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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

JUBILATIONS



October 20, 2005

October is Vocational Service Month

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President-elect Wynne Bjorgan hammered the bell promptly at 7:00 am and invited the lovely David McKeown to lead the members and guests in the singing of our national anthem. Martin Harvey provided a beautiful grace before we sat down.

The Sergeant of Arms, Brian Morrison introduced the guests, and the fellow Rotarians who were in attendance

Guest: Tom Brown, guest of Gary Brown

Rotarians: Calgary Downtown—George Brookman, Norman Haines, Bob Ernter and Laurie Jacques; Calgary South—Bob Wiens, Michael Zacharki and Hans Tiedemann; Chi-

nook—Dan Holden; Dawson Creek Sunrise—Fred Feddema.

Wynne invited the guests and visiting Rotarians to show us the way to the buffet table, and Gary Brown (jeans and all) ensured that everyone was served with a clean warm plate.



THE CALGARY STAMPEDE



Steven Yu introduced this week's guest from the Downtown club- Mr George Brookman who gave us a presentation on The Calgary Stampede. There are several new initiatives that the Stampede Board is working on; a new Agriculture Building, a farmers market, a casino and hotel. There are also some children's programs that they are working on to give some exposure of the rural lifestyle to urban children. But the main focus of the Stampede

is to promote Western Heritage as Calgary has become world renowned for this 10 day event that is held every July.

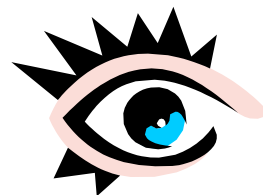


IN & AROUND CALGARY

October 19th, 2005- Micro Credit dinner

October 27, 2005- Calgary Millennium Rotary Club will host their Black Tie Bingo at the Sheraton Eau Claire, tickets are \$150/ea.

November 3, 2005- Zoo Safari Sponsored by Operation Eyesight Universal



WINE FESTIVAL

Asha Paul gave us an update on the Wine Festival, and thanked all members who sold tickets, set up, and cleaned up for the event. In particular she thanked the committee and the many members and spouses who helped at the event.

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Al Black spoke about the road clean up on October 15th, 2005. We will be meeting at Red Deer Lake School at 9:00 AM.



SUNSHINE

Wynne was the jester today and told us some corny festive jokes about turkeys. Thanks for the jokes Wynne!

We had some birthdays, Rotary anniversaries, and wedding anniversaries to announce. The following members had a special day in October: October 5- Martin H, October 3- Asha P, October 12- Jeanette P, October 12- Jim D, October 11- Dennis T, October 6- Barry M, October 1- David M. We would like to wish you all Happy Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Rotary Anniversaries!



50/50

New member John Salk, an avid salesman, Asked Steven Yu to select this week's qualifying ticket. After a brief investigation Wynne's ticket was selected but after passing the Four Way Test, she was unable to find the joker in the deck. The turkey jokes got the better of her. Better luck next time Wynne.



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Happy Bucks:

Gary Grey- happy \$1 for the Wine Fest Committee for doing such a great job

Max Patel- happy \$1 for Wine Committee, and \$1 for Asha

Bob Clark- happy \$1 for his dad who turned 99

Gary Brown- happy \$1 for his friend from Muskoka

Al Black- happy \$1 for being married for 40 years

Raju Paul- sad \$1 for missing the wine festival

Dennis Tillotson- happy \$1 for the wine festival, and another for anyone that knows of any warehouse space available

Steven Yu- sad \$10 for not coming to wine fest - sad \$10 as his friends are poor

Martin Harvey- Happy \$1 for wine fest, and another \$1 for going to "jolly old" soon

Brian Morrison- happy \$1 for new grand child born in Nova Scotia

Sheriff:

Sheriff Max Patel surreptitiously emerged from his chair and walked to the podium.

The following were found guilty.

Din Peerani for calling the Sergeant of Arms crazy.

Gary Gray for having his zipper open. (*Too much info*)

Wynne Bjorgan for going out to her Van.

