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President Ken introduced the first of three speakers today.

Luanne is the CEO of the Kerby Centre, a not-forprofit organization serving Calgary's seniors community. Luanne has been an integral part of the working committee that helped selected the Bethany project and is a strong proponent of "Yes We Can... Make a Difference" Luanne has only been a Rotarian since 2011, but has embraced the ideals of Rotary from day one....she has made an immediate difference in our club, through her committee work and more recently as a core member of our Club's Board of Directors. Please welcome Luanne Whitmarsh.



Luanne: Rotary's goal is to serve the community. There is a gap in Calgary with seniors and dementia care. Rotary International identified this con-

cern 25 years ago and looked for ways and means to provide service for and with seniors. Dementia is the leading cause of disability in seniors. By 2038 the number of seniors with dementia will have doubled. Every individual diagnosed with dementia impacts 12 other individuals.

Bethany Care is building Riverview which is more than a space, it is a community. The Atrium will be a central feature providing a park like setting which is safe. This legacy project is comparable to the Rotary Mattamy Greenway project in that it engages people with nature. The residents of Riverview will still be able to enjoy nature all year.

Luanne then applied the Rotary Four Way test to the Atrium Project and concluded it passed all four tests by providing nature to everyone, promoting a quality of life for everyone, providing a place to visit family and friends and impacting lives at their core by providing a place of peace and harmony at all stages of life.

Well done Rotarians for choosing this project. The gifts we offer the world are life changing.



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President Ken introduced Jennifer McCue the President & CEO at Bethany Care Society, which is one of Western Canada's largest not-for-profit providers of health, housing and community services for seniors and persons with disabilities.

Jennifer is a Registered Nurse, with a Bachelors Degree in Nursing & a Masters of Science in Health Services Administration. Prior to joining Bethany, Jennifer held several administrative and leadership roles throughout her healthcare career.

She has provided operational leadership for several multimillion dollar health care projects and worked with Health Canada during the G-8 Summit in Kananaskis, providing leadership for the planning and provision of health care services to the G8 Leaders and their families.

She has interrupted an executive meeting this morning, to attend our luncheon because she believes this Rotary Bethany partnership is that important to the direction of Senior's care in Calgary..... She is an avid golfer and runner when she finds the time and a bit of a world traveler to boot. Please welcome Jennifer McCue.

Jennifer noted she is a nurse and CEO but also a wife, mother, daughter and sister and she has been personally affected by dementia in her family. Her step dad who died a number of years ago suffered, as did the family , with dementia. Whereas before he had been a funny, active and engaging man, the disease took away those qualities and led to his death. It was heartbreaking for Jennifer and her family. She called dementia a fatal brain failure.

Over two years ago a conversation began with Bethany and Rotary about how to keep

seniors diagnosed with dementia happy and safe in their last years.

Although Canada is prosperous our demographics are changing and shifting. 25% of our population is over 65. Dementia is on the rise with no cure on the horizon, only preventative measures. In 2031 it is projected that 1.4 million Canadians will have dementia which will result in higher healthcare costs. We need to create an environment of normal living and safety where the goal is to live well. Riverview is being purpose built for dementia care and will support independence. There are a small amount of dementia patients that have complex symptoms that can't be cared for in a traditional care centre. These patients end up in hospital which is the worst place for them. Bethany is the only provider for complex cases and there is a long waiting list.

The Atrium will allow all patients to spend time in natural light and allow them to move freely. This will reduce anxiety in many patients as there are no barriers. It is a gift. There was no room in our budget for such an enhancement in the building. This partnership has made this enhancement a reality. We will be reminded of your generosity every time we gather in the Atrium. This partnership has allowed us to advance our role as advocates. We need to continue to be advocates for dementia care.

We can all support people living well. This can be the legacy for Rotary and Bethany. **President Ken** thanked Jennifer and provided her with a small gift of appreciation : a special Rotary coin that can act as a golf ball marker and also has the 4 way test engraved on it.





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President Farn told us that **Evelyn Buckley** was born and raised in Alberta, she got her nursing diploma from the Calgary General Hospital and later earned a Social work diploma from Mount Royal College.

Evelyn and Clarence have ranched and raised their family on the outskirts of Calgary while holding down numerous professional responsibilities in health care and not-for-profit leaderships. Evelyn has worked tirelessly for improvements in seniors care. As a past board member at Bethany Care Society she led the creation of innovative long-term care projects, including the Harvest Hills Centre which is recognized as one of the best architecturally designed Alzheimer's care facilities in North America.

