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DISTRICT GOVERNOR **RICK ISTEAD**

President-Elect Nominee, Ron Prokosch introduced our Speaker, District Governor Rick Istead today.

Rick's Professional Career includes a Bachelor of Agriculture from the University of Guelph, and 34 years with Syngenta Crop Protection in both research and Marketing.

While with Syngenta Rick worked in both Eastern and Western Canada and had a stint of three years at the headquarters in Basel Switzerland.

Rick retired from Syngenta in 2006 following which he established AG Wise Solutions based here in Calgary. One notable project for Rick was the launch and establishment of the Alberta Wheat Commission in 2012 to 2013.

As to Rick Istead's Rotary Career; Rick Istead joined Rotary in March of 2007 and became President of Rotary Club of Fish Creek during 2009 to 2010. Other club activities have included: Stay in School and Membership Chair.

I first became acquainted with Rick as he began to move into the role of District Chair for Youth Exchange in 2010.

Since then, Rick and I have shared many excursions and fun times with exchange students from all over the world including trips to San Diego, Mexico and Disney World As well, as District conferences, and Peace Park Assemblies.

Rick was also the Co-Chair of the NAYEN International Conference held here in Calgary last March Rick is a Certified Facilitator with the Rotary Leadership Institute.

Outside of Rotary; Rick volunteers with Interfaith Food Bank, Calgary Zoo (Santa) and Westside Kings Church.

Rick is married to his lovely wife Pat and has two daughters Katherine and Laura.

Please extend a warm welcome to **District Governor RICK ISTEAD**.





President Bill, fellow Rotarians and guests, I want you to know that I'm proud to be a Rotarian. And why am I proud?

Well to start, Rotarians have being making a difference in their local communities and around the world for over 112 years now. And the Rotary Club of Calgary South has been doing so for an amazing over 62 years now

- Rotarians serve others before themselves after all, isn't it our motto "Service Above Self" that we all follow
- Rotarians subscribe to the 4-way test. These 4 questions we ask ourselves "of the things we think, say and do" have been a game changer for me personally. I wish I had known about them much earlier in life.
- Rotarians are this close to eradicating polio! (350,000 in 1985; 12 in 2017)
- Rotarians are also all about fun and friendship in fact, a Rotary event usually always helps me with my daily credo
- Rotarians see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

I'm proud to be serving as your District Governor and representing all of the Rotarians in District 5360.

I would like to begin by thanking everyone here today that responded to our "Members Survey" earlier this year. You have spoken, well in fact slightly more than 40% of the Rotarians in our District have spoken and now the District and the Club Leadership Teams need to understand what you have said and to take appropriate action. To just feel good about the survey and to do nothing is not an option.

Can you imagine how the District Leadership Team felt when they realized that a majority of the Rotarians in our District don't know who we are, what we do or what value we bring? We have our work cut out for us, but we are committed to a journey of continuous improvement.

Clubs now have a good snapshot of how their members are feeling and thinking and so it's incumbent on the club leadership to also take action. Some clubs have used their members' feedback as a spring board to begin a conversation on club "health and wellness" - those things that need to change to make their club more exciting, more engaging and more relevant for their members and more attractive to the non-Rotarians in their community. Several clubs have even built a new Strategic Vision for the future.

Clubs that are strong and vibrant and making a positive difference in our communities around the world are focused on setting and achieving goals each Rotary year. And we have a place where all Rotarians can see these goals and track their progress - it's called Rotary Club Central. This year's Rotary Citation will recognize clubs that focus on Rotary's 3 strategic priorities. I encourage all clubs in our District to check out the Rotary Citation and if it makes sense to your club and I hope it does, why not challenge yourselves and go for it! We had 3 clubs in our District who achieved Citation status last year - I know we can do better!

Rotary International's strategic priorities for 2017-18 are also our District's strategic priorities, these being to;

- Support and Strengthen Clubs
- Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service
- Enhance Public Image and Awareness

How our District addresses these strategic priorities is really up to us, but we now have the Members Survey to guide us and focus us on what matters most to the Rotarians in our District. The District Leadership Team, which includes our District Board of ten, our thirteen (13) Assistant Governors and our five (5) District Committees are all here to serve you.







