



WENDY MACDONALD: ROTARY EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIP

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Hans Tiedemann introduced our Guest Speaker, **Wendy MacDonald**. **Wendy** is an accomplished trainer and adult educator, and is currently Executive Director, Development and Employment for Inclusion Alberta (formerly the Alberta Association for Community Living). She joined Rotary in 1990 as a Charter Member of Edmonton Glenora, was President of Edmonton Mayfield in 2000, and is currently a member of Edmonton Sunrise. She is currently the Chair of the District 5370 Rotary Employment Partnership. In 2000, she started this project for Rotarians and Rotary Clubs to provide employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities. This is now a District Initiative in 5360, with active partnerships with many other Districts under the name Rotary at Work.

Wendy fundamentally believes that individuals with disabilities deserve the opportunity to participate as full contributing members of our community. The Rotary Employment Partnership is a special project that is changing lives, changing Rotarians, changing business and changing Rotary Clubs in Districts 5360 and 5370. It is a partnership between Rotary, Inclusion Alberta, and Alberta Human Services.

The unemployment rate for individuals with a developmental disability in North America and globally is 80%. If you have a disability you are destined for a life of poverty, marginalization and government assistance. Our society values those who work and values less those who don't. Work means money – money means self-sufficiency and independence, provides identity and a place in the adult world.



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Wendy was inspired by RI President Frank Devlin at the 2000 RI Convention, when he challenged Rotary Clubs and Rotarians to increase the employment rate for individuals with disabilities. She was personally concerned with this because her youngest son is legally blind and has a developmental disability. She realized that Rotary is the perfect organization to be positioned to support people with disabilities. It has experience in eradicating a disability – polio, and has the business, employment and community expertise to bring to bear on the problem.

The networking capabilities within Rotary mean that businesses can be introduced to individuals that can fill specific positions within their companies. This is not about charity, or special jobs for special people. This is about real profitability. The firms that best deal with disability have measurable improvements in their bottom lines and community stature.

Rotarians are not in Rotary to improve their profitability. The Rotary Employment Partnership opens the door to business for individuals because of the principle of Service Above Self. The door stays open because this is a solid business case and a solid vocational services project. The Partnership has created 350 jobs in Alberta since 2001. It came to Calgary in 2013, and has created 32 jobs. The average wage is over \$14 an hour, in a wide range of jobs. These are real jobs for real pay where adults with developmental disabilities are fully included. As **Mike Colborne**, of the Red Arrow Group told us, their involvement in the Partnership benefits their company through a tangible demonstration of its core values to the community. It generates employee engagement and improves morale. The business environment improves and employees become advocates for their fellow workers.

Rotarians are encouraged to initiate a conversation with the Partnership to ascertain how they can be introduced to qualified people who can fill low level entry positions within their business or within their network. Contact **Catherine Oakleaf** at: (587-227-4276) or you can reach her email at: coakleaf@inclusionalberta.org. Although the Partnership started working specifically with Rotarians, they work with any business or organization that is interested in employing individuals with intellectual disabilities

Wendy ended her presentation by quoting a poem:

*“...Let no life be wasted
Let no life be without a dream
Thank God for the Rotarians who are leaders
In helping people be all they can be.”*

Al King thanked **Wendy**, noting that he has a personal interest in understanding this project and it is important for all Rotarians to be aware and involved. **President Murray** made a donation to the Stay In School Program in honour of our speaker.



Catherine Oakleaf and Hans Tiedemann



RCCS: CLUB NEWS

President Murray Flegel opened the meeting by asking **Lisa Fernandes** to accompany us in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace, followed by a moment of silence to recognize the **Richardson** Family's recent loss of their son, **David**.

President Murray introduced the head table: **Paul Diemert** (welcome back, **Paul**), **Al King**, new Director **Charlie Goldsborough**, **Hans Tiedemann**, and our guest speaker, **Wendy MacDonald**.

Visitors and Guests: **Neil Fraser** introduced our visitors and guests, including our very popular exchange student, **Hannah Schoendorfer**, visiting from Austria. **Dick Shaw** brought his nephew, **Russell Shaw**, from Oklahoma.



