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President Ken Farn noted that the **Rotary International Foundation** has just been recognized as the most professional and best run philanthropic financial organization in the world.

Jim Fitzowich introduced fellow Rotarian and **Past President Jack Thompson** : Jim referred to Jack as **"Smiling Jack Thompson"** as in Jim's 21 years in Rotary he has always seen Jack with a smile. It was Jim's pleasure to introduce and for many of us re-introduce Past President Jack Thompson. Highlights from his extensive resume include: A Native Calgarian, Attended King Edward School in South Calgary, Central High School, Graduated from Mount Royal College. Jack's Business History: Jack started in automobile industry in 1961and retired after 47 years

1961-1970: with 2 Chrysler dealers, 1970-1990: Started Kramer Mazda and we were one of the top 10 Mazda Dealers in Canada and for several years and twice awarded the "Circle of Excellence" award by Mazda Canada Inc. In 1982 added Import Auto Sales (Mazda, BMW. Mercedes-Benz) in Lethbridge. 1990-2008: Executive Manager of the Calgary Motor Dealers Association (CMDA) and the Calgary International Auto & Truck Show

1977: President, Calgary Motor Dealers Association. 1983/1984: President, Motor Dealers Association of Alberta and Director of Federation of Automobile Dealers of Canada. 1981: Established the Calgary International Auto and Truck Show along with 3 other Dealers. 1985: Director, Alberta Motor Association, Chairman AMA: 1995 to 97, 1995 to 2003 CAA Director, Chairman: 1999 to 2001. 1985 to 2008:

Director: Better Business Bureau of Calgary & Southern Alberta, Executive Committee: 1988 to 89, 1962 to 1975 Member Calgary Jaycees -Chaired the Pot of Gold Lottery & Executive Vice President to 1970

HEALTH AND WELLNESS: Contact Dick Shaw at <u>atlanticclipper@gmail.com</u> if you know of anyone that is not well or is there anyone you know that could use a visit.

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



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In 1980 Jack joined the Calgary South Rotary Club, he was a President in 2002/2003 and the Assistant DG for Ken Copithorne and Raju Paul. From2004 - 2013- Director, Calgary Rotary Challenger Park-Chairman 2013, 1987 - 1992 - Director, Calgary Colts Junior Football Club, Chairman, MDA Celebrity Charity Golf Classic for two years, which over a 30 year span raised over \$3,000,000 for Alberta Special Olympics as well as a Member of Calgary Stampede Lotteries Committee for 12 years. Quite the resume'.

Most importantly on December 17th 2016 Jack will marry Myrna Dube.

Warmest congratulations to both of you!

Jack Thompson began his talk by saying he has enjoyed his time in Rotary. He referred to **President Ken's** announcement about the RI Foundation stating that this recognition shows that the money donated is put to good use. The Foundation was started at the 1917 Convention with the modest amount of \$26. It has grown considerably since that time.

Jack went on to speak of the various ways one can contribute to the Foundation, either as a sustaining member, a Paul Harris fellow, a Society member or as a Major Donor. The power point presentation is included in the Bulletin along with a link to a video presented by **Jamie Moorhouse**.

Jack emphasized that we all belong to RI and that recognition points are calculated based on our contributions. After 3 years, one-half of the money we donate returns to the District and we benefit in so many ways. Our World Community Service Committee can take advantage of the multiplier effect of this funding where \$5,000 can become \$37, 500 towards a critical project. Our dollars go a long way. Jack also encouraged his fellow Rotarians to contribute at least \$35 CDN towards Polio Plus and hope we can achieve 100% participation in this. The RI promotes measurable and sustainable grants with global impact. These grant improve lives and create new generations of peacemakers. As the video demonstrated RI has the "vision to see, the faith to believe and the courage to act". *Let's continue for another 100 years.*

Past President Earl Huson did the honours of thanking our speaker. Earl noted it is always a

pleasure to thank a speaker but even more special when a speaker is one of our members. He thanked Jack for all of his contributions to the Club and noted that through Jack's leadership our Club is in the "top 5" average per member contribution. He thanked Jack for the information, for the motivation and for the lasting legacy of the Club.

