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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

In The Beginning –

It is 5:20 a.m. at my house. The dawgs are up and so am I. Need to feed them. It is supposed to be snowing.... I think. Nope. No snow. Look at the news. No snow.... some rain in the NE and there is some mention of snow but that is in Canmore and west. Get ready for ROTARY at Heritage Park. Up and at 'em. Down the



Selling the 50/50

road to the Park and into Gunn Barn for better than an hour of fun, and stuff. With 12 cups of coffee down the hatch I am ready for President Martin and “Okey Dokey”.



Our other greeters

It Starts –

David McKeown with O Canader. Grace by David McKeown. Breakfast with the presentation of plates by the Bedard sisters. The breakfast as always is superb and our primary server Joan is as gracious as always. And there are guests from Calgary South, Downtown and Calgary West.

Guest Speaker: Leslie Tamagi—VRRI

Corey Olynik introduced our speaker with enthusiasm. She is Ms. Leslie Tamagi, Chief Executive Officer of VRRI, Vocational and Rehabilitation Research Institute. She has been part of VRRI for 25 years including 12 of those as its CEO.

The history of VRRI is quite incredible. More than 3000 people with disabilities have been helped by VRRI and the work continues. So much including housing is included in their mission. As example they work with 250 persons per day. They now have nine homes were people with disabilities can live. Their influence is not just in Calgary but has expanded to Cochrane and Canmore.

Their mandate is research and innovation, something they do very well. The Chambers of Commerce of Alberta recognized them for their leadership.

Leslie told us something we didn't know. VRRI has three special areas of interest.

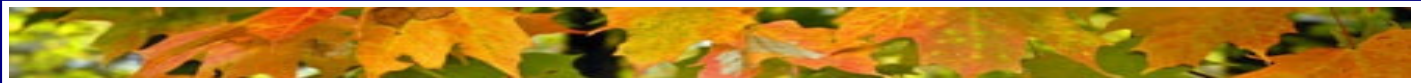
1. They operate a bottle depot
2. They have a contract to move around luggage carts at the Calgary Airport



Leanne Dawkins with President Martin

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Some motions...all nice

Jamie Powell introduces a motion to support the Smile Train, an organization that repairs cleft pallets. The Club agrees to \$1000 to support Smile Train to do four surgeries....
Carried.

Bob Sadler presents the Audit Report of our books for the year ending June 2009. The audit was undertaken by Laura Kim as always. There are a couple of glitches that Bob acknowledges but nothing serious. The most serious glitch is presenting the figures on a screen and they cannot be read. The Audit is approved and the Club agrees to pay \$1000 to Laura as an honorarium for all her work.



Sunrise over the reservoir

John Rademacher asks us all to find door prizes for the golf tournament.

Zuzana presents an update on the Youth Exchange and we need to have ourselves fingerprinted and a body search before we are qualified. A young lady from Finland is on her way here in July.

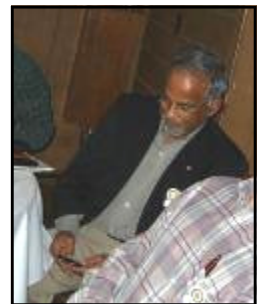
Peter Harding with strong wind from Wynne sells the Family Picnic at the castle of Garry Gray and wife.

Laurie Jacques reminds us that on May 7th we will have breakfast at Agape Hospice with fellowship beginning at 6:30 a.m. and breakfast at 7:00 a.m.

Al Hardstaff reminds us we have work to do at the Hays Breakfast on Friday July 9th and Sunday July 11th. There is a lot of money for us doing this work.

Martin Harvey notes that Ray Gosselin has asked for leave for the months of May and June. He is going singing in Europe and he is excited. *Carried.*

With all that stuff done we move to –



Asleep or blackberry?
You decide.

Guest Speaker:

3. They operate a major recreation centre. These three areas of responsibility enables them to help hundreds with disabilities and it is incredibly important to all from a financial and mental/physical health point of view.

