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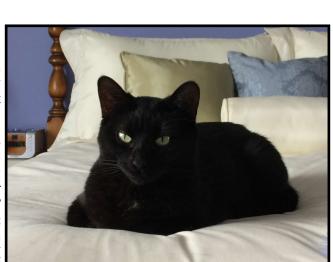
Halloween is the perfect time to tell you about my little black cat, **Licorice**. I first met Licorice in early spring of 2016. I popped in to visit a friend who lives on an acreage. When I stopped my car, this little black fur ball came running over from the hay shed. I said to my friend, "Is that a CAT?" He said, "When I came out to feed the horses this morning, she was hiding in the hay bales. Somebody must have abandoned her. I gave her some food and she has been hanging around. She is very friendly. I think you should take her home." Being a dog person, not a cat person, I didn't think the comment was even worthy of a response.

The little black cat continued to hang around in the hay bales all spring. Whenever anyone came outside, she would run over and follow them around.

In early summer, she gave birth to five black kittens, which my friend's daughter dug out from the hiding place in the hay bales. The little black cat was a very good mother. We would watch her hunt gophers in the field, and even though they were almost bigger than her, she would drag them back to feed her kittens.

My friend is very responsible, so he found good homes for the kittens and took the little black cat to the vet's to have her spayed. She had to stay in a safe place while she healed, and that is when he learned she knew how to use a litter box, so must have lived indoors at one time. All throughout the spring and summer, every time I would visit, he would say, "I think you should take that cat home." I continued to ignore him.

In August, I returned from vacation, and determined some mice had spent their vacation in my home. I set some traps, and thought everything was returning to normal, until one evening I was sitting in the front room, reading, and caught something out of the corner of my eye. I thought to myself, "did a mouse just run past me?" Well not only did a mouse run past me, he/she/it turned around, sat on its hind haunches and looked at me like I should give it the remote control for the tv because I had the wrong channel on... I got out of my chair, phoned my friend, and said, "Bring the CAT." She arrived within the hour, and she has never left my home since.



Never being a cat owner, I had some learning to do, and there were nights when I felt like Fred Flintstone, "putting the cat out for the night", from my bedroom. We had to get used to each other, and there were a few dramatic moments when she caught mice and wanted to show me she was earning her keep.

She trained me well, so now we enjoy sitting together to watch tv or read a book. She is in the process of training Darren, and he seems to be making good progress. We don't know where she came from, but we are so pleased she found her way to us. And as for the mice, they don't live in our house anymore...

I have included some pictures of the animal my world revolves around. I thought the picture of her with the Jack O Lantern is perfect for this week's Bulletin. I hope everyone has a fun Halloween, while staying safe.

Not too sure what I am doing this Halloween. Last year, Roselyn Jack appeared at my door with some liquor. We had a few drinks and a few giggles while we took turns handing out candy. It was fun, and wouldn't mind a repeat...hint hint...







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Jack Thompson, Chairman of our Rotary Foundation Committee, brought us up to date on TRF.

Presentations of Paul Harris Fellows were made to:

Ernie Yaskowich (PHF+1)

Don Taylor (PHF+7)

Kathy Demorest (PHF+2)

Jack explained how the Club uses TRF points to match donations made by members in \$CDN to bring them up to \$USD equivalents.

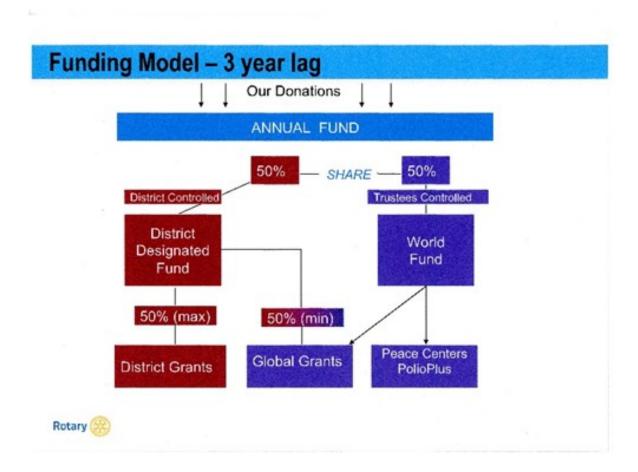
A \$500 CDN donation becomes a \$1,000 USD donation credited to the Member.

