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Jamie Moorhouse, Gem Munro and
President Allan



Amarok Society
Teach a Mother, Change the World

Gem Munro



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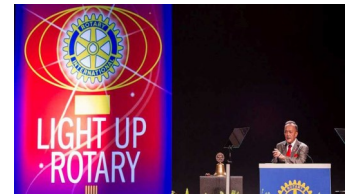
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Jamie Moorhouse introduced our guest speaker, **Gem Munro from the Amarok Society**. The Amarok Society provides educational opportunities to some of the world's most impoverished children in Bangladesh, Pakistan and Nigeria. Gem and his wife Tanyss have received the Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Bangladesh has possibly the worst school system in the world along with Pakistan and Nigeria. The millions of children living in the slums have very little opportunity to educate.

The Amarok Society educates women to become community teachers, each teaching 5 children. This education system provides an education to the mother and the children. Gem told the story of one mother named Shuly. Shuly was married at 14 and basically becomes a slave to her in-laws. Shuly stood up for herself, insisting on educating herself and children. Her husband thought she would fail. She was so shy when she began with the Amarok Society that she could not be in the same room with Gem, a strange man. As we watched a video of her, it is clear she is a confident and articulate young woman now. Shuly is the teacher at the Rotary Crowchild School and her daughter Poppi is the assistant teacher. Shuly and her daughter have the respect of her husband and the community.

Gem provided us with the opportunity to watch a very moving video of a group of women teachers singing **"We shall overcome"**.



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John Baird, upon his retirement, said that the greatest challenge of our time is extremism. We need to develop people who have the ability to make moral judgements and understand critical thinking in order to out think and overcome everything that the extremists wish to portray.

Another moving story was of a mother who decided that her daughter could not marry until she obtained a medical degree. To make this kind of a huge leap forward in one generation is an almost impossible and unbelievable task but there she was in video smiling proudly with her books and white lab coat at medical school.

The Amarok Society is required to operate in some very dangerous areas. In Pakistan, they are in the middle of Taliban territory.

Don Taylor thanked the speaker saying we have been pleased to participate in three of their projects to date. He found Gem to be both inspirational and motivational. President Al made a donation in the name of the speaker, to our Stay in School Program.



The Munro Family: Amarok Society was founded with one family at its centre: Dr. Tanyss Munro, Gem Munro and their four children.

Dr. Tanyss Munro has devoted her life and career to improving educational opportunities for disadvantaged people across Canada and abroad. She has achieved extraordinary success in this endeavour as teacher, principal, district director, senior advisor in the federal government and with First Nations government. She has been active in international education as a specialist with the Commonwealth of Learning and other international organizations and advises two international development organizations currently. In addition to co-founding Amarok Society, she has a long history of charitable and social activity. By adoption, she is a Wendat (Huron) Indian. She recently co-edited 'Learning to Live Together: Using Distance Education for Community Peacebuilding', a book of experiences from around the globe illustrating this new approach to peacebuilding in communities.

Gem Munro is Tanyss' partner in life and in work, and has, with Tanyss, devoted his life to improving educational opportunities for disadvantaged people. As well as being Co-Executive Director of Amarok Society, Gem is a bestselling author and visual artist. Most recently, he has directed a documentary film, 'Heart to Head: How Amarok Society Women are Teaching the World's Poorest Children'. Gem is a powerful speaker on peacebuilding, human rights, education, and international development. Whether addressing groups of a dozen or several thousand, Gem's speeches have touched hearts with their evocative imagery, humour, and insight, echoing his passion for humanity.

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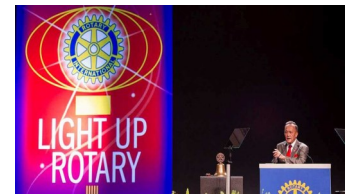
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RCCS: CLUB NEWS

President Al welcomed all with the singing of O Canada and Rotary Grace. The head table was comprised of: Don Taylor, Dana Hunter, Jamie Moorhouse Ken Farn and guest speaker, Gem Munro.

Guests: Lydia Lytwyn: Lydia welcomed guests of: Gena Rotstein, Luke DaSilva as well as Ed Gordon, guest of the club and Leon Popik (Rotarian from the Millenium Club).

