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PP **Bob Brawn** introduced his old friend, PP **Frank King**. **Frank** really needs no introduction to the Club, but **Bob** recalled how they first met at Central High School and then went on to U of A together to study engineering. They both met their wives while there. **Frank** went on to work in the refineries at Sarnia and later joined Ralph M Parson to construct refineries. When Turbo Resources needed somebody to build their refinery at Balzac, **Bob** could think of no one better qualified to build it than his best friend, **Frank King**.

Frank presented the story of the **Battle for Vimy Ridge** April 9-14, 1917, and his family's connection to the story. "The War to End all Wars" started shortly after the assassination of Franz Ferdinand, the Archduke of Austria, on June 28, 1914 in Sarajevo, Serbia. The **Henry King** family had recently moved from England and was living in Wainwright, Alberta. **Henry**, **Frank's** grandfather and his two sons, **Walter** (Frank's father), age 20, and **Arthur**, age 17, enlisted in the Canadian Army. After training in Calgary and Trenton, both **Arthur** and **Walter** were posted to France in November, 2016. **Arthur** went to the 7th battalion and **Walter** to the 5th Battalion. **Henry** also served behind the fighting fronts in France, so occasional family contact could take place among the three Kings from Wainwright.

During the winter of 1916/17, the four divisions of the Canadian Corps, which had been decimated at the Battle of the Somme, with over 25,000 casualties, was brought together to regroup and train for the upcoming assault on Vimy Ridge. They were under the command of Lieutenant-General Sir Julian Byng.

The objective of the Canadian Corps was to take control of the German-held high ground along an escarpment at the northernmost end of the Arras Offensive. Both the French and British Armies had unsuccessfully attacked this ridge in 1915 and 1916, suffering major casualties. The Canadian attack was preceded by a sustained two-week barrage from a massive artillery emplacement of over 1,000 heavy guns and 500 field artillery, which destroyed a majority of the German artillery sites and much of the trench defenses. It also forced the German reinforcements to stay at least 24 km behind the lines to avoid being shelled. The Germans referred to the barrage as “the week of sorrow”.



Supported by a creeping barrage that advanced 100 yards in timed intervals, the Canadian Corps captured most of the ridge during the first day of the attack. The town of Thélus fell during the second day of the attack, as did the crest of the ridge once the Canadian Corps overcame a salient against considerable German resistance. The final objective, a fortified knoll located outside the village of GivENCHY-en-Gohelle, fell to the Canadian Corps on April 12th. The Canadian Corp suffered 3,600 fatalities and 7,000 wounded in total. Four Canadian soldiers earned the Victoria Cross during the Battle.

Historians attribute the success of the Canadian Corps in capturing the ridge to a mixture of technical and tactical innovation, meticulous planning, powerful artillery support which utilized innovative acquisition and targeting techniques, and extensive training, as well as the inability of the German Sixth Army to bring reinforcement into play in a timely manner. The battle was the first occasion when all four divisions of the Canadian Expeditionary Force participated in a battle together and it has become a symbol of Canadian national achievement and sacrifice. The Canadian success at Vimy impressed both allies and enemy, and led to the use of Canadian troops as elite shock forces throughout the remainder of the war.

All three of the **King** family survived the battle, but **Arthur** was killed in action on April 19, 1918 by shrapnel from an enemy shell which exploded nearby. **Arthur's** personal diary, stored in his breast pocket was found with a shrapnel hole in it. A picture of his fiancée **Margaret**, also with a shrapnel hole, was inside his diary next to his heart

A letter from **Walter** to his Mother:

“Dear Mother,

Got your letter today. So you know that we have taken Vimy Ridge and are now fighting in the suburbs of Lens. The papers will show you the importance of Vimy Ridge, supposed to have been the Kaiser's greatest stronghold on this front. Many divisions of French troops have fallen trying to take Vimy Ridge when they held that part of the line.

A German sergeant-major taken prisoner said to the fellows, “Camerads, you take Vimy Ridge, you win the war.”

Besides carrying up ammunition and water supplies... we were set up on a burying party. We buried 72 5th Battalion men, but the dead Fritzs lying around was a terror. Nearly every dugout was piled up with them.