The TRF handout (available as an attachment in the Bulletin email will explain this in greater detail.



The Rotary Foundation is over 100 years old, and for the past 12 years has been recognized as one of the top ranked charities in the world. Last year, the 2019-2020 Rotary year, TRF received, donations from around the world, \$322 Million USD. What happens to those donations? Those dollars are used to fund every district's grants both locally and internationally.

TRF holds onto the funds for 3 years and then gives 50% back directly to the District to use as they see fit and 50% goes into the World Fund, which funds global grants for international projects.





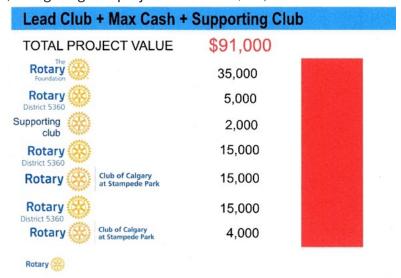
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We are very fortunate to be surrounded by very giving Rotarians and as a result our District received over \$400,000USD back from TRF this year which is used to fund District Project grants, District scholarships, youth programs, vocational training teams, travel grants, peace centres, global scholarships and global grants. Because of the generosity if Rotarians the District is able to offer leveraging to varying degrees.

- \$2,500 gets you an extra \$7,500 for project grants for a total of \$10,000, which can be used for local or international projects,
- ♦ \$1,000 gets you an extra \$2,000 for District scholarships and youth programs for a \$3,000 total for each grant.
- Global Grants can start with as little as \$4,000USD from the club,
- ◆ The District will put in \$15,000USD and this year will also match 1:1 for up to additional \$15,000USD for cash donated by the club over the original \$4000.
- ◆ Other clubs supporting a global grant with \$2,000USD are able to get \$5,000USD from the district. For global grants, TRF matches all the District funds 1:1.

So using the best type of math we could find, Rotary math, a project with a lead club maxing out cash from the club and one supporting club works out like this. \$4,000 gets \$15,000 from District, an additional \$15,000 from the club gets another \$15,000 from District and a supporting club kicks in \$2,000 to get \$5,000 from District for a total of \$56,000. The \$35,000 from District is then matched 1:1 by TRF for another \$35,000 giving the project a total of \$91,000.



Our District received over \$400,000 USD back from TRF this year, which was split 50/50 between District projects and global grants that resulted in 63 District projects and 9 global grants last year. That magical math happened because of your donations to The Rotary Foundation.

President Penny thanked **Jack**. Thank you to you and your committee for overseeing our Club's involvement with the Rotary International Foundation. When we had the CRCF launch, I talked about treating donations much like an investment and you want to ensure you have a good portfolio manager to oversee your funds. I use the Rotary International Foundation as my portfolio manager for funds I want to contribute to help people in other parts of the globe. I know that when the funds are disbursed, they will be administered by Rotarians, who probably have very similar values and beliefs as I do. In addition, through the creative genius of some of our Committees, our Club maximizes and leverages grants from this Foundation. Please consider making a gift to this Foundation.

On that note, I want to acknowledge **Jamie Moorhouse** who is the Chair of Grants at the District Level, and **Don Taylor**, who served in this role before Jamie. We are very blessed to have these Members ensuring our committees optimize our access to District and International Grants





President Penny Leckie welcomed us to the October 29th meeting of

the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. **AHOY MATIES!!!**Welcome aboard our ship, the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede
Park. I am the Ship's Captain for 2020/2021 – **Penny Leckie**, **BUT**

MOST OF YE KNOW ME BETTER AS "STORMY WENCH OF THE COAST".

