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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

"A Thousand Splendid Suns"
by Hosseini Khaled
September 26, 2007
1268 Lake Sundance Crescent

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Meeting Highlights

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It looks like it will be a great day. Our meeting begins with the gong at 7:00 am. Some don't want to stop talking, but Asha with gong in go, gets things moving with Peter Harding leading O Canada. Val Redner (more of him later) leads grace. Guests at our tables are introduced and breakfast begins with the eminent Brian Humphrys ensuring that our plates shine. The meeting formally begins with

a commentary on Easter by Asha and it is a good solid understanding of St. Peter.

The Business

A great beginning with the presentation of Val Redner, accompanied by his delightful wife Gloria, as a new member of our Club. Val will add to the values of our membership. He is an officer of the Salvation Army and at the Center of Hope.

The Club is asked to approve an expense of up to \$1,000 for an LCD projector and it does.



President Asha Paul

Guest Speaker: Alan J. Lomax—Shelter Box

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Alan J. Lomax, Executive Director Shelter Box Canada

Ever seen a Shelter Box? Know what it is? This reporter saw one at the District Conference in Red Deer, but until this morning had no idea how important it is and that our Club supported the Shelter Box program.

Alan J Lomax, Executive Director, Shelter Box Canada presented us with a lot of important knowledge about Shelter Box and its importance in so many theatres around the world. It is an enormously important support program in so

many places of our world and to now; some 500,000 people have been using the Shelter Box in order to survive disaster and incredible hardship. The Shelter Box provides shelter,



Bob Price introduces today's speaker Alan Lomax

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Treasurer Garry Gray presents the club's financial plan

Garry Gray presents a very good financial plan for the Club for this year and the Club approves it. Asha announces that Murder Mystery is deferred to May because of track work within the Park. Al Hardstaff talks about the highway clean up on September 22, 2007 beginning at 10:00 am. It will be a full day followed by a BBQ at the Hardstaff Ranch. John Radermacher begins the tease of "Guess who is Coming to Dinner".

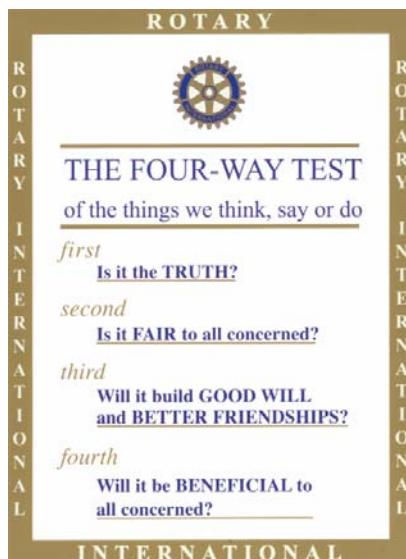
Eds Note: This was one of those meetings where a couple of our members shared very personal moments. It talks very much in support of our theme....The Power of Sharing.



President Asha pins the RCCHP club pin on the newly inducted Rotarian Captain Val Redner.



John Radermacher reminds club that the veterans' food drive has begun. Non-perishable food items will be collected until Christmas.



Rotarian Captain Val Redner, his wife Captain Gloria Redner and Membership Director Martin Harvey. Martin was standing in for Val's sponsor Major Gary Brown.

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comfort, clean water, cooking aids for ten people in a box. The Shelter Box program started in England and that is where the world headquarters and warehouse is. Each Shelter Box costs \$1,200 Canadian to purchase and support. In 2004, the Shelter Box program helped thousands hammered by the Asian Tsunami. One million people have been helped in Africa. They have been placed in the Philippines, Nepal, Nicaragua, Peru, Lebanon, Bolivia, and the Solomon Islands. All of us can identify with the disasters there.

Alan showed us a picture of Shelter Box 309, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Heritage Park. Wynne thanked Alan for his presentation with a certificate of restoration of sight by OEU.

This was a great presentation for our Club and it told us that our support of this program can help in ways we can only imagine. Kudos to the wisdom of our people who recognized the value of Shelter Box. Support well done...let's do it again.



