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Every Rotarian an Example to Youth



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**

MEETING NOTES

President Peter Harding sounded the bell promptly at 7:00am and invited Joan Bedard to lead the members and guests in the singing of our national anthem. Raju Paul provided grace.

Greeter Alec McDougall introduced the guests and visiting Rotarians.

Guests:

Kelly Salmond- guest of Ray Gosselin,
Marion Barrett- guest of Jim Hennessy
Visiting Rotarians: Al Imler, Michael Zacharki, Bill Leclair, Sandy Dougall, Hans Tiedemann, Laurie Jacques & Don Bacon.

Peter invited the guests and visiting Rotarians to the buffet table. W



and John S ensured that everyone was served with a clean warm plate.

Happy Bucks:

Garry Gray- happy \$2 to be back
Hans Tiedemann- leaving for PEI
Joan Bedard- \$1 for her 25th anniversary with CMA. *(For the mathematically challenged—Joan's mother was working with CMA when she was pregnant with Joan, 25 yrs ago.)*

Max Patel \$1 for son in town last weekend

Raju Paul- \$1 got his daughter into her new place last weekend

Bill Hope- \$2 for sad bucks as he does not have a ground repair tool. Another sad \$1 for missing Max's class

Ray Gosselin- \$1 for his guest, and another for Alberta being a beautiful province

Al Hardstaff- picking up 800 carriganas.

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PEER SUPPORT FOR ABUSED WOMEN

Ray Gosselin introduced this week's guest speaker, Kelly Salmond who gave us a presentation on Peer Support Services for Abused Women.



One in three women experience abuse in their lifetime. Over 90% of women never report abuse. PSSAW serve about 450 people per year. It is a non-profit agency which offers support in a group or individually for women who are healing from an abusive relationship. Financed by the United Way and the City of Calgary and have a small staff of 3, and over 65 trained volunteers.

PSSAW go out into the community where women live and

childcare is provided free of charge, as coming downtown is not conducive to most women. Some of the programs that are offered are growth circles, moving on with mentors, finding our voices, women hurting women.

Some of the plans for the future are to increase networking in Calgary, increase long term funding and raise profile in community, partnership with other service organizations, credibility.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 10th Rotary Challenger Park Time Capsule

Executive meeting Tuesday and everything is going well

Peter is running for the cure and has brought a few donation sheets

Wine fest is three weeks away, and Asha hopes that everyone has lots of items for the silent auction, and please pass all unused tickets back in so we can sell them to others. September 29th, 2005 with 40 different wines and the highlight is the band.

ROTARY HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Alec McDougall announced the date for the Rotary Highway Clean up.

October 21, 2005
3 miles south of 22X

He will pass a sheet around next week.

RICK SMITH DINNER

ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH AT HERITAGE PARK.
COST \$25.00 PER PERSON.

RICK WAS ONE OF THE DRIVING FORCES AT HERITAGE PARK THAT HELPED ESTABLISH OUR ROTARY CLUB SO WE THINK IT WOULD BE A FUN EVENING AND GREAT SHOW OF APPRECIATION FOR HIS SUPPORT.



50/50

Peter Harding asked our Brian Morrison to select this week's qualifying ticket. Harry Kim's ticket was selected but even after passing the Four Way Test, he was unable to find the joker in the deck. Better luck next time Harry.



IT'S A CRIME NOT TO READ

Jim Hennessy talked about a program called "it's a crime not to read" and has support from his committee, and the lady is coming to talk on October 21, 2005. Jim proposed that the club expend \$2500 to support the program and Dennis seconded and the motion carried

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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Brian Morrison- \$1 for Steven's Birthday and his own

Jim H- as his guest Marion would like to join Rotary

Peter H- \$1 for passing his CFP

Sheriff:

Sheriff Bob Sadler. The dude!!

\$1 for look a likes- Brian Morrison, Hans Tiedemann, and Bob Clark.