President Ken added his thanks to Jack as well and added that: I would like to add our Club's gratitude for the time you have spent with us today, by making a donation of \$100, in your name, to our Rotary Stay-In-School Scholarship Program in honour of your time talking to us today.







President Ken opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Rotary Club of Calgary South and invited us to join Lisa Fernandes in the singing of Oh Canada followed by Rotary Grace.

Head Table: Jim Fitzowich, Jack Thompson, Joe Connelly, Norm Legare, Earl Huson

Bulletin Editor: Carol Graham Photographer: Steve Mason

Guests: Sandy Dougall introduced the visitors and guests



Calgary South

Health and Wellness: Ed Whitaker informed the Club that **Dick Shaw** ended up in the hospital with severe pain and it was a gall bladder attack. He is resting



at home today. **Norm Devitt** had his operation for a heart monitor today and hopefully will be back at the Club soon. **Harris Dvorkin** is not doing well and would love to receive phone calls from members. If anyone needs any assistance from Harris that he could complete from home he would love to assist.

Cleven Awards: President Ken reminded us that the Cleven Awards have been moved to December 22nd.

Red Stripe Removal: Gord Weicker had the pleasure of removing **Ted Stack's** red stripe signifying full membership. Congratulations Ted!

Charitable Giving: Penny Leckie has generously offered to provide information on the taxation laws regarding charitable donations following the December 1st meeting. This will be very helpful for many of our members. Thank you Penny! (See further announcement on Page ___





RI Convention: Earl Huson reminded the club of the next RI convention to be held in Atlanta, Georgia June 10-14th and encouraged everyone to consider attending. If you register prior to December 15 there are significant savings. If you need any help with registration please contact **Don Taylor, Bryan Walton or Earl.**

Earl has the link to the registration.





Country Thunder: Norm Legare asked his Committee to stand and be acknowledged for providing "service above self" during our inaugural Country Thunder event in August.

Rotary Calgary South

> This dedicated Committee will assist again next year. Although there were many unforeseen obstacles, through the dedication of the volunteer members and their friends we were able to raise \$95,721.38 of unrestricted funds for our club.

There were many lessons learned from the first year and we now understand the extent of the services required to undertake this opportunity next year.



Going forward we are looking at the following improvements:

- A written contract between CT and RCCS explicitly outlining the services required by our club (job titles, identify stations, gate duties with a complete job description for each job), rates of pay and the terms of payment;
- Closer communication with the Calgary CT Manager to answer questions, etc.;
- Involve other Rotary Clubs who would like to participate and share in the unrestricted funds and ensure it is "fair to all concerned";

Other improvements for next year:

- No volunteer will be required to work more than 5-6 hour shifts unless they volunteer for an extended shift in advance.
- We will Roster a "bull pen" of volunteers that can relieve any volunteer at any time for bathroom or other required breaks.
- Various Day Captains will continue to patrol each of their Stations on a continuing basis and deal with any issues that may arise during their shift
- A radio will be provided for each station for immediate contact to the office
- We are endeavouring to have an electronic Roster program in place for early 2017 to aid in the volunteer sign-up process
- A central office will be set up for volunteers to sign in and get their assignments

Please contact Norm to get signed up to be sure there is a spot for you at: <u>nlegare@telus.net</u> or call (403) 540-3362.

Financial Utilization of CT Money Raised: **President Ken** advised that due to time constraints at today's meeting he will address this topic at another meeting.

Social Committee Update: Toby Oswald-Felker:

Christmas Luncheon & Grey Cup Pop-up –Toby advised that this Committee is working hard to ensure there are social events throughout the year that everyone can go to and are affordable. Although the Blue Jays did not win, the Pop- up event was a success. The upcoming Grey Cup Pop-up event is going to be held on November 27th at the Barley Mill. Let Toby or Keith know if you want to attend. The Christmas luncheon is at the Canyon Meadows Golf Course on December 15th. Start time is 11:15 am. Glenn Potter asked for any volunteers to join the St Mary's choir for the Christmas luncheon on December 15th. Send an email to Glenn if you are interested.



