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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?

Meeting Highlights

It is a rather cold morning -2C - but off to the Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park we go. The first challenge is just getting into the Park.... a maze of construction signs that lead to nowhere... but in true Rotary fashion we persevere. We challenge the entrance that says exit. The exit that says? Oh it is fun. (Snort-rumble). At the Gunn barn a maze of stuff and a



Brian Humphrys

lot of cars. The barn is full today...a big turnout. Fun? We'll see. President David brings us to order and Jim Hennessy strides to the podium. This is a special meeting. "Lest We Remember" On this 7th day of November we take time to think of the thousands upon thousands of women and men who fought for us in a lot of wars. The First War, The Second War, The Korean War, The Afghan War and a lot of peacekeeping missions in between. Yes...the official day of Remembering is November 11th, the 90th Anniversary of Remembrance Days in our Nation. But as a Club it is our meeting today in which we don't forget. We listen to Jim present a poem.... not really a poem but a mirror of an old man.... once a soldier...who died



Guest Speaker: Colleen Rowe

Our speaker this day is Colleen Rowe, Executive Director of the Calgary Military Family Resource Centre. She talks about "my soldiers". This agency does and tries to provide help to the families of military men and women from Red Deer to Lethbridge. There are 190 Regular Force soldiers and 880 reservists within that territory. And when they are called to active service many of their families may have challenges. Like the young mom of three small children who fell and broke her leg as her husband traveled to service in Afghanistan. There is a huge need to sponsor a sense of community among the families. Forces are everywhere. And 115 of them come home from Afghanistan this month. Some don't come home alive. Colleen, with affection named six from her territory who didn't make it home. Colleen describes herself as an "army brat". And her soldiers sometimes just "don't know". She said, "It is so important to connect families to soldiers 'over there'". All of us heard her with affection and support.



Harry Kim thanked her for her presentation. He said, "I know very personally how important Canadian and American troops are because of the Korean War. North Koreans captured my father and my brother. Canadian and American troops rescued them and it is why I was able to come to Canada and sell tortilla chips. (Thank you Harry for a piece of you.)

So...an intense meeting ends.... filled with emotion, love, remembrance, giving, sharing and hope. We are Rotarians. Thanks to Jim Hennessey for his special support of today.

WE SHALL NOT FORGET!

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Meeting Highlights

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today somewhere in our Nation having served our Country. Nothing special. A Soldier like a lot of old Soldiers. Who gave. Who was filled with courage for a time. But fragile like the rest of us.

The Poem is complete. Guest Martin Cull brings out an old trumpet and plays the Last Post. We stand in two minutes of decided silence. Reveille brings us home. It is not possible to not understand for just moments, sacrifice of some for the protection of many. No matter our age and how many times we remember...each time is very, very special. Perhaps until next Tuesday we will remember and then forget again.... or will we?

"Lest We Forget"

By the way, Martin Cull is Executive Director of Block Watch. He is a former police officer with a great deal of experience.

IN THE BEGINNING -

Peter Harding leads us with O Canada. Doris with Grace. Brian Humphrys wipes the plates and we work to demolish an outstanding presentation of FOOD. Every table is full and the chatter warm and Heritage Park Rotary Club warm.

President David gets things going with some announcements.

-On February 24th, 2009 Rotary International President D.K. Lee will be in Calgary and a dinner at the Telus Conference Center will honour his presence.

-Next Thursday Nov. 13th, 2008 evening we will hold our Executive Meeting and Mark Sharratt, DG will be our guest. He will join our Club meeting next Friday morning.



In a Minute

Bob Sadler confesses to a mighty sin. He has overcharged us by one meal and snortingly suggests that we pay the bill anyway. (Snort). Sort of a contribution to the Club. (Snort).

John Radermacher thanks us for the donation of food for the Veterans Food Bank. (The table is loaded) and reminded us that we can still bring donations for the next several weeks.

Peter Harding reminds us of Jackets for Kids and there is already a pile. Need a lot more.

David reminds us of Rock Paper Scissors - a geek tragedy with performance at The Plaza Theatre, next Saturday. Seems his son is highly involved in this production!

Shane - President of Calgary Crowchild tells us about the money winning Grey Cup Draw.

Doug - from Canmore Rotary Club tells us about the Cash Calendar for 2009 and how we can win money every day!

Oh there is a lot of stuff!



SUNSHINE REPORT

Martin Harvey strides to podium to bring us birthdays and anniversaries. Oops. There are none. He redeems himself with a touching story of his grandfather who died near Ypres in the First War. His dad and he went to find the grave at the military cemetery near Ypres that is looked after to this day by the people of Ypres. Looked after with love and affection. It is not an easy search but there it is. Each evening, the people of Ypres at a very special memorial present the Last Post. Each night at 8:00 p.m. 90 years and 365 days of each year remembering. Martin won't forget.

Happy Bucks

There is no way this reporter will remember all of the Happy Bucks tales because the number today is the largest in recorded history. Some celebrated Guess Whose Coming to Dinner, saluting host and hostesses, great visits and good booze! Some of the people who put up Happy bucks included:

Walter, Surrinder, Betty, Hans, Bob, Asha, Guest Jim Burns celebrating his 50th Anniversary, Shane, Doug, Jim, Jeannette (apologizing for the road into the park) Zuzana, Peter, Raju, Laurie, Bob, Bill, Doris, Martin, Al. Anyone forgotten not at the meeting!



Sheriff: Jamie Powell

Jamie Powell. Fined for positive things including Bob, Surrinder, Jim, Laurie, Bob –I forget.



50/50 JACK POT



Ray Gosselin has the ticket. He recites the Four Way Test without flaw. Humph. There is \$1238 in the pot but Ray doesn't win.



During World Interact Week, 3-9 November, Interactors and Rotarians worldwide commemorate the charter of the first Interact club in 1962. By completing four designated projects, Interact clubs and their Rotary club sponsors can receive special recognition from Rotary International.



[Interact](#) is a Rotary-sponsored service club program for young people ages 14 to 18. The program gives teens an opportunity to participate in meaningful service projects while developing leadership skills.

"Rotary's commitment to youth will not be complete if we do not also nurture healthy social values such as civic consciousness, caring for others, and concern for the environment at an early age, which is possible through support for the formation of more Interact clubs," says Mark K.Y. Wong, chair of RI's Interact Committee. "This way, we will have a ready pool of future Rotaractors, and Rotarians too."

Here are just a few projects highlighting Interactors' commitment to service:

Interactors from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, USA, build bio-sand water filters for a village in Cambodia. *Photo courtesy of District 5440*

- Six Interactors from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, USA, spent their spring break in Cambodia building bio-sand water filters for two underdeveloped villages. Interactors also taught English and created art projects with school-children.
- Members from the first Interact club of Croatia organized a letter campaign encouraging other Rotary clubs to incorporate Interact. In one of their

first community projects, the Interactors raised money and collected toys for a charity that supports 85 disabled children.

All 55 members of the Interact Club of T.V. Nagar, India, helped to create a hygienic environment by cleaning the Pillayar Temple. Interactors spent a day cleaning the roof and floor, as well as painting and whitewashing the walls.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Nov 14 2008	DG Mark Starratt	DG's Club Visit
Nov 21 2008	Gareth Morgen	Calgary Prostate Centre
Dec 5 2008	Richard Walker	World Skills 2009
Dec 12 2008	Christmas Party	No meeting
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Dec 19 2008	Laurie Jacques	Classification
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	