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AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH



FOUR WAY TEST

In all things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

UPCOMING EVENTS

**ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY
HERITAGE PARK
7TH ANNUAL WINE FESTIVAL
&
SILENT AUCTION**



**SEPTEMBER 29, 2005
\$60/HEAD**

THE ROYAL VISIT EDITION



Club Grand Poobah Peter Harding quietly attempted to bring the meeting to order at 7:00. Technology rode to the rescue at 7:01.

David McKeown led his merry band of minstrels

in joyous exaltation to sing our national anthem.

Betty Little presented grace.

Max Patel greeted the members of Calgary South, other visiting Rotarians and guests.

Pleased to be able to gaze once more upon Bob Sadler's smiling face, Peter selected Bob to lead the buffet procession. Being in the food tracking business, Bob polished each and every plate, rather than just a representative random statistical sample, to such a sheen that all could gaze upon their smiling countenance before partaking of nature's rich bounty.



Hear Ye Hear Ye

President Peter trumpeted the following announcements:

There will be no official assembly today, although District Governor Steve Rickard will be our guest speaker.

Attend the emotionally stirring Waterton Peace Park in September.

The Group Study Exchange is seeking a rep-

resentative to go to Brazil. Inform Gary Brown of qualified young professionals who would make ideal candidates.

Challenger Park will hold a celebration on September 10, the same day as the District Assembly. Try to attend both.

High River will hold a golf tournament on September 8. New sod has been laid for as far as the eye can see

Sacred Initiation Rites

John Salt and Duane Wilson will be inducted into our club, pinned and taught the secret handshake.

Those opposed may throw down your gauntlet or hold thy peace.



Our Fair Lady

Asha reminded us of the upcoming feast and festival that is our Wine Fest of the Centuries on September 29. Those who partake of the grape or the mead or recently announced to much rejoicing, liqueurs, are encouraged to attend. Roast beef, cheeses, a chocolate fountain and sensitive to those afraid of clowns and jugglers, entertainment by a fine jazz band. Drink, feast and enjoy much merriment!! Visitors were encouraged to purchase tickets because it will be less fun without guests. Tickets are limited; so do not be left standing out in the cold. Buy your tickets now!



Remember the Wine Festival & Silent Auction



Brave Sir Knight

Al Hardstaff announced that members without corporate affiliation would band together to contribute funds and purchase a significant prize for the silent auction. Al seeks those stout of heart and wallet to join this merry band.



The Jester



Barry (Mr. Sunshine) Jarvis will celebrate yet another birthday on August 21. Upcoming wedding anniversaries for Peter and Elaine Harding and David and Lynn McKeown were also announced.

Barry reported on how the chronologically gifted have given new meaning to getting lucky and all nighters, as well as a

novel approach for female facial wrinkle removal.



A Bit of Sport

Sergeant at arms Brian Morrison deftly handled the 50/50 draw with David McKeown overseeing the selection of Wynne's winning ticket. Wynne's crusade to find the joker was foiled by a black six.

In a surprise development, a second drawing was held for a Centennial Hat donated by District Governor Steve Rickard. In a cruel twist of irony the most follicularly gifted gentlemen in attendance won the hat.



The Renaissance and the Dark Ages



District Governor Steve Rickard had \$1 happy that the meeting had so far rendered his Assistant Governor speechless.

Wynne had \$5 for ripping off the District Governor with respect to last night's bar tab.

Austin Guerin had \$2 for his imminent return to work in Northern Saskatchewan.

Raju (the heir apparent) had \$5

happy for his return.

Asha had \$1 happy because she missed Raju.

Jeanette had \$1 happy because she was shopped out.

Hans had \$5 happy for his visiting daughter from Germany and his upcoming 40th anniversary on August 21st.

Jim Hennessy had \$2 happy for Josie's successful cataract surgery. Al Hardstaff had \$1 happy for the upcoming Thorncliffe Community Centre car show.

John Leer had \$2 happy for avoiding wrinkles.

Joan Bedard had \$1 happy for the opportunity to enjoy her garden.

Jamie had \$1 for Asha's assistance in getting The Standard out at 4:00 a.m.

Max had \$1 because life is just great.

Peter had \$2 happy for District Governor Steve and First Lady Marie's attendance and his upcoming 33rd anniversary with Elaine.



Taxation Without Representation

The (Al) Black Knight enhanced the royal fisc by collecting the following bounty:

Necktie tax - \$2 each

Free advertising tax - Jamie Powell for his mass e-mail that attracted Wynne's children.

Rude in the buffet line tax - David McKeown

Vacation tax - Barry Jarvis plus a surcharge of \$1 because Al's wife

must work twice as hard while Donna is away.

Employment tax - Austin Guerin can afford to pay now that he is returning to work.

Summertime blues tax - Doug Hood who failed to recognize that August 30th is still summer.

Missing accoutrements tax - \$1 each for those without a pin or badge



The Quest

Bob Cove has resigned from the club to continue his one-man quest for new pharmaceutical markets in all of Western Canada. We wish Bob well in his quest and will leave a light on for his safe return. We warn him to stay out of the east (there be dragons).





State of The Kingdom Address



Assistant Governor Tony Howard, selected by us when we won the coveted first pick in the assistant district governor draft lottery, showed how a right hand man, but left handed engineer, can deliver a fine introduction.

His Highness District Governor Steve Rickard reinforced what is required to be a good club president.

Steve then discussed the following:

1. Direction set by the Rotary International President
2. The Chicago convention and
3. Steve's vocation and micro-credit.

Steve proclaimed the focus for this Rotary year would be:

- a. Literacy, to break the cycle of poverty
- b. Clean water to ensure good health as well as harmony in the R.I. President's home; and
- c. Advancing Rotary's public image during our centennial, through a series of public service announcements, which were previewed for us.

Steve proclaimed our short-term goals to be:

- a. A net gain of one member per club;
- b. Contribution of \$100 U.S. per club member to the Rotary Foundation; and
- c. Expansion of Rotary into China, Cuba and Muslim countries.

Long-term goals are:

- a. To send all youth on a Youth Exchange Program and
- b. To promote women into the upper echelons of Rotary.

The four demographic groups for Rotary members are:

1. World War II babies, baby boomers, generation X and generation Y. Rotary is currently governed by group one and seeks to involve the other demographic groups.
2. The convention included a speaker from the World Health Organization who recognized its partnership with UNICEF and Rotary to eradicate polio. Rotary was the genesis and has been relentless and consistent in delivering on all of its promises.
3. Steve seeks to broaden understanding and availability of micro-credit beyond the current 100 million borrowers who have on average 5 dependents each.

Steve shared his personal background as an analogy to how a hand up can make all of the difference. Gary Brown was presented with an armband to be worn until the end of poverty, a pen to write cheques and a tape measure to register progress.

Steve delivered a royal presentation with humor and exhibited his passion for Rotary and sock hop music.

President Peter thanked Steve.

We were left with a quote from Mae West: "Marriage is a fine institution, if you are ready for an institution."

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