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Sergeant-At-Arms: Joe Connelly emptied a variety of pockets and purses today. He began with Len Hamm and asked Len to tell the Club what brand of suit Joe was wearing. Len responded "Brooks Brothers" but had to pay because it was a "Donald J. Trump" suit! Joe then went on to question various members about the origins and other trivia about booze. Bruce MacDonald, Ted Stack, Sherry Austin, Ted Rowsell, Kathy Demorest, Jim Hutchens and Mel Gray all fell victim to the Sergeant at Arms and had to pay. As always, good pocket picking Joe!

50/50 Draw: Michael Zacharki asked Jack Thompson to pull the winning ticket.

Our very own exchange student **Pablo** was the lucky recipient of the winnings. A popular win!

This has been a good week for Pablo as he is a member of the St. Mary's Senior Football Team and they won the City Championship.

Congratulations Pablo!

IMPORTANT:

STARS Hangar Tour Next Week:

Jim Burns has lined up 2 School Bus-



es to arrive at the parking lot east of the Big Four Building at Stampede Park, ready for passengers at 11:00 AM. The last bus will leave at 11:15 AM so that we are in time for the program at Stars. Following lunch and the tour of the facilities, the buses will begin their return to Stampede Park at approximately 1:30 PM.



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Membership Transfer: Sam Switzer:

President Ken welcomed Sam, a transfer from the Calgary West club. His transfer was recommended by the Membership Committee and endorsed by our Board of Directors. Due to his length of service with Rotary and his many contributions there is no need for the normal orientation or red stripe. Sam is welcomed as a full member and was presented with a copy of Peter Penner's book "Manchester to Calgary South"

The following excerpt is from one of our club members ...

It is a privilege to introduce to our club a native Calgarian, long-time Rotarian and friend as well as a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Mr. Sam Switzer. At age 5 Sam founded his first business. He loaded up his wagon with ice that had dropped along the train tracks and sold it to neighbors. Sam has laughingly remarked that because his stock cost nothing, this was a very good business.

Through his efforts in real estate development, property management and the hotel/casino industry Sam became an extraordinary Calgary businessman. In 1994 he received the Mayor's White Hat Award for his significant and recognizable contribution to tourism.

In 2011Sam received a Honorary Bachelor of Business and Entrepreneurship Degree from Mount Royal University. In his acceptance speech. Samnoted and I would like to share this quote.

"Success is not measured by how much you have or how much you earn, but by how much you share and how much you give. It is the simplest act, yet it reaps the highest reward. Entrepreneurship and philanthropy are the 2 sides of the same coin. Toss it high, and you will always win."

In 2013, Sam Switzer was recognized by AFP Calgary as an *Outstanding Lifetime Philanthropist*. He has made significant gifts to these local organizations:

- Alberta Children's Hospital
- Calgary YWCA
- Mount Royal University Foundation
- Fresh Start Recovery Centre
- Calgary Meals on Wheels
- **Calgary Stampede Foundation**
- Chabad Lubovitch of Calgary
- Heritage Park
- Silvera for Seniors
- **Calgary Health Trust**
- **Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation**

Sam also supports National and International Social Agencies Including:

- National MusicCentre
- Canadian Museum for Human Rights
- Magen David Adorn
- Jewish National Fund
- **Rotary International Foundation**

Ladies and gentlemen please welcome Mr. Sam Switzer to the RCCS, an individual who truly understands the concept of Service above Self





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November 14th: Rotary Club of Calgary South sponsored, prepared and served the dinner meal at The Mustard Seed in East Foothills

Our club contributed \$1,200.00 for the meal of pork chops, mashed potatoes, broccoli and brownies for dessert. We provided 18 volunteers. Half did food preparation in the afternoon and the other half served the meal. We served over 325 meals. Thanks to all that helped out