Father was over and looked at the 7th Battalion casualties after the big fight but Arthur's name wasn't there so he must be all right. The 7th are not here now but we will see them again in a few days.

Now that we have pushed the Germans back we will have to move further on. Our big guns are moving up all the time...so where is the famous Hindenburg Line now?

Affectionately,

Walter

Seven months after Arthur's death, much loved **Mother King** received a letter from her son **Walter**:

"Somewhere in France November 11, 1918.

Dear Mother:

The Great European War is over! At the termination of it all, it is some consolation to know that the great sacrifice made by Arthur and the many others has not been for nothing.

You, yourself have done all that could be expected and much more. Arthur and I often spoke of that together out here, since he has gone, hard though it has been...I am glad to say you never once doubted the success of the cause for which Arthur gave his life.

With heartfelt thanks for all you have done for us, and hoping to be home again soon.

Your affectionate son,

Walter

*"What means those crosses on the hill,
Those wooden crosses did you say?
They mark the graves of those who fell
In freedom's cause; to win the day on Vimy Ridge."*

Walter King

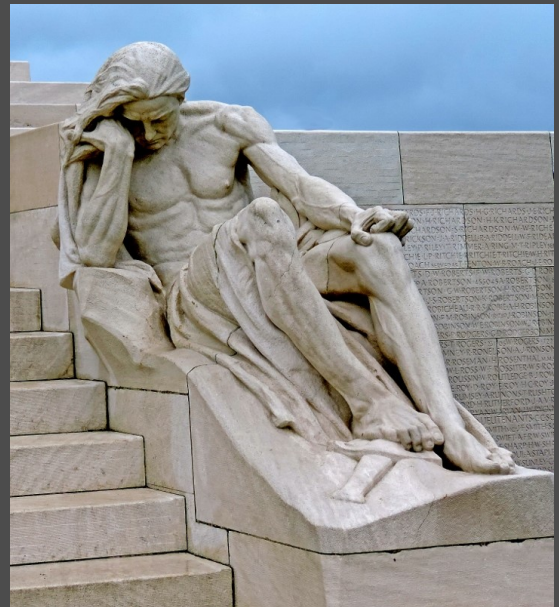


A 100-hectare portion of the former battleground serves as a memorial park and site of the Canadian National Vimy Memorial. Vimy Memorial is Canada's largest and principal overseas war memorial. Located on the highest point of the Vimy Ridge, the memorial is dedicated to the commemoration of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and Canadian Expeditionary Force members killed during the First World War. It serves as the place of commemoration for 11,285 Canadian soldiers killed in France during the First World War that have no known grave. France granted Canada perpetual use of a section of land at Vimy Ridge in 1922 for the purpose of a battlefield park and memorial. The grounds of the site are still honeycombed with wartime tunnels, trenches, craters and unexploded munitions, and are largely closed off for public safety. A section of preserved trenches and a portion of a tunnel have been made accessible to site visitors.

Designed by Toronto architect and sculptor Walter Seymour Allward, who described his masterwork as a "sermon against the futility of war". The memorial took eleven years and \$1.5 million (\$20.90 million in present terms) to build and was unveiled on 26 July 1936 by King Edward VIII, in the presence of 50,000 or more Canadian and French veterans and their families. Starting in 2004, the monument underwent a major multi-year restoration project, which included general cleaning and the re-carving of many inscribed names. Queen Elizabeth II rededicated the restored monument on 9 April 2007 during a ceremony commemorating the 90th anniversary of the battle. Veterans Affairs Canada maintains the memorial site. The commemoration at the memorial on 9 April 2017 for the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge will be attended by dignitaries including Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and Governor General David Johnston.

Dilan Perera thanked **Frank** for his very personal story of his family's involvement in this momentous battle. It is important for all of us to remember the sacrifices made by so many so that we can enjoy the freedoms that we have today.

President Ken also thanked **Frank** by advising that the Club will be making a donation in his name to the Stay in School Foundation.



These Photos are from Bev Ostermann's personal collection

President Ken Farn was back from his ski trip to Vernon, sporting a puffy knee courtesy of trying to keep up with the grandkids. He thanked **PE Bill LeClair** for filling in for him last week. He then asked **Lisa Fernandes** to accompany us in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table: PP Bob Brawn, our speaker today **PP Frank King**, , **Roselyn Jack**, **Craig Stokke**, and **Joe Connelly**, Sergeant at Arms.