Walter Zuk thanked Leslie for her presentation. Walter has known families and individuals who have been helped by VRRRI and spoke of them with glowing terms.

The next challenge for VRRRI is to replace an aging 40-year-old building that has really reached the end of its life span. We all wish them great success in their needed endeavors.

THE MEETING ENDS: President Martin sends us off with “Okey Dokey”. Leonard Nimoy is outside the door with “*May you live long and prosper*”



SUNSHINE REPORT

Graham Drake tells us there are no birthdays or anniversaries. But that underwear is important!

Happy Bucks

Peter Harding begins with some history. 40 years ago today he became a Teller at CIBC. He is so happy he still is.

Dennis Tillotson is proud his daughter has a major degree from Queen's

John Rademacher is proud he didn't break Vegas nor did it break him.



Sheriff: Joey

Squeezes a buck from the crowd with a smile. Earth Day is to save the planet, not your wallet. Everyone is in for 2 bucks, those who have been kind to the earth this week get some of their loot back.

A special invitation: The Pubbers meet Monte Carlo

A few members of our club and Rotary Club of Calgary Fishcreek are putting on a fundraiser named Monte Carlo meets the Pubbers. The date is Tuesday May 11, 2010 at the Haysboro Community Center.

I am hoping that you may be interested in attending this event and that you will be able to bring some of your friends to the event. The tickets are \$50.00pp and include a Brazilian BBQ dinner and either wine glasses or beer glasses with the Monte Carlo meets the Pubbers/Friends of Puerto Vallarta etched on them. The event is limited to 100 people and will include a scotch tasting w/scotch glasses at an additional cost. The money raised will be going to one or two of the following programs that Rotary Club of Puerto Vallarta Club Sur sponsors:

The Gift of Music (Provides musical instruments to the school to allow the children to learn an instrument to hopefully keep them in school or to teach them a skill that they may use as a career). Sabrina (A program that helps handicap children reach their potential allowing the mothers to work to support their families). New Life Mexico (A program that supports boys that have been sexually/physically/emotionally abused). And any new programs that Club Sur may have I am attaching the program for more information. If you have any questions or would like to purchase tickets please let me know. I thank you for all of your support. Zuzana (See program on page 5)

50/50 JACK POT



Brian Semeschuk does a reasonable job of the 4-way test, but does not see the reward. Oh, well.



Rotary International

A growing number of Rotary clubs have found that focusing on the environment helps them bring in new members and gain visibility in the community.

The [Rotary Club of Duluth Superior Eco](#), Minnesota, USA, was chartered in November 2008 with the purpose of attracting younger people by being project oriented and environmentally minded.

Club president Marti Buscaglia says the club founders reasoned that young people would be more likely to have time on their hands than disposable income, and would be more engaged if they could take part in hands-on projects for a cause they felt strongly about. The club now has 54 members, most under the age of 40, and mostly women. "The eco brings them in, and then they learn more about Rotary," says Buscaglia. "It's a good introduction to Rotary for younger people. They know they are going to be involved in something they personally care about."

Buscaglia says conducting green projects has also given the club increased media coverage. "It's a hot topic right now, something everyone is reporting on," she says. For Earth Day, 22 April, the club is planning a large beach-cleaning project. Members have also planted trees and pulled buckthorn.

The Duluth Superior Eco club has caught the attention of other clubs. Kay Biga, secretary and cofounder, says she has heard from several clubs interested in following its model. The success is contagious, she says. "Having eco in the name sends a message that we are different from other clubs in town," Biga says. "We are going to attract more younger people because the environment is very appealing to them. I also like themes. It seems people really gravitate to something if there is a theme involved to direct your activities."

Robert Hunt, who now lives in Florida but often attended club meetings in Duluth, took the concept with him to the Rotary Club of East Manatee, where he serves as club president. Hunt says that being green has helped the club attract members, make a lasting impact on the community, and gain exposure for Rotary. "Prospective members who have the same mindset will naturally be drawn to the prestige of what an eco-club can offer them," he explains. "As we build more awareness, education, and identity, the membership will naturally increase."