Alec McDougall \$1 for imitating the sheriff, and another for being late for service



Walter Zuk for \$1 for speeding, and for not being fined last week

Garry Gray \$1 for saying that he has been saving money for not being here this summer. *Will somebody please fine Garry for all his Cyber make-ups?*

Wynne \$1 for not being fined enough. *Good call!!*

Bill Hope and Harry Kim each \$1 for socializing on the desk and holding up the guests. *Harry should also have been fined for not winning the 50/50.*

\$1 each for John Salk and Dwayne W for arguing at the plates, in true Rotarian style.

\$1 for anyone who has not sold a wine festival ticket.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Jim Hennessy has two birthdays to announce: Steven Yu and Brian Morrison. Happy Birthday! Jim also told us another great story about hockey game between the Canadians and Red Wings. Thanks Jim your stories are always great!



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

When a lady was asked about her husband's retirement, she replied she gets twice the man and half the income.

CLUB SERVICES FELLOWSHIP EVENT

WHEN— OCTOBER 20TH.
WHERE—JUBILATIONS DINNER THEATRE
CONTACT—MAX & HARRY



PEER SUPPORT FOR ABUSED WOMEN

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Currently have a raffle to "inspire change" that is used to raise additional money to help change the lives of women and children affected by domestic violence in Calgary. Ray G has some tickets for anyone that would like to purchase them.

Al H thanked Kelly for her informative presentation and

presented her with a certificate of sight restoration for a 60 year old woman in India.



VOLUNTEERING IN HOUSTON AT THE ASTRODOME

Many of us have seen and heard of the horrors attributed to Hurricane Katrina and the complete breakdown of law and order. The email below is from a Rotarian nurse sent to assist in the relief effort.

Hello Rotarians, I am part of a group of 30 California Registered Nurses sent to Houston to assist with the relief effort. I posted a blog with pictures of our life here for the last one week. Nurses are adding their story with pictures daily.

Carole Rogers RN

San Leandro Rotary Club

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"Technology for All" is a non profit that set up a computer centre for the evacuees in the Astrodome with about 50 computers on a DSL line. Volunteers assist the "residents" to help them find family members, apply for FEMA, find housing, find jobs, apply registered as a "missing person."

Today I helped a person apply on line for a duplicate ID card from the Louisiana Dept. Motor Vehicles. He was in college in LA as a Sophomore, and found him a contact number near his apartment for a community college nearby that is registering students from the evacuation areas. For every person who came in looking for a missing person, I found at least one missing family member with a phone number to call! We ring the cow bell and everyone cheers when we find a person.

The word is that "they" are moving all of the people housed in the Astrodome and the Reliant Centre to the Arena on Friday. There is a football game at the Ballpark on Sunday. Isn't that coincidental? Especially since they moved all of the people out of the Arena last Wed. night to the Astrodome because the Dome was "better suited" for them. Now they are going to move everyone to the Arena. I hope it will not be in the middle of the night like the last time.

We need to be concerned about communicable diseases. Coughing from the mouth, nausea and vomiting . They were walking in dirty water and this needs to be addressed. There is a major outbreak of Norwalk virus and needs to be contained. Nurses get Norwalk virus. Even after religious hand-washing, three nurses came down with the virus.

Connecting with family: this is the major concern of people residing here. I heard one elderly woman tell a worker that when she was lining up in buses at the Super dome, they were putting men in separate buses from the women. And these buses went to different shelters in three states. (Do you get this picture?) One woman told me that she was waiting in line to get on a bus at the Super dome and the military told her that the people in line needed to stay "in single file, if they did not - they would be shot." I am only reporting this comment as I heard it and do not verify any truth.

I sat in the Computer Centre all day with volunteers doing a great job of connecting people with family members. The cowbell rang all day. (The tradition is that you have the family member ring the bell and all those present holler and clap their hands.) I was able to help about 4 people find family when I figured out the computer system in the afternoon. Everyone who came to me found a relative looking for them! It was such an emotional event. (And I came there to de-stress!)

I had an infectious disease MD come to the centre to volunteer. Little did I know that he was from New Orleans, homeless, and out of business. Because I could not get any answers from Adult Medicine about their need for this specialty; I introduced him to the "poopys scoop" clinic. (Nurses later named it the "vomitorium.") Norwalk virus (the cruise ship disease) has taken over all the centres.

There is more. Check out this site if you are interested. <http://CAKatrinaRN.blogspot.com/>

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