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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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Amidst the glitz and glamour, Club Leading Man Peter Harding directed us to order in Calgary's answer to the historic Kodak Theatre, the historic Gunn Dairy Barn, at 7:00:45 a.m., after two takes. Outstanding stand-in Joan Bedard and her posse stood out when she got her big break to deliver a dramatic interpretation of our national anthem, with barely a dry eye in the house. Gary Brown presented grace. Amidst considerable caterwauling and difficulty in opening the hermetically sealed attendance sheet, Chief Academy Officer Jim Hennessy announced the fol-

lowing guests and visiting Rotarians, who were commanded to rise and stand and attention and remain that way: from Calgary South Hans Tiedemann, Jim Fitzawich, Tony Fisher, Al Pearce and Bob Wiens, from Calgary Sarcee Crystal Dreeshan, from Calgary Chinook Bart Dailey, Rick McLellan, Zuzana Carter-Edwards friend of Bob Price, Steve Zabowski, friend of Asha Paul and Judge John Reilly. Although probably not formally invited, it was noted that Woody Allen was once again not in attendance. No professional seat fillers were required due to the capacity crowd, which were led like a flock of penguins down the red carpet to the buffet production by Matinee Idol Hans Tiedemann.



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Guest Speaker

Club siren Wynne Bjorgan shared the magic at the premiere screening of her home movie: "Memoirs of a Dominican Adventure", a montage of experiences skillfully edited and cinematically presented on our big screen.

Wynne experienced first hand issues that continue to require our support. Wynne viewed some micro-credit success stories which provided assistance to 70% women and 30% single mothers through ASPIRE in conjunction with Opportunity International. People tend to remain in the barrio



Wynne shared her visit to Dominican Republic
With the Rotary Club

even when financially successful due to the fact that they feel safe and remain part of a strong and proud community.

Wynne visited a senior's facility built by Rotarians, with 26 spaces available, but a need for \$7,500 annually to cover their operating budget.

Wynne witnessed the production and operation of water filters, which produce up to .8 liter of water per minute. A mold can produce two filters per day. Wynne inspected a rare school for disabled children and the LED lighting run by solar panels. Latrines bore the insignia of Rotary and the Wild Rose Foundation.



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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The Supporting Cast

In terse soliloquy Bill Hope advised that all that needed to be said, had been said; all who needed to be thanked, would be thanked and that live, from Calgary, its Monday Night, for the annual Integrity Awards at Stage West.

With the exuberance of 3 6 Mafia, Walter Zuk commandeered the stage to announce the March 11th ribbon cutting commemorating the commencement of construction of the Rotary Museum. The event will be held on the second floor of the ice cream parlor. Signage will be in place. 6:00 p.m. will be the formal event with an after party in conjunction with a PETS windup shindig to be held in the Wainwright Hotel at 6:30 at a cost of \$25.00 per person. Walter's lobbying paid off as Peter and Wynne volunteered to be greeters. Curly Galbraith requests a limo or other suitable transportation to the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The newly located building will be 1,200 square feet and overlook the Glenmore reservoir. The project is still expected to come in on budget, with completion expected in 2007. Rotarians will not be obligated to man the ice cream parlor. Walter also announced that a sergeant is required for PETS on Friday



March 10th from 2 – 5:30. Finally Walter announced he was ready for his close up and sat down. At this point our host Peter noted the meeting would rapidly approach the 3-hour mark, with no awards yet presented, unless we got a move on.

Fifteen Minutes of Fame

Doug Hood announced a potential major 3H project for Chrysalis. The budget is \$250,000.00. A Rotary trustee will inspect the project March 13 – 15.

Peter announced that the executive meeting would be held this Tuesday, but relocated to the lower boardroom due to a scheduling conflict with A-lister Raju Paul's party. Raju advised that his party was cancelled and relinquished the main boardroom to our club executive, with his compliments.

March 17 will be a joint meeting with Chinook, with guest speaker Captain Tom Tulloch of the HMCS Calgary.

March 29 will be the club's next social event at Vertigo Mystery Theatre as Columbo gets to the bottom of the mystery.

Al Hardstaff announced that for \$250 annually members could join the Friends of Heritage Park and sponsor a chuck wagon at the Greatest Outdoor Show



Wynne Bjorgan

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Wynne noted issues in neighboring Haiti due to deforestation and the resulting soil erosion. Borders are secured to protect the trees of the Dominican Republic, which maintains a reforestation program.

