15 backpacks and filled them with all sorts of wonderful items. Knowing that their son was a visual learner and a very concrete thinker, Stephen's parents contacted the Inn From the Cold organization and on Christmas Eve 2016 Stephen presented his first backpacks at the shelter to a 16-year-old boy with Down Syndrome.

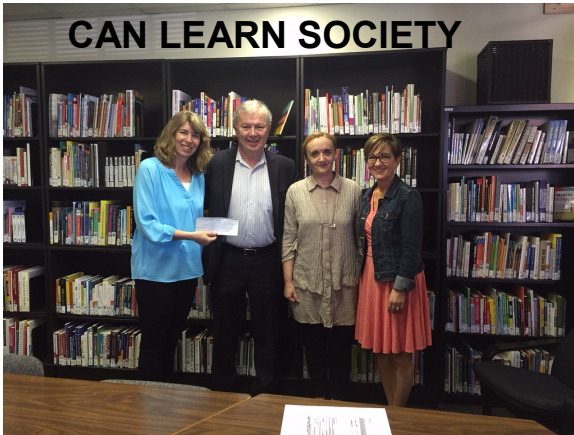
10 years later, Stephen's Backpacks Society has helped more than 40,000 children with thousands of backpacks, many pairs of shoes, and lots of other assistance through 4 different programs. It all started with one little boy who had the courage to dream out loud.

Rotary South, under the leadership of The Small Grants Committee Chair, Bill LeClair, are proud to be able to assist. Past President Keith also arranged for an anonymous, private donor to donate more than 4,000 square feet of warehouse space on a free, open-ended lease, providing a permanent home for Stephen's Backpacks Society and the many hundreds of volunteers who help them in their mission.



## SMALL GRANTS NEWS

### CAN LEARN SOCIETY



Bill LeClair (Chair of the Small Grants Committee) is seen here presenting a cheque to the Can Learn Society

Mark Ambrose is seen here at the McMan Society presenting a cheque on behalf of the Small Grants Committee.

### McMAN



### FATHER LACOMBE CARE CENTRE FOUNDATION



Ben Stebleck had the pleasure of presenting \$10,000 to Evelyn Stewart of the Father Lacombe Care Centre Foundation for 5 new beds

Here is a photo of Providence House receiving their cheque from Phil Jackson





## **DREAM HOME VOLUNTEER INFORMATION**

### **Do you use Facebook?**



This is an excellent opportunity to recruit volunteers for the Rotary Dream Home / Split 'em 50 project.

Just copy and paste the message sent to you by myself on April 20th 2016 to your Facebook page (or into an email that you will send to friends, family, employees, co-workers, etc on your email contact list).



Every Rotarian probably has several friends that they wouldn't necessarily approach by telephone or in person to solicit volunteer support. By posting on your Facebook page (or sending out a quick email), we can request help in a very low key, no pressure way. I'd be surprised if we didn't each get a high quality volunteer (or two) that we wouldn't have considered asking otherwise.

We want to make sure the volunteers we recruit are high quality... before committing to a potential volunteer ask yourself this; would this potential volunteer be someone you would hire to handle a similar task (and represent you) at your business? If yes, bring them on.

Thanks again for your great support of this important project,

Craig Stokke, Vice Chair  
Dream Home Committee

**HERE IS THE SAMPLE INFORMATION SENT TO YOU ON APRIL 20TH BY EMAIL: Copy and paste the following into your Facebook page or email:**

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Facebook friends, it's that time of year again... the Rotary Club of Calgary South's major fund-raising initiative takes place during the world famous Calgary Stampede. Our members, partners, families and friends help us raise money by selling tickets to the Rotary Dream Home and Split 'em 50 draw (from booths throughout the Stampede midway). This year we hope to raise over a half million dollars that we'll donate to our many worthwhile community and charitable partners. With the Calgary economy suffering this year, these great organizations need our support more than ever!!!

This is where you can help. We are looking for volunteers to help us sell tickets (or alternatively, to enter the purchaser's information into the computer so the buyer doesn't have to "hand write" their name on each ticket). You can volunteer for one shift, or more, all help is greatly appreciated.

Each shift runs approx six hours on pre-determined days. We will provide everything you need including FREE gate admission to the park, sandwiches, and drinks. We'll do our best to schedule your shifts on a date and time of your choosing. Ticket sellers must be 18 years or older, ticket printers should be 14 years or older.

If you think you might be interested in helping us out, please let me know so I can provide you more details. Shift selection starts April 28th so please let me know at your earliest convenience so we can get you the days / shift(s) you want.

Thank you in advance for your support,

PS: This project is a lot of fun, is not physically demanding, and raises a lot of money for the various charities and projects we support. Please let me know if you would like to help.

**2016 DISTRICT 5360 CONFERENCE: *RIISING TO NEW HEIGHTS***  
**Friday, May 13, 2 pm PRESENTATION**  
**BUILDING A WORLD FIRST – THE ROTARY/MATTAMY GREENWAY**

During the 2012-13 Rotary year, 15 Rotary Clubs in Calgary and area formed an Alliance to become title sponsors of the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway in collaboration with the Parks Foundation Calgary. This is our story – this is how we created our alliance; how we chose this project; how we ‘sold’ our vision; how we maneuvered through the challenges along the way; how we remained focused on Rotary ideals and honoured our motto ‘Service Above Self’. This is a story for all Rotarians who envision leaving a legacy for their communities that will endure long after their story fades.

What is the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway? The citizens of Calgary and area will have access year-round to 138 km of pathways encircling our City of 1.2 million people for walking, running, biking, blading, for holding community functions, and for learning about the natural environment. A series of urban parks are integrated into the Greenway and there are educational interpretive areas, wetlands, and fitness training facilities for all abilities and ages. The Greenway is truly a unique, world-class, accessible outdoor recreation facility.

