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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

In the friendly confines of our barn team captain David McKeown stick handled to the lectern to drop the puck and start our meeting on time. Peter Harding led the national anthem to a thunderous ovation. Max Patel presented grace. With the market nicely rebounding Doris Kutrowski smiled as she polished the plates. Despite instructions to the contrary, odd man



Doris greeting the guests at today's meeting

rushes ensued to the buffet. Piling on, spearing, slashing and unsportsmanlike conduct followed as some members got right into the grill until the red light went on. Eating occurred during the intermission, although over priced draft beer was unavailable.

First Period

President David announced that the executive approved the membership application of Clancey Ellingson with the classification investment advisor. We hope for a strong showing from this well regarded rookie.

Third Period

Dennis Gray stepped in to speak about the gift of water. (As everyone knows water is what is left when ice melts during the off-season.) Everything starts at this elemental level. Clean water means food and sanitation. Water is needed to make dreams real. Money plus skills is needed to locate and deliver clean water.

Next week park below at Gasoline Alley because this will be a road game for our club.

David blew the final whistle to leave us with the words of Bob Hope: "Middle age is when we still believe we will feel better in the morning."

No skirmishes ensued.



The morning's greeters



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Meeting Highlights

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Jack Haman passed the microphone to Diana Villeneuve, who spoke about the “It’s A Crime Not To Read” program. This program began in 2001. 42% of Canadian adults have a low level of literacy. These low levels tend to cycle through generations. Children who are not exposed to reading tend to perpetuate the pattern. There is a correlation between low literacy and crime. The program changes the perception of the police for the students involved. Our club supports a program for 50 students at C.N. Gunn and 80 students at Banting and Best. This program is a winner, scoring multiple goals. Jack presented Diana with a cheque for \$5,000.

President David also circulated a thank you from the bridge builders we assisted.

Juggling lines like Mike Keenan, Jacquie Brown impersonated Walter Zuk. We were advised that the Alberta government has canceled the Wild Rose Foundation matching grants. We had budgeted for \$15,000 towards the Puerto Vallarta project, so presently we would be 50 kids short. Alternative funding is sought.



Jacquie noted that Garry Gray is personally supporting music through Puerto Vallarta Sur.

With a hat trick plus one, Jacquie’s motions were:

1. \$1,000 from RCCHP to schools in Mexico. This was seconded by Graham Drake and passed. For the club’s information Jacquie mentioned that 25% of the international budget has gone to Mexico projects, which are consistent with our strategic plan objectives of: adopting a village and supporting projects of members who are personally involved. We remain below our salary cap.
2. \$2,500 to the water project in Africa, to benefit 6,000 people and subject to being matched by the Sunrise Rotary Club and Backyard Brands. The motion was seconded by Peter Harding and passed.
3. \$3,000 more to the India water project, bringing our total contribution to \$8,000. Similar to the current financial state of the NHL, with strong Canadian teams, the shortfall was due to currency fluctuations. The motion was seconded and passed.
4. \$4,000 to Peseto Deluce to provide braces for children. We are seeking a matching amount from Chrysalis. Seconded by Zuzana and passed.

Second Period

Harry Kim provided a golf committee update complete with power point presentation and begging. Projected expenses are \$27,000 and current sponsorship is \$21,000. Do the math and bring in more sponsors. We also need 20 mulligan prizes. There is no need to hit the panic button yet.

ARF is also committed to making this event a success. It is possible that Peter Mar may m.c. the event.

We need gold sponsorships at \$2,500, 5 silver at \$15,00 and 18 bronze at \$750. Gold and silver include foursomes, while bronze is sponsorship only. All sponsors receive additional ballots for the early bird draw on May 9th. The prize is a Golf Buddy Pro GPS distance finder.

Brian Humphreys will circulate more information regarding the dinner at the Drop In Centre Friday April 24th.

Garry Gray reported that 56 Easter meals were served at Victory Church.

Al Hardstaff circulated a final sign up sheet for next week’s meeting in Gasoline Alley.

With soft hands, Alec McDougall deftly handled a banner exchange from his Dove Mountain Rotary club outside of Tucson, Arizona.

Al Black reported that he could score Empire Theater tickets at \$7.90 each next week. Bring your chequebooks.

John Radermacher cheer led the Kid’s Carnival at Chez Gray.

Norm Haines moved that \$1,000 from the Public Image budget be donated for advertising and promotion of Tom Jackson’s Swinging For Supper event on August 9 and 10. The motion was seconded by Jacquie and passed.

Martin Harvey advised that on Tuesday July 7th all Rotary clubs will meet at Fort Calgary for an event that English cowboys refer to as a “knees up”. Since it is Stampede, liquor will be served.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Graham Drake reminded Dennis of his upcoming anniversary on the 18th. When googling was unsuccessful Dennis vowed to ask one of his daughters which anniversary year it will be.