Martin Harvey who also went out to the van also and returned with a smile

Surrinder Khanna for messing with the sheriff's name tag

\$1 for everyone going out of town for the Thanksgiving weekend

\$1 for everyone who liked the wine fest

\$1 for anyone that missed the wine fest

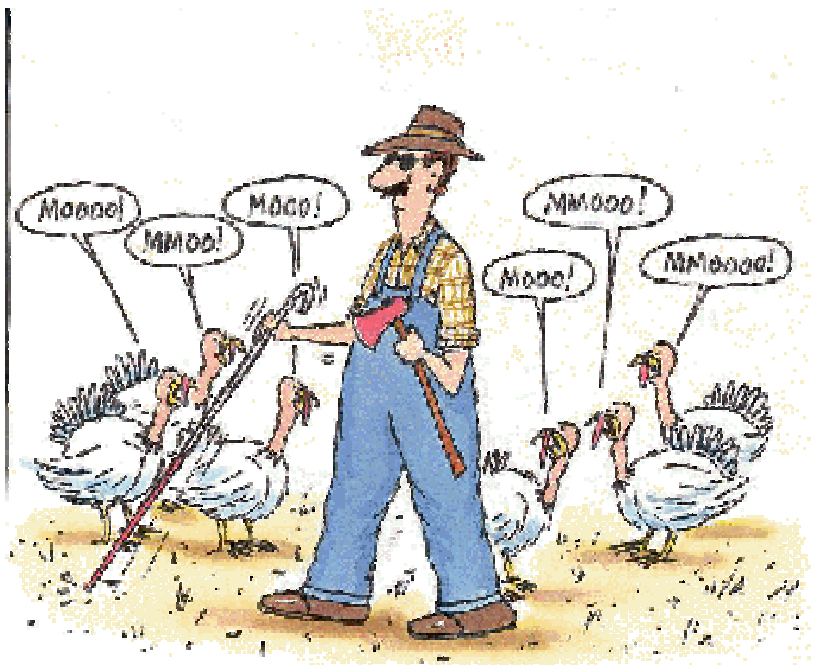
And lastly but never the least, Wynne for being picky with the signs at wine fest



THANKSGIVING HUMOUR

A turkey farmer was always experimenting with breeding to perfect a better turkey. His family was fond of the leg portion for dinner and there were never enough legs for everyone. After many frustrating attempts, the farmer was relating the results of his efforts to his friends at the general store get together. "Well I finally did it! I bred a turkey that has 6 legs!" They all asked the farmer how it tasted.

"I don't know" said the farmer. "I never could catch the darn thing!"



ROTARIANS IN ACTION ON DISASTER RELIEF

Following the immediate outpouring of support that was evident after Tsunami, several Rotarians agreed to consider a method to formalize our Rotarian response without committing the "corporate Rotary" nor infringe unduly upon its administration. As Rotary has done so many times in response to needs and the calls for help, Clubs have so generously come to the rescue. The scope and capacity requirements of a disaster with such a magnitude is beyond the reach of individual clubs. This is not in any way to deprecate the value of clubs supporting clubs on small well coordinated projects as components of a much larger and congruent effort.

A new Rotarian Disaster Response Action Group might be able to provide for the communication of best practices for such events. A service vehicle could be poised and ready to respond. It could include several existing Rotary sub-cultures such as Shelter Box, Pure Water for the World, 2 RIBI agencies involved in fresh water and dried food supply, Fellowship of Physicians and Surgeons etc.

The introduction to the 4th edition of the Sphere Handbook says: "Sphere is based on two core beliefs - first, that all possible steps should be taken to alleviate human suffering arising out of calamity and conflict, and second, that those affected by disaster have a

right to life with dignity and therefore a right to assistance. Sphere is three things: a handbook, a broad process of collaboration and an expression of commitment to quality and accountability."

This group was launched in 1997 by a group of humanitarian NGO's and the Red Cross who framed the Humanitarian Charter and identified minimum standards to be attained in disaster assistance in each of 5 key sectors: water supply, sanitation, nutrition, food aid, shelter and health services. To be consistent with Rotary's traditional response to disaster - build and rebuild lives and hope, we should add the dignity of vocational training.

The question is does Rotary have a place in the world order of disaster relief (response) along side other humanitarian organizations? A steering group as Rotarian Disaster Response Action Group might consider the role Rotary can play in this context and then take action.

Needs in the disaster relief are short term as well as long term and Rotary has to play both the roles, we can not limit ourselves to long term roles only. Opening of the action groups under cause related fellowships has given us the opportunity to take a proactive role and start working towards a group of Rotarians who are experts in disaster relief.

Due to the complexity of the Sphere Handbook, it is not possible to provide a full translation of the entire document. The following is a summary of the key points of the Handbook. The full Handbook is available at www.sphereproject.org/. The full Handbook is available at www.sphereproject.org/.

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