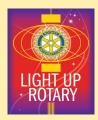


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Valeria Flores: My View of Thailand

Craig Stokke introduced Valeria Flores, our Outbound Student from last year. Craig was her Outbound Counselor and advised the Club that Valeria was a pleasure to work with. Valeria was with The Rotary of Lampang (District 3360). She was warmly welcomed from the club. Valeria's



school uniform made her feel like the 'popcorn lady'. But by the end of her stay she loved it. Valeria studied some academics but loved taking boxing, cooking and dance. It was very fun to relax, play and immerse herself in the Thai culture.

Valeria had wonderful host families and listed many examples of how Valeria spent her days: Karaoke, wonderful food, cooking lessons, Buddhism teachings, cleansing ceremonies, social moments, aerobics, selfies and a lot of kindness. Valeria's observations of the Thai culture are that family is valued and members of the family work hard to be together. Elders are respected and Grandparents live within the family unit to show gratitude to them for their hard work. Crossing your legs can be a sign of disrespect if your toe is pointing toward someone. Valeria also notes that the harder you work to understand the language the better the exchange experience will be.

Valeria showed us how to greet others using "the wai". She shared how teachers are one of the most respected in society. The order of respect is: Religious leaders, The King and then teachers. Teachers visit students at their homes and are friends. People from Thailand like going to the market every day for their food versus going to the grocery store as it is more social. The Thai food was amazing and Valeria loved it. She had sticky rice for almost every meal.

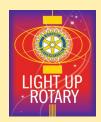
Valeria went on two big trips; Central trip to Bangkok and Southern trip to the beaches. She is so appreciative of this opportunity and thanks Rotary for their support.

Donna Johnson thanked Valeria for her wonderful presentation. She was an excellent representative of Rotary, our club, Canada and Canada. She will be continuing in ROTEX and helping others.

President Al presented Valeria with the certificate that our Club has restored the eyesight of a person in honor of her presentation.



The Rotary Club of Calgary South: News



President Al welcomed all members and visitors to the meeting of The Rotary Club of Calgary South.

The Head table today was made up of Lisa Fernandes, Jason Kruse, Donna Johnson, Valeria Flores, Craig Stokke and of course, President Allan Johnson.

Visitors: Jim Hutchens introduced our Rotarian Guests: Dr. Dancel Nelson (from the Philippines) and Phil Hochhausen. Our Visitors were Jimmy Chiu (Exchange Student), Garry Haley (Guest of George Deegan), Lidia Lytwyn (Guest of Rick Scott: finally in attendance today), Irene Jumbo (Guest of Dana Hunter) and Valeria Flores, our Guest Speaker along with all of her family.

Good News: Manfred Jost has gone home as of Tuesday but may not be able to be at the meetings for some time.

High River: September 11th to 13th:

The High River Rotary Club is doing a park clean-up day. There is a bribe... BEER! Contact Dave Saunders at: 403-850-9666 or: dave.saunders@persona.ca if you can help. Part days are also really appreciated!

Water Glacier Peace Park: September 18th to 21st:

Please Remember to sign up for the Peace Park. See **Earl Huson** for more information.



President Al Johnson presents Rotarian Dr. Dancel Nelson visiting us from the Philippines with a Rotary South Banner



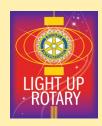
Guest Speaker YEX Student, Valeria Flores & family



Peter Penner and President Al enjoying posing for the candid cameraman, Mel Gray



The Rotary Club of Calgary South: News



SISSP Golf Tournament: Len Hamm: The SISSP Golf Tournament was very successful. The goal was \$180,000 and we raised \$150,000. Well done to all the participants, volunteers and sponsors. You are appreciated. Congratulations to the committee, who really outdid themselves this year

Polo for Polio: Stephen Cobb: Stephen handed out flyers showing the new dates for Polo for Polio event! Aug 30 – Saturday – at 1 pm is the specific event.... BUT, come out anytime as through the whole weekend there are games to watch! Remember that all donations are matched by the Gates Foundation.