Graham assisted us in spotting an engineer in the wild.

Wealth Redistribution

Bob Sadler was \$1 happy for the Victory Church dinner.

Garry Gray had \$2 happy to play on a team with his brother and David McKeown.

Walter had \$1 happy to thank Jacquie for her assist.

Dennis Gray had \$1 happy for an upcoming week in the mountains.

Peter Harding had \$2 happy for golf in McGrath and Elaine escaping New York with only a few new pairs of shoes.

Bill Hope had \$5 mixed that his dog died, but his daughter was no longer going to Gabon.

Al Hardstaff had \$1 happy for the Spring Thaw car show.

Jacquie had \$2 happy for the Scottish GSE team off on a hike today; and the twins doing well.

Bob Sadler had \$1 happy for the upcoming train show.

Walter had \$1 angry that Peter told the guest speaker who would be introducing him and the guest speaker opted out.

Bob Clark (reported earlier) had \$1 in optimistic anticipation of the Flames defeating the Bruins in 7 games to win the Stanley Cup.

Dennis Tillotson had \$1 sad that his 17-year-old dog died.



Linesman: Garry Gray

Off Side

Some entered linesman Garry Gray's tunnel of death, as he blew the whistle on the following, who were relegated to the sin bin:

Everyone who failed to attend a committee meeting this past year - \$2.

The Rotarian from Ontario for not bringing a banner (perhaps he was still trying to come to terms with the Leafs out of the playoffs).

Jacquie for forgetting to bring his tequila.

The owner of the cell phone which rang during grace.

The rowdy people during introductions.

Wynne for being the best looking in the club.

Peter and Doug for their cell phones and black berries.

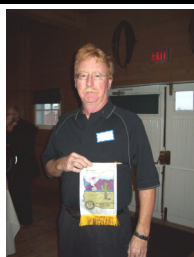
Wynne for dragging Helen out of bed to drive her around.

Anyone not in full equipment (pins and badges).

(Anyone not cheering for the Flames should have been fined, but were not yet)



50/50 JACK POT



Visitor Alec McDougall

Salary Negotiations

With the pot still in the preliminary rounds, but over \$100, John Radermacher selected Norm's ticket. With the finesse of the current Calgary power play, they handled the four-way test and then rung it off the crossbar with the jack of spades.



Rotary International

Airlines such as Continental, Delta, and British Airways offer passengers the chance to buy carbon credits to offset the carbon dioxide generated by their travel. So do rental car companies and credit card companies – even eBay offers carbon credits for sale. The New York Times reported that in 2007, people and companies in the United States bought US\$54 million in carbon offset credits.

Christine Sephton recalls reading news reports about consumers not knowing where all that green money ends up. “I got to thinking, Rotary could be doing this,” says Sephton, a member of the Rotary Club of East Hampton, N.Y., USA. “We could have our own offset trust, and the money could go to Rotary projects.”

The result was a joint project between the Rotary clubs of East Hampton and Sheffield, England, where Sephton’s husband, Peter, is a member (the couple divides their time between England and the United States). The CO2 Offset Trust – Rotarians for CO2 Reduction now includes nine clubs on four continents.

Here’s how it works: Visitors to the trust’s Web site, www.co2offsettrust.org, can calculate the amount of carbon dioxide generated from an airplane flight. They can then donate to the trust through the Web site using a credit card; the amount is calculated based on the amount of carbon dioxide produced. The trust is a registered charity in the United Kingdom.

The money raised helps fund Rotary projects that remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere or that teach people how to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Money has gone toward a forest re-planting project by the Rotary Club of Harrogate, England, and a solar oven project by the Rotary Club of Fresno, Calif., USA.

Lorna Milligan, a member of the Fresno club, is working with her club’s environmental committee to involve Rotarians in generating funds for CO2 offsets. “We find that most people believe it is important for us to do something, and this is a way to get started,” she says.

The Sephtons also see the project as a forum for Rotarians to share ideas. Information on the trust’s Web site emphasizes things Rotarians can do to conserve energy and educate themselves and the public about climate change.

“Everything is connected,” Sephton says. “It’s joining up the dots. Rotary does so much with disease and poverty, but it’s all connected.”



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Apr-24 Jock Wilson - Jack Haman
May 1 ARF - Our golf partner speaks or barks
May 8 Cst Kevin Zeh Calgary Police Diversity
May 15 Jeff Raymon - FINCA - Micro Credit
May 22 Boy Scouts - Graham Drake
May 29 Club Assembly
Jun-12 President's Social- No meeting
Jun-19 Sally Luttmmer - Nunavit
Jun 23 Golf Tournament