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week's meeting? Click Here:

<https://bit.ly/2IKLIVc>

Today we were visited the Ralph Klein Park in South East Calgary. The City Web site has excellent information on this facility and the following is the introduction.

Ralph Klein Park is the first park to be named for a former mayor during his lifetime. Ralph Klein, a visionary and tireless advocate on behalf of Calgary and Alberta, served as Calgary's 32nd Mayor and Alberta's 12th Premier.

The Environmental Education Centre features an indoor classroom, resource library, art studio, interpretive signage, meeting space and composting/low flush toilets. The entire Centre can be booked for special events or each room individually.

The man-made wetland was constructed specifically to improve storm water quality before it enters the Bow River system. The grounds themselves have a picnic area and a community orchard that boasts five varieties of pear trees and eight varieties of apple trees.

We were welcomed by **Rochelle Gauvin**, an Environmental Educator, who gave us an overview of the history and the purpose of the park. Man made wetlands, the size of 100 Football Fields, were added to the Sheppard Wetlands around 2009 and in 2011 this building was opened.

The Storm Water from the city is piped to the area and goes into a settling pond to remove heavier particles and then filters through the wetlands before returning to the River.

She answered a number of questions and then advised everyone that she would conduct a tour following our meeting.

In keeping with the Water theme today **Bryan Walton** invited **Joey Mordy**, a Water Master at the Western Irrigation District to tell us all about Irrigation in Southern Alberta. Joey presented a few slides to give us an overview of the District. How it started, its size, how it works, how much water it deals with, Etc. See wid.net for lots of information.

- Alberta has 13 Irrigation Districts with WID being the second largest. It stretches straight east of the City to Gleichen.
- The CPR built the first weirs in 1903 on the Bow to irrigated the dry land east of town. The first Reservoir was at Chestermere. CPR sold the Canals to the WID in 1944
- The Western Irrigation District provides irrigation water to over 400 farms and 96,000 acres of land, and supplies municipal water to over 12,000 people in four different communities through 1,200 km of canals and pipelines. Like other irrigation districts in Alberta, the WID operates under the rules and procedures of the Irrigation Districts Act. The WID is headquartered in Strathmore.
- They are aggressively rehabilitating the water delivery system. Smaller canals are being replaced with PVC pipe to eliminate water loss from evaporation and seepage. Larger canals are cleaned and armored to reduce siltation and improve water quality. Systems are being installed to automate control, provide real-time flow data and reduce return flows.

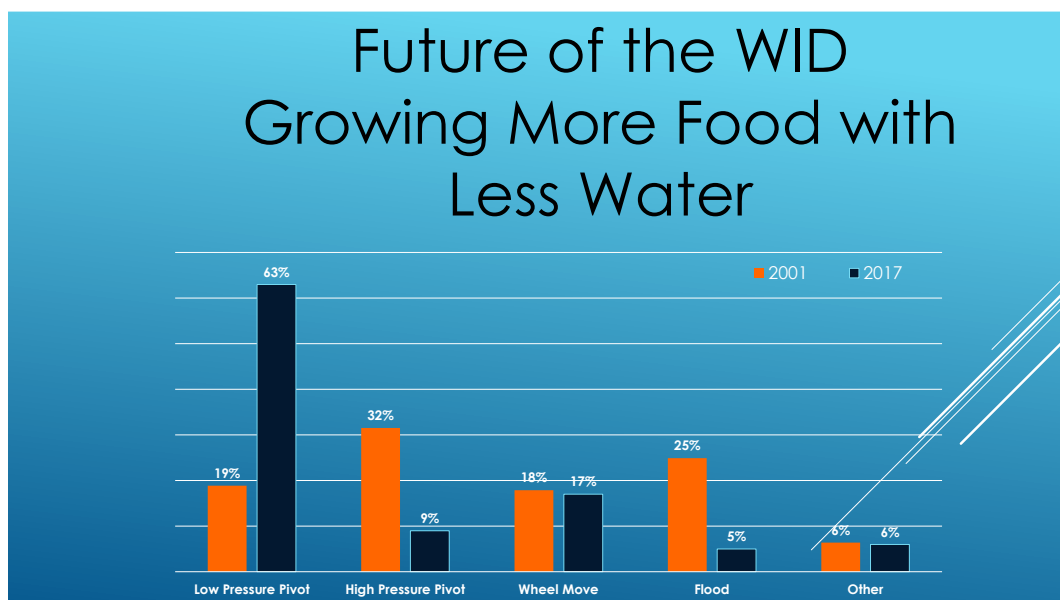
The environment and ecology are very important to the WID. They enjoy a close relationship with Ducks Unlimited Canada, and provide water to many of their projects. To provide crucial wildlife cover, excess canal areas are planted with various shrubs, trees and grasses.