Among her many awards, Evelyn holds an honourary Doctorate of Divinity from St. Andrews College,

a Paul Harris Fellowship and in recognition of her life of service and leadership has received admission to the Alberta Order of Excellence. Please help me welcome Evelyn Buckley.

Evelyn noted that it was Canada's 150th birthday and it will be a year of stories and to understand her journey she told us her story.

Evelyn desperately wanted to go to University but the family couldn't afford such a thing and she went into nursing training instead. It was in a time that when you married you could no longer work in nursing.



Instead she worked to raise her family during some tough times.

Her husband joined Rotary and every Friday he washed up and went to town. She enjoyed being a partner to a Rotarian and was asked to come and play bridge with some of the Rotarian wives on a Monday. She was initially concerned because Monday was "wash day" and this would disrupt the routine. She went, enjoyed the comradery and began to wonder: "Is this all there is?" (Thanks to Peggy Lee!).

After the children were in school she followed her passion and went to University. She has worked for a number of non- profit agencies and has a passion for working with seniors. She was appalled when she went to visit some senior housing. The first floor was very nice but when she asked to see where the residents actually lived she observed all of the residents either tied to a bed or a wheelchair, they were dirty and many were yelling.

We must remember that these residents are former nurses, teachers, soldiers, etc. They may not know us but we know them and their quality of life is important.

Canadians have a responsibility; where much has been given, much is expected. There are lots of places to donate and many causes but think twice when looking at the cute baby or kitten. The dementia patient is neither young nor cute but needs your support and generosity. Give generously from the heart.

President Ken thanked Evelyn for her presentation and promised to deliver to her our very own Professor Peter Penner's book on the Mennonite family.





President Ken's Closing Comments:

\$658,500 of the \$1,000,000 has been pledged

- Personal Contributions make up \$114,500 from individual Rotarians, family members and friends • who strongly believe in this project or may have been effected in some way by the dreaded disease of Alzheimer's.
- We believe by bringing the outdoors into the centre of seniors lives, the Rotary Atrium will in • some small way enhance both seniors lives and those of visiting family members and friends.
- If you are able, please consider including the Rotary Atrium in your charitable giving plans.
- Those interested in getting more information on this should take a Bethany brochure with you, as it contains information or you can contact Coy Beaton at Bethany (Director of Fund Development) directly at: Coy.Beaton@bethanyseniors.com and by phone at (403) 210-4610.
- Whatever you do will be held in strict confidence between you and Bethany, unless you choose to • share it.

RCCS will provide our first payment of \$120,000... of the \$300,000 pledged, in June this year, with the balance in 2018 or 2019 if necessary.

President Ken then asked those who wished to take a guided tour of the Atrium site or a tour of a show suite were welcome to stay back





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President Ken opened the meeting by welcoming us to the Mikkelsen House one of the senior's residences in Bethany's 12 acre "Campus of Care". **President Ken** once again said he was honoured to be our President this year for many reasons, but also partly because Calgary South not only had the means but also the courage to stay focused and take a leading role in support of a new Legacy project known as The Rotary Atrium. "We can now say that there are nine Calgary Rotary Clubs that have signed on so far, in support of our partnership with Bethany Care as well as a dozen or more individuals resulting in approximately 65% of our financial goal.



The Rotary Atrium, which is under construction next door, will be the central feature of a new 210 bed, specialized Alzheimer Facility and will no doubt, become known throughout the Province and maybe even throughout Canada's healthcare industry, as an essential feature in the new standard of care for Alzheimer's disease.

Today, we will hear a little more about the story behind the Rotary Atrium; Why we are excited to attach Rotary's name to the project and why Bethany Care is far and away our preferred service provider for this unique Rotary partnership. "

He then asked us join the head table in the singing of O Canada, followed by Rotary Grace.

Head Table: Jennifer McCue, CEO, Bethany Care Society , Coy Beaton, Director, Fund Development, Evelyn and Clarence Buckley, Luanne Whitmarsh, (RCCS member / Director), Pat Farn

Bulletin Editor: Carol Graham photographer: Norm Legare

New Member: Murray Flegel introduced Martin Bunting as our newest member whose classification is Wholesale Jewellery (Korite International Inc.).

