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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

OOOOOOOOH what joy. 'Tis the first day of spring. 'Tis the day when ducks duck, grass grows green, you can put away the heavy winter coats and boots. After all Global Warming is here big time. Just ask Al Goar. Records from 1890 have been broken...the coldest winter temperatures ever in our history. That global warming stuff is sure confusing and ya know....its not the first time global warming has been around us. I watched a presentation last week that took us back 374



Greeter Peter Pallesen

million years and Alberta was a land of lush, jungle vegetation with lakes everywhere and dinosaurs and tyrannosaurus animals were everywhere. God went urp! And before ya know it there are the Rockies. Back then a tribal leader known as Gore Everybuddy called on the world to kill all the animals 'cuz dinosaur farts were killing the vegetation and that was causing it to get cold.

Send Yer jewelry to help pay for the advertising to stop global colding!



Enuff of that. It is another day of Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park. At exactly 7:00 a.m. President David rang his gong. Peter Harding led us in O Canada,

Guest Speaker: Habitat for Humanity

A young lady presents a story of Habitat for Humanity in Calgary and it is a story we don't know. "Habitat for Humanity" builds 15 homes per year in Calgary. Those who are given the homes must be at the low end of a federal income level measurement. They must be able to sustain the cost of the mortgage of the home at one third of their income. They sign on for a 25-year mortgage. At 20 years and one day, they can sell the home but not before that. Habitat for Humanity now has 90 homes in Calgary. It is not easy to build a home because of things like location and cost of land.

People who gain access to a Humanity home must be a family with children. One of the parents must be employed. If they live less than five years in the home Habitat gets the money back. The presenter said that really Habitat for Humanity is the worlds largest construction company with thousands engaged across Canada. In Calgary there are some 4000 volunteers who help build homes per year. Corporations and companies often take on these projects as a community contribution. Our club gave \$7500 in support of Habitat for Humanity.



In all, a moving program of Hope for Our Community supported by our Rotary Club.

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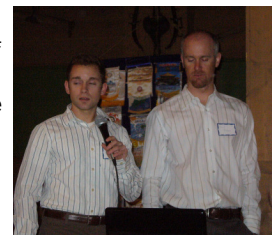


Meeting Highlights

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and Max Patel brought us grace. A large number of guests graced us with their presence including some Rotarians from other Clubs and a large number of representatives from organizations we are supporting were with us. Jeanette Pyle arrived just a bit before 7:00 a.m. and President David invited her to act as *OFFISHUL WIPER*. The meal as always is great.

Garry Gray and his community services Team brought forward some outstanding guests, representative of organizations our Club chose to support. It began with two civil engineers from the University of Calgary who were part of a team of 18 entered into a bridge building competition in Montreal. The 25th Annual Troitsky Bridge Building competition was held at Concordia University. The Calgary Team was part of some 30 teams of competitors, more than 4000 Popsicle sticks were used to build a bridge. The U of C didn't win but they were very proud to note that in overall competition the team placed 6th, 8th, 11th and 17th in varying aspects of competition. At the end of their presentation they were asked if they could build the pedestrian bridges proposed for Calgary cheaper!



Our club is sponsoring an initiative to establish Scouting in the Cedarbrae area. A leader identified to us as "Rambo" accepted the cheque. He told us the program is designed to get kids outside, to enjoy and understand nature.

The Boys and Girls club was with us to receive a cheque for \$12,000 in support of "Fuel for School", a breakfast program for kids who just don't get a worthwhile meal in their day. The breakfast program we support is at Ross Carrick School, a small school near Westbrook Shopping Centre. Our support provides meals to 300 kids per month. We all found it interesting that the Boys and Girls Club is celebrating 70 years, this year. It started in 1939 as the Rotary Boys Club. It was a Club for young boys who were causing trouble in their neighborhoods. (Asha thought Haines should be part of today's Boys and Girls Club) Our Club warmly supports this initiative.



Neighbourlink Calgary – Not much is known about this organization but they are making a difference. They help people and families with things like furniture in "life support" programs. Those with children under two, a program called ICU2 get help with things like diapers, toys and cribs. Our \$3000 gift makes it possible to provide 12 cribs to children who otherwise would sleep on a floor or in the bed of their parents.

In all, a wonderful, moving series of presentations of "hope".

Then to our regular stuff like...

In a Minute

Minute People –

Brian Humphrys asks us to volunteer to support presentation of a dinner at The Drop-In Centre on April 24th.