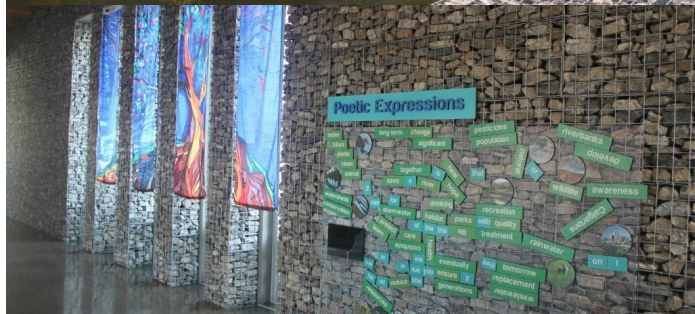
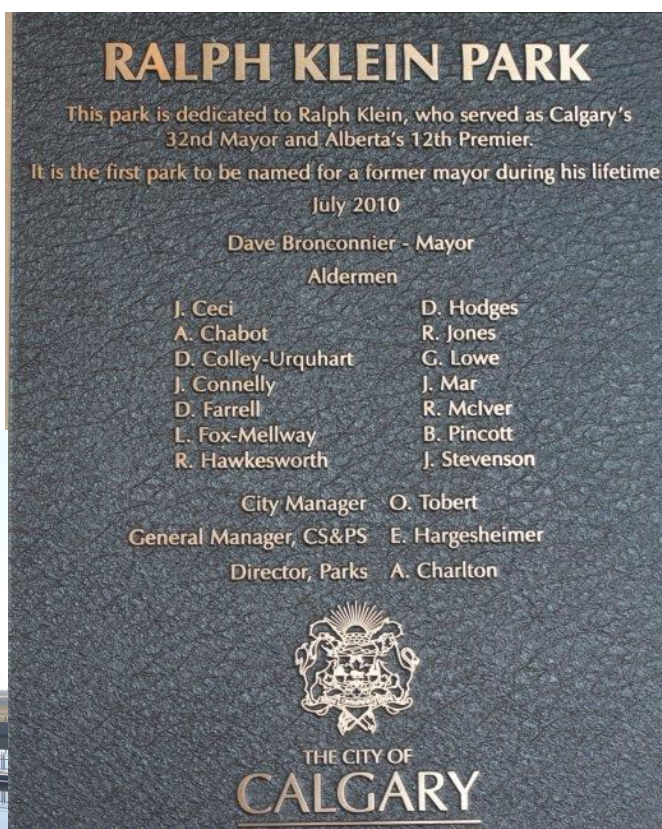
The reservoirs provide recreational opportunities for boating, water skiing, fishing, and many other year-round activities.

About Us

Joey's presentation was to the point and was followed by a lengthy question period. Someone at our table commented that he had never seen so many interactive questions from the Club Members.

Jim Bladon thanked Joey for his informative presentation and commented on the value of irrigation to all of Alberta. **President Ron** also thanked the speaker with a \$100 gift to the Stay in School Program.





Good afternoon and Welcome to the Rotary Club of Calgary South for September 6th, 2018. We are at the Ralph Klein Park in South East Calgary. A challenge for some to find the place but eventually some 50 members and guests sat down for lunch. **President Ron** thanked **Dana Hunter** for taking over last week.

As this is **President Ron's Birthday** he asked all the other Virgos in the room to stand and in their honor we all sang "Happy Birthday" Without a piano it was so bad that Ron then skipped O' Canada and Rotary Grace! In place of that **President Ron** said the following Grace:

Thank you for this opportunity for friends and fellowship

Bless the hands that prepared this lunch

Bless the food for the nourishment of our bodies and the opportunity to be of service to others. Amen

After a fine boxed lunch **President Ron** introduced the "Round Table" and today he had **Bryan Walton** and **Joey Mordy** from Western Irrigation District join him.

