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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

Backed by a beautiful fall sunrise and the Calgary Police, President Martin Harvey rang the bell at 7:04, allowing



time for the customary first meeting of autumn police background check of all Rotarians. Past President David McKewen led the national anthem. Jeanette Pyle delivered grace. Doug Hood was assigned buffet duty while guests and Rotarians were placed in a line up (for breakfast).

The greeting crew

Business Meeting

President Martin reminded us that the average Joe is not qualified to be an estate planner and that good health is over rated.



Doug Hood

President Martin moved that our club donate \$500 to the Waterton Glacier Peace Park. This was seconded by Bob Sadler and passed, with some dissenting votes.

President Martin also announced that the membership applications of Michael Bright and Steve Smith were approved. We look forward to their inductions during the customary Halloween Eve

Guest Speaker: Rod Crutcher

Asha introduced Dr. Rod Crutcher with the wisdom: "no matter how dark the night, the dawn will break."

Dr. Crutcher was surprised by our club marketing his talk as: "Hot Nights in the Sudan." The Sudan is located in the north east of Africa and is home to 40 million people. It is the size of western Canada and the north.

Civil conflict has continued along a north south invisible boundary for 50 years. Infectious disease and trauma are prevalent medical issues. 1 in 50 women die during childbirth. 1 in 10 children do not reach age 1. 75% of Sudanese do not see a doctor during their lifetime. A minority of children attends even primary school. There is a critical shortage of health care workers.



Dr. Rod Crutcher

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initiation ceremony.

Minute People

John Radermacher reminded us that Christmas is only 3 months away and now is the time to start stockpiling food for the veteran's food bank. Members were urged to begin purchasing extra while grocery shopping.

Jack Haman announced a November 6th evening meeting at the Aerospace Museum, which will include a buffet and no host bar. Significant others are welcome. Price is to be announced. This will be our Remembrance Day meeting.

The next club dinner will be December 11th.

Wayne Brown advertised Millennium's Black Tie Bingo on October 29th at the Calgary Golf and Country Club. Tickets are \$150 each.

Jacquie Brown announced this was her last meeting before her annual Puerto Vallarta trip. Sufficient money was raised this year and members were advised to start thinking ahead.

Walter Zuk asked members to respond to the Guess Who's Coming To Dinner questionnaire by Tuesday September 29th. He also reminded us of this weekend's casino.

Bob Clark began the customary 13 more sleeps countdown to WINEFEST 2009. Auction items are still being collected. Our focus now shifts to ensuring that our members and guests enjoy the event and spend lots of money in support.

Doug Kinley announced that he has 10 tickets left for Wine Fest. Members were reminded to bring in their money for tickets sold. It is now too late to return unsold tickets, since our club food commitment cost is \$30 per ticket. Members are also encouraged to bring their washed wine glasses to our next meeting.



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To address these issues a program was implemented to rebuild by exchanging guns for pencils. A number of children left the Sudan to graduate medical school abroad, with the intention of returning home. Many came to Canada and are working in the meat packing industry to pay their tuition.

A partnership between Samaritan's Purse and the University of Calgary attracted Dr. Crutcher's attention and involvement. It is unusual for a public organization to partner with a religious organization.

Through the Sudanese Reintegration Program 10 doctors have returned to the Sudan as clinicians. There has been some government funding and individual support to continue this program. Dr. Crutcher asked us to consider support.

The challenges they face are: to support the peace process; help get needed supplies/health workers, provide needed help and expand partnerships.

Wynne thanked Dr. Crutcher.

President Martin's final thought was from Mahatma Gandhi: "whatever you do may seem insignificant, but it is important that you do it."

SUNSHINE REPORT

Sunshine Surinder had no birthdays or anniversaries to report.

After joke vetting courtesy of Asha, Surinder devised a plan to fix the economy by a creative use of 50 year olds.



Happy Bucks

Jeanette had \$2 happy for an encounter with Mickey Mouse.

Bob Sadler had \$1 happy for time spent at the Kinley ranch.

Peter Harding had \$1 happy that the police picture of the back end of his car revealed Elaine at the wheel.

Wynne had \$1 happy for our background check patience and sought accommodations for the winter Olympics.

David McKeown had \$1 happy for his hottest golf game ever (30 C).

John Radermacher had \$1 happy that our club has more than 9 members after experiencing the Radium club serving 1,000 at a bbq.

Al Hardstaff had \$1 happy that he helped serve at the radium bbq.

Joe Klassen had \$1 that he was going to follow the dreams of many, to Las Vegas.

Sheriff: Jim Davis

Long on technology, but short on memory, Jim Davis consulted his blackberry "fine" application to catch the following:

Dennis for not knowing whom the speaker would be.

Wynne for not filling out our background form in advance, so that only a signature would be required.

Wayne Brown for advertising.

Jack Haman for failing to provide the meal cost in advance, for budgeting purposes.

Surinder for being insecure about his joke choice and relying upon Asha.

Those without pins and badges.

A respect \$1 from all who will leave the meeting early.

50/50 JACK POT

Joe Klassen was not just selling tickets; he was selling dreams as the pot exceeded \$800. A normally cool cat with that kind of money on the line, David McKeown smoothly delivered the four-way test, but then fumbled a four (spades).



This October marks 95 years since Jonas Salk, developer of the first safe and effective polio vaccine, was born. Saturday, 24 October, is World Polio Day – a perfect opportunity to join the fight to end the disease.

Rotarians are raising [US\\$200 million to match the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's \\$355 million in grants](#) by 30 June 2012. Here are some ways you can help:

Organize a club fundraiser, such as an auction, a walkathon, or a purple pinkie project. Rotary clubs are each being asked to contribute at least \$2,000 annually for three years. [Get more ideas.](#)

Order reprints of the illustrated [Amazing Stories of Polio!](#) for new and prospective club members, and for local schools and libraries, at [shop.rotary.org](#). For bulk orders, call 847-866-4600.

Arrange a screening of *The Final Inch* at a theatre. This Academy Award-nominated, 38-minute documentary follows health workers, including Rotarian volunteers, as they immunize children in India. The DVD is available at [www.thefinalinch.org](#).

Create a link from your club's Web site to the [Rotary International YouTube channel](#), which includes videos and public service announcements on eradicating polio, or embed one of the video on your Web site.

Make an individual donation to Rotary's [US\\$200 Million Challenge](#).



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Sept 26/27 Casino

Oct 2 Mitchell Ravvin & Marilyn Erho "Canadian Paraplegic Association"

Oct 8 Wine Festival

Oct 9 Jane Waldron-"Little Warriors"

Oct 16 Carrie Scharff "Personal Defence for Women"

Oct 23 Roxanne Cote "Distress Centre Calgary"

Oct 30 Cody Clayton "Remington Development Corporation"

Nov 6 Remembrance Day Meeting "Member/Spouse at Calgary Aero-space Museum"