SUNSHINE REPORT

Graham Drake

Raju Paul celebrates a birthday on March 24th

Joe Klassen celebrates
his 5th Anniversary on
March 25th.



Happy Bucks

Bob Price puts in three to celebrate two daughters who are on their school Honor Role

And there are bucks from Jeannette Pyle, Graham Drake, Bob Clark, Bob Sadler, Hans Tiedeman, Garry Gray and David McKeown (he notes his wife is celebrating her 39th give or take birthday)



Sheriff: Peter Harding

Bob Price is fined for not acknowledging the outstanding open house presented by Zuzanna. Graham Drake and Jeanette are hit. President David for not noting the first day of spring. Laurie Jacques and Ray Gosselin are hit and so are Bob Clark, Bill Hope and John Rademacher.



50/50 JACK POT



John Rademacher has the ticket of the day but doesn't win the huge pot of \$26.50.



Rotary International and USAID have launched a collaborative effort to implement water, sanitation, and hygiene projects in the developing world.

The International H2O Collaboration was formally announced 18 March at the World Water Forum in Istanbul, in conjunction with World Water Day, 22 March.

Focusing on Africa, Asia, and Latin America, the alliance will develop its inaugural projects in 2009-10 in Ghana, the Philippines, and the Dominican Republic -- countries where Rotary clubs and districts and USAID missions have the demonstrated ability to carry out effective water and sanitation projects. After the initial phase, the alliance will evaluate its work and strategically consider expanding into other countries.

The Rotary Foundation and USAID will share the project funding. Each organization will distribute funds separately and independently, keeping budgeting, expenditures, and reporting mechanisms separate.

Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants will support Rotary club and district involvement with these projects. Both Rotary and USAID will provide technical expertise and on-the-ground support.

"We intend these projects to be models for future projects with strategic partners and in this way to enhance our contribution to world understanding, goodwill, and peace," says Past RI President William B. Boyd, chair of the RI-USAID Steering Committee. He underscores the need for Rotary to meet the challenges of today's world, citing the Future Vision Plan and strategic partnerships as ways to focus and strengthen service.

"Through this important collaboration, the service ethic and commitment of hundreds of thousands of Rotarians around the world will be joined with the global development expertise and technical leadership of USAID to yield a significant, sustainable increase in water supply and sanitation coverage for the planet's poorest and most vulnerable populations," says USAID Acting Administrator Alonzo Fulgham.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

- Mar-27 Garry Gray and Gang - Mexico Trip
- Apr-03 **Classification**
- 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

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Dear Sir or Madame:

11th Annual "Art From The Heart" Dinner and Art Auction

The Rotary Club of Calgary Sarcee hosts an annual benefit dinner and auction of original artwork and other unique items. As of 2008, "Art From the Heart" had raised \$396,000 for local organizations and had returned an additional \$254,000 to the art community. **Many, many thanks to YOU, the myriad donors, volunteers, and patrons who have made this event such a success.**

Volunteering their services again this year are **Frank Hall** as the auctioneer and **CBC's Kirk Heuser** as Master of Ceremonies. Over the past decade, "Art From the Heart" has become Calgary's premier art auction, with original works contributed by talented local artists.

Bidding on silent auction items begins during the cocktail hour, with the live auction following a served gourmet dinner. Guests register at the beginning of the evening to receive a bid number. One of the highlights of the evening is always a **balloon burst**. Balloons will be available for purchase at \$10 each. Don't let them get away from you! Look inside your balloon for a lucky ticket which can be redeemed for a prize.

In the past, the major beneficiaries have included **Hull Child and Family Services, Community Kitchens, YWCA Mary Dover House, Salvation Army Children's Village, Closer to Home / Success by Two, Rotary Challenger Park, and Rosedale Hospice.**

Rotary Sarcee is happy to announce that its 11th Annual "Art From the Heart" Art Auction will be held on **Friday May 8th, 2009**, at the Red and White Club (at the north end of McMahon Stadium). Proceeds from this year's event will be used to purchase a much-needed twelve passenger van for **Hull Child and Family Services.**

The Art Auction promises to be a great mix of fun, food, sensational finds, and wonderful fellowship. Tickets are \$90 each, or a table of 8 for \$600. See the attached document to order tickets. We look forward to seeing you there!

Warm regards,

Marion Nichols
2009 Event Co-ordinator
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In order to comply with the Province of Alberta Charitable Fund-raising Regulations, the estimated solicitation costs are nil and the estimated contributions to be received are \$60,000.