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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

Today's Meeting

Led by Jim Hennessy, today's breakfast meeting got under way with a rousing rendition of our national anthem, followed by Din Peerani offering Grace: a popular Islamic blessing, spoken first by Din in Arabic and then translated into English.

Guests included our guest speaker, Fabio Felice (centre for the Calgary Stampeder Football Club), along with visiting Rotarians Al Imler

Helen Buchanan greeted us at the buffet



(Calgary Chinook), Karl Herzog (Calgary West) and Jim Fitzowich (Calgary South). Helen Buchanan had the honour of dusting plates with the added bonus of greeting everyone with a warm hug. Way to go, Helen!

Minute Minders

First up was Joe Klassen, introducing Karl Herzog, Executive Director of Calgary's Motive-Action Training Foundation. Established in 1985, Motive-Action provides unemployed youth with work experience and job maintenance skills. Motive-Action trains and



Guest Speaker: Fabio Felice

Picture this...six feet two inches and 293 pounds of mean muscle...and he's the smallest on the Stampeder's offensive front line...that's Fabio Felice, a Hamilton, Ontario native son who honed his intimidating skills at McMaster University before beating up on professional linemen in the Canadian Football League for a living.

Planning for a post-football career, Fabio is also completing his MBA from McMaster while living in Calgary and taking courses in the off-season at U of C. Identifying specialties in the areas of finance and strategic decision-making, Fabio is determined that completing his MBA will allow him to remain in the driver's seat when making choices about his business career.



Although Fabio was on the Grey Cup winning team last year, his name will not appear on the coveted silverware because a knee injury prevented him from actually playing in the game. He will, however, along with his team mates, receive a gold ring on June 17. Getting his name engraved on the Cup will be a goal of Fabio's.



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finds employment for over 100 youth annually with the help of funding provided by Alberta Employment Immigration and Industry and the Government of Canada. On behalf of RCCHP, Joe presented Karl with the Club's Community Service cheque for slightly less than \$3,000 as ongoing support for this very worthy foundation. To purchase a breathing apparatus for students and teacher in the paint booth, and to replace some common worn tools.



Garry Gray had a quick word about this October's Puerto Vallarta mission, advising that return air fares are at an all-time low right now, and the accommodation is first class. See Garry for more info.

Bryan Humphrys needs nine (9) more volunteers to help serve dinner at the Calgary Drop-in Centre on Friday, April 24, 2009 between the hours of 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. Please call Bryan.

John Radermacher with a reminder about the Saturday, May 1, 2009 RCCHP 2nd Annual Kids' Carnival, says it's not just a carnival for kids, and it's not just for kids of Rotarians. It's open to the general public, so please invite your friends and neighbours!

First call for volunteers by organizer Bob Clark for the Club's 10th Wine Festival and Silent Auction, being held at Heritage Park on Thursday, October 8, 2009.



The Club's special breakfast meeting, being held at Heritage Park's newly completed *Gasoline Alley*, is on Friday, April 24, 2009. Al Hardstaff is circulating a sign-up sheet to ensure there will be adequate food and beverage service.

Calgary is in the international spotlight from **September 1-7, 2009** when it hosts WorldSkills Calgary 2009. Welcoming the more than 1,000 competitors from 51 countries participating in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, the 40th WorldSkills Competition will be the largest event ever held on Stampede Park. Hailed as the Olympics of the skill, trade, and technological professions, experience the grandeur of intense competition in 45 categories. As our Club's contact, Doug Kinley circulated a sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist in staffing the information booths.



Speaker: Fabio Felice

A question-and-answer session followed and then John Radermacher presented Fabio with a certificate, citing a sixty-five year old in India who will have his eyesight restored by the Club as a token of our appreciation for Fabio's entertaining presentation today.



Closing Notes

With a quote by Eleanor Roosevelt, President David declared today's meeting adjourned, reminding all that next week's meeting (April 10) will not be held, as it is Good Friday.



SUNSHINE REPORT

Our "Perpetual Motion" cheerleader, Norm Haines, led a round of "Happy Birthday" to Helen Buchanan (April 6) and Mark Rowe (April 10). He then donned his good-humour costume just long enough to share a selection of ever-popular blonde jokes. Get a new writer, Norm!