Paul Diemert and President Murray



Dick & Russell Shaw



Past President Keith Davis and Hannah

Health of the Club: **Earl Huson** advised us that **Wayne Smith** is now at the NW Bethany Centre. He is not very mobile these days, but welcomes visitors. **Claudia Brews** is in Foothills Hospital with a broken back, and has the best wishes of everyone for a speedy recovery. **Justina Penner** is at Fanning West in Room 262 if anyone is available to visit.



Waterton International Peace Park Assembly: **Earl** also let us know that the Peace Park Assembly is in Waterton this year, Sept 11 – 13. Our own **Terry Allen** is President of Waterton International Peace Park Assembly this year so let's make an effort to have a large contingent from the Club at this year's Assembly.



RCCS: CLUB NEWS

This Day in History: **President Murray** provided us with some trivia: the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima 70 years ago today; today is National Root Beer Float Day; and most importantly, in 1997 his friend **Barry Trotz** was named the first coach of the Nashville Predators.

Transportation Committee: **Paul Diemert** solicited the assistance of all Members to identify those who cannot make it to meetings on their own anymore, and volunteers to pick them up and drive them, so no one is left sitting at home on meeting days. We need to work as a team to accomplish this.

Golf: **Tom Walton** announced that 9 golf slots at Priddis Greens on August 18th are available, courtesy of **Bonar Irving**. The times are: 2:02 PM, 2:10 PM and 2:18 PM. We have 3 members to act as hosts. Contact Tom Walton at: tewalton@shaw.ca

50/50 Draw: **Michael Zacharki** awarded the 50/50 draw to **Kevin MacLeod**. **Ron Prokosch** wanted it to be known that he has never won the 50/50 (so noted by your Editor).

Sergeant at Arms: **John Fitzsimmons**, fined everybody who took something home from the SISP Golf Tournament, anyone who couldn't answer question about the Shaw Golf Classic, and new members who still have their red stripes.

President Murray closed the meeting by recognizing **Benno Nigg** as A "Gift to the World" as mentioned in an article in today's New York Times.

<http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2015/08/05/choosing-the-right-running-shoes/>





2015 RCCS: EVENT CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 2015

- Aug 13 Inaugural Address: President Murray Flegel: Rotary House
Aug 20 Presentation: Returning YEX Student: Daniel Padron: Rotary House
Aug 27 Todd Mintz CPA, CA: Underwater Photography: Rotary House
Aug 29 Rotary Polo for Polio Charity Match

SEPTEMBER 2015

- Sept 3 Jim Button: Village Brewery
Sept 10 Brock Warner: War Child
Sept 11 to 13 Waterton Peace Park Assembly
Sept 17 Trish Lund: Alberta Guide Dogs: Rotary House
Sept 17 District Governor's Visit
Sept 17 Partners Member Breakfast/ Coffee Party: 9:30 am: Calgary Golf & Country Club
Sept 24 Fran Potter: When The Ship Has No Stabilizers

OCTOBER 2015

- Oct 1 Small Grants Presentation
Oct 8 Senator Scott Tannas
Oct 12 Cowboys Casino: Contact Bill Sumner to volunteer
Oct 13 Cowboys Casino: Contact Bill Sumner to volunteer
Oct 15 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 22 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 23 Partners Oktoberfest: 6:00 pm: Pinebrook Golf & Country Club
Oct 29 Patty Kilgallon: Children's Cottage

Stay tuned for upcoming events and speakers

**VISITATION: PLEASE CONTACT DON O'DWYER IF YOU KNOW OF ANY-
ONE THAT IS NOT WEEL OR COULD USE A VISIT**

**LONG STANDING MEMBER WAYNE SMITH IS NOW STAYING AT THE BETHANY
CARE CENTER: HEARTLAND UNIT (4TH FLOOR) AT 1001 17 STREET NW**

JUSTINA PENNER IS AT FANNING WEST: ROOM 262 FOR NOW



SPECIAL EDITION OF HANNAH'S HAPPENINGS—"THE RETURN"



... The Austrian exchange student is back in Calgary. I had an unbelievable journey last year and I missed Canada a lot after I had returned home. That's why I decided to come back for a couple of weeks. Surprisingly leaving Austria again felt so similar than last time, even though I knew what would expect me. The flight was long and the eleven hours

went by so slow. But when I looked out the window from the plane and I saw all the buildings from Calgary downtown, I knew I was back home. After a long travel

day I felt so relieved and happy when I was finally able to hug my third host parents, Arlene and Murray Flegel, at the airport.