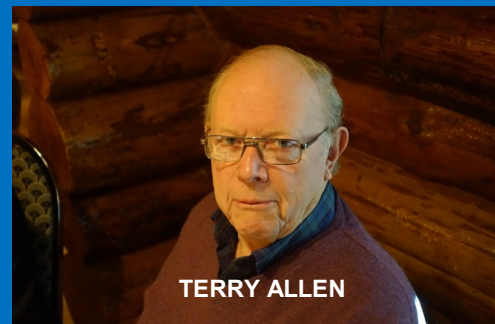
50/50: Bill Sumner: The draw was won by **Al King**, (perhaps he should put some of it aside for the support of Yoga teachers and university students). Bill also announced we have a casino booked a Cowboys for Oct 12 and Oct 13.

Sergeant At Arms: Dana Hunter asked that all members of the Stampede lotteries committee stand and be recognized and all at those tables put in \$2 for the privilege of sitting with them. Dana announced that **Dilan Perera** got a hole-in-one and should contribute whatever amount he thought appropriate to celebrate. All those who did not yet have 8 shifts booked, put in \$2.

Dream Home Moment: Mark Boman: President Al first reminded everyone that they are responsible for 8 shifts. **Mark Boman** let the club know we have many evening shifts to fill and we have blocked off some morning short shifts for some of our more senior members.

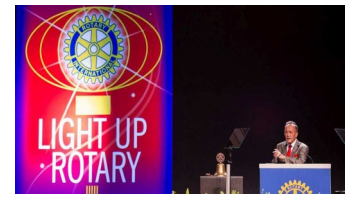
Waterton Peace Park: Terry Allen reminded us that Peace Park is coming up in September and all who plan to go should book their hotel room now. See Bulletin for further information.

LIGHT UP ROTARY





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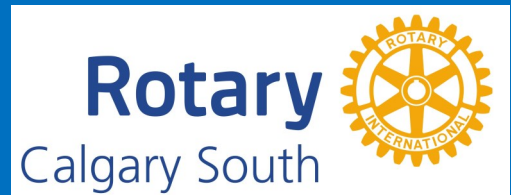
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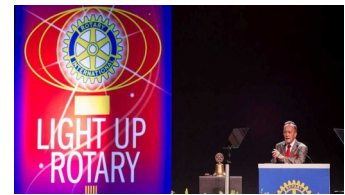
District Conference: President Al shared some of his thoughts about District Conference that was held last weekend in Medicine Hat. 11 members from Calgary South attended. He felt the speakers were very good but he expressed at the conference that in future we might focus more on district projects and partnership rather than so much emphasis on international. His comments were very well received.

Feed the Hungry: Harry Pelton announced he had arranged for two dinners for the club to provide for the Mustard Seed. The dates are June 8th and June 23rd. He will need approx. 8 volunteers for each of two shifts (4:30-6:30 and 6:30-8:30). He will have sign up sheets at the next meeting.

SISSP Luncheon: May 28th is the Stay in School luncheon is on May 28th at the Carriage House Inn. Please register online. You can register online. We know it is simple as even **President Al** has registered.

President Al closed the meeting by asking us to join him in reciting the 4 Way test.





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ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH EVENTS CALENDAR

MAY 2015

- May 21 Dr. Monique Dube: Alberta Energy Regulator (AER): Rotary House
May 28 SISSP Luncheon: Carriage House Inn (REMEMBER TO REGISTER)
May 29, 30, 31 ANNUAL RADIUM FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND

JUNE 2015

- June 4 Dr. Elizabeth Canon: University of Calgary: Rotary House
June 8 Mustard Seed Dinner Prep
June 11 Charities Day: ClubHouse
June 18 Bart Rasmussen: The Future of Golf: Rotary House
June 18 Partners Dinner: 5:00 pm: Canyon Meadows Golf & Country Club
June 23 Mustard Seed Dinner Prep
June 25 Changing of the Guard / WCS and Large Grants Reports: Rotary House

JULY 2015

- July 2 Dream Home Kickoff: Ranchman's Cookhouse & Dancehall
July 9 No Meeting: Dream Home Operations
July 16 Presentation from our Exchange Student, Jimmy Cho: Rotary House
July 23 Staff Sgt. Martin Schiavetta: Calgary Police Serv. Drug & Vice Unit: Rotary
July 30 No Meeting: SISSP Golf Tournament

AUGUST 2015

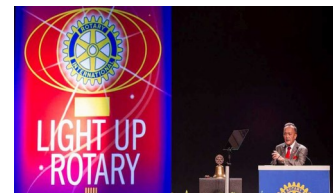
- Aug 6 Wendy McDonald: Alberta Assoc. for Community Living: Rotary House
Aug 13 Inaugural Address: Rotary House
Aug 20 Presentation: Returning YEX Student: Daniel Padron Curiel: Rotary House
Aug 27 Dr. Don Mintz: Underwater Photography: Rotary House