The East Manatee club conducts a road cleanup every three months, sorting out anything that can be recycled. It also held a successful shred-a-thon in March, encouraging community members to bring in old documents to be shredded and recycled. During a fall festival, club members collected hundreds of disposable plastic bottles in special containers they provided for the event.

Biga sees more and more service organizations adopting an environmental slant. "Green products are everywhere," she says. "Everyone is becoming environmentally conscious. Service organizations have to be on board with the trends and with what's appealing to people."



The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

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ROTARY PIN**



April 30	Steve Smith and Lynda Campbell: Classification
May 7	Dr. Martin LaBrie: National Hospice palliative Care week—Offsite at Agape Hospice
May 14	Graham Drake; RI Foundation and Paul Harris
May 21	Jessica Wallace; Salvation Army
May 28	TBA
Jun 4	Club directors; Club Assembly
June 11	President's Social; No breakfast meeting
June 29	Golf Tournament





Helping those who need a hand up!

Thank-you for your support!



meets



May 11, 2010
Haysboro Community Center
1204 - 89th Ave. S.W.
6:30 p.m.

Plan to come out for an evening of high paced fun, good food, and lots of laughs! Do you feel lucky?

Featured Dinner: Brazilian Barbecue

Snacks
Cash Bar

Roulette, Cards, Darts, Pool

Tickets
\$50.00/person

Monte Carlo Rm.
 Attire: Formal

Access to Both Rooms
 Attire: Formal & Casual

Pub Room
 Attire: Casual

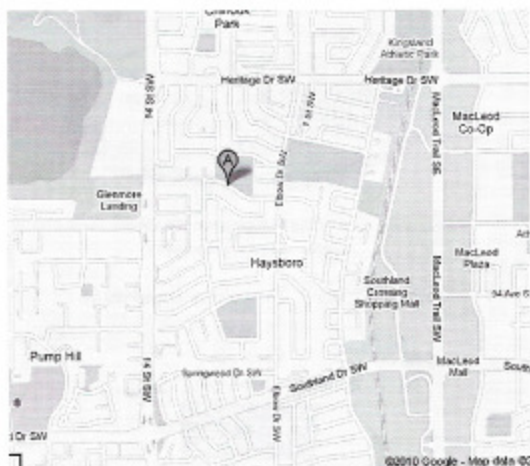
Friends of Puerto Vallarta Fundraiser

Ticket Purchase Contact

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Haysboro Community Center
 1204 - 89 Avenue S.W.



Designated Drivers Receive FREE Non-Alcoholic Beverages All Night!

Here's what you can do before you come:

- ♣ Get all spruced up for a fancy night out to the Monte Carlo Room.
- ♣ Clean up for a night out to the Pub Room.
- ♣ Figure out what to wear to visit BOTH rooms!
- ♥ Gather up all your loose change, it might be your lucky night!
- ♣ Relish the anticipation of what awaits you!

Here's what you can do after you have arrived:

- ♣ Chat with old friends.....(N/C)
- ♣ Mingle and make new friends.....(N/C)
- ♣ Nibble, have dinner.....(Included)
- ♥ Have a glass of wine, or beer.....(Cash Bar)
- ♣ Check out the Scotch Tasting Corner (Monte Carlo Room).....(\$20.00/4 tastes)
- ♣ Find a seat, relax, and take in the sounds of chatter & laughter.....(N/C)
- ♣ Helping to raise funds for those less fortunate.....(Priceless)

Dinner: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Gaming: 8:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Games of Chance

- ♣ Roulette
- ♣ Black Jack
- ♣ Texas Hold'em
- ♥ Red Dog

Test your skills by entering into the following tournaments:

- ♣ Darts Tournament.....(\$20.00)
- ♣ Pool Tournament.....(\$20.00)