Being back in Calgary basically feels like I have never left, even though I am not an official Rotary exchange students anymore. Furthermore, I am so glad to see all the Rotarians, my host families and my friends again.





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Since my arrival last Wednesday I have done many different things. Some exchange students and I had some great fun at Callaway Park, I did some shopping at different malls, I took some pictures with friends at the Peace bridge, one evening I was at my host sister's bridal shower and of course I already got together with all three of my host families. I also convinced my friends from school to drive with me to EP Scarlett and take some pictures at my



old High School. And to be fully back in Canada, I had to stop by at a Tim Hortons as well. However, that was not the food I missed the most. Last year I felt in love with yam fries, so I've already had it multiple times since I came back to Calgary.

I look forward to spend another three weeks in Canada and I am excited for many more adventures back home in Calgary.

... HANNAH







STAY IN SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT: JULY 30TH



**Thank you to
EVERYONE for
another success-
ful Tournament.**



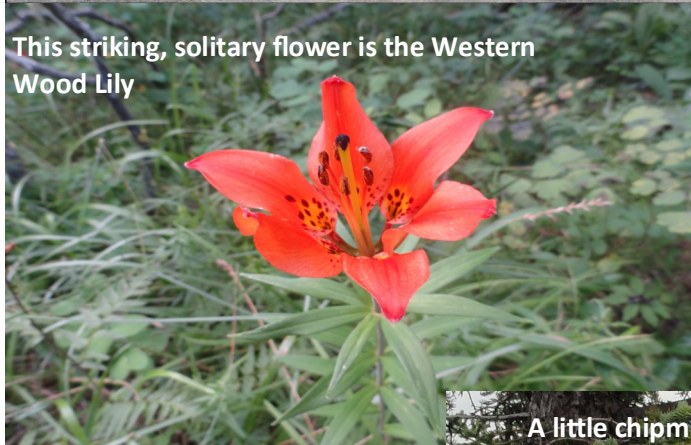
HIKING CLUB JULY 29TH ... SUBMITTED BY PAT FARN



Nine hikers went to Baldy Pass on July 29th



A frequent sighting is the Common Harebell which we like to call the Bluebell



This striking, solitary flower is the Western Wood Lily



These tiny flowers are called Bronze Bells or Mountain Bells



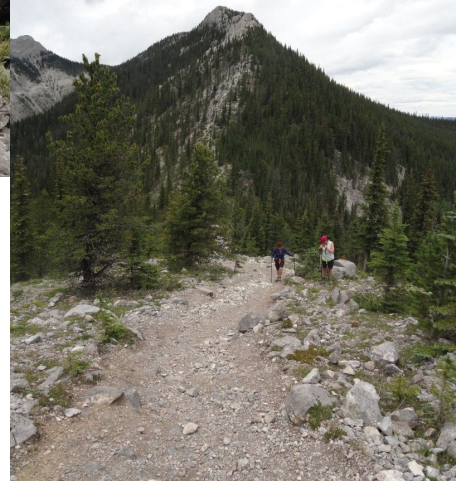
Arctic Asters were prevalent

This Gaillardia also known as Blanket flower or Brown-Eyed Susan was being visited by a bee.



A little chipmunk visited us hoping for a handout

There was a nice view when we reached the top after a steep climb.



Once we were in the cars, it poured rain most of the drive home.

To join:

Constance can be reached at 403-931-4018 or philjackson@platinum.ca Barb Heuchert can be reached at 403-289-2448 or: baheuch@hotmail.com



YOUTH EXCHANGE NEWS ...