SEPTEMBER 2015

- Sept 3 Fran Potter: Mental Health
Sept 10 Brock Warner: War Child
Sept 17 Trish Lund: Alberta Guide Dogs: Rotary House
Sept 24 TO BE ANNOUNCED

OCTOBER 2015

- Oct 1 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 8 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 12 Cowboys Casino (LET BILL SUMNER KNOW IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER)
Oct 13 Cowboys Casino (LET BILL SUMNER KNOW IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER)
Oct 15 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 22 TO BE ANNOUNCED
Oct 29 TO BE ANNOUNCED



Jimmy's Jottings ...



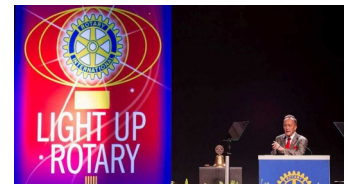
This two week is a really busy week, the first week I am in Edmonton and we meet the other exchange students that is from Edmonton. They are so nice but the time is so short, everytime I always tell people that, while you have the same destiny your relationship will become really close. That's how exchange students work too. We went to the government house at Edmonton and while we went to the third floor, there is a spot that we can feel the water come from out head but it's actually on the first floor. The design of the building make this miracle happened.

The next day we went to the Univerity of Alberta, there are some students that show as some buildings in the Universtiy. Always have the dream to go to a foreign country for University. If everythings went well, my dream might come true. The last day in Edmonton is kind of sad because we know that we might not see each other in the rest of the exchange. Just hope them have a great time during this two last month.



Another sad thing coming up, Simon Peer our friend from Austria is going back to his country for military service. We went to his house for the goodbye party. It's really hard to say goodbye to a friend that you hang out with nearly a year, but everything has a end. So goodbye and wish he have a better life.

... Jimmy



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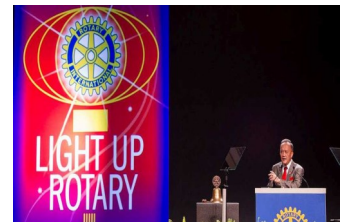
The Partners' June Dinner is scheduled for June 18th at 5:00 pm at The Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club. Invitations with all the details will follow soon.

LUNCH BUNCH: In May we are going to visit the food trucks. The date is May 21st: 11:30 am. Food trucks don't plan ahead so I will wait till the night before to determine where to meet. Most trucks meet downtown so we should travel by C- train. You can meet at my house at 11:00 am. It's a short walk to the station. C-Train Fare is \$3.15/each way or purchase tickets at Safeway or Mac stores. You need exact change. The trucks serve restaurant quality food so do not expect prices to be super cheap unlike canteen trucks that serve in industrial areas. Once we have our food we will head to a park or walk to the river front to sit down. Wear sensible shoes!! You should also bring cash for lunch. You can check out the food trucks on YYC Food Trucks on the internet. These trucks have won awards for their food. Should the weather be wet and cold, we will meet at the Farmers Market on Blackfoot

Sarcee Rose Tea

Thanks to Susan Brick, Jeanette King, Pat Cuthbert, Maureen Watson, Pat Deegan, Sharon Allen, Dianne Ostermann and Lois Silverthorne for helping with the ***Sarcee Rose Tea***. We were entertained by the barbershop quartet "***Close Encounter***". The residents enjoyed chocolate & white cake served by the Rotary Partners.

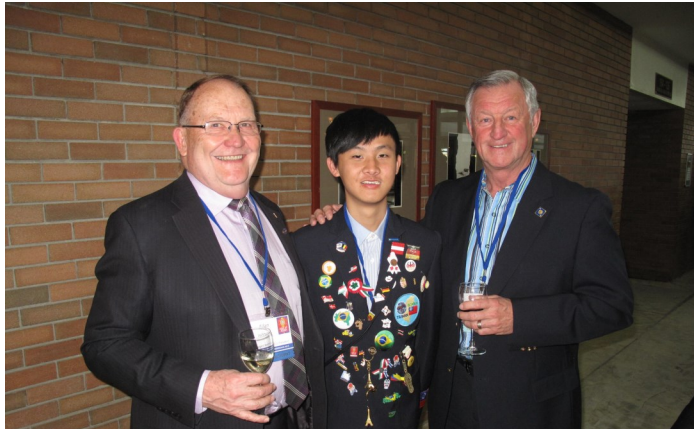




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District Conference 2015



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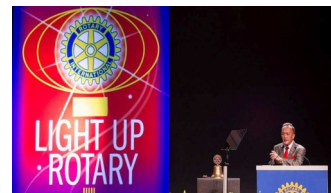
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ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY SOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW!

