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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?



2008 CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 26, 2008

RIVER SPIRIT GOLF CLUB

12 NOON

TEE TIME: 1:00 PM

Meeting Highlights

In the beginning...It is a nice morning...still fairly warm and we are told continuously on the radio that it is going to snow.... and snow.... and snow for the next couple of days. Gosh...we have missed all that in the past week! It is 6:45 a.m. and the Gunn Barn seems to be filling up with lots of folks...and a goodly number of visiting Rotarians. Former Calgary Club President and his wife Jan are with us. So is Ian Viner and others.

It's going to be a busy day.

At 7:00 a.m. President Asha begins the GONG show with a smack of the gong on the thing bringing us all to attention with Peter Harding leading in O Canada and David McKeown offering blessing to the sacred goat! Asha does a great job in seeing that the guests are properly introduced except John Radermacher who simply introduces the "guys" at his table.

Breakfast is served. Walter Zuk laments the lack of pancakes. "This is the first time we haven't had pancakes. What's going on? Jeannette Pyle.... late.... doesn't know. How awful.

The Speaker—Dr. Myron Semkuley

Max Patel introduces our speaker for the morning....Dr. Myron Semkuley and accompanied by his delightful wife Elaine. They represent on this day Medical Mercy Canada.

Before beginning this brief reflection of Dr. Semkuley's remarks, all of us are well versed on the "sad" state of our medical system. Things like overcrowded facilities.... long wait periods for essential surgery, lack of nurses and doctors, insufficient facilities, burgeoning costs and all the other stuff. So wait a minute.... if you want even better services go to the Ukraine and you have much simpler basis for complaints.... like buildings that are dissolving in disrepair, leaking roofs that don't work, laundry systems that are replaced

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with nurses taking stuff home to wash. Lack of the most basic health support systems. Lack of gauze to clean wounds. All in a state that is now free of Russia but captured in corruption of the worst kind. A country where bribes may make you well, a country that does not support the health system in any way. Strong buildings standing because they were built well but now sustained. Simply awful.

Medical Mercy was started by people like Dr. Semkuley and his wife in 1992 and joined by others every year. They started in Southeast Asia but entered the Ukraine when it was removed from Russian control. The good doctor talked to us about the Ukraine Mafia that really does control the Ukraine. Having little impact in the big cities because of the need to bribe, Medical Mercy went to the country to small, poor villages to help in some fashion. Like putting new roofs on an orphanage, laundry facilities in a hospital, and a furnace in a retirement home. In 1992 one project, in 2007 80 projects based out of Calgary thru Medical Mercy,

Imagine the joy and victory of a new shower that works and is available for hospital patients. We demand it here, in much of the Ukraine...too much to ask for.

Seniors, those recovering from surgery or injury, are absolute beneficiaries of the strength and funding of Medical Mercy.

We saw pictures that added so much to our understanding of the needs of so many people in the Ukraine and he benefits from Medical Mercy. One has to believe hope comes from such commitment and that organization.

The Club thru Jacqueline Brown thanked the good doctor and his wife.

IN A MINUTE

Wynn whinnies about the Family Carnival at Garry Gray's house on May 10th. Be careful Sadler and Haines are directing parking.

Jim Hennessy. Talks about an upcoming meeting featuring a retired F-18 veteran that should grab us all. He is accompanied to our meeting by his lovely wife Josie... also an outstanding dance partner and nice lady.

RESOLUTIONS

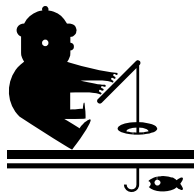
Jacqueline Brown asks for approval for \$1,000 to go to Add Your Light.... a wonderful cause that sees LED's make possible for those who have no power of any kind.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"If in life it seems like you are going through hell, keep going."
Winston Churchill.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Sunshine Report



The best part of Hennessy's presentation is about the blond drilling thru the ice with a mysterious voice that says..."There are no fish under the ice." She keeps drilling and the voice keeps telling her the same message. She finally asks who speaks. The voice says..."This is the manager of the Arena."

The only special occasion on this day is the Anniversary of Dennis Tillotson who could only say when asked how many years. "Uh....thirty something."



- Peter Pallesen presented Rotary Club flags from Washington and Arlington to the club.

Happy Bucks



A lot of bucks. Several Rotarians offer a buck because they are so pleased to have enjoyed a recent cruise to somewhere in the sun. A

Rotary wag offered a buck because he didn't have to be anywhere on those cruises. Al Black offered a buck because he and his wife are looking after an 11-month-old grandchild! Har! Har!



Joan Bedard wins the draw and loses the pot!

Better luck next time and remember the pot grows bigger.

Sheriff DOUG HOOD: You're BUSTED!



Sheriff Is Doug Hood.

Only three members of the club watched the entire Flames Game last evening. Those who didn't paid a buck. Jeannette paid a buck 'cause she was late. Max Patel paid a buck because he showed up. A lot of other bucks were paid too.



GO FLAMES GO

Coverage of the RI Convention - Los Angeles, CA. June 15—18 2008

Count Down to the Stars

To those who have already registered: Thank you for your support. We suggest you talk with your fellow members and explain what a wonderful opportunity it would be to attend a conference with a group from your own club or district. Spouses and partners of Rotarians will get to know each other better and strong relationships will be formed.

Did you know, that Rotarians who have attended a Convention stay longer in Rotary?

President Wilf hopes for record attendance from Zone 22

Currently, appr. 700 Rotarians from Zone 22 have registered. These numbers will go up. We just need to spend a little extra time promoting the Convention at our own Districts and Clubs. Why not have registrations forms available at your upcoming Conference? A District event is a great opportunity to inspire and encourage more Rotarians to attend. If you have been to an International Convention before, talk to as many people as possible about your experience and rally up the troops.

Fax Your Registration

Those Rotarians who have had difficulty registering on line, can download the registration form at www.rotary.org (click at LA News in lower right) Send via fax to 1-847-866-3064 or mail until May 31

Experience the "California Experience"

An opportunity you would not want to miss. This event includes wine tasting, classic car show, art exhibition and live dance groups and singers on the outdoor Plaza stage. Featured will be Grammy Award nominee Roger Neumann and his 18 piece big band, with vocalist Madeline Vergari.

Local Host Hospitality

Savor the flavors of Los Angeles as individual Rotarians and Rotary

Clubs open their arms to you in welcome. You may be invited to a private home, an exciting world-famous venue, such as the famous _____

Queen Mary, or a twilight Dinner Cruise around Los Angeles Harbor.

Reserve seating required as space in each venue is limited. Deadline for Sign up is April 18.

For more information, visit

www.Rotary2008.com

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ROTARY PIN**



The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Upcoming Events

- **Friday April 25 John Gilchrist**
Restaurant reviewer (CBC and Calgary Herald)
A Family meeting at the Gunn Barn
- **Thursday June 26 Golf Tournament**
River Spirits Golf Course
Shot Gun start at 1:00 PM