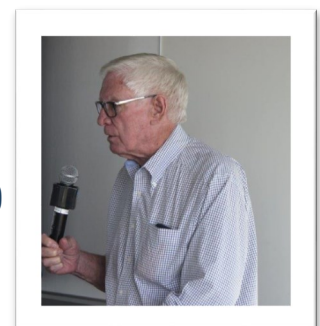


Bulletin Editor: Sandy Dougall (great work Sandy!)

Bulletin Photographer: John Shield (great photos John!)

Guests: Jim Smith was called on to introduce the few guests:

Joe Novecsky (Guest: Bryan Walton), Joanne Martin (Guest: Greg Martin) and Doreen Devitt (Guest: Norm Devitt)



Dinner Club: Keith Davis reminded everyone to sign up for the Dinner Club (See Details in Bulletin and Dinner Club Forms will be attached to the Bulletin email).

Terry Fox Run: President Ron advised us that Glen Godlonton is looking for volunteers for the Terry Fox Run on September 16th. Please contact Glen directly at glen@godlonton.com

International Peace Park Assembly: There is still time to sign up (See Bulletin for Details and Sign up link)

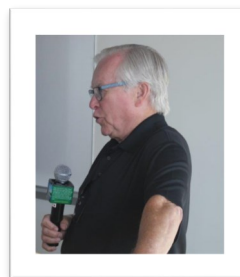
Following the guest speaker **President Ron** closed the meeting early to allow everyone to join a tour of the facilities at the Ralph Klein Park.

Late Entry: Small Grants: Mark Ambrose has asked everyone to submit their applications no later than **September 30th, 2018**. The Small Grants Application will be attached to the Bulletin email and will also be available on our website.

Mark also mentioned that he is enthusiastic and ready to begin the process with his committee.

Mark would like to thank the Small Grants Committee for taking on such an important task.

Mark would like all applications submitted to himself (markambrose@shaw.ca) and cc'd to Kathyann at: (kathyann@rotarycs.org) as soon as possible.



Jim Hutchens attended a meeting at Rotary Club Bishop Briggs, Scotland. Jim said though it was a small Club he found it very interesting and informative as to how they raise and distribute funds



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

The Calgary Rotary Clubs FOUNDATION

Did you make a donation to the **Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation** using ATB Cares during the month of June?

If you donated \$500.00 please advise **Neil Fraser** so that we can give you credit for your donation.

You would have received the official tax receipt when you completed the transaction, but no notice was given by ATB to Rotary as to who the donor was.

June 9th 2018: \$500

Please contact Neil Fraser 403 680-7550 or email: nefraser@telusplanet.net



ROTARY CLUB OF OTTAWA ADVENTURES IN CITIZENSHIP



In 1951, the Rotary Club of Ottawa established its annual "**Adventures in Citizenship**" **Program** in which some 220 senior high students from across Canada, spend four days in Ottawa experiencing tours, lectures, discussions and social events designed to enhance their understanding and appreciation of Canadian citizenship.

This annual event provides a unique opportunity for a select group of young Canadians to come together to gain a better understanding of our country. Through meetings with political leaders, senior officials and others, they learn a great deal about the workings of our democratic institutions. Through meetings with one another and discussions among themselves, they learn to appreciate the diversity of Canada and the privileges and responsibilities of Canadian citizenship.

My daughter had the privilege to attend this event when she was in high school and it had a tremendous impact on her. It remains an experience she still talks about frequently.

Our **Rotary Club of Calgary South** plans to sponsor a student to attend this event. The Youth Experiences Committee will be selecting a student this fall. If you have a family member, or perhaps a student that you mentor in the stay-in school program, or even a neighbor or friend that you think would be a good candidate for this opportunity we invite you to submit their names for consideration.

If you need further information, Please contact **Brad Brewster: Chair of Youth Experiences Committee** at:

bbrewste@cmhc-schl.gc.ca

Formal applications should be available in October



SEPTEMBER 18, 2018
6:30PM – 9:00PM
Bowness Community Centre

(un)Gala

Join the fight against poverty.