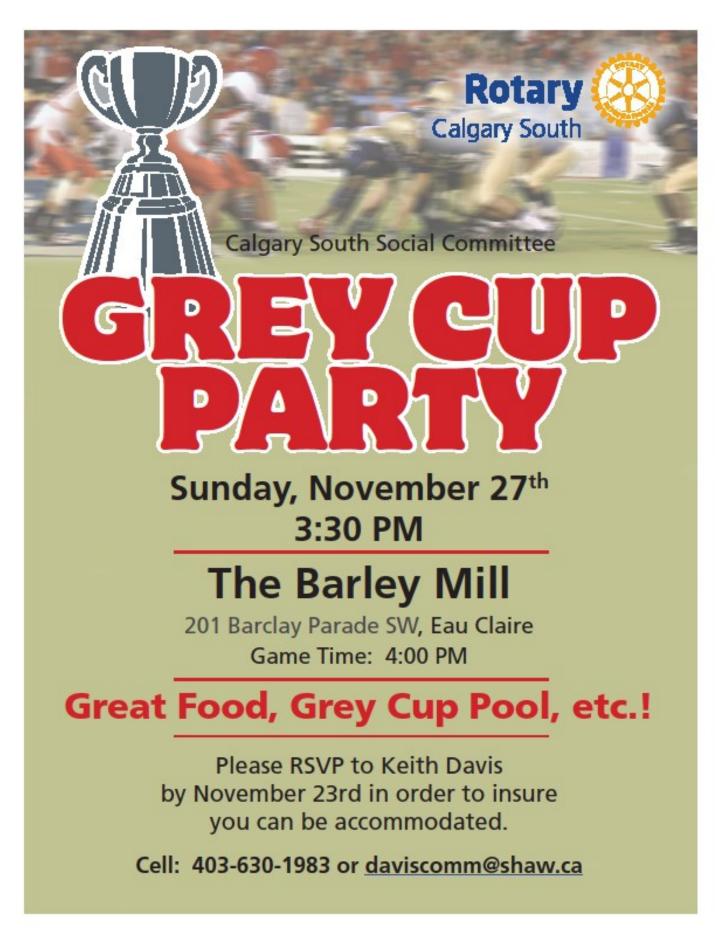
Submitted by: Harry Pelton





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Wednesday, November 30th 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 November 25th in order to insure you can be accommodated.

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







PRESENTATION AFTER OUR REGULAR MEETING ON <u>DECEMBER 1ST</u> BY: PENNY LECKIE

Penny Leckie has kindly agreed to give a Presentation on *Charitable Giving* after the meeting on *December 1st*. Penny will be covering topics such as:

- To give during life or upon Death
- Giving with Life Insurance
- Optimizing Tax Saving and how much to give

If there are other topics of interest please email Penny and let her know so she could address them

Following the Presentation Penny will be available to answer individual queries





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Food Bank:

The dates for helping distribute food hampers to clients at the Food Bank for Christmas have been confirmed as December 19 from 9:45 am – 1:00 pm (16 volunteers required) and December 22 and 23 from 2:30 – 5:30 pm (16 volunteers required for each shift).

Those interested in helping in this always-fun and interactive Christmas holiday activity should email Corinne Wilkinson at: <u>corinne@whitehathospitality.com</u>

SALVATION ARMY KETTLES:

It is that time again for all to consider doing a Salvation Army Kettle shift. The shifts are at Chinook Centre and are two hours in duration, beginning at 10am. The dates that I am trying to get are Dec 10th and Dec 17th. I will confirm these dates when the Salvation Army get back to me.

Shifts fill quickly so do not delay getting your name in early. Thanks in advance

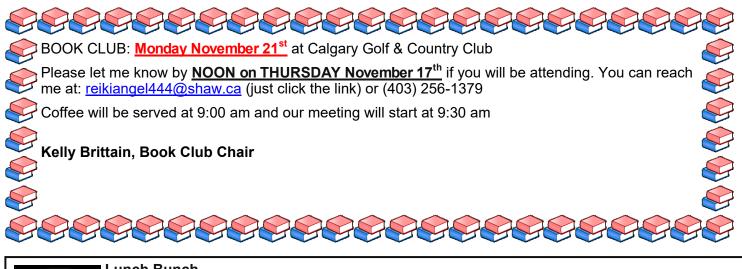


Submitted by: Dave Read



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Lunch Bunch

will be meeting at Brown's Social House at 5139 Elbow Drive (Brittania) at 11:30 am. Please either email or phone me to let me know if you are attending. Susan.