We are hosting our Halloween Celebration today, so watch out ye don't run into any ghosts or skeletons of forgotten prisoners from long ago left to rot in the darkness of the bottom of the bilge...

They say it is bad luck to have a woman on a ship, and I can tell you it most certainly was for the last Captain, who we threw overboard at the end of June. You might be surprised to see a female pirate at the helm, but I follow in the wake of some real mean wenches. Let me tell you about two of the most famous:



ANNE BONNY

Born Anne Cormac in 1698, this Irish lass with luscious red locks and a dangerous temper became an icon of The Golden Age of Piracy after marrying small-time pirate James Bonny. Anne's respectable father disowned her over the marriage, so she and her new husband moved to a portion of the Bahamas nicknamed the Pirates Republic, a sanctuary of sorts for scalawags. But the Bonny's did not stay married for long.

They divorced, and she took up with Calico Jack Rackham, first as his lover, then as his first mate of the ship *Revenge*. In October of 1720, she and the rest of Rackham's crew were captured despite Bonny's valiant attempts to fight off the advancing English forces. Bonny blamed Rackham for their capture. Her last words to him in prison are recorded as, "Sorry to see you there, but if you'd fought like a man, you would not have been hang'd like a Dog."

He was hanged, but Bonny's pregnancy earned her a stay of execution. No historical record of her death sentence can be found. Some speculate that her affluent father paid a handsome price to have her set free.

SADIE THE GOAT

American pirate of the 19th century, <u>Sadie Farrell</u> earned her unusual nickname for her violent of modus operandi. On the streets of New York City, Sadie won a reputation as a merciless mugger by head-butting her victims. It's said that Sadie was chased out of Manhattan when a fellow female tough, Gallus Mag, brawled with her, biting off Sadie's ear.

To flee the city, she wrangled a new gang to steal a sloop in the spring of 1869. With a Jolly Roger flapping above them, Sadie and her crew became pirates that swept the Hudson and Harlem Rivers for booty. She lead raids on the farmhouses and posh mansions that dotted the river's side, occasionally kidnapping folks for ransom. By the end of summer these raids became too risky as the farmers took to firing upon the sloop as it drew near. So, Sadie the Goat returned to the mainland, where she made peace with Gallus Mag, who returned to Sadie her lost ear which had been pickled for posterity.

Known now as "Queen of the Waterfront," Sadie took her dismembered ear and placed it in a locket, which she wore around her neck for the rest of her days.

SO YO HO HO, AND LET'S GET THIS PARTY STARTED







Please rise as we listen to the video of Lisa Fernandes singing of O Canada.

Virtual Head Table: Pirate Jack Thompson, Chair of our Club's Committee for Rotary International Foundation, and everyone else on this committee.



Last week, I recognized the dog owners in the Club. This week, I want to honour all the cat owners in the Club. However, we all know that you don't own a cat, your cat owns you.

Sailors and pirates believe it is good luck to have a cat on board. They believe cats have superpowers and can predict the weather.



Bulletin Editor is **Bev Ostermann**

Photographers: Norm Legare and Paul Brick and anyone who wants to take a picture and send it to Kathyann. A reminder that the photography committee could use some support if you are willing to

Dinner Club: will be getting underway. Watch for a notice in today's Bulletin.

Rotary Remembers: this is a reminder to register for Rotary Remembers. See Registration Page in the Bulletin. More to come next week from **Jim Fitzowich**

Health and Wellness: Dorothea Schaab:

Roger Jarvis: Good news ... Roger is at home. He came home Tuesday. Wednesday has been spent with a team of caregivers who will support Roger and Marie in his recovery. Still exhausted and weak ϑ from his hospitalization, Marie recommends that friends give him a few days to rest before calling \dots

Keep these people in your thoughts and prayers:

Donna and Larry Koper ... with health-related matters

Jim and Ellen Smith: in good health. They stay close to home ... big trip-of-the-day is to the doctor's office or Safeway.

George Adam: is doing well at home and starting to sort through 50-years of files.

Gui Salazar: continues his recovery following his hospital stay this summer ... and Kate who is manag- $\widehat{\mathscr{D}}$ ing his homecare visits.