Visitors and Guests: Blake Pelham introduced our visitors and guests: Jeanette King and David King (Guests: Frank King), Bob McKendrick (Guest: Ken Farn), Siva Sam and Manny Rai (Guests: Roselyn Jack), Jonathon Lexier (Guest: Dilan Perera), Lucas Rasmussen (Outbound YEX Student), Pablo Ruiz (Inbound YEX Student). The following Rotarians joined us as well: Trevor Sigfusson (Sylvan Lake), Roger Frayne (Calgary Centennial), Bruce Williams (Calgary Downtown) and Rick Istead (Calgary Fish Creek Park).

50/50 Draw: Ben Steblecki awarded the 50/50 draw to **Ron Prokosch**.



District Conference: Earl Huson advised that single day registrations are available for the District Conference, May 5 – 7, in Red Deer.

L'Arche Run: Dave Tod thanked all the Club Members who stepped in to replace a corporate group who backed out at the last moment.



Dream Home Minute: Craig Stokke noted that rostering for Rotarians and their volunteers will start May 4, one week ahead of our outside volunteers. Please consider trying to bring in new volunteers to expand the volunteer base. He tries to bring in a new one each year by sending an email to people on his contact list that may be interested.

President's Hoedown: Michael Zacharki gave us a preview of the food that will served at the Hoedown, May 26th at the Acadia Rec Centre. Sounds like it will be a typically excellent **Zacharki** production. Get your tickets early!



New Members Celebration and Casino: Ted Stack, with help from **Kathy Demorest**, **John Labun** and **Sid Smith** promised us an evening of fun and frivolity.

Everybody gets \$50k of play money to gamble with and to convert into prizes.

Anybody who books a table gets an extra \$10k – a good deal!





Invermere Weekend: Mark Ambrose gave us some more details on the activities planned for the weekend of June 2 – 4 at Copper Point in Invermere.

Good food, golf and fellowship, all for only \$150.

Social Popup Event: a Pop Up is being planned for the first Flames' away playoff game next week. Details will follow.



Fireside: Roselyn Jack reminded all those who have been invited that a Fireside is scheduled for this evening of April 6th at the Golf and Country Club.



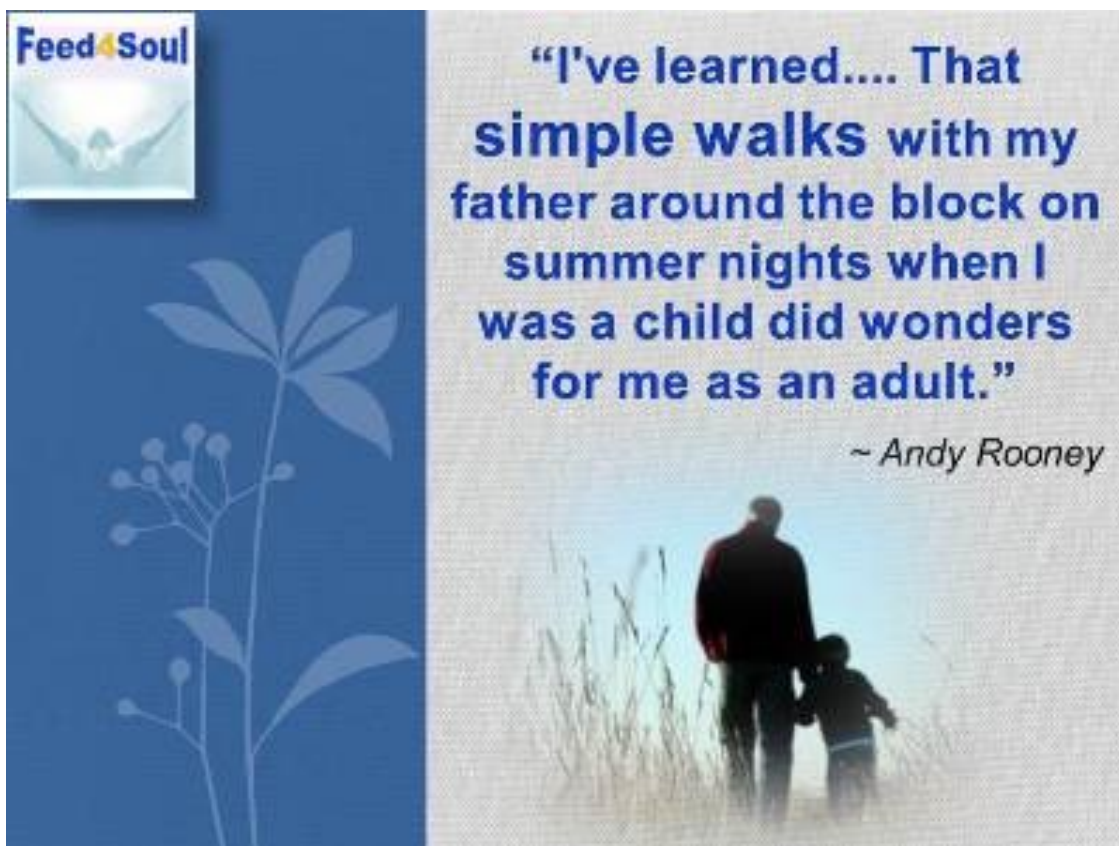
Sergeant at Arms: Joe Connelly did his usual efficient collection of fines from everyone in the room for not wearing tartan on National Tartan Day.