On **Tuesday, September 18, 2018** join fellow Rotarians for the first (un)Gala celebrating cultural diversity and contribute to the fight against poverty. Entertainment includes the “Place of Rescue” dancers direct from Cambodia, a live and silent auction hosted by Danny Hooper, and great foods from around the world!

Event

<p>Tuesday, September 18, 2018 Bowness Community Centre 7904 43rd Avenue NW, Calgary, AB</p>	<p>6:30PM – Cocktails 7:30PM – Dinner <i>* Please dress in black and/or white</i></p>
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Tickets are \$100.00 each and \$800.00 for reserved seating for tables of eight. Please purchase tickets at:

rotaryclubofcalgary.org or 403.398.9969

Rotary
Club of Calgary
Downtown

2018 Peace Park Assembly – Hands Across the Border Conference REGISTER TODAY!

2018 Peace Park Assembly - Hands Across the Border is an event to celebrate and advance transboundary conservation and international peace parks.

Although there is no official meal or activity on Friday this year, on-site registration will be in the lobby of Glacier Park Lodge from 3-8 pm. Gift bags with printed programs, name tags, etc. can be picked up then and on Saturday morning.

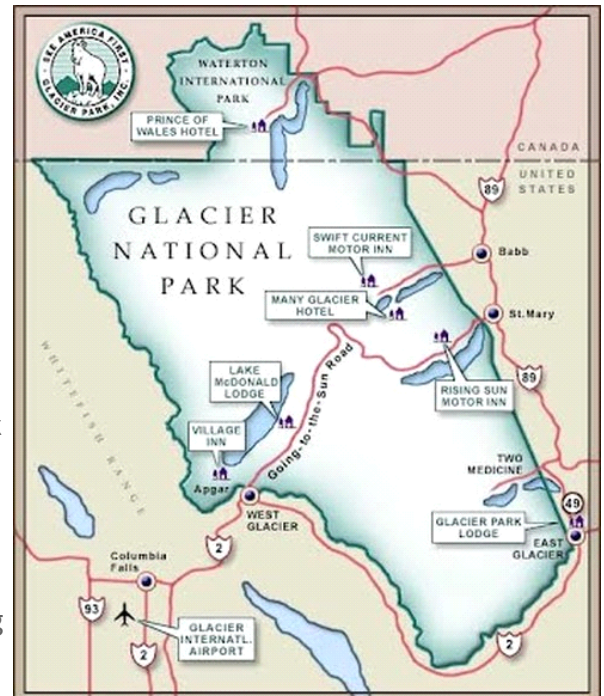
There are two exciting (and free) events this year on Friday. There is a community service project TBD in East Glacier 12-5 pm Friday. More info as this project develops. The second opportunity is a Dark Skies presentation 8-10 pm. Everyone is encouraged to participate and enjoy this together on the back deck of Glacier Park Lodge. While there is no formal meal, the Lodge restaurant and lounge are open Friday evening to visit with old friends and make new friends.

The event kicks off **Saturday** morning with a Blackfeet blessing from Earl Old Person and a welcome from Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association president Marshall Ginery. Park Superintendent's Ifan Thomas and Jeff Mow will address the state of the parks followed by the 86th Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Assembly general meeting. The morning will conclude with Dr. Leroy Little Bear; "The Buffalo Treaty, an International Peace Initiative".

Saturday lunch will have "the Kenow Fire, Waterton National Park 2017" hosted by the Waterton Park Staff. The afternoon will consist of the Rotary peace initiative update and opportunities for Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association and Todd Walters with International Peace Park Expeditions will speak on "Beyond Hands Across Borders - Peace Park Practitioners Exchange". There will be opportunities for guided hikes, native America speaks or to participate in the 9-hole, two-person/team golf scramble starting at 2 pm (\$40/person, includes green fees and a cart). Dinner that night will host the Rotary Youth Exchange and music by Flathead's Billy Angel.

The weekend event culminates in the Ecumenical Celebration and Hands Across the Border ceremony at Glacier Park Lodge.

Early Bird registration through August 22 - \$85.00
Regular registration through September 22 - \$100.00



<http://www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org/2018-peace-park-assemblyconference.html>

For any questions, contact **Tom Esch** at 406-250-5311 or by email at: eschwest@yahoo.com

Rotary Partners Book Babes next meeting will be on **September 17th 2018** at The **Calgary Golf and Country Club**. Please be ready to **start at 9:30 am**. Cost is **\$16.00**. Please try to have the correct change.