Calgary South Rotary Partners' Christmas Luncheon General Meeting and Social Gathering

December 3 at 10:00 am Calgary Golf & Country Club Tickets \$35 — Guests Welcome

RSVP by Nov 28 to Pat Cuthbert (403.252.0156 or bill.cuthbert@shaw.ca)

Please send cheques payable to 'Calgary South Rotary Partners' to Donna Kennedy 37 Mahogany Manor SE Calgary, AB T3M 0Y3 Bring loonies and toonies for Operation Eyesight

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





NOVEMBER	
Nov 24	STARS Tour: At the STARS Hangar: Meet at Rotary House first
Nov 25	Ronald MacDonald House Dinner
Nov 27	Grey Cup Party (See Bulletin for Details)
Nov 30	Dim Sum Lunch (See Bulletin for Details)
DECEMBER	<u>2016</u>
Dec 1	Todd Hirsch: Chief Economist (ATB)
Dec 1	Penny Leckie: Charitable Giving Presentation (after Regular Meeting)
Dec 8	Rotary Police Cheques: Policies and Procedures
Dec 10	Salvation Army Kettles
Dec 15	Christmas Luncheon: Canyon Meadows Golf Club
Dec 17	Salvation Army Kettles
Dec 19	Calgary Food Bank 9:45 am to 1:00 pm (Need 16 Volunteers)
Dec 22	Christmas Social and Cleven Awards Day
Dec 22	Calgary Food Bank 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm (Need 16 Volunteers)
Dec 23	Calgary Food Bank 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm (Need 16 Volunteers)
Dec 29	NO MEETING DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
JANUARY 2017	
Jan 5	Mid Year State of the Union Address
Jan 12	Garry Lamb: Alberta Transportation: Calgary Ring Road
Jan 19	Robbie Burns Day
Jan 20	Larry Kwong Chinese New Year: Regency Palace
Jan 26	Legend Series: Reclassification Talk
FEBRUARY	
Feb 2	Wendy McDonald: Rotary Employment Partnership
Feb 9	Valentines Day Luncheon: Location TBA
Feb 16	TBA
Feb 23	Dan Doherty: Rotary International Polio Plus
MARCH 2017	
March 2 TBA	
March 9	President's Club Update
March 16	St. Patrick's Day
March 23	Alana Asuchak: Stress Busters
March 30	Charlene Bearden: Club Runner Presentation
APRIL 2017	
April 6	TBA
April 13	TBA
April 20	New Member Celebration: Location to be announced
April 27	Janice Eisenhauer: Canadian Women for Afghanistan (Possibly at the Clubhouse)
MAY 2017	
May 4	Dream Home Registration Kick off
May 5-7	District Conference (Red Deer)
May 11	Bob Dubask: Myths About Reverse Mortgages
May 18	TBA
May 25	ТВА
May 26	President's Party
<u>JUNE 2017</u>	
June 1	Stay In School Luncheon: Carriage House Inn
June 2-4	Radium Fellowship Weekend
June 8	Charities Day: Possibly at Carriage House Inn
June 22	YEX Presentation: Returning Student
June 29	Changing of the Guard



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Please submit all bulletin submissions in the following format:

- Word Document or PDF
- Please ensure that all email addresses and phone numbers have been listed on your announcements
- Please make sure to include
 dates and times of events etc...
- Please submit by Thursdays for submission in the bulletin (anything later cannot be guaranteed)

contact me at: <u>kathyann@rotarycs.org</u> (just click this link)

or call: (403) 244 9788 if you have questions Thanks.

Kathyann Reginato

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