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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 FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Meeting Highlights

On a cold winter's morn
There arose such a clatter
That President David rang the bell
To get to the heart of the matter.

At attention we stood
As Joan set the pace,
For our national anthem,
Before Mark gave us grace.



No choir was heard,
"Not my fault", he

The greeting committee
welcomes us

asserts,
But Roy Gosselin did penance,
While we chose our desserts.

Business Meeting

A missing pin found

A kind card with treats thanks to Art and Joan.

Garry Gray and his helpers presented early Christmas presents (cheques) to:

1. \$4,800 to Nan from Inn From The Cold for their 12 days of Christmas meals;



Ray Gosselin



Guest Speaker: Laurie Jacques

Laurie Jacques introduced us to the world of funeral management. We are Laurie's third and he claims final, Rotary club.

It pays to live in Calgary, with a .49% mortality rate compared to Edmonton's .63%. The difference is due to demographics.

David Foote's book "Boom Bust and Echo" promoted hairdressing and funeral management as the careers of the future. The death rate has not risen as predicted (and this reporter is losing his hair. So much for predictions.)

In Calgary there are 21 funeral home locations, but only 9 operators. The one large conglomerate is SCI. The only cemetery within Calgary with burial spaces available is Queen's Park. Eden Brook and Mountain View are outside the City limits and owned by public corporations.



Laurie Jacques

Laurie provided funeral director humor based upon one's organ of choice. A funeral differs from a wedding due to the lack of rehearsal and a lower cost, averaging \$5500. "Preneed" packages are marketed in advance. Otherwise a funeral manager will address "at need" packages. Laurie praised lawyers for protecting cash flow in good times and bad.

Some cemeteries are now offering double depth burial at 9' and 6'. Alberta has scattering guidelines for disposing of ashes. An alternative is a columbarium for cremated remains, with perpetual care available. Above earth burial in a mausoleum is expensive. Laurie's concluding joke went over a little too well with the ladies in attendance.

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Meeting Highlights

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2. \$2,500 to Lonnie and Leigh from Mayfair Care Centre for their Puppy Program ensuring residents would enjoy the pitter patter of tiny feet all year long and

\$4,000 to Roxanne from the Boys and Girls Club for their FANS (Food and Nutrition in School) Program.

Without referencing a partridge in a pear tree or the kitchen sink, Joe Klassen presented the equivalent of several days of Christmas in Vocational Service motions:

1. To provide \$4000.00 in uncontrolled funds to GW Skene School for music equipment and books for their music program.
2. To spend \$225.00 to fund a student to RYPEN
3. To spend \$500.00 to fund a student to RYLA;
4. To donate \$1500.00 to the Lord Beaverbrook Interact Club to support their activities for 2008/09;
5. To donate \$3148.76 from controlled funds to Motive Action to purchase a Survive Air System and replace miscellaneous hand tools;
6. To donate \$2,500.00 to the Calgary Public Library to fund "It's A Crime Not To Read" for Banting and Best School;
7. To donate \$2,500.00 to the Calgary Public Library to fund "It's A Crime Not To Read" for Catherine Gunn School;
8. To donate \$3000.00 to Joan of Arc School to fund Women in Technology;

To donate \$3,870.00 to James Short School to provide portable book shelves for the library.



All motions were successfully and efficiently wrapped up.

In a Minute

Harry Kim announced that Canyon Creek Toyota returns as our platinum sponsor for our golf tournament, which will be partnered with ARF (Animal Rescue Foundation). The kickoff is March 1. Volunteers are being sought and a brochure was circulated.

Betty Little on behalf of the Crowchild Club promoted District Governor Mark's Christmas CD on sale for \$20 with proceeds going to the Uganda Water Project. Sales are projected to surpass Christmas With Raju.

As he drove through the night with a sleigh full of goodies

St. John, he just knew,

Our club has the heart

Of 10 grinchies . . . plus two.