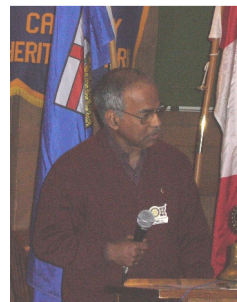
Happy Bucks

There were coins aplenty for the pot today...a couple of sad bucks but, for the most part, happy was the operative word. Of note: Dennis (granddaughter, Emily, celebrating her fourth birthday); Joan (Gentleman Jim Hennessy escorting her through the mud this morning, and sister Jeanette's elation over the grand opening of *Gasoline Alley*); Garry (a concerned buck for fellow Rotarian Martin Harvey, who has walking pneumonia, and a sad buck for some empty residential properties); Raju (away for the next 3 weeks); Joe (having Karl Herzog as a guest of the Club and a recipient of another Club donation); Betty (Mom's 90th birthday); Helen (another birthday); and Bob Clark (4 fabulous days in Vegas...and nothing happened!).



Sheriff: Raju Paul

Sheriff Raju Paul's citations for infractions focused on April as being *Magazine Month* for Rotary International. Prime suspect [victim] was President David, who bravely faced Raju's barrage of interrogation concerning a minutia of obscure facts and figures about the 32 magazines published in some 25 languages throughout the world. Last week's reporter for *The Standard* (yours truly) dodged the bullet and, in the process, forced Raju to cough up a looney for incorrectly identifying Norm as the reporter who failed to include Raju's generous five dollars-worth of sad bucks over the Province's decision to terminate the Wild Rose Foundation as a source of grant funding. Wynne was fined a dollar for interrupting President David early in the meeting, as was Al Black for being late as today's greeter. Finally, anyone without Rotary pin was asked to augment the Club's coffers. No wonder the breakfast crowd cheered when Raju announced he would be away for the next three weeks...he's one mean sheriff!



50/50 JACK POT



For the second week in a row, the lucky ticket belonged to Rob Burton who, after reciting the four-way test from his cheat sheet, then drew...a card other than the joker...to thunderous applause and cheering.



Rotarian Deneka Michaud, 26, is screening her first feature-length documentary about her experience on a Group Study Exchange sponsored by the Rotary Club of Tsawwassen (Delta), British Columbia, Canada.

Along with four other Canadian women, Michaud, a reporter and producer for Canada's Delta Cable, was selected to travel to Tanzania in the fall of 2007. She brought a camera and other equipment to document the experience.

Michaud, who joined the Rotary Club of North Vancouver after she returned from the exchange, says that before the trip, she had a general concept for the film, which features slices of life in Tanzania, images of nature and wildlife, and several Rotary club projects.

"But what I didn't expect was all the incredible people we'd meet. Knowing Canadian Rotarians, I knew that Tanzanian Rotarians would be great people, but when they are embracing you, you really make a connection," she says.

The team included Erin Robinson, a microfinance program manager; Shannon Thompson, a recruitment manager; Jennifer Wesman, a literacy program coordinator who recently joined the Rotary Club of Vancouver Quadra; and team leader Nancy Nikolai, of the Rotary Club of New Westminster-Royal City. Together, they saw several club projects in action and identified three they felt strongly about supporting: the Ocean Road Cancer Institute and a primary school for deaf and blind children in Dar es Salaam, and the Tusome literacy project in Zanzibar.

The group set a goal of raising C\$15,000 (US\$11,750) for the projects. Already, several Canadian and Tanzanian clubs have contributed more than two-thirds of that amount.

"These women are exceptional," says Bryan Kelly, media relations chair for the Tsawwassen (Delta) club. "When they came and did their presentation to our club, they blew us away."

Michaud says she hopes to raise the rest of the money with help from her documentary, *Friends We Haven't Met Yet*.

"There's something for everyone," she says. "Rotarians will enjoy it: They'll learn more about Rotary. People who know nothing about Rotary will enjoy it: It explains what Rotary is. And people who love history, nature, and travel will love it too."



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

- Apr-10 **Good Friday - No Meeting**
- Apr-17 Ari Taub lawyer wrestled @ Beijing Olympics
- 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 Luttmer - Nunavit