We really do want you to know who we are, what we do and the value we can bring to our club's and our Rotarians in District 5360.

All of our District Committees have been asked to identify 3 "continuous improvement" priorities for this year so that they can serve you better.

I would like to share with you some of what they are up to;

Learning and Development Committee, formerly

Training Committee

Working on a plan to deliver the Rotary Leadership Institute in all of our major centres Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and Red Deer. RLI is our Rotary knowledge based program for both new members and those of us Rotarians who want to learn more about this great organization. Un-



President Elect Prokosch, DG Istead and President LeClair

der Tamara McCarron's leadership we are in the process of reaching out to our RLI graduates with the hope that we can establish teams of 4-6 facilitators in each of our centres. We also recognize that accessibility even to our centres can be a challenge for some Rotarians so we're hoping to pilot on-line delivery of RLI, so that one can learn more about Rotary in the comfort of their home.

I am also encouraging our L&D Committee to look at the possibility of doing a club survey to identify what clubs feel they need in terms of training. For instance, what about communicating via social media, negotiation skills, dealing with the media, to name a few.

Public Image & Communications Committee

We are working to build a new District Public Image and Communications team and then together we will develop our go-forward communications and PR plans for the District. When it comes to communicating to both our internal and our external audiences, there is no silver bullet - we need a multi-dimensional strategy that looks at the traditional, electronic and even the social media platforms.

Youth Service Committee

In the past year we've expanded our District's youth program portfolio beyond the traditional Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, RYPEN and Youth Exchange by piloting 2 new programs;

New Generations Service Exchange: - a program for 20-30 year olds who are either finishing up university or in the early stages of their career that want to expand their skills and knowledge by interning in another organization in another country. So if you know of a young person in our community who you think might be interested in this opportunity, please have them get in touch with Christina Hassan, our program Lead.

Alberta Youth Entrepreneurship Camp - a week long camp that has been operational for over 20 years, run by Community Futures and supported by Rotary Clubs. This camp helps prepare Alberta youth for economic opportunities by providing them with access to training, resources and skills needed to become gainfully employed, self-employed and financially sustainable. We are currently working on a partnership agreement that will see this camp delivered as a Rotary Youth Service program.

Under **Geoff Hughes'** leadership, a Youth Program Visioning workshop was held last weekend with the District's youth program leaders coming together to look at ways of better integrating and aligning all of our great youth programs.

I'm looking forward to learning about all of the exciting plans that they intend to bring forward.







Under DGN Christine Rendell's and PDG Neil Berg's co-leadership we have a completely new Membership Attraction & Engagement Committee. This team is gearing up to be your one-stop resource for all things membership. So, if you're looking for some information or advice or help, please reach out to the Membership Team. Just a friendly reminder to register for the Membership: Priority #1 workshop November 18th.

District Rotary Foundation Committee

If the Rotary Foundation is the engine that drives our "doing good in the world", locally or globally, we cannot forget about the importance of fueling that engine. I'm proud to say that our District is a leader when it comes to supporting the Rotary Foundation, but that doesn't mean that we need to take our foot off the gas or fill up less often. We need to continue our support for the Foundation.

I would like to take a minute to get you to think about something. Could the Rotary Foundation become your personal "Charity of Choice"? TRF is where it is today because of its great projects within our local communities and around the world, its management systems, its very low administrative costs and perhaps most of all, because it aligns itself with doing good, using Rotary's values and what projects members and their clubs want to undertake. Charity Navigator, an internationally recognized charity ratings organization named TRF the number one foundation in the world in 2016 and has given it the top rating of 4 stars for 8 consecutive years. Since there is such an alignment of the priorities and goals of TRF with those of individual clubs and members, we ask you to give some thought to your long term giving and consider making TRF your charity of choice. I fully realize that giving is a personal and private choice, but if you have a giving heart, please think about TRF. There are many options for you to decide where your TRF donations go, so you can make those choices at the time of giving.

