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Brandon Kiwanis Club Bulletin

Note: I have attached with this bulletin the notes from Krys Tarwid's talk on cell phones and cell phone plans.

At the bottom of this bulletin are a few pictures Hugh took at the Christmas lunch in December. The upcoming speaker agenda is there also as usual.

Speaker: Krys Tarwid reviewed the complex world of Mobile Phones with their multitude of plans and services that are available from the main providers, Telus, Rogers and Bell/MTS. The main conclusion was clear, unless you carefully review the available field you will almost certainly be investing more than you need to. There is an ever shifting array of options.

Krys talked about the options in terms of costs if you are travelling. Roaming costs vs. getting your phone unlocked and buying a SIM card at your destination. The unlocking should be done without complaint now by your local provider as required by government. When it comes to the phone you use, there is little sense in buying the latest and greatest since older cheaper models probably do all you need...basically a phone with a few basic things (unless you are a teenager with wealthy parents who wants all the bells). Note that after the plan you bought a few years ago ends, you will continue to pay the charges that were included to pay for the phone even after it is fully paid off. Inquire and bargain to get a better rate. Nowadays, I believe they are not including the phones in the plan, you must buy the phone and pay for the service.

Krys had a gadget that is quite inexpensive that you can use to replace your home phone landline with the cell phone service but continue to have the landline handset and the landline number in service. Her notes are attached to this mailing.

Brief Business: Funding Community Mobilization and a Special Project Committee



Vern and Krys after her talk on Tuesday





Join the exciting conversation and repartee at the Kiwanis Koffee Klatches (Monday to Friday morning, 9:30AM at the Chicken Delight on Rosser (except holiday Mondays) and Saturday and on holiday Mondays at McDonald's on Victoria also at 9:30AM)

What's happening at Kiwanis

- 1) **Jan 14th Kim Lowes Adult and Team Challenge**
- 2) **Jan 21 Philip Laing Kiwanis Lt. Governor**
- 3) **Jan 28th Business Meeting**
- 4) **Feb. 4th YAC Brandon Cora Lee Baker**
- 5) **Feb. 11th Updates in Plan Service for 911**
- 6) **Feb. 18th Bryce Wilson Brandon City Recreation Department**
- 7) **Feb. 25th Business Meeting**
- 8) **March 3rd Community Mobilization-- Jeanine Pelletier and Trevor Robbins**
- 9) **March 10th Dr. David Docherty BU President**
- 10) **March 17th Open**
- 11) **March 24th open**
- 12) **March 31st Business Meeting**

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