🖄 **Hugh Delaney:** always willing to assist with phone calls and assistance when needed. Stays busy with his stamp collection started nearly 80 years ago.

Norm Devitt: was supposed to be on the door greeting members to Rotary today. But he was hospitalized this week and is awaiting an MRI result. Norm was able to "zoom in" today and we were so happy to see him.

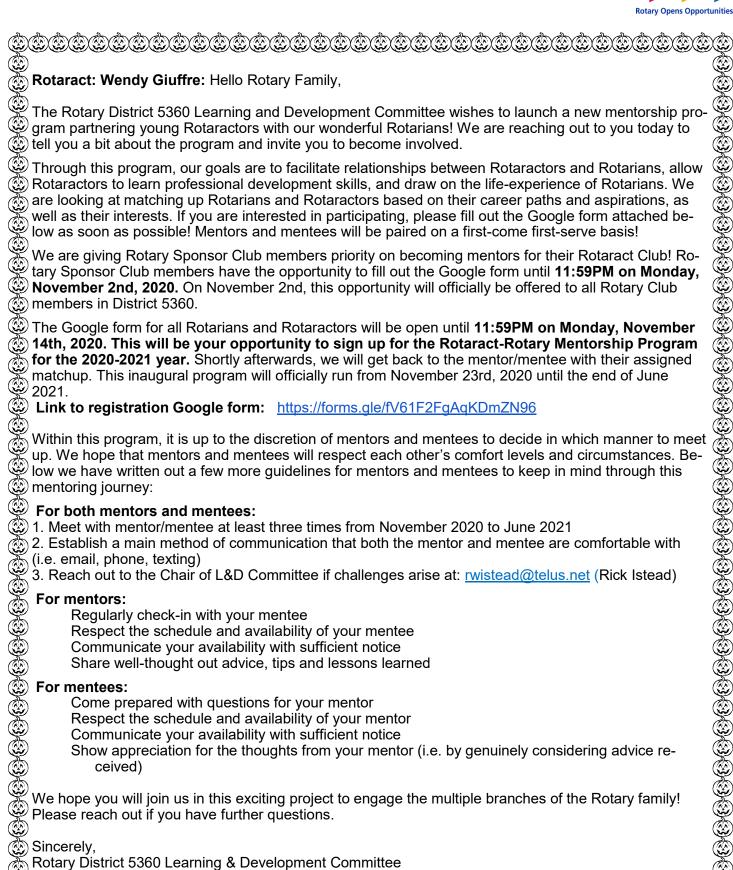
Thank you to Bonar Irving for being our contact person for HW for August to October. Bonar is scheduled for shoulder surgery on November 6th if elective surgeries are still being done.

General note: I had several people say they are tired of "living in the gopher hole" ... and the snow has just started! But as challenging as it can be, now is the time to continue staying in our small bubbles to oxtimes prevent the spread of the COVID virus. It is also the time to pick up the phone and call our members \dots it will lift their spirits and brighten their day.

Next week's contact is **Kathy Demorest** at 403-818-3457 kathylynne@shaw.ca She will be the Health and Wellness contact for November and December.









Bryan Walton.

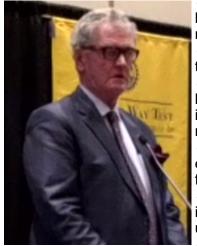
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Please refer to the criteria on the nomination form and have a supporting letter accompanying the nomination form. Email to Bryan. Nominations close at midnight on November 12th, 2020

Strategic Planning: Strategic Planning: Len Hamm brought us up to date with the work of this committee. The role of this committee is to review items of interest that affect the Club and bring them forward for consideration by the Board and the Club. Items identified so far include:





♦ Membership retention strategies. We need to keep our member numbers up. It is vital that we have the manpower to continue with Club commitments.

◆ Incorporate the current great work that the Communications Committee is doing to raise the profile of the Club within the District and beyond.