Martin has been involved in various fundraisers, including casinos over the years.

We look forward to getting to know you Martin.

Welcome to Calgary South!





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President's Hoedown: **Keith Davis** of the Social Committee reminded the Club of the President's Hoedown on May 26th at the Acadia Recreation Centre. Cocktails are at 5:00 pm and Dinner is at 6:00 pm with great food by Michael Zacharki and entertainment; there will be a table selling tickets at the next Rotary meeting at the Carriage House (Stay in School meeting).

Paul Harris Awards: Jack Thompson asked **Jim Fitzowich, Kevin MacLeod and Michael Ruttan** to receive their pins for their contributions to the Rotary International fund. Jim and Kevin received plus 4 pins and Mike received both a plus 4 and plus 5 pin. Congratulations and gratitude to the 3 of you for your generous contributions.



Country Thunder-President-Elect Bill LeClair made a brief announcement that the Board of Directors decided not to participate in Country Thunder this year. Other Rotary Clubs may still be interested in participating.

Thank you again to our speakers and we wish you a wonderful Rotary Week!

See you at the Carriage House next week for the Stay In School Scholarship luncheon





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PRESIDENT'S HOEDOWN: The Social Committee would like to let you know that Cocktails are at 5:00 pm and Dinner is at 6:00 pm. You can still pay for this at the Stay In School Luncheon Please register soon.

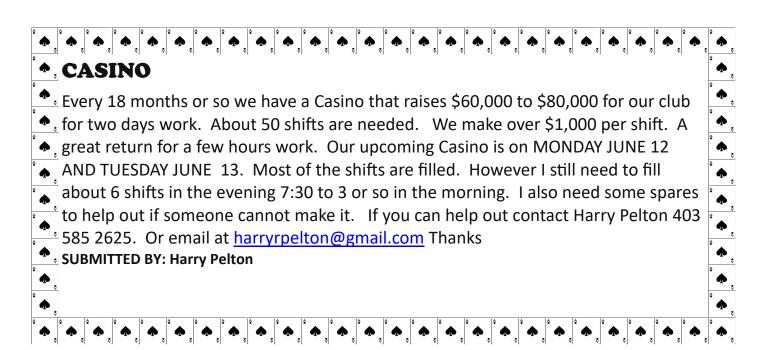
ROTARY COWBOY HATS: We will be selling Rotary Cowboy Hats at the Stay in School Luncheon and at the Presidents Hoedown. These are great quality and Rotary logged. **Price is \$25**. Perfect to wear at any Stampede event. Sizes, S,M,L

INVERMERE WEEKEND: If you are signed up or still want to sign up for this fun weekend, payment must be made by cheque (or cash) to Mark Ambrose by Thursday, June 1. Cheques should be made out to Rotary Club of Calgary South.

OLDE FASHIONED PICNIC: Please make a note to save the date for the Olde Fashioned Picnic is on August 13th. Times have changed **11:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. Fun and games for the** whole Family

SUBMITTED BY: TOBY OSWALD-FELKER ON BEHALF OF THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

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Rotaract needs Rotarian support to make this event a success and we would love to get to know you all better by meeting you in a less formal setting than a Rotary meeting. I think there is great potential for us Rotaractors to learn from Rotarians but we need to make that connection first!

The event is sure to be lots of fun and a great opportunity to do just that! It's James Bond themed (dress as your favorite James Bond character and be ready to complete a secret mission and some fun games if you choose to). We will have some great live music there, delicious appetizers, cool drinks, a silent auction, and some awesome prizes! We hope to close ticket sales by June 3rd







<u>MAY 2017</u>	
May 25	Stay In School Luncheon: <u>Carriage House Inn</u>
May 26	President's Hoedown
JUNE 2017	
June 1	YEX Student Presentation: Pablo Ruiz
June 2-4	Invermere Fellowship Weekend:
June 3	Rotary District 5360 International Dinner:
June 8	Stampede Board Foundation
June 8	Partners June Dinner and AGM
June 15	Charity Day: Carriage House Inn: please register ASAP
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	Michelle Gallant: Calgary Fringe Festival
July 27	No Meeting: Stay In School Golf Tournament
AUGUST 2017	
Aug 3	President Bill LeClair: Inaugural Address
Aug 10	TBA
Aug 13	Old Fashioned Country Picnic
Aug 17	ТВА
Aug 24	Mount Royal University Library Tour
Aug 31	ТВА
SEPTEMBER 2017	
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Sept 2 Sept 7	Rotary Mattamy Greenway Celebration TBA
Sept 14	TBA
Sept 14 Sept 21	TBA
	Waterton Peace Park Assembly