Bill LeClair was fined for picking on **Kathy** last week for a time violation.

Various people and/or tables were fined for reactions to plays on the **King** name, in honour of our speaker today.



President Ken noted that **Peter Penner** lost his younger sister **Marianne** last week and our condolences go out to **Peter and Justina**. The meeting closed with some quotes of wisdom from the inimitable **Andy Rooney**. A very moving quote is listed below for you to enjoy. Have a great week



Rotary
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THE 2017 PRESIDENT'S HOEDOWN

Save the date:

Friday, May 26th

Plan to attend President Ken's "President's Hoedown" as he moseys on into the "Past Presidents" list of our Club. The theme is Western, and the dress is Western Formal/Casual (no tuxedos unless worn with blue jeans and boots).

Experience the Magic!

Enjoy the hilariously entertaining magic of Atsushi Ono, a world-famous magician who promises to bring his special magic and humour to our annual party and who is guaranteed to keep the evening lively.

And dance to the music of Murray Flegel and "The Fog".

And come hungry, as our own chef Michael Zacharki and his team of volunteers will repeat their culinary magic with a mouth-watering offering of western favourites.

We'll be back at the ARC (Acadia Recreation Centre), so dust off your hat, polish your boots and plan to join us. Tickets can be purchased individually, or as tables of 8.

More details to come!