For 2017-2018, new members to our Rotary family will again receive 100 Foundation points towards a Paul Harris Fellow, new sign-ups to Rotary Direct will also receive 100 Foundation points and we're currently investigating the opportunity of providing 100 Foundation points to all new member sponsors as recognition for bringing a new person into Rotary.

I'm proud to say that our District Rotary Foundation Committee, under **Don Taylor's** guidance, is seen by many of our District peers as leaders when it comes to giving, grant management, grant stewardship, scholarships and the Rotary Friendship Exchange program.



Our Grants Sub-Committee continues to look for ways to streamline our grant application processes and to expand the grant opportunities. Please don't forget about the Grants Qualification Workshop coming up this Saturday. It's every club's first step in their journey to qualify for 2018 -2019 grants.

When I joined the Rotary Club of Calgary Fish Creek back in the spring of 2007 I was told that I was a member of the largest and oldest service organization in the world. I was also told that when I attended my first District Conference or International Convention I would then fully realize and experience the power of Rotary and become a Rotarian. For me personally, no truer words have been said.

So in May 2018 I invite you to join me at our District Conference. It will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Calgary from May 4-6th. It's been 12 years since our last District Conference was held in Calgary, so we feel it's time to return. We know from our very own "Members Survey" that the two primary reasons people join and stay with Rotary, is the opportunity to have local impact and fun and friendship. The Discon 2018 program will focus on those two elements.

To register for the conference, book a room and keep up to date on what we have planned go to our District web site and look for the "Events" tab. http://discon5360.ca/registration/





And if the District Conference, didn't whet your Rotarian appetite, please join me in Toronto from June 24 -27th for the Rotary International Convention. Thanks to the 122 Rotarians in our District who have already registered. For those that have not yet registered, but are thinking about or planning to attend, I urge you to register as soon as possible and avoid disappointment on choice of accommodation. We know that registrations now exceed 23,000 and many of the hotels close to the Conven-



tion Centre are already fully booked. Here is the link: <u>http://www.riconvention.org/en</u>



Our Presidential Theme this year is: **Rotary: Making a Difference.**

In closing I want to thank the members of the Rotary Club of Calgary South for being difference makers! What gets done in our Rotary world is through the hard work, dedication and passionate Rotarians in our clubs who give their time, talent and treasure to "do good in the world".

Our District Leadership Team recognizes that, thanks you for all you do, and I want to assure you, is here to help and support you in your journey as best we can. Thank you!

Ken Copithorne thanked DG Istead saying this is a 24-7 job and not an easy one. Thank you for explaining what you are trying to achieve this year, education, more awareness and more members.

President Bill also thanked District Governor Istead and advised him that the club will be donating \$100.00 the our Stay In School Program on behalf of DG Rick.

Club News

President Bill LeClair opened the meeting Demorest and Norm Devitt) for welcoming

everyone here today. President Bill then asked Lisa Fernandes to

accompany us in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.

by thanking Anne and Andy (aka Kathy

Head Table: DG Rick Istead, ADG Grant Macheachern, Bryan Targett, Larry Koper and Ron Prokosch



Guests: Jack Haman introduced: DG Rick Istead, ADG Grand Maceachern, Gavin Doyle (New Zealand Rotarian), Joshua Ojo (Rotary Club of Nigeria), Karen Grant (Guest: Ron Prokosch), Lynn Topp (Guest: Don Mintz), Brett Albers (Guest: Dilan Perera), John Amonson (Guest: Dilan Perera), Walter Flores (Guest: Ron Prokosch), Sheryl Thompson, Vanjie (Guest: Sam Switzer) and Maisa Piazza Costa



Gavin Doyle from New Zealand exchanged a banner with President Bill.

50/50 Draw: Jim Cairns gave Craig Stokke the winnings for today





THE BULLETIN of The Rotary Club of Calgary South Club News





Elections: Ken Farn: Nominations for President-Elect and Directors closed as of Noon today.