On June 24th, 2017, Rotary will joyfully celebrate Canada’s 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the legacy this 138 km system of pathways, urban parks and wetlands will provide for every citizen of Calgary and area, now and for future generations in perpetuity.

**Be a Gift to the World: 2016 RI District 5360 Conference**  
**May 13, 14, 15, 2016: Canmore, AB**  
**Registration ends May 6, 2016**

*“Rise to New Heights and be a part of this years conference!”*

Registration fees for District Conference 2016 are listed below. Please click the “Register Now!” button at the bottom of the page.

**Dec 31, 2015- May 8, 2016**

Single – Full Conference	\$450
Rotarian & Partner – Full Conference	\$850
New Generations	\$250
Friday Only	\$150
Saturday Only (excluding Gala)	\$100
Saturday Gala Only	\$100
Sunday Only	\$100

<http://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=97286aec-a0e1-42ee-886b-bf59c5e9a47f>





## PRESIDENT'S PARTY

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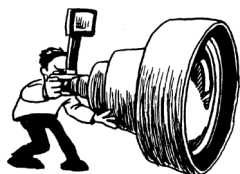
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Calgary South

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## PARTNERS IN PRINT



### ROSTER PHOTOS NEEDED ASAP

**Pat Farn** only has 23/135 pictures from the **Rotary Partners**. She needs updated pictures from **EVERYONE** of the Partners. They should be digital, portrait oriented, head and shoulders pictures. Send to: [patfarn@telus.net](mailto:patfarn@telus.net) to get included in the new directory. Please do so by **April 30th, 2016**. This will assist new members to get to know us and for us to get to know new members

## Calgary South Rotary Partners' Spring Luncheon



Wednesday, April 27, 2016

11:30 am

Willow Park Golf & Country Club  
639 Willow Park Drive SE

Speaker: Frances Wright

Tickets: \$35.00

Guests Welcome

Jewellery Raffle Prizes

Their Struggle ...  
Our Legacy

Please RSVP by April 21 to Pat Cuthbert  
(403.252.0156 or [bill.cuthbert@shaw.ca](mailto:bill.cuthbert@shaw.ca))

If you require a ride,  
please contact Pat Farn  
(403.271.5567 or [patfarn@telus.net](mailto:patfarn@telus.net))

Cheques can be made out to  
"Calgary South Rotary Partners" and sent to  
Donna Kennedy at 37 Mahogany Manor SE  
Calgary, AB T3M 0Y3



## 2016 ROTARY CALGARY SOUTH CALENDAR ETC...

### APRIL 2016

- April 27 Partners Spring Luncheon at Willowpark Golf & Country Club
- April 28 Dream Home Registration Kick Off
- April 29 Ronald McDonald House Dinner: a few more volunteers needed

### MAY 2016

- May 3 Mustard Seed Dinner: 15 or more volunteers needed
- May 5 Ian Anderson: Transmountain Pipeline
- May 11 Board Meeting
- May 12 Linda Powell: STARS Air Ambulance
- May 13-15 District Conference in Canmore
- May 17 Mustard Seed Dinner: 15 or more volunteers needed
- May 19 Preston Manning: Alberta's Political Future
- May 26 Bethany Centre Presentation
- May 27-29 Radium Fellowship Weekend

### JUNE 2016

- June 2 Stay In School Luncheon at The Carriage House Inn
- June 8 Board Meeting
- June 9 Charities Day at The Carriage House Inn
- June 10 President's Dinner: Acadia Rec Center (more info to come)
- June 16 Dr. Dru Marshall: Provost of the U of C (At the Club House)
- June 23 Anni Arvo: YEX Student Presentation (At The Club House)
- June 30 Changing of the Guard and WCS Presentation

### JULY 2016

- July 7 Dream Home Kickoff at Ranchman's Cookhouse and DanceHall
- July 14 NO MEETING: DREAM HOME
- July 21 Paul Siska: Outbound YEX Student
- July 28 NO MEETING: STAY IN SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT

### AUGUST 2016

- Aug 4 Inaugural Address
- Aug 11 To be announced
- Aug 18 S.A.L.T.S. Presentation
- Aug 25 To be announced



**HEALTH AND WELLNESS:** Contact Ed Whitaker at: (403) 249-2864 or: [edwhit@spring-bank.ca](mailto:edwhit@spring-bank.ca) if you know of anyone that is not well or is there anyone you know that could use a visit.



**TRANSPORTATION:** Contact Gui Salazar at: (403) 875 5146 (Cell) or (403) 281 9719 (Home) or: [salazars@telus.net](mailto:salazars@telus.net) if you know of anyone that may need a ride to meetings

## NEW YEX STUDENT AND CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION



### **Meet Pablo Ruiz Beltri**

Rotary Exchange Student for 2016-2017.

Pablo comes from the city of Murcia in the southeast of Spain.

Pablo has an older brother and older sister, who have also gone on exchange, and a younger brother. Pablo is primarily focused on the sciences and math in school. In the future he hopes to do something that involves design and physics.

Pablo participates in sports including, tennis, basketball, soccer and track but his special interest is sailing.

Chas Filipski will be Pablo's Inbound Counsellor for the year. If anyone is interested in hosting Pablo for a 2 or 3 month period during the year, please contact Chas at: 403 244 5450 or Email: [chas.filipski@gmail.com](mailto:chas.filipski@gmail.com)



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**Past President:** Allan Johnson  
**Secretary:** Ted Rowsell  
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