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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

"It came upon..." Oh well.... It came on a morning that was berserk with attendance with about 12 guests and the manger was simply overflowing with the magi showing up and wondering.... "why in hell should I give a gift of myrrh, frankincense and gold to this guy?" What did he ever do for me? What is so special about this time? Why can't he just be a baby? How about all the presents! I really don't like the thoughts of cattle lowing and sheep bleating. The Gunn Barn is not very dedicated to Christmas. "O Holy Night...the stars are brightly shining. It is the night of our dear Savior's birth.... huh? This is morn-

ing and damned early at that. "What child is this..."? Not sure what all that means either. "Joy to the world, the Lord is come..." Now wait a minute, that is a bit farfetched don't you think. Joy...humbug. "... The little Lord Jesus no crying he makes...". I am staggered with the weight of this thing called Christmas. I slump to my knees and look at the child. I am in awe. I am humiliated. I bow my head.... I am lost in the mystery of Christ. And now I'm beginning to have the answer.... what he did for me. He brought me peace. He brought me humility. He brought me love. He brought me caring. Now wait a minute...I shall rise up. Harrumph. I don't believe it. I'm not the same person. In the silence of my

Classification Talk: Corey Olynik

Imagine – born and raised in Moose Jaw. How bad is that. Corey simply can't keep a job. He is a coach, a minister, a consultant, a politician, and a coach. His mom gives him a plaque that says if you haven't got a career by the time you're 50.... give up. What a great addition to our Club. More careers than you can shake a snake at. Welcome Corey.



Corey Olynik

Trevor Hlynski

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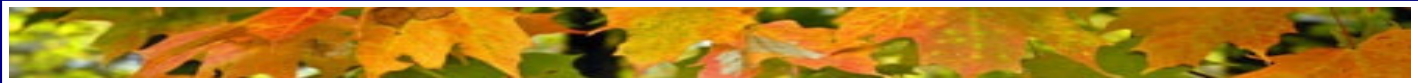
Final Note - John Rademacher thanks all for their gifts to the Veterans Food Bank.

So to all a good night...

And, a late-breaking special report from our outgoing exchange student.

My name is Trevor Hlynski and I am currently a grade 10 student at Westmount Charter School. My favourite classes are Social Studies, Human Condition (human rights course) and gym. I am a member of the school speech team, and compete in the impromptu category at speech competitions, last year making it to the provincial tournament. I am also a member of the school eco-committee (promoting environmental respect and responsibility) and Peace Jam (Global youth movement involving Nobel Peace Laureates).





mind and my tongue, I have changed. Just a little bit! Maybe it was the look of shepherds in the moonlight.... or that huge, bright star...or...

Oops...my mind wandered. David McKeown leads us in O Canada. Grace is said...guests are introduced.... all 12 of them. What a morning. Din shudders to think of what would happen if we had 60 members and 12 guests all at the same meeting. He is very concerned that we not overload our Club.

Breakfast is served. It is delicious as always. Wow.

The program begins. Okee Dokey! Martin continues to bang the gong. Jacquie Brown tells us at our table she can't sink a pool ball. Graham Drake tells us he has trouble handling his balls when bowling...his arms hurt! Silence is the response.

Doug Hood reminds us that February 23rd is the festival of the Integrity Awards.... select a Champion,

Joan and Neil, server and cook of our famous breakfast are honored by the Club with a "Merry Christmas...ho...ho.... ho.... (humbug). Alex McDougal has brought us four music discs. Martin wants to give them away...for money for Polio Plus. \$90 bucks is raised.

Graham Drake...master of fudgery.... creates fudge when he lays out a plan to reimburse travel costs so a tax receipt can be arranged.

On the night of December 17/09 40 people gathered on a Brewster Bus and went to see Christmas Lights. It was simply charming. And that raised \$1000 for Polio Plus.

Then. ...\$320 raised from the Christmas Dinner for Polio Plus and a "schwack" of draw raffle tickets at \$5.00. Seems were up to about \$1700 against the \$2000, which is our quota.



Motions - Doris Kutrowski came forth with a number of motions.

-A motion to give \$1630 for programs at St. Joan of Arc School. Passed.

-A motion to provide \$500 for a RYLA student next year. Passed

-A motion to provide \$25000 for a Library program at G.W. Skene School in Forest lawn. Passed.

A lot of questions followed a video presentation from G.W. Skene School.... it was a touching reflection of why there are 120 countries represented at the school and its very special programs. It's not easy being a student there.

Doris and the representatives from G W Skene school, who gave an excellent presentation on how our support helps them.



"The Executive has approved the application for membership and relocation to our Club of Lynda Campbell. Lynda recently relocated to Calgary from Stettler where she had been a member for almost 3 years. Lynda's classification is Bank Manager and she is currently The Branch Manager of TD Canada Trust ,Deer Ridge Drive, Calgary." Lynda will be inducted and welcomed into our club on Friday January 8th."

Outbound Exchange Student: Trevor Hlynski

At home I live with my mom and younger sister, as well as two dogs. As a family we enjoy hiking and camping and are looking forward to our first trip outside North America to Peru this March. I am involved in the Sea Cadet movement, and have gone to camp for the last three summers, focusing on my trade of Gunnery. I also volunteer, mostly helping out with the YMAP program run by the YMCA of Calgary, as well as serving meals at the Drop In Centre. I am very interested in politics, and am excited about being accepted into the Canadian Forum for Young Canadians, a program in which I will be able to spend a week on Parliament Hill in February 2010.

I am really excited about my Rotary International Exchange, and can hardly wait to find out what country I am going to! I am looking forward to meeting and staying with my host families, as well as the opportunity to go to a public school in another country.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Little Johnny Elfermacher conducted a brief sunshine report by interviewing the crowd.

In another moment, he did thank the club for all the donations to the Veterans' Food Bank.

Happy Bucks

Asha...a better driver for the Christmas Lights drive!

Peter Harding – Merry Christmas – kudos to Zuzanna

Bob Clark – A winner in Vegas

Graham Drake – the kids are coming home

Doug Kinley – kudos to the bus rip

Joan Bedard – love to her sisters. They are paying

Garry Gray – Merry Christmas



Sherrrrrrriff: Bill Hope

He sure got a lot of money.

But it was an interesting round of Christmas movie trivia.

But a shakedown nonetheless.

“nuff said”



50/50 JACK POT



Some \$1200 in the pot...no winner.

Sorry Brian.



Rotarian of the Month: Zuzanna Carter-Edwards

She came to Calgary when she was eight years of age...and with her family who escaped the Communist regime of Czechoslovakia. She couldn't speak English when she got here but that would change in time. She was an athlete in school both public and secondary and at SAIT and U of C. She really liked soccer and basketball and then sailing. The man who would be her husband, Steve, liked to compete with her in sailing and he would lose. Like the man said " *if you can't beat 'em.... marry 'em.*"

Zuzanna likes to visit other countries by cruise ship and she and Steve do about three cruises a year. Zuzanna makes a difference in our Club.

That is why she is the Rotarian of the Month.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Dec 11 Christmas Social "Evening meeting at Rancher's Hall"