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JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS 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

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER



January 21, 2006

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Peter Harding rang the bell and called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. David McKeown led the singing of our national anthem. Wynne Bjorgan presented grace. Greeter Jim Davis popped up to greet the visiting Rotarians and guests. Norm Haines was provided an opportunity to shine, which he accepted with grace and executed to perfection, by buffing both sides of every plate.



*New Member Mike Fuller.
Welcome!!*

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GLOBAL DISABILITY FOUNDATION

Barry Jarvis introduced our guest speaker John Christenson of the Global Disability Foundation.

John shared the aircraft accident that changed his life. John's annual trips to Vietnam to escape the harsh Canadian winter opened his eyes to the plight of the disabled in that region of the world. When John learned of an inventory of used wheelchairs at Alberta Aids To Daily Living the Foundation was created.

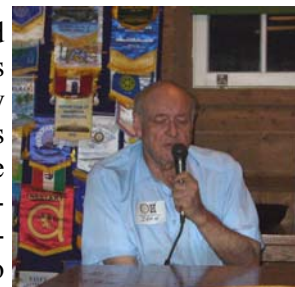
The Foundation will send 400 wheelchairs to Vietnam this year. The chairs are not sold, with each chair labeled to prevent resale and the name of each recipient noted in the newspaper to ensure unimpeded delivery.



\$75.00 will refurbish and deliver one wheelchair. Walkers are also obtained and delivered by the Foundation. All individuals involved with the Foundation are volunteers. 85% of every donation goes to refurbishing and delivery with only 15% going to overhead costs. An application for government funding is planned in the next 6 months.

John reminded us that every donation mobilizes someone.

Walter thanked John for information and inspiration, showing us how an individual can overcome challenges and make a significant difference.





BUSINESS

Peter received a thank you letter from Calgary Health Trust recognizing the Rotaract delivery of a Christmas truckload of toys to the Peter Lougheed Hospital.

Strawberry Shortcake orders will be taken until February 9. \$5 per shortcake with free delivery for orders of 4 or more.

The District Conference will be held April 29 and 30th, with the showcase event, the Sunday brunch, being run by our club.

Our March 17 meeting will be held in the Wainwright Hotel to provide capacity for a joint meeting with the Chinook Club and guest speaker the captain of the HMS Calgary.

A reminder that our next week's meeting is in Rancher's Hall.

MINUTE MEN

Jim Hennessy announced that the Interact Club would return to decorate other apartments at the Salvation Army in March. Volunteer supervisors are needed with limited experience required.

Jim announced that the G.W. Skene Family Carnival would be held on February 23. Prizes and volunteers are needed. A modest donation of \$10 will allow Jim to have an eventful shop at the Loonie Store and will make a big difference in these children's lives. All participants in the carnival games will win a prize. This year's grand marshal for the Cupcake Walk is yet to be announced. Early results favor Alec.

Peter announced that David McKeown was the silent auction high bidder for theatre tickets and dinner. It is too early to predict whether Pete-Bay poses any threat to other online auctioneers.

Mike (from Cochrane) Fuller was elevated from guest to member during a successful pinning ceremony, which did not feature the advertised greased pig.



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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Happy Bucks

Jamie Powell had a happy \$1 for his daughter's first birthday.



Garry Gray emptied his pockets for a successful meeting with Marion, upcoming vacation to Hawaii and playing in the snow last week with Al Hardstaff.

Bill Hope had a please \$1 urging members to sign up for the Integrity Awards and also to vote on Monday.

Al Hardstaff had \$1 to salute the old guard being in attendance at 6:30 a.m.

Rich McLellan had a mixed \$5, happy to be back, but sad that the real estate project is on hold.



Jim Hennessy had \$1 happy for a successful meeting and \$1 envious for Garry's upcoming trip.

Al Black had \$3 and vowed never to complain about Calgary drivers again.

Joan Bedard had \$2 happy for looking after her nephew and not having children of her own.

Surinder Khanna had \$1 happy for Bonnie's successful knee surgery.

Walter Zuk had \$1 sad because he had to check the most chronologically gifted age group box when signing up for a half marathon.

Peter Harding had \$1 for surviving a financial planning dinner.

Sheriff

Al Hardstaff refused to delegate the role and took delight in fining the following:

Surinder was fined \$2 for stalking Al's friend Gerry.

Peter Harding for being "the good, the bad and the ugly".

Din for standing out in our crowd.

Joan Bedard for failing each week to bring the Friends of Heritage Park forms and an additional \$1 for challenging Al's fine.

Garry Gray for leaving on vacation and \$1 for failing to be in proper shape for snowman making.