Nominations for Directors: **Dorothea Schaab, Len Kushner and David Young** will stand as Directors.

Chas Filipski will run for President-Elect as brought forward by the Past Presidents. Chas was nominated by Ken Copithorne and seconded by George Deegan

Norm Legare will run for President-Elect as brought forward from the floor. Norm was nominated by Charlie Gouldsborough and seconded by Myrna Dube-Thompson.

There will be an election for President-Elect. Candidate bios and ballots will be sent out in the next few days and elections are open until Nov 16/2017.

You can vote online by emailing the **Club Secretary, Don Bacon** at: <u>donbacon@shaw.ca</u>. You can bring in your ballot to the meeting or mail or drop off at the Rotary office.

Larry Kennedy after 7 years of being treasurer has decided to step down and thank you for your service to the club, has been a lot of work and many hours. **Don Mintz** has offered to take over the treasurer position for the club starting July 1, 2018.



Rotary Remembers: Jim Fitzowich: Jim wore his poppy today to remind everyone about November 11th. Jim also reminded us that a number of our members are veterans. The November 9 meeting is cancelled as we will hold Rotary Remembers on November 11 at the Carriage House , \$30 a ticket if you purchase online \$35 at the door, family and friends welcome. See full agenda and details in the bulletin on Page 8

CRCF: Bryan Targett: CRCF funds will be calculated and reported on in the next couple of weeks. The CRCF drive ends Oct 31st and that does not mean you cannot donate. You can donate all year long by giving your donation to **Neil Fraser or Art Borzel**. Donations given now will still be giving a hundred years from now, even though you might be long gone. Give \$1000 and get a tax receipt for \$1175.00.



Sergeant At Arms: Joe Connelly: Joe fined people for seeing him on tv, did they have the right name tag, for being too slow in the line, road improvement costs and whose 70th Birthday that it was.

Joe asked **Larry Kennedy** to stand and asked everyone to give Larry a round of applause for taking on the job of Treasurer for the past seven year. **Thanks Larry!!!**



Feed the Hungry: Sandy Dougall: Sandy reminded everyone to please volunteer for St. Mary's Feed the Hungry on **November 12th** and the volunteer sheet was passed around.



Cleven Award nominations: Larry Koper reminded everyone to nominate someone worthy for a Cleven Award. Please complete by November 16th and give to **Terry Allen or Larry Koper** (see page 7 for more details)

After that, the meeting was adjourned for today.





Bulletin Committee Request: All Speakers, Intro presenters and Thank you presenters need to provide electronic copies before or immediately after the meeting to the Weekly Bulletin Editor or to: <u>kathyann@rotarycs.org</u>. Also note that if you ask to speak at the podium on any other matter at a weekly meeting, **President Bill** will be expecting you to submit an electronic copy of your information as well. Thanks very much for your assistance.

Cleven Awards: You are invited to nominate an active member of our Rotary Club for this year's Cleven Award. The criteria for the award are outlined on the Form which is attached to the email for this week's bulletin. Nominations should be sent to: <u>tgallen1@telus.net</u> or given to Terry Allen no later than **November 16th 2017 Terry Allen: Chair: Cleven Award Committee**

Health, Wellness & Transportation:

- Bernie Benning has a detached retina and will be laid up for two weeks. No visitors Please.
- Jim Burns is going to rehab very soon and will begin the process of recovery. It will be at least another month before he can return to Rotary House.

Contact Tony Ng at: <u>tng@cirrealty.ca</u> OR: Work 403 271 0600, home - 403-243-3243, cell 403-861-1306 if you know of anyone that is not well, that could use a visit or a ride to a Rotary Meeting.