You must confirm your attendance to Jane no later than noon on Thursday September 13th.

Please bring the books you enjoyed over the summer to share and return those you borrowed. So happy that you have joined us!

Submitted by: Jane Topp (janetopp@shaw.ca)

*Calgary South Rotary Partners'
Annual Membership Breakfast Party*

*RISE AND SHINE!
"BE THE INSPIRATION"*



Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 9:30 A.M.

Calgary Winter Club (Skyline West Room)

4611 - 14 Street N.W.

Membership Fees: \$35.00

Tickets: \$20.00 (full breakfast), Guests Welcome!

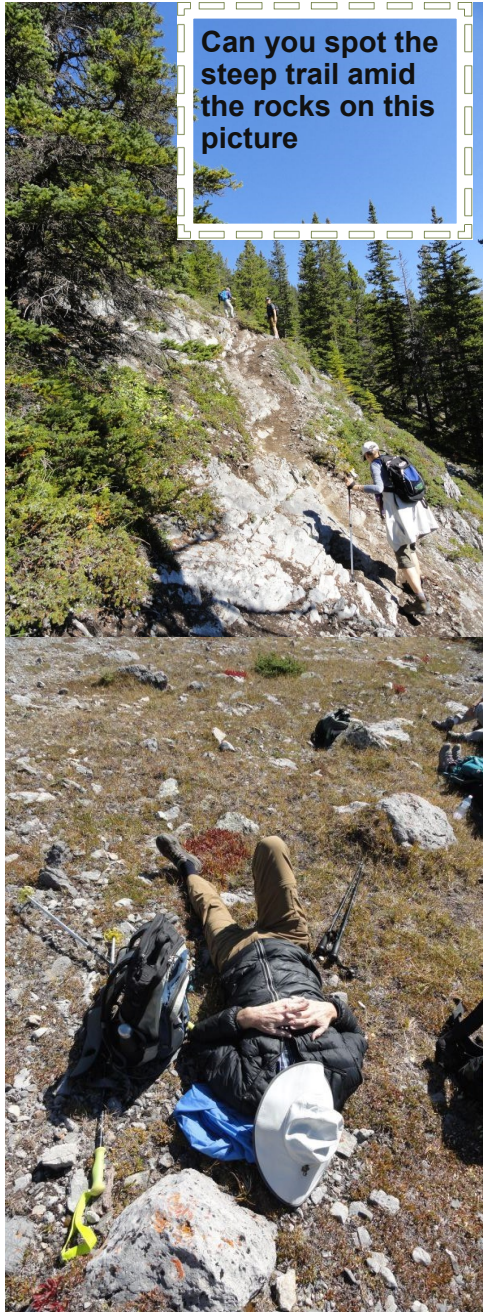
Guest Speaker: Brian Keating, renowned Naturalist and Wildlife expert will speak on his recent endeavour, the "Great Big Nature". Be sure to bring a friend and you will leave feeling greatly inspired!!!

RSVP by September 4 to Millie Huson 403-686-0828 or ehuslink@telusplanet.net.

**Send payment to: Karen Grant, 3927 Vancouver Cres. N.W.,
Calgary, AB T3A 0M2 payable to "Calgary South Rotary Partners".**

Do you require a ride? Please contact Denise MacLeod 403-771-1913.

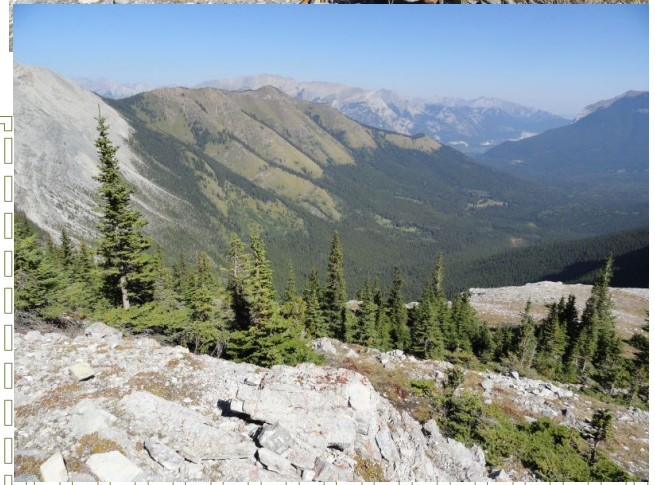
Nine bright bushy tailed hikers set out on a frosty morning to climb West Wind Pass. Here are: at back Phil, June, Trish, Chris, Barb and at front Evelyn, Ted, Millie, and Constance.



