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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



With a little luck and a lot of bell, President Asha Paul, bedecked in green, brought our meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. Joan Bedard, accompanied by some fine tenors and baritones and some not so fine, led the singing of the Canadian national anthem (coincidentally O' Canada) rather than Danny Boy. Raju presented an extended grace.

Although contrary to popular belief not being of Irish heritage, Asha shared the history of St. Patrick's Day and the end of pagan practices. Guests and visiting Rotarians were first paraded to the buffet while Garry Gray was bestowed the plate-passing honor, which was audited by Laura Kim. Plates were presented on a FIFO (first in first out) basis. The buffet was once again "magically delicious", containing some fine spuds, but lacking in corned beef and cabbage. Joan poured strong coffee, although it was not Irish.

Announcements

Opting to avoid a saucy limerick, Asha poked fun at women willing to sleep with Robert Redford and Brad Pitt for money. The "S" word was spoken when the 7-second microphone delay failed us.



- The executive met last week and cancelled this year's Murder Mystery.
- There will be no club meeting on Good Friday (March 21)
- Representatives from Inn From The Cold will attend the March 28th meeting.
- Brian Keating of the Calgary Zoo will speak at our April 4 meeting.
- Another installment of Guess Who's Coming To Dinner will occur this Saturday at 7:00.

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Meeting Highlights

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THE PODIUM DASH

Wynne reminded the club of the Family Carnival to be held May 10th. Members are encouraged to bring their own children or the children of others, but please ask permission of the parents.

Wynne also announced the Puerto Vallarta trip November 7 through 13th. 9 Members are already signed up.

John Radermacher circulated a sign up for a non-Rotary sanctioned Bowling Night at the Chinook Bowladrome on Saturday April 5th. Cost is estimated to be \$25 per person, which includes shoes.

RESOLUTIONS

Jacque Brown made a series of successful motions including:

1. To apply for a Wild Rose Foundation matching grant in the amount of \$12,500.
2. To increase the donation to Becas by \$1,000.
3. To make a Shelter Box donation of \$2,400 to purchase 2 Shelter Boxes.

To contribute \$1,000 in partnership with another Alberta Rotary club to be used to support Micro-credit.

Brian Humphrys made two successful motions:

1. To donate \$2,000 to Mayfair Residents Auxiliary to replace their current boom box sound system.
2. To donate \$4,000 to Hospice Calgary to support 22 residents attending William Watson Lodge at a date to be determined. This project will also involve some sweat equity for our club members.

ACCOUNTING REVIEW

Garry Gray and Laura Kim presented our 2007 accounting review. Casino money is expected next month, the Winefest profits will be booked as well as the upcoming Golf Tournament. Revenues of \$100,000 are anticipated with \$90,000 expected to be spent. Next year may see our club in the favorable position of having more unrestricted than restricted funds.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Sunshine Report

Jim Hennessy did not dance a jig, but shared the ultimate blonde joke and an opportunity for non-blondes to get out of a ticket from a blonde officer.



Jim Davis handled the drawing; Al Hardstaff's Irish eyes were smiling as he handled the 4-way test without any blarney, but Al did not find a pot of gold at the end of this rainbow.



Happy Bucks



Jacquie Brown had \$20 happy that her mother was better.

Jeanette Pyle had \$5 happy that there are now 8 individual donors who contributed more than \$1 mil-

lion each.

Garry Gray had \$2 happy to thank Laura Kim.

Harry Kim had \$5 happy to thank Laura.

Graham had \$1 happy that there will be another engineer when his daughter gets her iron ring in Ottawa.

Jim Hennessy had \$2 happy that he will be sailing on the QE II on the 24th.

Hans Tiedemann had \$3 mixed that he will miss us while visiting his daughter in Germany. Hans will also miss Brian Keating and the bowling hijinx.

Joe Klassen had \$1 happy for Al Black's good humor at the gym.

Bob Clark had \$1 happy for his 8-year-old nephew's concern about world hunger. Young Robert is a Rotarian in the making.

Wynne had \$1 happy for her upcoming trip to Arizona with the girls.

Sheriff Bob (St.) Price:

You're BUSTED!



With voice booming throughout the room without artificial amplification, Bob (St.) Price verbally beat members with his shillelagh, whilst casting out loonies from the following wallets:

The new Asha for using the S word in her joke.

Graham Drake for taking pride in another engineer. Graham paid \$2 in anticipation of his son's graduation.

Garry Gray a well-done compliment, but \$1 for complaining about the \$24.

Raju \$1 for unsolicited help to the sheriff.

Al Hardstaff for failing to find the joker.

Wynne for being upset that Jim Hennessy won her in the auction.

Zuzana for not having a trip planned until November when she usually travels every 3 months.



Guest Speaker:

Harry Kim introduced Ranate, a youth exchange student from Bangkok, currently hosted by Calgary North and Graham and Holly Drake.

Ranate through his presentation introduced us to Thailand: "Land of Love and Peace". Ranate took us through the different historical periods: Nanchao Period (650 – 1250), which was the beginning of the Thai culture. 1238 – 1378 the dawn of happiness and independence. Ayutthaya (1350 – 1767) a decline in their civilization due to the isolation of the king from his people and fighting with Burma. Thon Buri (1767 – 1772) when a general tried to reunite the Thai people. Rattanakosin (1782 – present), which witnessed the development of trade, social and economic reforms.

Thailand is located in south east Asia, far far away from Ireland. Its people are primarily Buddhists, with Muslim the second most common belief. The Thai alphabet has 44 characters. Their main export is rice. Thai food is the best in the world and is a blend of 5 flavors: hot, sour, sweet, salty and bitter.

Ranate concluded by inviting us to visit during one of the Thai holidays and participate in a water fight.

Graham thanked Ranate.

Asha reminded us there will be no club meeting next week.

Asha concluded with an Irish blessing.

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