House Committee: Power Point for November: Members wishing to have information placed on the Power point slide show for November please contact **Jamie Moorhouse** at least one week prior to the meeting date. Jamie's e-mail is <u>jamie@talkinglightmedia.com</u>

Terry Allen: Chair: House Committee

Office Matters: Please be aware that Kathyann Reginato will be away from the office from October 30th, 2017 to November 5th, 2017

Please direct any questions you may have to Don Bacon, Club Secretary at: donbacon@shaw.ca

Proposed New Member

Please be advised that **Carol Rosdobutko** has been proposed for active membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary South as a transfer from the Rotary Club of Calgary (Downtown) with a proposed Classification of **Re-location Consultant.** Carol is sponsored by Luanne Whitmarsh and Bill LeClair.

On October 16, 2017 Carol's membership was approved by the Board of Directors on the basis of the recommendations of the Membership, Qualifications and Classifications Committee subject to completion of a formal application and communication of her name and proposed classification to the membership.

If any member objects to Carol Rosdobutko joining our Club or to her proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary at <u>donbacon@shaw.ca</u> prior to <u>October 29, 2017</u>.







Rotary Clubs of Calgary Remembrance Service "Rotary Remembers" November 11th, 2017 (Saturday) The Carriage House Inn: 9030 MacLeod Trail South 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Lt. Col. (Ret) Jim Hennessy

Tickets are <u>\$30.00</u> if you register <u>before</u> Friday November 3rd online Tickets are <u>\$35.00</u> at the door

Here is the link to Register for the Rotary Club of Calgary South:

https://portal.clubrunner.ca/952/Event/2017-rotary-remembers

Agenda for the "Rotary Remembers" Event

10:00 am:	Gathering of Rotarians, Spouses and friends
10:30 am:	Master of Ceremonies: Brian Guichon
	Welcome: District Governor Rick Istead
	O Canada: Robyn Braley (accompanied by Ruth Wylie)
	Blessing: Harold Aitkenhead
10:40 am:	The meaning of Remembrance Day : Frank King
10:55 am:	"In Flanders Fields": Des Defreitas
11:00 am:	Last Post (Bugler): MCpl. (ret) David Ramsey
	Two Minutes of Silence
	Reveille: (Bugler): MCpl. (ret) David Ramsey
	"They shall not grow old": Des Defreitas
11:10 am:	Rotary "Honour Roll" Club Presidents or representatives
11:30 am:	Introduction of Guest Speaker: Doug Hood
	Presentation: Lt. Col (ret) Jim Hennessy
	God Save the Queen: Robyn Braley (accompanied by Ruth Wylie)
Noon:	Lunch



THE BULLETIN of The Rotary Club of Calgary South Operation Eyesight and Online World Polio





Hello friends at the Rotary Club of South Calgary, Thank you for your support of Operation Eyesight. We really appreciate the gift you've gave us earlier this year.

Your club made cataract surgeries possible for many people. These surgeries were, and are, truly life-changing, and helped restore precious sight to so many people.

Because of your support, you and the Rotary Club of South Calgary, have helped people gain independence and dignity — both priceless gifts. Recently, our Executive Director and Donor Relations Officer visited India and Nepal, to see first hand all the wonderful work Operation Eyesight is doing in those areas, thanks to your support. We'd be privileged, and honoured to share the impact of our visit with you — and the work that you've been instrumental in supporting.

Please feel free to email or phone me at your earliest convenience if your Club would be interested in having an Operation Eyesight guest speaker or a written report from us. If you are no longer the correct contact person, please let me know so I can update our records. I would appreciate if you would pass me on to the correct contact. Thank you again for your support and I look forward to hearing from you.

Warm regards, Blaire MacNicol Stewardship & Volunteer Relations 403-670-2622 MacNicolB@operationeyesight.com

ONLINE WORLD POLIO

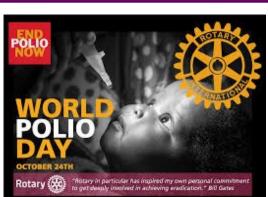
Dear District 5360 Rotarians,

We trust you have read your email about our ONLINE World Polio Day meeting that will march across Canada in 5 hours with the purpose to raise funds for our End Polio Campaign.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm local time in Halifax and every hour moves to the next time zone. So no matter where you are in Canada you can drop in between 7 and 8 pm local time.

