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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?



9th Annual Wine Festival

February 28, 2008

Wainright Hotel

19h: 00 — 22h: 00

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Meeting Highlights

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Bonjour, Buenos Dais, Good Morning. With a minimum of special effects, live from the former set of "Jesse James", President Asha, resplendent, but not in scarlet, was "ready for her close-up" and rang the bell at 7:00 a.m. to bring our meeting to order. February is World Understanding month and today is George Washington's birthday, without whom there would be no one dollar bill. David "You sang it for Wynne you can sing it for me" McKeown led the national anthem. Dennis Til-lotson presented grace. Guests and visiting Rotarians were graciously honored and



President Asha Paul

confusion was kept to a minimum since no one named Oprah or Uma were in attendance. As a reminder on how to serve, Raju Paul led us down the red carpet to the buffet, which featured no popcorn, jujubes or "milkshakes", debuting instead steak and hollandaise sauce. Although once again Woody was a no show, matinee idol Peter Harding, the star of a competing publication (Calgary Herald Sunday February 24, Page C6) made an appearance and all in attendance enjoyed another fine feast.

Announcements

With the writer's strike officially over, Asha opted for a trilogy of jokes for her opening monologue, roasting many nations, nuns, construction workers and geographically/theologically

Guest Speaker: Alexis Beddoe—Immunization

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Heritage Park a-list celebrity Jeannette Pyle introduced guest speaker Alexis Beddoe. Alexis is a Rotarian with the Fish Creek club who has attended 2 Polio Plus immunization days in Africa. Alexis is the current ambassador for Shelter Boxes.

"Hope, we have a problem" was uttered when technical difficulties were encountered. Harry "I thought I was out, but I keep getting pulled back in" Kim saved the day.

Two clips were shown, the first introducing "the start of a beautiful friendship" between Rotarian designer Tom Henderson and the Shelter Box project. The contents of the Shelter Boxes are customized for the situations in which they are being delivered. Contents include: a 10 man tent, sleeping bags, tools, a multi-fuel cooker and educational materials/kid's activity packs.

challenged individuals from Montana. As a Rotarian, Asha eschewed political humor and avoided the obvious “every lawyer, real and fictional, bears a striking resemblance to George Clooney” joke.

The meeting and morning unfolded with a few surprises.

Local thespian David McKeown reviewed PETS 1 (President Elect Training Session Part One), which opened locally on January 26th. David marveled at the diversity of the 46 clubs in our district and showed how statistics are like movie magic when a 25% increase in membership translates into a club growing from 16 to 20 members. 3 challenges were identified: improving communication, growing membership and increasing Rotary Foundation contributions. David noted that almost 50% of the president-elects are female. David concluded by hyping the much anticipated big budget sequel **PETS 2** (The Next Chapter) opening March 28 and 29.

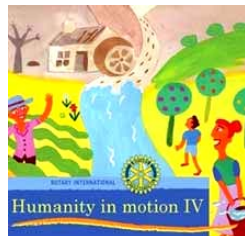
Martin Harvey’s membership campaign results were reminiscent of Kiprusoff’s goals against: Team Drake 1 point, Team Powell 0, Team Klassen 0, Team Hood 1 point and the perennial powerhouse Team Kinley 2 points. We need to induct 3 new members by the end of March to obtain Rotary International recognition.

The members of our academy (executive) met in the Rotary Museum last Tuesday. All future resolutions will be posted in The Standard for 2 weeks. The Standard will include behind the scenes scoops on fundraising and spending. Be on the lookout for the new and improved, must-read The Standard coming soon to a computer monitor near you. Initial reviews and audience reactions have exceeded all expectations. It will be AMAZING!!!

Asha reminded us that next week’s meeting would be held Thursday evening at the Wine Fest.

The final word of the day was not “Rosebud”, but tolerance.

With that we were “Gone Baby Gone”.



Guest Speaker: Alexis Beddoe — Polio Plus Immunization

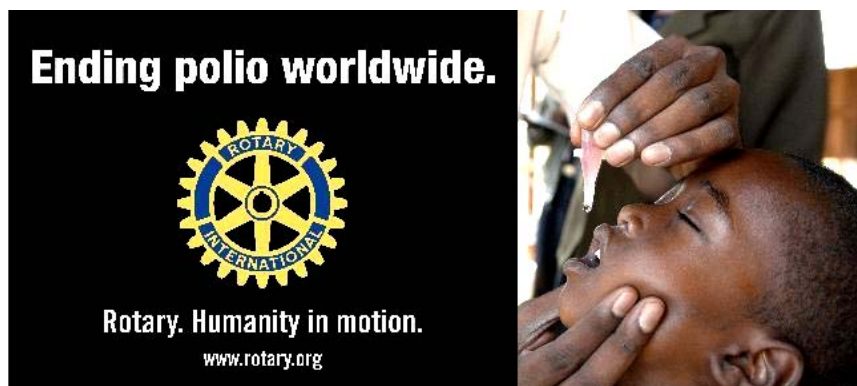
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Since 2000 more than 500,000 people have received shelter, including over 200,000 in the tsunami disaster. The Shelter Boxes are packaged in England. There are 5 worldwide distribution sites. All members of the program are volunteers. The program is 48% funded by Rotarians. Identification is placed on all boxes, including the Canadian flag on all of our Shelter boxes. Each individual box can be tracked. The cost per box is \$1,200 Canadian.

