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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?



Rotary Partner's Book Club

When: April 18 @ 7p.m.

Where: Trish Radermacher's Home

Book: The Memory Keepers Daughter by Kim Edwards

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Meeting Highlights



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What a great greeter!!

Garry Gray, fresh back from Hawaii, tanned and smiling at the door wearing his Hawaiian shirt and handing out gifts of pens, key chains, and macadamia nuts. Who wouldn't be glad to see him.

Wynne started the meeting by declaring she



Garry Gray, fresh back from Hawaii

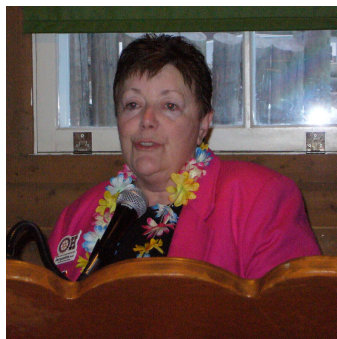
was wearing a thong and had just got lei'd. Turns out the thong was one of Garry's key chains and the lei was fake, flowers that is. Garry welcomed every one that was left with a big "Aloha!" and announced our visiting Rotarians who it turns out were mostly from the Calgary South club. Jamie, who was still reeling from all the money he made assisting people plan their retirement over the RRSP season, was designated to assist members plan their breakfast with a clean plate. After our usual exceptional breakfast the meeting kicked off with announce-

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Our guest speaker, Jacqui Brown

Jacqui's passion leads her in the direction of providing education. Keeping children in school after age 12 takes money. \$250. US pays for one year of school for grade 7 to 9 students, \$300. US for grades 10 to 12, \$350. per year of university.

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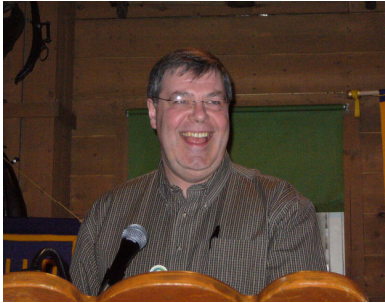
Our guest speaker today was one of our own, Jacqui Brown. Jacqui and Wayne undertook an expedition to Puerto Vallarta in an effort to save the children of the dump. She detailed the daily problems the families living in the dump deal with just to survive and how difficult it is to get out of their situation. The three areas that Rotarians could help with are: 1- Providing food

2 - Providing Education 3 - Providing rehabilitation for the drug and alcohol abuse.



Meeting Highlights

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Bill Hope put forth a motion to support an event at the District Conference

Bill Hope put forth a motion that our club support an event at the 5360 District Conference to a maximum cost of \$1,500. This could be a coffee break or something similar. Martin Harvey assured us the money would be well spent so the motion was passed.

John Salt announced March 25th would be the annual sandwich making at the Haysborough Community Centre. We will be making sandwiches for the Calgary Drop in Centre who have requested peanut butter and jam. If you are looking for a sticky but fun time sign up.

We received wonderful hand made thank you cards from the kids at G.W. Skene School for our contribution to their annual carnival.

Everyone had a great time and that is what being a kid is all about.

Doug Kinsley announced we are booked at Jubilations Theatre on April 11/07 and we are all getting the seniors rate. The play is the Gerry Steinfeld Show and should be a great evening so sign up early.

Zuzana announced the Calendar of Events for our club is being updated on our web site so if you want to be in the know, check it out.

Paul Harris

Always moving to have the presentation of a Paul Harris award to one of our members. Today that special Rotarian was Zuzana Carter- Edwards. Well done!

Wynne closed the meeting with the thought - "Work with passion and you will make things work."



Wynne presented the Paul Harris Award to Zuzana Carter- Edwards .

Guest Speaker: Jacquie Brown

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(L-R) Jacquie, Wynne and Wayne

She gives her own time and money to help these students and has challenged our club for an annual donation towards this wonderful cause.

Jackie and Wayne recently travelled to Puerto Vallarta on their own money to take down four large suitcases of school supplies to the children. Although the supplies were donated she still had to pay \$450 in additional weight charges for her luggage. She is asking that next year we donate cash instead of stationary.