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SOCIAL COMMITTEE



ROTARY DIM SUM LUNCHEON

Wednesday, April 19th
11:45 AM

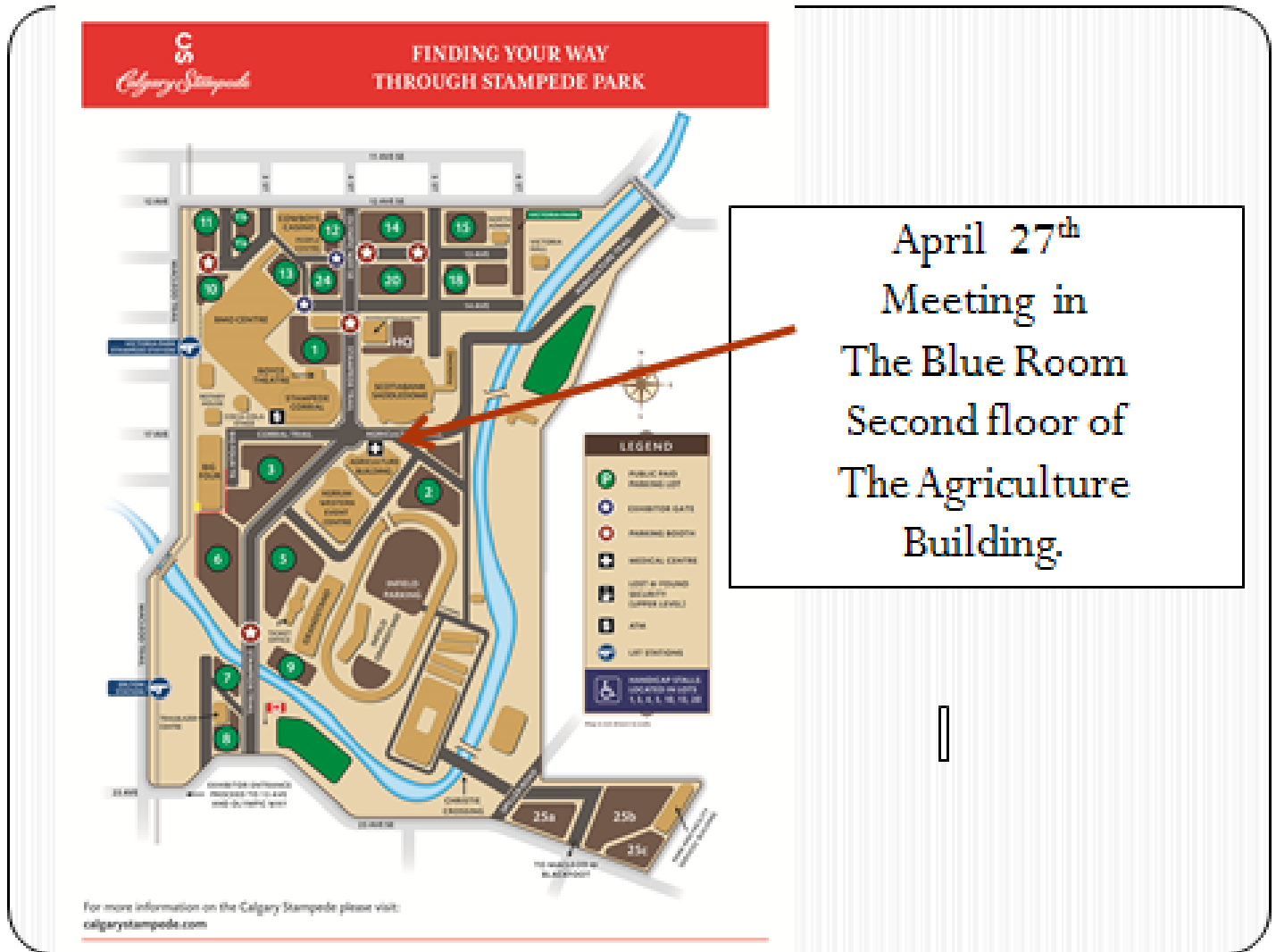
Central Grand Restaurant
Second Floor
1623 Centre Street North

Join our hungry group of enthusiastic Dim Sum Rotarians. You'll be glad you did.

Please RSVP to Keith Davis by April 17th
in order to insure you can be accommodated.

Cell: 403-630-1983 or daviscomm@shaw.ca

See the map below. The BLUE ROOM is located under the medical "X" on map. This building has horse sculptures in front of it opposite to the Saddledome. The best place to park will be in Lot 2 or behind the Saddledome. There will be signage that points to the Blue Room by the Agriculture building. The Blue Room is on the 2nd Floor of the Agriculture Building and there is an elevator



WATCH THURSDAY ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH MEETINGS LIVE

If you are out of town or unable to attend a Thursday meeting, click on this link to watch on the web:

<http://ustre.am/1yHc9>

We are running this on a trial basis over the next number of weeks and appreciate your feedback! This does not qualify as a makeup at this time.

Send your comments to steve@talkinglightmedia.com

International Dinner

Rotary District 5360

Youth Exchange 2016 - 2017

Promoting International Peace, Goodwill and
Understanding

In Support of **ShelterBox**

June 3, 2017

MacDougall United Church
8516 Athabasca St SE,
Calgary, Alberta

5:30 Reception

6:30 Parade of Flags & Dinner Service

7:30 Dessert (traditional desserts from the home
countries of the students made by the students)

8:30: Entertainment by the students

Tickets \$50 per person - Tables \$400 (8 per table)

To book your tickets call or see your Exchange
Student or email Ron Prokosch at:
(403) 651-1722, Rprokosch@prokoschgroup.com

Then forward a cheque via your exchange student
or by mail to:
Ron Prokosch to 97 Patina Rise SW, Calgary, AB. T3H
3R5

Ticket purchase cheques should be made to
Rotary District 5360-Youth Exchange
For More information talk to your exchange student
or call Ron Prokosch @ (403) 651-1722

Donations can be made at:

<https://tinyurl.com/k4smwqb>

Or cheque to: ShelterBox Canada





New! Improved! Something for Everyone!