The Board approved the following two individuals for membership in our Club. In accordance with our Bylaws their names must be published in the Bulletin. If there are any objections notification must be sent to Ted Rowsell, Secretary, **by May 18, 2015.**

Amy Giang: Classification: Automotive/Lube Service

Proposer: Murray Flegel

Second: Allan Johnson

Kathy Demorest: Classification: Ice Painting/ Maintenance and Supplies

Proposer: Allan Johnson

Second: Sherry Austin

Hello Friends of CAPD,

We have posted the last blog from our latest trip to Colombia. It is called, More about Water. You can read it at: www.capdcalgary.org/blog. Thanks for your interest,

Marlene



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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release: Kicking off the Stamping Season and Making a Difference

The Rotary Club of Calgary Centennial is hosting the First Unofficial Party of the Stampede Season. Called the "Giddy up Soiree," this event is an opportunity for folks to enjoy a memorable party while raising money for a great cause. Proceeds will benefit Aboriginal children and youth in the Calgary area.

The evening's program will feature the Shannon Smith Band and performances by Aboriginal dancers and drummers. It will also include a wonderful barbeque, dancing, and a silent auction.

Rotary Club of Calgary Centennial was established in 1985 and has contributed to many worthwhile initiatives locally and around the world.

Date: Saturday June 6, 2015

Place: Calgary Curling Club
720 - 3rd Street NW, Calgary

Time: 6:30 pm

Tickets: \$75.00 each; (403) 278-0452; online at www.rotarycentennial.ca/giddyupsoiree

Contact: Gary Webster at (403) 278-0452; ga.webster@shaw.ca

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GIDDY UP SOIRÉE

the unofficial 1st PARTY of the Stamping season!

SATURDAY JUNE 6, 2015
6:30 pm
Calgary Curling Club, 720 - 3rd Street NW

BBQ. Silent Auction. Dancing

featuring the

SHANNON SMITH BAND
www.shannonsmith.ca

plus a performance featuring
ABORIGINAL DANCERS AND DRUMMING

HOSTED BY ROTARY CLUB CALGARY
CENTENNIAL in support of Aboriginal youth and children
and other Rotary Centennial initiatives.

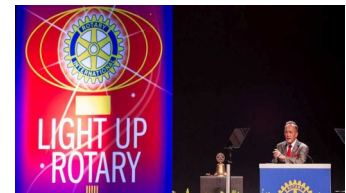
*Join us for a night of music,
fun & dancing.*

For tickets visit
www.rotarycentennial.ca/giddyupsoiree

More info...e-mail
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\$75
per ticket





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POLO FOR POLIO ANNOUNCEMENT

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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Trail. Please let me know if you plan on attending. Susan.



Individual Room Booking Form for

Waterton Glacier International Peace Park Assembly Rotary Group 2015

Waterton Lakes Resort & Aspen Village Inn Waterton Lakes National Park, Alberta,
Canada

Please complete one form per room.

Name(s) of the guest(s) staying in one room: _____ Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Number of Adults: _____ Number of Children: _____ Pets (Y/N): _____

Special requests: _____

Type of Room Requested:

Please see the choice of rooms below for check in September 11th 2015 and check out September 13th 2015. If you wish to stay for more or less nights please indicate it here:

Date of Arrival: _____ Date of Departure: _____

Please write a room code for the desired room from the selection below here: _____

Note: There may be other room types available at a group rate also, please contact Waterton Lakes Resort/Aspen Village.

Check in time is after 4 pm and check out time is before 11 am.

Note: Rooms made available for reservation with this function are noted on the next page. Note: Resort is a pet friendly property- \$20 pet fee per pet.

***Rates are quoted in Canadian Dollars per night. 5% GST and 4% tourism levy will be added.**

Credit Card Details:

Type: _____ CC#: _____ Expiry Date: _____ Your first night stay will be charged to your credit card as a deposit and your confirmation will be sent to you via email. The remaining balance of your booking will be paid at time of check out. If you cancel your reservation at least 48 hours prior to your arrival date you will receive a full refund of your deposit amount.

Indicate email to receive confirmation: _____