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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

This week's meeting was held in the fabulous new Gasoline Alley building.

President David kicked off the meeting with a hearty "Gentlemen, start your engines!"

Really that was just something I made up since David did not have a micro-



Bill Hope presenting the new plates

phone and the over 60 people that attended were restlessly squeaking their chairs on the concrete floor making it difficult to hear anything he said.

But if he didn't say that I'm sure he was thinking it.

It was great having a number of



Laurie Jacques greeting guests



Guest Speaker: Jock Wilson

Jock Wilson - arranged and introduced by Jack Haman

Jock Wilson was a funny and entertaining speaker as he related his past stories as a sports caster and radio personality. He was involved in the start up "Calgary Flames Radio".

Jock has worked with the likes of Bill Powers, Peter Mar, and Mark Stevens.

He is now with CHQR AM770. Jock wrapped up his presentation with some figures on the speed skating training programs at the Calgary Olympic Oval and spoke passionately about the benefit of this facility to the Calgary community and sent out a plea for funds to keep the facility one of the best training centers in the world.

Dennis Tillotson thanked Jock and presented him with our certificate from Operation Eyesight.



Jock Wilson

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Meeting Highlights

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our spouses and Rotary friends attending the meeting. Afterwards Jeannette took everyone on a full tour of the new building and the amazing displays and antique trucks and cars.

After the pre meeting formalities and breakfast served by Bill Hope, David once again attempted to get control of the group which is usually difficult even with a sound system but he persevered and we started with announcements:

Bob Price stood up for the Vocational Service Committee and welcomed two representatives from St Joan of Arc School and presented them with \$3,000 to assist them with their Guided Reading Program which helps all students at different levels and provides the tools and guidance for all to succeed and learn to read.



Illiteracy is a major problem even in Canada so these programs are invaluable.

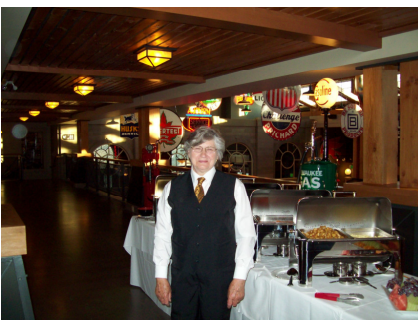


Max Patel representing the Golf Tournament Committee reminded everyone that we need more support so get talking to everyone you know. Besides golfers and sponsor, both silver and bronze, we also need 20 mulligan prizes valued around \$50.00 and 5 auction items valued at \$200. or better.

Our partner ARF has the ability of issuing tax receipts for some donations or auction items for the amount they bring in over the estimated value of the item.

Brian Humphreys reminded all the volunteers for the Drop in Center dinner to meet at the Drop in Center at 5:30 PM

John Radermacher reminded everyone about the Annual Family Picnic on Saturday May 9th at Garry and Kathy Gray's acreage. They are expecting 200 adults and kids so need a lot of volunteers. Sign up sheet was sent around.



David closed the meeting advising how much effort he puts in to finding the perfect quote to suit the meeting. This week he was given the perfect quote from our very own Norm Haines who said "A day without sunshine is like night."



SUNSHINE REPORT

Our Sunshine Boy, Jim Hennessey, was missing and we all missed him and his great sense of humor. President David congratulated everyone who had a birthday or anniversary.

New Member Announcement

Clancy Ellingson has applied for, and been approved by the board for, membership to the club.

Happy Bucks

I remind the reader about my comments of restless people squeaking chairs on the concrete floor as an excuse as to why I missed a few of the happy buck announcements.

Bob Price pleased about the great turn out of guests.

Martin Harvey self preservation dollar about being happy his wife was attending the meeting and that his mother in law was moving in to her own home and out of his.

Joe's announcement got lost in the squeaking but thanks for the buck, Joe.

A number of guys followed Martin's lead giving thanks their spouses were there with them. Doug Kinley, John R., Din, Bob Sadler, Norm Haines.

Walter Zuk was happy his wife was not in attendance because in his words "She can be really "not friendly" that early in the morning.

Bob Clark happy with the Flames playoff performance

Jeanette happy to welcome everyone to the new venue.

Al Black great trip to Cancun

Al Hardstaff kicked in \$46. to celebrate 46 years in the optometry business.

Betty was happy her friend was here from Grande Prairie



Sheriff: Jim Davis

Jim picked on President David for not having a plan "B" for the missing microphone.

Picked up a couple of bucks for Zuzana for not introducing her husband and Bill Hope for missing a guest at his table.

Fined Bob Clark for providing legal advice, not sure if it was correct or not.

And finally a great fine for all the fellows who talked their wives in to coming to work at the Drop in Center on the rouse they were taking them out for dinner.



50/50 JACK POT



Wynne Bjorgan announce \$144.50 up for grabs. Al Hardstaff's neighbor had the ticket and Al recited the 4 Way Test but the Joker eluded them both so the pot grows.



Rotary/Flames House Update *by Tom Loucks* Excerpt from RCC eBulletin

Later this year, Calgary will become the first in Alberta and only the sixth in North America to open a hospice and respite care centre for children! Rotary/Flames House is taking shape right next door to the Alberta Children's Hospital and is scheduled to open in September 2009.

"Like our new hospital, Rotary/Flames House is the perfect example of the power of community support," says Jonathan Hoehn, President and CEO of the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. "The Flames and Rotarians called on this city to follow their philanthropic lead, and people responded very generously. We're thrilled and anxious to see the House completed so hundreds of Alberta families can get the specialized help they need each year."

Just as they did for the new hospital, the planning team has involved families in the design process to help ensure the facility meets the needs of those who will be using it. The Toftelands are one such family, caring for their 6-year-old son Cale who has a life-limiting illness. Dad, Lawrence, says "I am very glad that the planning team took the time to meet with families like ours. If you don't live through something like this, it's hard to imagine what it's like. This was a very thoughtful way to understand our needs and I am so grateful."

The House will be equipped with medical necessities like transfer lifts, access to oxygen and special therapy areas. It will also have homey amenities like comfortable couches, a barbecue patio and an outdoor play area for siblings. Because our community responded so quickly and so generously, some families who were consulted on the project who worried that their children might not live long enough to benefit, are hoping to see and use it themselves.

"I am so grateful that when Rotary/Flames House opens this fall, we will be able to use it," says Illisha Patterson, another mom consulted during the planning process. The Patterson's 5-year-old daughter, Cassandra, also has a life-limiting illness and in addition to the hospice care offered at Rotary/Flames House, they are grateful for the respite services.

"There are some days where I simply hold my daughter for twenty hours straight," says Illisha. "Sometimes it can be physically and emotionally overwhelming for us and being able to take a break during a particularly difficult time, with the support of a loving, caring home-like atmosphere is extremely comforting. Knowing that my daughter is safe, surrounded by medical professionals who can help to care for her complex needs, allows me to focus on being a mom, giving her days filled with cuddles and kisses." Rotary/Flames House will serve an estimated 400 families each year whose children face progressive or life-threatening illness. Its construction has been made possible by many kindhearted donors, including the Flames Foundation for Life, Rotary Clubs of Calgary and the Alberta Lottery Fund.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

- 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
- June 5 **Club Assembly**
- June 12 President's Social- No meeting**
- June 19 Sally Luttmner - Nunavit
- June 23 Golf Tournament