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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

Finally; a beautiful spring morning at Heritage Park. Sun shining, birds singing, the gentle roar of heavy construction equipment, yellow caution tape fluttering in the morning breeze and the intoxicating aroma of mud thawing everywhere. We had a very full house for today's meeting and this reporter, having arrived just under the wire, was seated at the auxiliary table by his lonesome until the cavalry in the form of Wynne Bjorgan,



Surinder presenting the plates

Mark Rowe and Joe Klassen came to keep me company. Thanks folks.

The meeting kicked off in our usual enthusiastic slightly off key adaptation of O'Canada and Surinder Khanna was recognized as our Head Plate Polisher for continuing his meeting attendance streak.

Surinder is now at 3 meetings in a row.

Breakfast was great as usual although I am hoping with the arrival of spring we will see the blossoming of fried eggs once again.



Clancey Ellingson's induction



Guest Speaker: Nick Kostic; Calgary Police Service

Nick works with Kevin Zeh, our original speaker who was called out of town at the last minute on police business.

Nick provided an informative and eye opening presentation on Scams, Fraud and Identify Theft and how we can avoid being victims.

It was amazing how many frauds there are happening everyday and how much information the fraudsters get from people responding to email requests, telephone surveys and even mail out requests for information.

Nick encouraged us to go through our wallets and remove and keep safe anything we do not need on a daily basis such as Social Insurance Number cards, birth certificates, passports, etc.

Sources that crooks use to gather information for ID theft are:

Stealing wallets and purses. Car, office and house break-ins. Dumpster diving or garbage digging.

Stealing mail from unlocked mail boxes. Internet – blogs, Facebook, and phishing which is emails to trick people in to giving information.

Phone calls using the same scams as phishing

Removing information from hard drives of improperly disposed of computer equipment.

These frauds happen more frequently that you would imagine and cost companies and individuals millions of dollars annually. Worse than that is the money usually goes to finance drugs dealers and terrorists.

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Meeting Highlights

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Cheque Presentation

President David had Doug Kinley from Vocational Service present David Litton, Principle of James Short Memorial School, with our contribution of \$3,870. for portable tables and chairs for use in their school and especially the library. James Short serves a student population up to grade 3 from low income families. Many of these are single parent or immigrant families and about 65% of the students are ESL.

Education and especially reading skills are key to improving lives and we are proud and grateful to be involved in these programs.

Motion

Martin Harvey is not attending the International Conference in England this year. As incoming president he would normally represent our club at the voting for various international issues. Concern arose that our vote, which has no doubt swayed many past decisions, would be lost and sadly missed. Hence Bob Clark moved that Asha Paul, who is attending the International Conference, be given the authority to vote on behalf of our club this year. There was a great sigh of relief probably from clubs worldwide as we provided our unanimous support for Bob's motion.

New Member!!

It is always a memorable day when we welcome a new member to our club.

Today we inducted Clancey Ellingson, sponsored by Raju Paul.

Clancey has been loaned the classification of Investment Advisor.

David performed the induction ceremony flawlessly with Membership Chair, Bob Clark, providing esthetic support by standing quietly in the background, ever ready in case a legal opinion was required.

Welcome to the club Clancey!

Golf Tournament

As the sun shines and the grass grows we come ever closer to this year's golf tournament.

Cheques are arriving fast and furious as the Early Bird draw looms near. The early bird draw prize is a Golf Buddy distance finder that will immediately tell you things like: You are 137 yards from the center of the green and unfortunately 15 feet in the rough 2.5 feet behind a large tree that is totally blocking you. It is technology like this that makes the game so much more enjoyable.

Guest Speaker

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Nick handed out brochures with things to look out for and ways and means to protect yourself. It boils down to protect your information and use common sense.

Don't give personal information to anyone.

Limit personal information on websites to a minimum.

Use a good cross cut shredder to dispose of any paper or documents

Don't send money to anyone to secure a prize or lottery win.

Banks will never ask for personal or account information over email or the phone.

Protect your credit card and keep it in sight and in your control at all times.

Shield your PIN when you make cash withdrawals or debit card purchases and do not give the PIN to anyone.

Review and monitor your bank statements and monthly bills

Check with the Canadian credit bureaus annually;

Equifax Canada Inc – 1-800-465-7166

TransUnion of Canada Inc – 1-866-525-0262

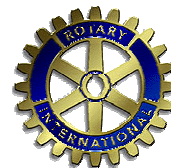
Remember! If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Bob Clark thanked Nick and presented him with the Gift of Sight certificate from Operation Eyesight.

David wrapped up a great meeting with his quote of the week from John Lennon.