◆ Review the necessity for maintaining the Club office. Do we need to keep it in light of the ability to support the Club from home offices? Closing the office would require some form of storage facility to house Club records and archives. Perhaps space in some corporate office?

◆ The SIS Golf tournament is close to achieving its financial goal of the endowment fund becoming self-sustaining. Do we continue this successful endeavour for another objective?

The honorarium to cover the President's expenses for attendance at international conferences has not been reviewed for 15 years and needs (updating.

A major long term project is on the horizon and will need to be brought

forward for Club consideration.

The current Strategic Plan is now 3 years old and needs updating. This plan is intended to be a living document and needs periodic updating to meet changing circumstances

Songs and Stunts: Deb Sands and Darlene
Whitmore: In light of Halloween being just two days away, your Songs and Stunts Committee is celebrating the "free-wheeling, adventure seeking" life of the Pirate.

The video you are about to see is the story of a Saskatchewan farmer whose crops failed causing him to lose his farm to the bank. Rather than take a



handout and go on El... Tractor Dan decides to become a buccaneer! The story starts out in a classroom where CAREER DAY is happening and the Dads are talking about their jobs.

Video Link: https://vimeo.com/472871689/d9082612d4

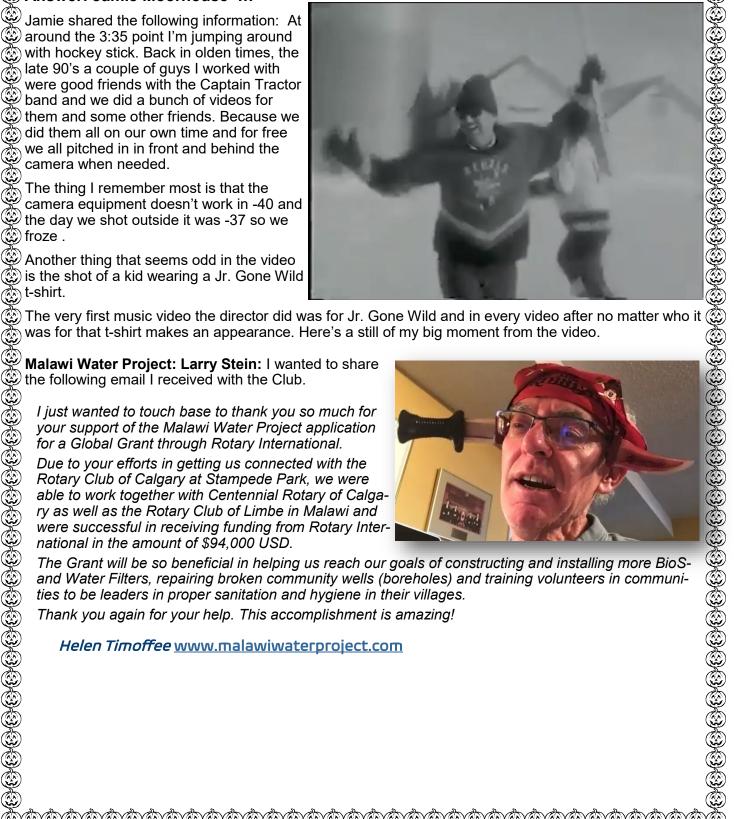
As a final note, one of our own Rotarians has a cameo role in the video.... Hint: "I hope they play it as it turns out the song chosen is a music video I worked on and appear in very briefly from over 20 years ago"! Why not see if you can spot him? Here's another hint.... Look for the number 33. Enjoy!!





Answer: Jamie Moorhouse ...

Jamie shared the following information: At around the 3:35 point I'm jumping around with hockey stick. Back in olden times, the late 90's a couple of guys I worked with were good friends with the Captain Tractor











President Penny's Closing Comments:



Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve: This year, Christmas Eve and New Years' Eve fall on Thursdays. We will not be having an in person meeting on those days, but we will be having a ZOOM meeting on those days. For some of our members, we are their family, so we want to visit them on those special days. We are making it fun and light, so even if you have other plans, you will want to check out the recordings of those meetings. There will be no Bulletin on those dates.