Only a brief period of play occurred at a local beach where Rotarians built sandcastles that were lapped away by the relentless incoming tides, leaving behind an indelible memory in the minds of their creators.

Wynne was thanked by Ray, who thanked Ray for the thank you and both of whom were thanked by Peter who thanked all in attendance.

Peter left us with the homespun wisdom of a sculptor: "Money does not bring one happiness; people with \$10 million are truly no happier than those with \$9 million."

The meeting was completed in well under 3 hours, with Peter wishing us Good Morning and Good Luck. All in attendance rushed to the exits to attend the after parties. Attend the sequel next week.

Happy Bucks



The Awards

The nominees for best foreign subject:

- (1) Raju Paul \$1 for his district governor training in San Diego with 1529 others.
 (2) Jim Hennessy \$1 for his upcoming cruise to Hawaii. (3) Dennis Tillotson \$1 for an epic journey to Tyler, Texas. (I am not making this up.)

The nominees for best documentary:

- (1) Garry Gray: snowmobiling with Bill and Harry.
 (2) Bill Hope: snowmobiling with Garry and Harry.
 (Harry apparently came to the meeting without a dollar)
 Wynne Bjorgan: Legally Blonde in the Dominican Republic.

The nominees for best new face:

- (1) Steve Zabowski \$1 paid by Asha Paul. (2) Zuzana Carter-Edwards \$1 paid by Al Hardstaff on behalf of Bob Price.

Best special effects: (1) Alec's hairdo, which Alec insists is his real hair. \$2 was pledged by Max to get Alec a haircut. Walter deposited a volunteer \$1 and offered to personally cut Alec's hair. Bill Hope agreed to pay the sum of \$1 to attend a cutting of Alec's haircut.

Best new set design: Max \$5 for selling his old house and moving into the new one.

Best entrance: Bob Price being inducted last week and bringing a guest.

Best exit: the auditors leaving Martin Harvey's bank.

Well Wishes

Norm Haines had \$10 happy that his son will be okay after a head on collision. Our thoughts are with Norm and his family and we wish his son a speedy and complete recovery.



Sheriff Din: You're BUSTED!



The List Renowned haberdasher to the beautiful people, D.P. was our sheriff. Since Din considers a day at the beach to be a black tie event, he pooh-poohed the following on his way to breaking a few less than a million hearts: (1) Veteran characters Jim Hennessy and Walter Zuk for embarrassing Steven Yu and Bart Dailey, who truly know how to make a proper fashionably late entrance. (2) All former sheriffs who had fined those fashionably late. (3) Gentlemen resplendent in ties, jackets, tuxes or blazers whether or not they were at least of Versace quality, were asked to stand for inspection. Fortunately none in attendance wore the same designer. All those not standing were fined \$1. (4) In a vain attempt to shake up the ultra conservative members of the club who maintain a standing reservation and habitually sit at the same table, a fine of \$1 was imposed upon those guilty of this practice. (5) Those not sporting the proper pins and badges.



SUNSHINE REPORT

Comic Relief



The spotlight shown on Garry Gray's birthday on March 8th, which was likely scheduled by his parents to compete with no other birthday or rotary anniversary. The club sang to Garry as he thought: "You love me, you really love me."

There was no Capra-esque ending for a peach thief who also pinched a can of peas.



50/50 JACK POT

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Show Me The Money

Al Black opened the envelope on the evening's main award and announced the winner was: number 6920. Asha's guest Steve was obviously surprised and probably the only one in attendance without a lengthy prepared thank you speech and four-way test memorization.

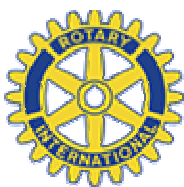


Rather than allowing Steve to Crash, Asha delivered the four-way test on his behalf. Steve was further shocked to learn he would not be going home with a prize package of real estate, bling and designer threads, when he drew the Jack. A Dutch auction was held for a four-year bottle of Haitian Rum, donated by Wynne, which raised \$48 and made Harry a happy and popular man.

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Rotary Heritage Club Upcoming Events

- **March** - Joint Meeting with Chinook Club on March 17 at the Wainwright Hotel
Vertigo 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