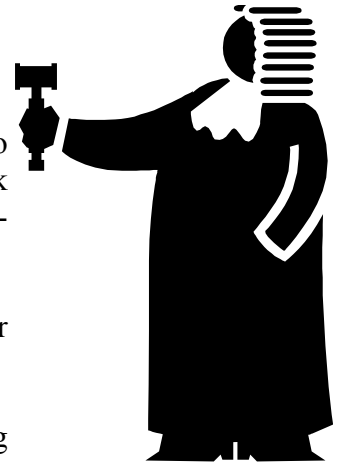
Max Patel for refusing to yield the coveted front door parking space to older members and for being undeterred by the barrel.

Jim Fitzowich and Hans Tiedemann for failing to pay their dues.

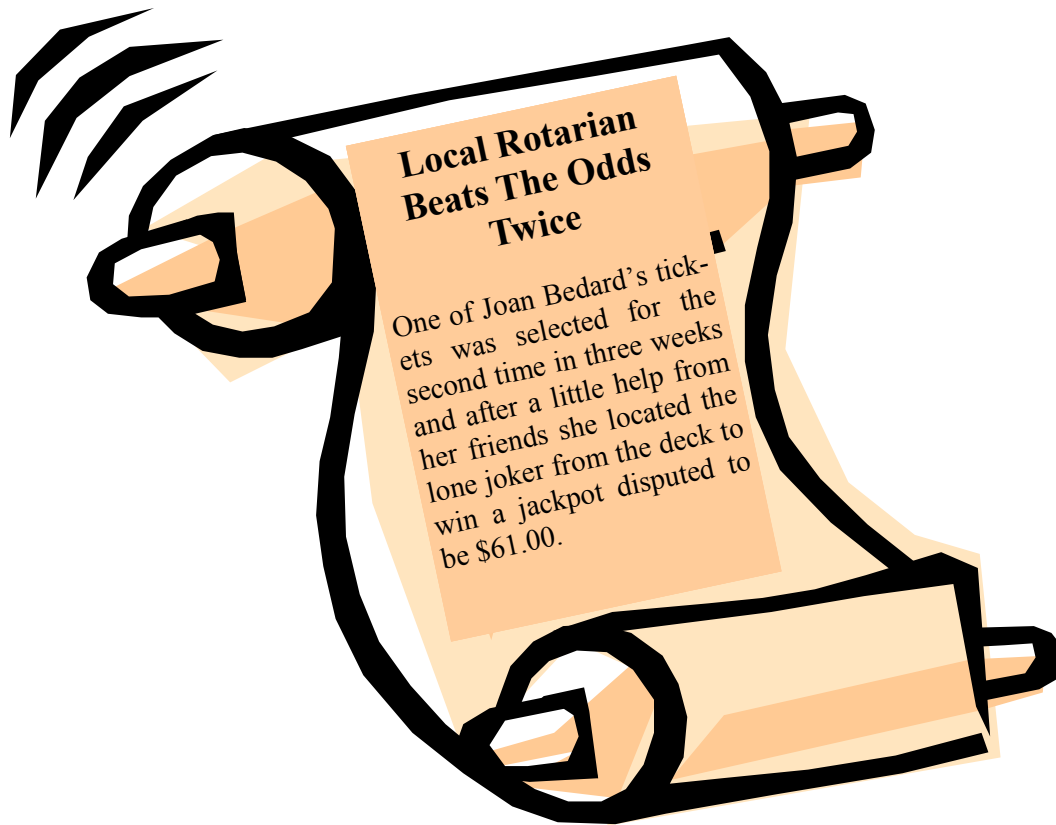
Jim Hennessy for failing to read the schedule and being MIA as Sunshine Reporter.

Everyone without pins and badges.

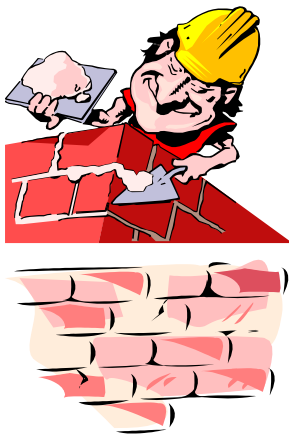
At Al Hardstaff's urging, Peter Harding noted that the flags our club displays symbolize friendship and the international flavor of Rotary. Flags for trading are available for members traveling to other clubs.



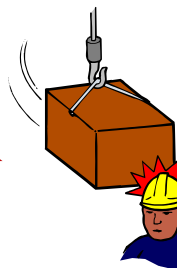
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SUNSHINE REPORT



No one admitted to having a birthday, an anniversary or to being our sunshine reporter.



Peter reported a tragic tale of a primitive elevator and poor planning by an individual not enough bricks short of a full load.

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