Peter Harding announced on behalf of Helen Buchanon that rides are needed Friday December 19th to take interact students to the Samaritan's Purse. Please provide these rides before reading this.

Wynne needs volunteers for the Family Carnival.

Al Black advised that Heritage Park staff stepped in to ensure the kettles were operated during the inclement weather that grounded reindeer and the Pauls.



President David announced our next meeting is January 9th. On January 23rd we will meet in Rancher's Hall.

SUNSHINE REPORT

As he strode to the lectern
And capered with glee
To bring us some sunshine
Our elfish Billy

Some born in a manger? David McKeown December 8,
Jim Davis December 9th, Jim Hennessey December 13th,
Jamie Powell December 14th, Brian Humphreys December 27th.

Love in the air for Doug and Jacquie Kinley on December 8th,
Din and Nuri Peerani December 7th, Bob and Jean Sadler December 16th and Jack and Elaine Haman December 24th.

Bill shared his traditional tale of the little angel on the tree. I laughed and shook like a bowl full



Happy Bucks

Betty Little suffered a car mishap, but was happy that her mother was transferred and also for the delivery of the Salvation Army hampers. Garry Gray thanked volunteers for Victory outreach, Doug Hood for shutting down operations in Edmonton, but advised that his son had run into his gate. Raju presented a happy cheque to Harold Aitkenhead for missing his Salvation Army shift.

John Radermacher noted that 'tis the time of year for car crashing.

Rob Burton was pleased to be proposed as a new member, despite his affiliation with Jim Hennessey.

Walter presented a dollar whilst there arose such a clatter that this reporter did not hear the purpose nor what was the matter.

Wynne had a dollar to commemorate the coldest kettle shift in recorded history. Al Black had \$2 for people able to fulfill their kettle shifts.

Peter Harding had \$2 for his mother-in-law's 80th and cold weather bell ringing efficiency where you just need to hold the bells and shake.

Martin Harvey had \$1 for being snowed in and \$1 for his mother-in-law's arrival.

Doug Hood thanked the club for condolences on his mother's passing.

Joan Bedard had \$2 that sister Maureen was happy and in attendance.

Bill Hope emptied his pockets of loose change.

Asha was happy to be back.

Bob Clark shamelessly promoted the new Beagle Ranch album "Christmas Time" available in stores now, with his sister's boyfriend being the lead beagle. Laurie Jacques was happy for the return of Raju and Asha and repaid his debt.

Sheriff: Joan Bedard

Dressed in seasonal accoutrements and complete with a list of naughty and nice Joan Bedard presented a musical challenge based upon gender lines:

Most women were able to complete classic lines such as: "Silent _____", "Jingle _____" and "I'm Dreaming of a White _____".

The men were challenged with Gaelic chants, obscure carols and perhaps some songs that Joan wrote herself. Experiencing carol interruptus were: Martin, Max, Garry, Raju and Walter.



50/50 JACK POT



And all through the barn not a creature was stirring, while we held our breath for Joan to win the \$1539.50, but it was a lump of coal in her stocking. The pot builds for the New Year. Someone will be bailed out by good fortune.





Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be ages 14-30, but most clubs and districts choose to focus on a narrower age range, such as 14-18 or 19-30.

RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to

- Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth
- Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth

Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities



Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single gender or mixed, large or small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of

- Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- Advancing international understanding and goodwill

As one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and geographical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Almost 200,000 young people are involved in Interact.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Dec 26 2008	Boxing Day	No Meeting
Jan 2 2009	New Year	No Meeting
Jan 9 2009	Ken McKenzie	WestJet
Jan 16 2009	Rick Hansen	Calgary Police Service
Jan 23 2009	Gary Webster	Inglewood Wetlands Project
Jan 30 2009	Janelle Murray	Engineers Without Borders
Feb 6 2009	TBA	Classification
Feb 19 2009	10th Anniversary Gala Celebration	