"Life is what happens while we are busy making other plans."

Have a great week in Rotary.-Peter Harding



SUNSHINE REPORT

Doug Hood did his best to be Norm Haines but needs a little more seasoning, like 20 years or so.

He did announce Graham and Holly Drake were celebrating their wedding anniversary today and Graham announced his gift to his lovely bride was to not get her up early to come to our meeting today.

There was also great rejoicing as Doug announced the pending arrival of Peter Harding's birthday on May 14th. No doubt there will be a spectacular sunrise that morning.

Doug also provided this recent scientific study result.

Scientists in New York City excavating 30 meters below the city discovered strands of copper wire and from the age and depth of the material determined that New York had an established telecommunications system 100 years ago.

Happy Bucks

Dennis Tillotson happily announced his retirement from Greyhound but was sad that there will be several layoffs as the company restructures.

Rob Burton happy that Westjet is making profit and sharing it with him.

Brian Humphrey pleased with our dinner served at the Calgary Drop in Centre and presented a letter of appreciation from the center.

John Radermacher reminded us that there is another airline, just didn't say which one.

Jeannette, on behalf of all the women members, welcomed Clancy to the club as she felt there was always room on our roster for another young good looking male.

Al Black was happy to be back from Cancun, Mexico with out bringing back the flu and several members sitting hear him were also pleased to hear that.

Raju was happy Clancy joined our club but sad that Wynne left him to sit at the residual table.

Graham Drake threw in \$27 for 27 years of happy marriage but did not mention how many years he had been married.

Mark Rowe was happy to have his two sons home. One flew AirCanada and was 10 minutes late. The other flew Westjet and was 10 hours late but Westjet gave him a credit for his next flight for the delay so there was a happy ending to the tale.

Clancy was happy about the great weather and for becoming a member to our club.

Sheriff: Mark Rowe

Mark tried to fine Garry Gray for not being at past meetings but Garry was not in attendance today. Good try though.

Mark made up for it by fining Harry for not getting Tiger Woods to our tournament.

And what about the Budweiser girls Harry?

Mark went on to fine everyone wearing blue jeans as being too casual. How can you be too casual in a dairy barn? (Note: this is sour grapes from a reporter wearing blue jeans)

Wynne was fined for being too mouthy, that is a given most weeks but we love her.

Everyone not proudly wearing their Rotary Pin paid a buck. I like that one.

Clancy was fined for the first time as a new member just to show we do not discriminate.

Bob Clark for being the only one in the induction ceremony not wearing a jacket. Again the dairy barn ambiance would lead me to fine the suits. (more sour grapes)

Finally everyone that is not attending the Family Carnival had to pay a buck. Those attending should remember to wear their blue jeans.



50/50 JACK POT



Joe Klassen announced that the pot had grown to \$200 plus as he deftly shuffled the remaining cards.

The draw winner was none other than our newest member, Clancy.

As Clancy studied the cards fanned before him, his sponsor Raju Paul recited the Rotary 4 Way Test. Clancy with followed that with flair as he drew both the 8 of Clubs and cheers from the crowd. Now you are one of gang Clancy.



"The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan will enhance Rotarians' capacity for service," says Luis Vicente Giay, Future Vision Committee chair. "It will strengthen Rotary and our Foundation and will allow our Foundation to better fulfill its purpose: Doing Good in the World."

The Future Vision pilot, which will begin 1 July 2010, is a three-year test of a new grant structure. To simplify the grant-making process, the plan offers only two types of grants: Rotary Foundation District Grants and Rotary Foundation Global Grants.

District grants, modeled after the existing District Simplified Grants, are block grants made to districts for up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund (DDF) and can be used for a wide variety of activities. Global grants support larger, international projects with sustainable, high-impact outcomes in one of the six areas of focus.

District governors-elect, district Rotary Foundation committee chairs, and regional Rotary Foundation coordinators (RRFCs) from the districts selected for the pilot will receive training immediately before the 2010 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. Clubs in the pilot districts will undergo training later in the 2009-10 Rotary year.

Future Vision Committee member Mark Maloney cites several advantages to participating in the pilot. Pilot districts will be able to provide input into the refinement of the grant structure, receive specialized support and service, and have earlier access to more funds to use at their discretion. The current District Simplified Grants program allows districts to request only 20 percent of the DDF.

At the same time, the pilot districts must commit to three years and will need to be patient and flexible, he says, as some changes may occur as the pilot moves forward.

"We are standing at a moment of unprecedented change and unequalled opportunity," Maloney told RRFCs at an annual training meeting in Chicago earlier this year.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

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 Luttmer - Nunavit

June 23 Golf Tournament