Here is the meeting LINK to our WPD 5 Hour March Across Canada: <u>https://zoom.us/j/371359687</u> One link for this continuous across Canada meeting.

If you do join us you will be asked to login with a name.



The following link will take you to our LIVE Pledge Donation Tracker <u>http://www.sitescapers.com/WPD/WPDStatus.php</u>

As Rotarians make a pledge the amount is automatically recorded in the "thermometer" and the Bill and Melinda Gates match is included in the total.

Your hosts for the evening Gord Hankin, Angela Carter, Mike Lynes, Anre McIntosh, Peter Denooy, Brian Carmichael





NOVEMBER 2017		
Nov 2:	Amarok Society	
Nov 9:	No Meeting re: Rotary Remembers	
Nov 11:	Rotary Remembers: Carriage House Inn	
Nov 12:	Feed The Hungry: 125 Volunteers Needed	
Nov 16:	Rotary Foundation Presentation	
Nov 16:	DEADLINE FOR ELECTION BALLOTS	
Nov 16:	DEADLINE FOR CLEVEN AWARD NOMINATIONS	
Nov 20:	Board Meeting	
Nov 23:	Meaghan Farquharson: Peace Scholarship Recipient	
Nov 30:	Reid Henry: C-Space Plant Tour	
DECEMBER 2017		
Dec 7:	Sundae Nordin: Calgary Community Kitchen	
Dec 14:	Christmas Luncheon: Carriage House Inn	
Dec 18:	Board Meeting	
Dec 21:	Cleven Awards and Christmas Social	
Dec 28:	No Meeting re: Christmas	
JANUARY 2018		
Jan 4:	President Bill LeClair: Mid-Year State of the Union Address	
Jan 11:		
Jan 18:		
Jan 25:		
FEBRUARY 2018		
Feb 1:	Jeannie Everett: New Alberta Curriculum	
Feb 2:		
	Valentine's Day Luncheon	
	Dick Shaw: Rotary Profile	
Feb 22:		
MARCH 2018		
March 1:		
	Nancy Mannix: Palix Foundation	
	St. Patrick's Day	
	Art Borzel: Rotary Profile	
March 29:	IBA	
APRIL 2018	TDA	
April 5:		
April 12:		
	New Member Celebration Evening Meeting: Carriage House	
-	Terry McDonough (Deceased): Rotary Profile	
MAY 2018	Droam Homo Pogistration Kick off	
May 3: May10:	Dream Home Registration Kick off TBA	
May 17:	TBA	
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THE BULLETIN of The Rotary Club of Calgary South Active Links and Contact Information





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Here are some of the links in this bulletin that you can click on

Rotary Remembers:

https://portal.clubrunner.ca/952/Event/2017-rotary-remembers

Discon 2018 Registration:

RI Convention 2019 Registration:

http://www.riconvention.org/en

http://discon5360.ca/registration/



All those emails listed below are active too!!!!!

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2017 2018 Club Officers

President: Bill LeClair: President-Elect: Ron Prokosch: Past President: Ken Farn: Club Secretary: Don Bacon: Treasurer: Larry Kennedy: Partners President: Karen Grant:

2017 2018 Directors

District 5360 Representative: Sherry Austin Club Service: Operations: Steve Mason Club Service: Membership and Social: Glen Godlonton Club Service: Ways & Means: Gordon Weicker Community Service: Jim Hutchens Community Service: Ways & Means: Dana Hunter International & Vocational Service: Kevin MacLeod Youth Service: Stacey Johnson

Other Important Contacts

Audit Treasury and Finance Chair: Don Mintz Dream Home Chair: Craig Stokke Health Wellness & Transportation Chair: Don O'Dwyer Large Grants Chair: Bob Brawn Small Grants Chair: Mark Ambrose Social Committee Chair: Toby Oswald-Felker Stay In School Scholarship Program Chair: Bill Sumner Programs and Tours Chair: Jim Fitzowich World Community Service Chair: Jamie Moorhouse

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