Golf Ticket Auction: Ken Copithorne: The ever generous Glen Richardson donated 4 passes to the Links Ridge Course and the funds were to go to the SISSP Fund. The ever capable Ken Copithorne led the auction and the charming Charlie Gouldsborough stepped up and bought the tickets. A big thanks goes out to everyone.



50/50 Draw: Neil Fraser: Gui Salazar was the winner of \$151. It looks like Al King & Craig Kindleman are plotting to spend Gui's winnings



Sergeant At Arms: Jason Kruse:

Jason covered topics regarding investments and the YEX Program that lightened the pockets of many. Also, today is National Bow Tie day; and since Jason likes to wear them but did not today, he charged himself \$5.00... BUT, for those who did some past 'ribbing' they had to pay too!

THANKS: Jack Thompson and Family:

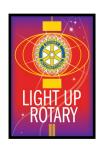
Jack wanted to extend his gratitude to so many of our Club who reached out to him since the passing of his wife, Sharon. Jack and his family really appreciate the calls, cards, emails and offers to help. Thank you so much to everyone.

President Al closed the meeting reminding the members that Exchange changes the lives of the students and enriches the member's lives too. Have a great week and remember to *Light Up Rotary*!



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The Rotary Club of Calgary South Calendar and Announcements



Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2014

September 4 John Gulak: Sick to Death of the Silence

September 9 Rotary South Board Meeting at BBB at 4:30 pm

September 11 Alida Visbach: Heritage Park's 50th
 September18 District Governor Garth Toomb's Visit

• September 25 Bob Child: LNG Exports

OCTOBER 2014

October 2 Harry Saunders: City of Calgary Archivist

October 9 Doug Hagedorn: Computer Screens for the Blind

October 16 Oktoberfest (details to be announced)

October 23 Marie Ens: Cambodian Rescue

October 30 Hallowe'en

NOVEMBER 2014

November 6 Keys to Recovery

• November 11 Rotary Remembers: Carriage House

November 13 No Meeting due to the Rotary Remembers Meeting on November 11

November 20 Cleven Awards (possibly an evening meeting)

November 27 To be announced

VISITATION COMMITTEE

If you know of anyone who is not well please contact Ed Whitaker: edwhit@spring-bank.ca or 403 249 2864. Ed would be more than happy to arrange a visit for anyone who would like one.

CLUBRUNNER ATTENDANCE

Did you know that you can view your Attendance on ClubRunner?

HERE'S HOW: Click on link: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/952 Save link as a favorite or bookmark for later use

Now enter your login name and password. Contact: kathyann@rotarycs.org if you have forgotten this

You are now on the ClubRunner Website. At the top right hand corner you will see this: Welcome (Rotarian's name will be here), Member Area

Click on Member Area and you will now be on the Admin Area of our ClubRunner site.

You will see a blue box that says "My ClubRunner" and there will be a number of items listed View Club Directory

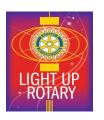
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Thanks!!!



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82nd Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Assembly September 18th – September 21st, 2014 Kalispell Montana

Rotarians & family members are invited to participate in the 82nd Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Assembly that will be held in Kalispell, Montana. The Rotary Clubs of Western Montana in the Flathead Valley have planned a very informative and entertaining program for all participants.

The highlights that follow are still in the process of being finalized, more detail is expected to follow.

<u>Thursday, September 18th</u>: Early Check in for those who may be planning on Golf or other activities on September 19th

Friday, September 19th:

8:30 Golf at Buffalo Hill course, please see the registration information

9:30 - 3:00 Tour of Bigfork or shopping in Kalispell.

4:00 - 9:00 Tentative plans for a boat cruise on Flathead Lake to the Lutheran Camp for a BBQ.

(More information to follow) Buses will be available to take the participants back to the hotel at the end of the evening.