Guests: You should all know that pirates don't have guests, we have hostages. When we determine the ransom we want for each one, we will introduce them. Until (then, it is a secret who our hostages are, and if I tell you, I have to kill you. It cost somebody \$10 to rescue Mary McPhee from captivity. We have also taken Luanne's Guest as a hostage as well.



Next Week's Speaker: Rae Kells, one of the top officials for international curling will be joining us. I have heard Rae speak before, and she is quite entertaining. I hope you will, attend the meeting.

Thanks to everyone who attended in person, today. Hopefully, we can keep the in person attendance up, but we need to focus on being safe. Please join us if you are able, but remember you need to be registered by 4 pm today to attend next week's meeting.

In closing:

Why is pirating so addictive?

Once you lose your hand, you get hooked.

Do you know how much it costs for a pirate to get his ears pierced?

A Buccaneer.

It was Steve Jobs who said, "Why join the navy when you can be a pirate."

And a combination pirate Halloween joke...

What did the pirate wear on Halloween? A pumpkin patch



So, remember to always be yourself, unless you can be a pirate, and then always be a pirate.

Have a great week and a Happy Halloween.





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LYNN AND KAREN GRANT'S DOGS: LENIX, SAINT AND AXEL

BELLA: AL JOHNSON'S DOG KRASH: JIM BLADON'S DOG BUDDY: TERRY ALLEN'S GRANDDOG





ROTARY REMEMBERS







Honouring the 75th Anniversary of The Liberation of the Netherlands

Featuring a Presentation by:

Dr. Stéphane Guevremont



Wednesday, November 11th, 10:30am - Noon MST

Learn about the liberation of the Netherlands by the Canadian Army in 1944-45 with rare combat photos and films. Discover the Hunger Winter and the key battles to save the Dutch people at the end of the Second World War. A multimedia presentation, not to be missed!

Donations in support of our Veterans will be accepted



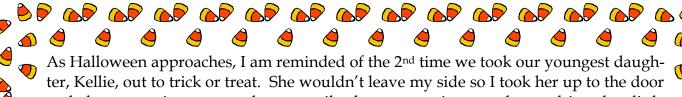
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PARTNERS IN PRINT





and she was quiet at every house until a box a smarties was dropped into her little pumpkin bucket. She suddenly looks up and says "I love smarties. More please".

Now we have our sweet granddaughter, Eloise, who is going out for her 2nd time. She is still not old enough to understand what it is all about but she is getting into her costume and visiting family. It is a difficult time for families and making sure to keep everyone safe. I hope families can find other ways to enjoy the time together.





The Partners are doing their best to stay connected and keep busy. We are making decisions about having our Christmas dinner on December 9th and more fundraising ideas for the new year.

🛡 We are a resilient bunch. We are Rotary.

I am reminded of a quote:

"Resilience is accepting your new reality, even it it's less good than the one you had before".

Denise MacLeod, Rotary Partners President



CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS



Nov 5th Mrs. Rae Kells: Int'l Curling Official



Nov 11th Rotary Remembers (Virtual District Event)

Nov 19th Jack Mintz: U of C School of Public Policy

Nov 26th Jack Thompson: Rotary Profile

Dec 3rd Hanukkah Celebration

Dec 10th Annual Christmas Luncheon with Partners

Dec 17th Cleven Awards

Dec 24th Christmas Social Via Zoom

Dec 31st New Year's Eve Celebration Via Zoom

Jan 7th President's State of the Union Address

Jan 14th Judge John Reilley: "Bad Law"

Jan 21st Minister of Health: Hon. Tyler Shandro

Jan 28th Burns Day Celebration

Feb 4th Dr. Ted Morton

Feb 11th Annual Valentines Day Luncheon with Partners

Feb 18th Legacy Project Update: Stampede Foundation

Feb 25th Rotary Profiles: Hugh Delaney

Mar 4th International Women's Day

Mar 11th St. Patrick's Day Celebration



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