HEALTH, WELLNESS AND TRANSPORTATION



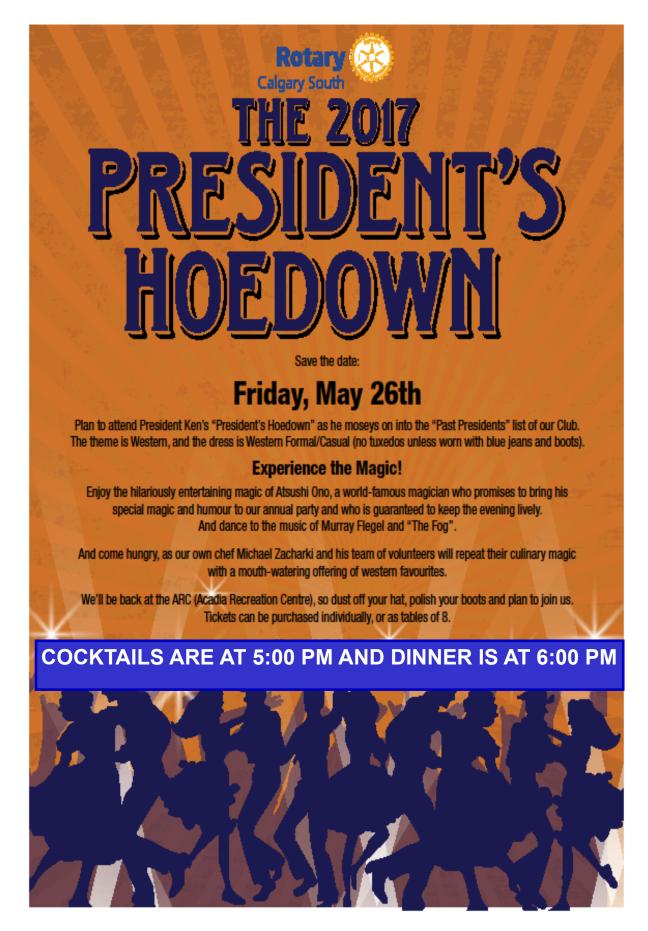
Contact Hugh Delaney at: <u>hughdelaney02@gmail.com</u> or: 403 819 4872 if you know of anyone that is not well or could use a visit



Contact Bonar Irving at <u>bonar@shaw.ca</u> or 403 254 8476 if you know of anyone that may need a ride









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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,

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

REGISTER ASAP WITH MARK AMBROSE



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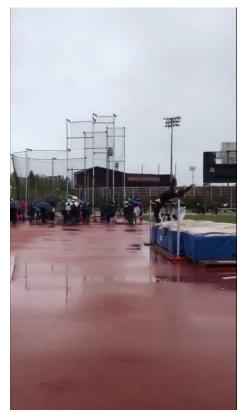


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Hey Rotarians!!

As I said I started the track and field season competing in high and long jump and shot put, I know, I'm to big for shot put and it's unfair for those skinny guys competing □. After a really good meeting coming in first at high jump, this Wednesday that i went even though i was told no because of an injury in my calf i had to stop for the pain, so it seems like season's over but i really like it and I'll keep working on it. The end of the school is coming closer!! And my plan to come here after my exchange is still on and it's getting close, so thank you to everyone in the club in special to Chas filipski and Len Kushner!! See you guys soon!



PABLO





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Many Partners had the chance to attend the Rotary Atrium Partnership Lunch on May 18th at the Mikkelson House.

Thank you to all that were able to attend and support this.

Karen Grant, Sharon Allen and Pat Farn are in attendance here.

Thank you again!



Calgary South Rotary Partners' June Dínner + Annual General Meeting

RSVP by June 8 to Pat Cuthbert (403.252.0156 or bill.cuthbert@shaw.ca)

Please send cheques payable to 'Calgary South Rotary Partners' Donna Kennedy 37 Mahogany Manor SE Calgary, AB T3M 0Y3

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

June 15 at 5:00 pm Calgary Golf & Country Club Tickets \$50 (Guests Welcome)



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