How can we help? Through individual contributions or becoming an annual sponsor. Alexis advised that the goal is 1 box per Rotary Club per year. Our club will sponsor two boxes.

Shelter Box response teams required training. Logistics of delivery are an issue since the boxes weigh 150 pounds each and they are often required in remote locations, including mountainous regions. Coordination is through the United Nations and the Red Cross. Local Rotarians are involved in determining need and logistics/coordination of delivery.

Doug Kinley thanked Alexis.



SUNSHINE REPORT

Norm “you love me, you really love me” Haines delivered the sunshine report. John Radermacher will celebrate his birthday along with Oscar on Sunday. Despite not having any work done, both of them look



Norm Haines gives the sunshine report.

marvelous for their respective ages.

Norm warned there is “No Country For Old (or funny) Men”.



Happy Bucks

Wynne had \$1 for her father’s upcoming 80th birthday on Sunday, begging the question “was Mr. Bjorgan born during the first Oscar’s commercial break”?

Dennis had \$1 happy for our club’s birthday.

Martin Harvey had \$1 happy and \$1 sad for an \$8,000 donation to Rotary Flames House in memory of Calvin.

Bill Hope had \$1 happy for our club’s birthday.

Raju had happy dollars for attending 5 national immunization days and then “clicking his heels three times because there is no place like home”.

Al Black had \$20 happy for 20 years of perfect Rotary attendance.

John Radermacher had \$1 happy that he is younger than Wynne’s father, although he refused to reveal his true age.

Graham Drake had \$1 happy for club members’ contributions to the Wine Fest.

Al Hardstaff had \$2 happy for his trip to Hawaii and to thank his understudy and stunt double Bob Price and John Radermacher for their efforts as sergeants at arms.

Asha had \$2 happy for our club’s birthday and Raju’s miraculous ability to repair the garage door opener telepathically. Asha had \$1 sad that Al Hardstaff returned without a real tan or make up equivalent.



50/50 Jackpot



After an audit, it was determined that \$111 could be awarded. Walter asked “for the envelope please” and announced the winner as Doug Kinley who deftly handled the four-way test, omitted to thank the little people and then became “King (hearts) of the World”.



Sheriff Bob Sadler: You’re BUSTED!



We knew “There Would Be Blood” when Bob Sadler strode to the podium, to identify transgressions by club members that fortunately did not include a teenage pregnancy. The following were advised to seek “Atonement”:

Jacquie Brown and Jim Davis for playing with their blackberries during the meeting, presumably to contact their agents.

Power couples Jim Davis and Bill Hope (“J-Hope”), and Wynne Bjorgan and Garry Gray (“Grynne”) for exhibiting a “frankly Asha we don’t give a damn” attitude by continuing to talk after the bell.

Confounding the pundits, Jim Davis failed to turn the hat trick in this award category.

Raju Paul for over directing every stage of the buffet line, requiring some members to endure multiple takes.

Barry Jarvis for giving Raju a tough time.

Everyone, including the sheriff and Martin Harvey for the dismal membership results.

Walter for leaving garbage lying around.

At one point someone may have remarked, “we are going to need a bigger pot”.



Holiday in a Dump—International Project

Motions

The international committee would like to present to the members of the Rotary Club of Heritage Park the following motions. These motions have been passed by the Executive of the club

1. That the membership approve the purchase of 2 Shelter Boxes for the 2007-2008 year
2. That the membership approve an additional \$1,000. for the Children of the Dump in Mexico for the purchase of supplies needed for these children for school and the basic necessities

The Community Services Committee will be presenting two motions to the Club on Friday March 7 for funding approval. Both of these have been approved by the Club executive Committee.

1. A donation of \$2,000 to the Mayfair Residents Auxiliary for the acquisition and installation of a sound system for the residents. Presently, all music is provided by an ancient "boom-box" which deafens those close to the source and cannot be heard by those at the other end of the room. What we will provide with this donation is a player/amplifier and ceiling mounted speakers throughout the room, this equipment will be professionally installed by the supplier.
2. A donation of \$4,000 to Hospice Calgary Society for 22 residents in their "living with Cancer" program to enjoy a retreat weekend at William Watson lodge in Kananaskis Country. Our donation will cover the cost of accommodation, transport, and food. There is also a "sweat equity" component to this event with a request for some volunteers from our club to assist with the project (early this summer).

The vocational committee has put forth 3 motions that have been passed by the executive committee. Could you please enter these into the Standard for review by the club before they are formally presented at our meeting?

1. \$ 2,500.00 to be utilized to support "It's a Crime Not to Read" at Banting and Best Elementary School in Ogden.
2. \$ 400.00 to be utilized to sponsor 2 students to Ryphen.
3. \$ 1,000.00 to be utilized to sponsor two students to RYLA.



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The POWER of ONE**

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Upcoming Events

- February Winefest (Feb. 28, 2008)
- June Golf Tournament (June 26, 2008)

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