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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 FRIENDSHIP
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Upcoming Event

Vertigo Theatre

COLUMBO

March 29 @ 7:30 pm



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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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Setting a new record for precision Club Torch Bearer Peter Harding provided us with a wake up call to order at 12:00:00.007 (GMT) 7:00:00.007 a.m.

(MST). Canadian born David McKeown delivered a moving national anthem with club members holding hands over hearts. Bob Clark presented grace under pressure. Rick McLellan stepped up to the podium to present the following guests and visiting Rotari-

ans: from Calgary South Gail McDougall, Fred Waters and Hans Tiedemann, from Fort St. John Brian Humphrys, from Calgary Downtown Alan Stuart, guest speakers Bill Cruickshanks and John Chaput, prospective new member Bob Price, the venerable Rick McLellan, Grant McPhee friend of Martin Harvey and Zuzana Carter-Edwards friend of Al Hardstaff. Guests and visiting Rotarians were urged to hurry hard to the buffet because the members held the hammer. After weeks of behind the scenes lobbying, Betty Little was awarded the right to set the pace, with guests politely following her lead. Club members were then off to a clean, fast start, although due to some hot-dogging a few members lost valuable plate positioning. Some hurtled down the serpentine buffet course headfirst, oblivious to the danger, while others cooperated in a balleretic two-man tong passing exercise complete with spins.

ALBERTA HIGH SPEED TRAIN PROJECT

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mon on in the fastest manner possible.

High-speed trains have operated in Europe for 30 years and in Japan for 40 years, during which time the world's population has been transported without a single fatality.

The benefits are economic and environmental including: increased productivity, stimulated economic growth along the

routes and in the downtown cores, and fewer and cleaner emissions.

The travel time between Calgary and Edmonton would be 84 minutes with a \$65 one-way fare. Red Deer would be reached in 25 – 30 minutes. Hourly departures would occur between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Parking and stations would be similar to the LRT. AHSR is an Alberta company, which has completed five years of research and had multiple meetings with government officials.





MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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The Opening Ceremony

Undeterred by cord shrinkage on this frozen morning, President Peter announced prospective new members: Bob Price and Brian Humphrys will be inducted as club members, barring official challenges or protests. Paying Tribute

In homage to the first Olympics our February 23 dinner will be at Ouzo's. In the spirit of athletic competition, members living less than 26 miles away are challenged to leave their cars behind.

Keeping with Olympic ideals, the Integrity Awards will be held on March 6th at Stage West.

In the spirit of fellowship, a gathering of Rotarians from cross-country will descend upon 1988 Winter Olympic host city Calgary, Alberta, Canada on April 28 – 30th for the District Conference. Attend the festivities and witness the passing of the torch to incoming District Governor Raju Paul.

A 25 Second Minute

Conserving energy, Martin Harvey efficiently announced that March 3 would be our annual "Bring A Prospective New Member Meeting" with Wynne Bjorgan as guest Speaker. Help our club soar like an eagle by increasing membership. Executive Committee Decision

Doug Hood moved that the club pay up to a maximum of \$3,000.00, the cost of Wynne Bjorgan's trip to the Dominican Republic. A lively discussion ensued with members discussing the merits of the educational field experience and presidential recognition versus the original purpose of the funds being to ensure our club president attends the International Conference to cast our vote and learn about Rotary. The motion was defeated.

Peter left us with some valuable wisdom regarding telling the truth: "Be funny or have one foot in the stirrup".

With perhaps our best meeting ever we adjourned for another seven days. Max carried out the flag.

ALBERTA HIGH SPEED TRAIN

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AHSR would purchase the equipment and be responsible for the operation and safety of the rail link. State of the art safety features at crossings and along the route will be coupled with the avoidance of cars and smaller communities.

A "Greenfield Route" has been selected 1 mile west of highway 2 along a CPR right of way, but not on CPR track. The rail link is 35 meters wide as opposed to a four lane divided highway that is 120 meters wide.

AHSR compared an electric rail system costing \$2 billion and a travel time of 84 minutes with a magnetic levitation system costing \$5 billion and a travel time of 55 minutes. The decision was made on a cost/benefit basis to use the electric rail system.