2017 Invermere Getaway Weekend

Our annual Windermere Valley Getaway Weekend is coming up fast. Our dates this year are:

June 2nd, 3rd and 4th 2017

And changes are underway. This year the activities will be centered at Copper Point Golf Club, Invermere's most luxurious and breathtaking golf and dining facility. The theme of this year's event will be "Something for Every Person and Every Budget" and will include dining, hiking, shopping, sight-seeing or just socializing and relaxing.

Activities include our traditional Friday evening mixer, with dinner on Saturday and lots more.

Costs are:

\$150 per person for the entire golf/dining package

(including carts) excluding accommodations,

or

\$85 per person for those who choose not to golf

Tickets will go on sale soon, so start your planning now.

More details to come!



DISTRICT CONFERENCE: We listened!

The **Friday Only** option is back! We have had a lot of interest from those who just can't commit to a whole weekend.

Friday Only includes:

- **Lunch with Neil Pasricha** – a powerful message about happiness and positivity!
- **Keynote Mark Starratt** - words of wisdom from a financial genius!
- **Afternoon Breakouts** – two full sessions – check them out!
- **Home Hospitality** – a chance to meet, dine and enjoy the company of fellow Rotarians!
- **Evening Entertainment** – music, music, music!



Click the links below to register

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/RotaryConference2017>

For more information about the hotel: www.sheratonhotelreddeer.com

For map and directions: <http://www.sheratonhotelreddeer.com/directions.php>

For more information contact Don Kelloway: dkkelloway@shaw.ca or Tom Lewis: tklewis@live.ca



Join Us!

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association's

85th Assembly

Waterton Lakes, Alberta

September 22nd to 24th, 2017

Note: For those wanting to make reservations in the Waterton Camp Ground for the Assembly, reservations open January 12th, 2017.

<https://reservation.pc.gc.ca/WatertonLakes>

OPPORTUNITIES

Join us in the celebration of a one of a kind attraction that brings an entire city together while commemorating Canada's 150th anniversary.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

	GREEN \$10,000	EMERALD \$5,000	PINE \$2,000
Logo recognition on the website			
Mention in printed material (posters, brochures, passports)			
Mention in the Greenway 150 special newsletter			
Social media posts			
Verbal Recognition during main event			
Booth at main event (estimated 2000 participants)			
Booth at one event (site TBD-estimated 1000 participants)			
Logo on event backdrop			
Mention on thank you - post event material			

OTHER PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

EVENTS FOOD (in kind or cash)	\$10,000
EVENTS BEVERAGE (in kind or cash)	\$8,000
EVENTS ENTERTAINMENT (in kind or cash / cost per event site)	\$5,000
CHALLENGE MEDALS (2,500 units / Total can be split between 2 partners)	\$10,000
CHALLENGE PASSPORT (10,000 units to distribute)	SOLD
PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS	YOU TELL US



Canada



Apr13 Jon Fennell: Canada's Water Future

April 26 Rotary Dim Sum Luncheon: Central Grand Restaurant at 11:45 am

April 20 New Member Celebration: Carriage House Inn:

April 26 Partners Spring Luncheon: Willow Park Golf & Country Club

April 27 Janice Eisenhower: Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan:
This meeting will take place in the Blue Room: See bulletin for location

MAY 2017

May 4 Dream Home Registration Kick off

May 5-7 District Conference (Red Deer): See Bulletin Registration

May 11 Bob Dubask: Myths About Reverse Mortgages

May 18 Bethany Centre Site Tour: Details to follow

May 25 Stay In School Luncheon: Carriage House Inn

May 26 President's Hoedown: See Bulletin for more info

JUNE 2017

June 1 YEX Student Presentation: Pablo Ruiz

June 3 Rotary District 5360 International Dinner: See Bulletin for more info

June 2-4 Radium Fellowship Weekend: See Bulletin for more info

June 8 Stampede Board Foundation

June 15 Charity Day: Carriage House Inn

Jun 12&13 Casino at Cowboys (Please contact Harry Pelton to volunteer)