Wynne Bjorgan thanks Alan Lomax for his Shelter Box presentation.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Having fixed his toilet, Martin strides to the podium for the Sunshine report. Bill and Susan Hope are celebrating an anniversary. Martin and wife, Liz, also celebrating an anniversary and on



Martin had no problem sharing good news with his and Liz's upcoming trip to Paris.



their way to Paris. Martin has a story about a bull. MEET!

Happy Bucks

Of a number of Happy Bucks, two significant ones: Martin Harvey with \$20 bucks celebrating 40 years of marriage or .50 cents per year. Asha in celebrating a clean, quiet house without Raju and his tons of paper.



50/50 Jackpot



Bill Hope shuffles the deck for the 50/50 draw.

There is \$622 in the pot and Bill Hope finds someone with the right ticket and wrong card; more money in the Pot.



Sheriff Bob Price: You're BUSTED!



Bob Price, the strong and silent sheriff, surprised everyone once the fines started.

In his quiet way he is an effective, sneaky sheriff. Barry gets hit and so does Wynne, Jeannette, Garry and Peter. All the rest of us say: "Yay!"



News from Rotary International

U.S. ShelterBox Response Team delivers landmark aid

On her first trip delivering disaster relief for ShelterBox, Trannie Lacquey encountered Maoist guerillas, crossed swollen rivers on foot, and hiked miles in a remote, tension-filled corner of Nepal.

But the toughest challenge, says the grandmother of five, was clearing customs at the airport for 410 ShelterBox relief kits, which would help hundreds of families trapped by the monsoon floods that swept Nepal in August. It took 10 days.

"It was tedious and very frustrating. We knew people were waiting," she says.

Fortunately, extensive training at a ShelterBox Response Team training camp in Cornwall, England, paid off, she says. Lacquey and her husband, John, members of the Rotary Club of Branford, Florida, USA, and Gary Boe, a member of the Rotary Club of Lewis River, Washington, USA, were the first U.S. ShelterBox Response Team members sent on a disaster relief mission.

They also made history, as they delivered the ShelterBox that marked 500,000 disaster victims aided by the Rotarian-sponsored nonprofit.

Shelterbox started as a small project by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard, England, in 2001, but it took off quickly. To date, it has raised £15 million and delivered aid in 33 countries. Recently, the Duchess of Cornwall, Prince Charles's wife, Camilla, agreed to serve as president of ShelterBox. She is believed to be the first Royal Patron of a Rotary club project in the United Kingdom.

Each ShelterBox costs about US\$1,000 and is intended to help a family of 10 survive for six months. It contains custom supplies that typically include a large tent, blankets, water purification and cooking equipment, basic tools, and a multi-fuel stove. Rotary clubs provide more than half the funding, and private donors contribute the rest.

The effort also depends on energetic volunteers like the Lacqueys, who arrived home 1 September after three weeks in Nepal and are now repacking for a weekend in Blackwater River State Park in Florida, where they'll help train more response team recruits.

They'll also tell stories from their recent trip. "The rice paddies were still flooded," John Trannie recalls. "People lost everything. They were living under tarps in the rain. The living conditions were just horrible." But through it all, he says, "People would help their neighbors. It was a very humbling experience for us."

Recently, ShelterBox enjoyed another first. It received its first Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation, allowing 24 boxes to be delivered to northern Ethiopia in October, providing desperately needed shelter for Sudanese refugees. The grant was funded by the Rotary clubs of Beaverton, Oregon, USA, and Bahir Dar, Ethiopia. It is part of a massive effort by ShelterBox, called A Million in Africa, which intends to provide shelter for one million of Africa's eight million refugees.

Read more about the ShelterBox Response Team training camp in England in the October issue of *The Rotarian*.



**Dr. Asha Paul, President
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The POWER of ONE**

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Upcoming Events

- **September** Highway Clean up (Sept. 22)
Rotary's Partner Book Club (Sept. 26)
Food Drive
- **November** RCCHP Wine Festival (Nov. 1)
Strategic Planning Session (Nov. 3)
Salvation Army Kettle (Nov. 17-18, 24-25)
Food Drive
- **December** RCCHP Christmas Party (Dec. 14)
Salvation Army Kettle (Dec. 1-2, 8-9,
15-16, 22-23)
Food Drive

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Service above Self**