Can you spot the steep trail amid the rocks on this picture

Phil had a power nap after lunch to restore some energy for the climb down which actually proved more difficult than the climb up. We had 2 falls and one near fall on the way down

Then on the drive home, one of the cars got stuck behind a Rocky Mountain Sheep road block and then a construction road block so no time for ice cream!



Here is the view from the top. We could see the cement plant at Exshaw in the distance.



HIKERS: On Wednesday Sept.12th we will investigate Running Rain Lake, S. of the Highwood Pass on Hwy #40. This is only 5.6km long with a height gain of 200m. There are 4 creek crossings, some with log bridges so sandals or old shoes will be beneficial to keep our hiking boots dry. The lake is nestled at the foot of the Elk Range and was once full of cutthroat trout. For more information contact CONSTANCE JACKSON, at 403-931-4018, or at philjackson@platinum.ca

SEPTEMBER 2018: BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY

Sept 11: Partners Annual Breakfast Membership Party 9:30 am: Calgary Winter Club

Sept 13: Dick Shaw: Rotary Profile

Sept 17: RCCS BOARD MEETING: 5:30 pm: Ranchman's Club

Sept 20: Peace Day MRU Speakers

Sept 21-23: Waterton Peace Park Assembly: See Link for more info

<http://www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org/2018-peace-park-assemblyconference.html>

Sept 27: CRCF Presentation



OCTOBER 2018: ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Oct 4: Memory Mdyetseni: APU School Presentation

Oct 11: Christine Phillips: Branch Out Neurological Foundation

Oct 12: Oktoberfest: Austrian Canadian Club

Oct 18: Dr. Todd Pugsley: Oilsands Technologies

Oct 25: Jack Thompson: Rotary Foundation Presentation



NOVEMBER 2018: ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

Nov 1: Richard De Boer: Mosquito / Hurricane Presentation

Nov 8: No Meeting Due to Rotary Remembers

Nov 11: Rotary Remembers (Carriage House Inn)

Nov 15: ILRCC Presentation

Nov 22: Dr. Jon Meddings: Dean of University of Calgary Medicine

Nov 29: Jim Gibson: Tip of the Spear (Our Species and Technology at a Crossroads)

DECEMBER 2018: DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT

Dec 6: Naomi Gratton: Museums and You

Dec 9: Feed the Hungry: Need 100 Volunteers

Dec 13: Christmas Luncheon: Carriage House

Dec 20: Cleven Awards and Christmas Social

Dec 27: No Meeting Due to Christmas



JANUARY 2019: VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Jan 3: Mid Year State of the Union Address

Jan 10: To Be Determined

Jan 17: To Be Determined

Jan 24: Robbie Burns Day

Jan 25: Larry Kwong Memorial Chinese New Year Dinner: Regency Palace

Jan 31: To Be Determined



FEBRUARY 2019: WORLD UNDERSTANDING

Feb 2: Cowboy's Casino: Need 20 Volunteers for Morning, afternoon and countroom

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Feb 7: To Be Determined

Feb 14: Valentine's Day Luncheon at Rotary House

Feb 21: To Be Determined

Feb 28: To Be Determined



MARCH 2019: WATER AND SANITATION

Mar 7: To Be Determined

Mar 14: St. Patrick's Day



Health, Wellness & Transportation:

Contact **Dave Read** at: nread@telusplanet.net or: **403 271 5856** if you know of anyone that is not well, that could use a visit or a ride to a Rotary Meeting.

Did you miss a meeting? You can watch it here. Do you need a makeup? You can also pay \$20.00 to the Club and receive a makeup. Just click this link to go to our online meetings: <https://bit.ly/2IKLIVc>
You can view any meeting for free but if you want a make up please remember to register at the bottom of the meeting list and pay \$20.00. Kathyann will receive a notification and she will record your makeup for you

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