June 22 Rotary Profile: Ted Rowsell: Meeting at the Clubhouse)

June 29 Changing of the Guard and WCS/Large Grants Presentation

JULY 2017

July 6 Dream Home Kick off: Ranchman's DanceHall and Cookhouse

July 13 No Meeting: Dream Home Operations

July 20 TBA

July 27 No Meeting: Stay In School Golf Tournament

AUGUST 2017

Aug 3 President Bill LeClair: Inaugural Address

Aug 10 TBA

Aug 13 Old Tyme Country Picnic

Aug 17 TBA

Aug 18-20 Country Thunder Fundraiser

Aug 24 Mount Royal University Library Tour

Aug 31 TBA

SEPTEMBER 2017

Sept 2 Rotary Mattamy Greenway Celebration

Sept 22-24 Waterton Peace Park Assembly

HEALTH, WELLNESS AND TRANSPORTATION

- Contact Hugh Delaney at: hughdelaney02@gmail.com or: 403 819 4872 if you know of anyone that is not well or could use a visit
- Contact Bonar Irving at bonar@shaw.ca or 403 254 8476 if you know of anyone that may need a ride



LUNCH BUNCH:

Hi everyone and welcome back to those of you who are snowbirds.

I have made a change in the schedule and we are swapping restaurants for April May so we are going to Deane House this Month and White Rose next month.



Deane House is newly renovated and it has had good reviews. Here is a link if you would like to review the lunch menu: <http://www.deanehouse.com/lunch/>

We will meet at 11:45 am. Parking is at the rear or across the street on 12th Street. There are also parking lots in Inglewood. Please RSVP and let me know if you can attend to:

susan.brick@shaw.ca or 403-271-7734.

Calgary South Rotary Partners' Spring Luncheon

April 26 at 11:30 am
Willow Park Golf & Country Club
Tickets \$35 ... guests welcome

Guest Speaker
Mary-Ann Stushnoff
founder of "People for Progress"

RSVP by April 19 to
Pat Cuthbert
(403.252.0156 or
bill.cuthbert@shaw.ca)

Do you require a ride?
contact Karen Grant (403.239.8987)

Send cheques payable to 'Calgary South Rotary Partners'
Donna Kennedy 37 Mahogany Manor SE Calgary, AB T2M 0Y3

The Project Research Committee has received many thank you letters from groups we chose to donate to this year. It has been a tough year for charitable fundraising and our donations have made a difference, especially for groups that work with very little publicity and yet aid specific groups needing help to keep their programs active.

Submitted by: Maureen Watson



February 9, 2017

Calgary South Rotary Partners
ATTN Donna Kennedy
37 Mahogany Manor SE
Calgary, AB T3M 0Y3

Dear Donna:

It is heartwarming when a donor makes it possible for us to say "Yes" to one more family in need of our help.

"I didn't know what to expect when I came to Sonshine Centre. I had strong feelings of guilt as my children and I were having a hard time to adjust to this new life.

At Sonshine we receive great support by an amazing team of counsellors and administration staff. Through group sessions and counselling I slowly regained my confidence and rediscovered the woman who had lost herself, who had lost her voice.

Today my daughters are so talkative and more open. They now run up to the staff members to hug them and welcome them to our home. You can see joy in their faces."

(Valenta, Sonshine's client)

The donation you made allows us to support women like Valenta through their transition from crisis to empowerment. You can be confident that as a direct result of your generosity lives are being changed for good.

Please find attached the receipt relative to the donation.

I invite you to contact our Resource Development Department at 403.705.3485 should you wish to learn more about Sonshine, and our committed work toward a vision of a community where women and children live safely in healthy families.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joy Johnson-Green".

Joy Johnson-Green, PhD
Executive Director



ClubRunner Questions???

Please feel free to email me with any questions that you may have, any difficulties that you are experiencing or any suggestions that you may have as well.

I will do my best to respond to you and assist you

I am in the process of producing a Manual to use as a resource for anyone that may be interested.

I am also offering one-on-one training or group training for those that may be interested

Thanks,

Kathyann Reginato

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