Saturday, September 20th

7:30 Buffet Breakfast – with presentations by the Park Superintendents

9:30 - 10:15 General Assembly - Speakers to be announced

10:15 - 11:00 Peace Scholar presentations

11:00 - 12:00 Presentations

12:00 - 1:45 Lunch and special presentation

2:00 - 3:00 Dr. Dan Fagre - Glacier Park

3:30 - 4:30 Tours

5:30 - 9:00 Banquet and special presentations

Sunday, September 21st

7:30 - Breakfast Buffet and Speaker

11:00 - Hands Across the Border Ceremony - At the Apgar Campground

Registration Information

Please go to the District 5360 Website to Register

Please note when registering a spouse or partner other than a Rotarian, a second registration is required. When putting in the Add-Ons on the second page put the number in the box and then click outside the box to get the sub-total.

Hotel Information

The Host Hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn in Kalispell. The rate for the conference is \$119.00 per room. Call the hotel at 1-406-756-4500 and request the Waterton- Glacier International Peace Park rate. This rate is only available by direct contact with the hotel.

Rotary Partners Hiking — Johnston Canyon

After cancelling our hike last week due to rain, we were anxious to venture to Johnston Canyon. There were 9 of us, including Jimmy, our newly arrived exchange student. We hiked to the Upper Falls along with hundreds of tourists, and then to the lnk Pots. The weather was warm however most of the flowers were over for this season. Upon returning to the trail head we enjoyed an ice cream before driving home.

Photos by Barb Heuchert & Myrna Rowsell



L to R Myrna, Millie, Candy, Barb, Diane, Constance, Donna, Jimmy

Jimmy







Ink Pots

Upper Falls







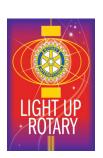
Hikers on a Bridge Above the Ink Pots

Chipmunk

Lower Falls



The Rotary Club of Calgary South Partners in Print



CALGARY SOUTH ROTARY PARTNERS'

Annual Membership Coffee Party to introduce the upcoming year ... Women and Our Health

September 18, 2014 at 10:00 am (\$ 25.00 for brunch)
Calgary Golf and Country Club (50 Avenue west of Elbow Drive SW)

RSVP to Carol Cairns by Sep 10 (cairnsjandc@shaw.ca or 403.288.3873). Please RSVP as soon as possible, this assists us in finalizing attendance with the Country Club.

Program includes:

Annual Book Sale (with proceeds to "It's a Crime Not to Read") as well, there will be sign-up sheets for Activity Groups

Membership Fee: \$35 payable to Calgary South Rotary Partners.

Mail to Donna Kennedy (37 Mahogany Manor SE T3M 0Y3), or you can pay at the door. Book Sale: you may donate up to ten books for the sale.
Books will be sold for \$3 (hardcover), and \$2 (paperback).

Audio books are also wel-

Transportation: parking onsite is at a premium, please carpool if at all possible.

If you require a ride, contact Maureen Watson (marenny@shaw.ca or 403.246.0497)

Please remember to submit any "happenings" for The Partners of Rotary South to Kathyann by Wednesday at Noon in order to share any interesting information.

Email me at: kathyann@rotarycs.org



HIKERS: Next week 11 of us will spend 2 nights in Field BC. This will allow us more time (3 days) to explore the area. On September 10th we hope to get to Burstall Pass (which was previously cancelled due to rain).

For information on these hikes please contact Constance Jackson at: (403) 931-4018

Rotary Ride for Ronald McDonald House



A House is made with walls and beams...

A Home is built with hope and dreams...

Join us Saturday, Sept. 6, 2014

Registration 9:00 am Ride starts 10:00 am

Meet at Olds Walmart Parking Lot

Riding from Olds, Alberta to Wayne, Alberta

To Register or Donate on-line: www.RotaryRideForRonald.com

For more information contact: Dave Hogarth 403-994-0054

Thank You for helping give sick children what they need the most.....their families.