Annina Arvo is arriving from Finland for her exchange year on Thursday **August 13th at 13:35 pm, flight DL2347**. Please join us to welcome her at the airport. Although her flight arrives at that time she will have to clear customs so please keep that in mind should you decided to join us. Submitted by Susan Brick

Hannah our Exchange Student from last year is here visiting in Calgary, please check out her Special Edition of Hannah's Happenings in this week's bulletin



Inbound Counsellor Len Kushner and wife Sue Osberg with Jimmy Cho our inbound exchange student for last year who is now back home in Taiwan.

We will miss you Jimmy



President Murray, wife Arlene, Counsellor Kevin Hayes and YEX Chair, along with her parents and brother saw Cassidy off at the airport on Saturday.

She is now in language camp just outside of Helsinki, Finland.



PARTNERS IN PRINT

PLEASE NOTE: Our next Board Meeting is on August 26th at 10:00 am at Betty Stein's home. Please respond to me if you're attending. Justina Penner is currently at Room 262 Fanning West if anyone would like to visit her.

President Maureen Watson



Multiple Miles for Myeloma

This year's participants: L to R Dave Read, Noelle Read, Kathy Fitzowich, Pat Farn, Susan Brick, Wendy Mackenzie, Sheila Crooks, Donna Jakubec, Constance Jackson, Phil Jackson & Susan's dog Jasper.

Paul Brick was busy at the registration desk.



Rotary Partners at Stay In School Golf Tournament

Once again the Rotary Partners came through helping out with the Stay in School Golf Tournament. There were 18 Rotary Partners helping out **BIG TIME** at the tournament. They covered many jobs that really helped

make the tournament a success. Some were "measurers" others registered the players as they arrived. The dinner tables had all the information needed, the auction and raffle went off without a hitch. Spolumbo's sausages were cooked, problems

were solved, accounting had help and the shoot out had cart drivers. The tournament would not have succeeded without the "power of the partners". Thanks for making my job easy AND you have to know Rotary will be counting on all of you next year.

Submitted by: Joanne Martin and Wendy Miles Copithorne





ROTARY POLO FOR POLIO CHARITY MATCH: AUG 29TH

Rotary Polo for Polio Match Sat August 29 – but you are welcome any day throughout the summer”

Black Diamond Polo Club 2015 Season Schedule

May 16	Clubhouse & Field Opening
May 16 - 30	Group Stick and Ball Sessions (at normal Club Chukka times)
June 2	Club Chukkas Begin For Season
June 13	Intro 2 Polo Day & Match Game
June 20	Match Game
June 27	Match Game
July 4, 5	Polo Canada Tournament Co-hosted by BDPC & CPC
July 11	Match Game
July 17 ,18,19	Grande Prairie Polo Club's Tournament
July 25	Match Game
August 1,2,3	Okanagan Polo Club's Ross Fargey Memorial Cup
August 8	Match Game
August 15, 16	Benson's Best Cup Weekend Tournament (0 Goal)
August 22	Match Game
August 28, 29, 30	Bill Leslie & Loretta Thompson Memorial Tournament (4 Goal & 0 Goal)
August 29	Rotary Polo For Polio Charity Match
September 5 ,6, 7	Springfield Polo Club's Tournament
September 12	Match Game
September 19, 20	Millarville Bucket Weekend Tournament (0 Goal)
September 26	Clubhouse & Field Season Closing BBQ



BDPC Club Chukkas Tuesday & Thursday at 6pm
BDPC Club Chukkas/Match Games Saturday at 11am



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DISTRICT 5360 NEWS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

SAD NEWS:

It is with deep regret that I have to advise that **PDG Al Bergsma**, known to many of you, has passed away from what is believed to be a massive stroke, while on a camping trip with his family.



Al was a magnificent Rotarian who will be remembered for his dedication to his family and all things Rotary. In recent years his contribution and passion for The Rotary Leadership Institute was amazing.

I have been advised that the funeral will be held in Rocky Mountain House and is tentatively set for next Monday at 2:00pm. at the Rocky Funeral Home.

Confirmation will be forthcoming once I have been advised.

Al will be very sadly missed.

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