AHSR is anxious to move forward with this project and stresses the need to secure the right of way due to concerns that other developments will close off the corridor. We were

asked for our support in communicating with our MLA's and embracing this 21st century vision of Alberta.

With the rapidity of Team Canada's female hockey team dispatching another victim, Bill Hope began firing questions like verbal slap shots. Alec McDougall embraced the project,



considering any mode of transportation that had an engineer to be a good thing. Barry Jarvis could not smell anything fishy, but remained skeptical.



Happy Bucks

Gold and Silver

- **D**ennis Tillotson had \$1 happy for assisting ADGE with PETS and SETS. Dennis then promoted ROTS for a full minute before running out of steam and acronyms and taking his SEAT.
- David McKeown had \$1 happy to acknowledge receipt of a cheque from Din for the Wine Fest and to thank Din for once again agreeing to allow credit cards to be processed through Forman's (official clothing supplier).
- Jim Hennessey had \$1 happy that club service recruited a guest as greeter.
- Steven Yu had \$1 happy that a guest took over greeter duties for him.
- Bob Sadler had a \$1 happy and a \$1 sad that the day following Friday would be Saturday.
- Betty Little had \$1 happy for the 100-year retailer award and also a sad \$1.
- Walter had \$1 happy/sad, with mixed feelings regarding his Integrity Awards date.
- Bill Hope had \$1 happy for Din's sporty sport coat.



Sheriff Joan Bedard You're BUSTED!

Judged Harshly



With all the warmth of a figure skating judge whose countryman is trailing, Joan Bedard gave low scores to the following:

- Alec McDougall for abandoning Gail and shenanigans at the 50/50 table.
- Steve Yu for being unable to read The Standard for his duties and the weather report for the day's forecast.
- All members dressed in golf shirts. Norm Haines in absentia for a lack of grace.
- Dennis Tillotson for only paying \$1 for a happy minute.
- Those responsible for a potential ticket scandal involving substandard 50/50 tickets.
- Those lacking the foresight to either leave for warmer climates or book a winter getaway.



SUNSHINE

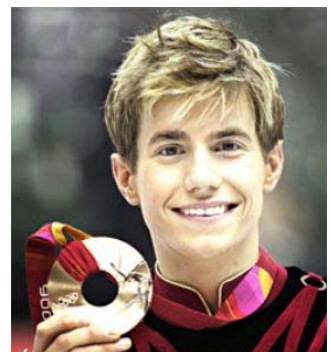
Bronzed

Even on a cold, cloudy day the sun shone through as Doug Hood announced the upcoming rotary anniversaries team of: Garry Brown, Bill Hope, Alec McDougall, Din Peerani, John Radermacher, Walter Zuk, Dennis Tillotson, Raju Paul, Asha Paul, Ray Gosselin and Barry Jarvis.



February 24th is now designated as John Radermacher's Birthday.

Doug commentated upon a battle of wits between the miracle doctor (Paul?) and the town skeptic Mr. Jarvis. It was determined that 4 of 5 miracle doctors prescribe jar 47 as a panacea for loss of senses.



50/50 JACK POT

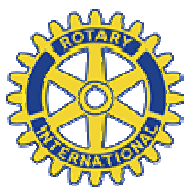


Out of the Medals

Alec, allegedly on Gail's advice, bought an arm's length of tickets and feigned surprise when one of them was selected. After neatly handling the four-way test slalom, Alec avoided any hint of scandal by making a full disclosure card selection. Unfortunately Alec tasted only the agony of defeat.



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Rotary Heritage Club Upcoming Events

- **February** - OUZO'S RESTAURANT
- **March** - Bring a Guest to March 3, Club Meeting
Joint Meeting with Chinook Club on March 17 at the Wainwright Hotel
Vertigo Mystery Theatre March 29
- **April** - Dinner and a Movie
- **May** - Pizza/ Bowling Night, Murder Mystery Night, May 23
- **June** - Family BBQ and
Rotary Heritage Club Golf Tournament