Easier to travel with and it will allow her to take more of her own cloths. Jacqui is working with the local Rotary Club in Puerto Vallarta and is suggesting we get a group to travel on a Rotary Discovery

Visit and see our money in action. Anyone in the area should drop into the Rotary Club of Puerto Vallarta meeting held at the Mariott Hotel each Thursday at 9:00 AM.

Jacqui was thanked for her wonderful presentation by Bob Price.



Children of the dump



SUNSHINE REPORT



Sunshine Boy, Norm Haines announced two Rotary Anniversaries:

Betty Little and Doug Hood

No other birthdays or anniversaries

Norm had a remarkably short humorous wisdom from the mouths of children on deciding who to marry, playing dead if you have a bad date and knowing your wife is pretty when she doesn't look like a truck.

Happy Bucks



Garry Gray was pleased to get a phone call from Curly reminding him he was a year older.

Bill Hope was grateful for the club's great attendance at the Integrity Awards Dinner.

Zuzana was happy about her "Paul Harris" award.

Wayne was happy he wasn't a member so he could be first in line at breakfast.



Peter Harding was happy about the Integrity Awards and that his wife who was celebrating her birthday was still pretty and didn't look like a truck.

Dennis Tillotson had a happy penny since he just got back from Los Vegas.

Sheriff Jamie Powell: You're BUSTED!



Obviously picking on Jamie as the breakfast server just wound him up for vendetta.

You paid if you wore long sleeves, were late (Bob and Doug), got caught talking (Zuzana),

were sad about coming home from Hawaii (Garry), sat by yourself (Joe), didn't know who won American Idol (Peter), and just for no reason (John R.)



50/50 JACK POT



Rookie Steve Hashman took charge of the draw and the deck of cards. Jim Davis had a crack at the pot but although he was perfect at the 4 Way Test he fell a little short of drawing the joker so the pot continues to multiply.





Bill's MESSAGES

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Dear fellow Rotarians,

As members of a family of book lovers, we have always made literacy a high priority in our lives. Our home is full of books, and neither Lorna nor I ever travel without two or three. Reading is a great joy for both of us, and it is a joy we've shared with our children and grandchildren. Unfortunately, for many people around the world, the simple pleasure of reading seems hopelessly out of reach.

Without literacy, all the written words we encounter every day - not just in books and newspapers, but in maps, labels, street signs, and billboards - are mysteries and roadblocks to full integration into society. For me, teaching someone to read is one of the most rewarding acts of service imaginable. All it costs is patience and time, and the rewards are incalculable.

Like nothing else, literacy is a stepping stone away from poverty. It is a gift of self-reliance, one that can be freely passed on from generation to generation. Once there's literacy in a family, it's almost always there to stay, as literate parents raise literate children. Literate parents are also more likely to raise healthier children, whose horizons will stretch far beyond their own homes and villages. Literacy, quite literally, opens up a new world.

We need to be aware that illiteracy is not a problem only of the developing world. Even in the wealthiest countries with universal education, many people are functionally illiterate. Where illiteracy carries a stigma, it can be especially difficult to combat. Yet, in highly literate societies, being able to read and write is crucial in almost every job. Go into any prison or hospital, and you will find a disproportionate number of people who are functionally illiterate. Too many of those who work in unskilled jobs are illiterate and need their workmates to read for them. But Lorna and I have seen illiterate women in Uganda learn to read within days and children exposed to books for the first time in South Africa finding a new world they didn't know existed. We've seen Rotarians in India and Nigeria and Turkey using the concentrated language encounter method to teach thousands of women and children, and some men, to read. The issue is not one of intelligence but of opportunity.

Literacy has rightly been high on Rotary's service agenda for many years now, and it should feature among the projects of every Rotary club. Whether the goal is donating books, running literacy classes, supplying elementary school students with dictionaries, or just helping children with their schoolwork, literacy projects bring great results with very little investment of money. As someone who has spent many hours sitting on undersized chairs listening to children read, I wholeheartedly believe that the stiff muscles are a small price to pay for the lifelong benefits of literacy.

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Upcoming Events

- **April** Jubilation Theatre: April 11
- **May** District Conference in Red Deer (May 25—27)
- **June** RCCHP Golf Tournament (June 26)
- **July** Harry Hay's Breakfast (July 7-8)
- **November** RCCHP Wine Festival (Nov 1)
- **December** RCCHP Christmas Party (Dec 21)