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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

What a stroke of good (?) for-tune...Peter Harding is golfing his little balls off, somewhere in British Columbia, so yours truly gets tagged to be the reporter for a second week in a row. I can't thank Max enough for this rare privilege...I think. So, if some of this sounds like "déjà vu" it's because I've done a quick cut & paste with last week's notes. Here goes....

side, I hear the robins chirping – their bright, happy melody bodes well. After all, it's the last first Friday of May June and, in just over an hour and a half, there'll be a world-class buffet breakfast with my name on it. And nobody, but nobody, enjoys a Heritage Park buffet breakfast more than yours truly.

Not wanting to postpone the arrival of a beautiful morning any longer, I leap out of bed, throw back the curtains and...what the...? It really is sunny out there. I curse bless the little red-breasted songsters for sitting outside the window, deceiving leading me into thinking

My alarm tells me it's 5:30 a.m. – out-

Guest Speakers: Club Assembly presentations

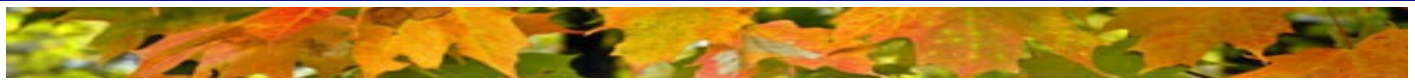
Today's meeting being a Club Assembly, there were a number of guest speakers, all of them a part of the Club's Executive Committee. First up was President Martin, who used the opportunity to thank one and all for their participation and support...an excellent year.

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Aided by a PowerPoint presentation, brilliantly assembled by Harry Kim, others on the executive took turns reviewing their year in Rotary. Unfortunately, time became a factor, so it was agreed that the entire PowerPoint presentation would be given an internet link everyone to review at their leisure.

Meeting Adjourned!



they're celebrating gorgeous weather. Who am I kidding? It's only May 28TH June 4TH and it's Calgary! As Archie Bunker so aptly summed up just about everything, "Aw geeeeeeezzzzzz..."

This time, it's our "syncfang" specialist, Dr. Colonel (retired) Jim Hennessy, throwing caution to the wind (and throwing the rest of us off) with a slightly off-key rendition of Oh Canada, followed by Dapper Din offering, in his native tongue, an Islamic prayer that sounds appropriate in any language. Thank you Din.

The Guests

Meredith Petrie was introduced as a guest of John Radermacher; Mila Ellingson as a guest of her (relatively) new hubby, Clancey; and Ryan Fitchett as a guest of Rob Burton. Ryan is a student at Juno Beach Academy and our Club's RYLA attendee.

Visiting Rotarians included Alec McDougall from Dog Pound Dove Mountain, AZ; David Townsend (Calgary Sarcee); Doug MacDonald (Calgary Downtown); and Jim Zackowski (Calgary Rotary Challenger Park). Outbound youth exchange student Trevor Hlynski who, by now, is as much a part of our Club as anyone, was asked to dust plates.

The Club Business

First up was President Martin with a congratulatory note about young Trevor, who achieved runner-up status in the four-way speech contest at last weekend's District 5360 Conference. Congratulations Trevor!

Next, David Townsend presented his credentials as Assistant District Governor and offered greetings on behalf of DG Steve Allen, assuring us that David's commitment to our Club will continue for another year. Thanks David...we think.

Jim Zackowski had a couple of messages: (1) June 26 (10 am - 2:00 pm) - **Family Day at Rotary Challenger Park** (FREE day of activities and a BBQ lunch - Rotary members and families most welcome); and (2) September 1 (8:30 am hot breakfast - 9:30 am tee off) **5th Annual Calgary Airport Authority Charity Golf Challenger Cup** (in support of Rotary Challenger Park) - see our website <http://www.challengerpark.com/> for sponsor and team registration details.

Ryan Fitchett gave us a brief update of his RYLA experience 3 weeks ago. Ryan was most impressed with another attendee, a young man with a disability whose attitude was, "I can live with my disability. Can you?" Ryan is going to try his best to become a junior counselor at next year's RYLA camp, wishing to give back what has been offered to him. Way to go Ryan!

Brother Al (Hardstaff) offered a few well-chosen words about this year's annual Hays Breakfast fund-raiser: "It's old hat for most of us, but newer Club members will appreciate a volunteer's crash course." What began as a social gathering for Harry Hays and friends on his dairy farm in 1950 has evolved into a hot ticket event which many Calgarians look forward to as the unofficial beginning of the Calgary Stampede. This year's Hays Breakfast will be extra special, marking the 60TH anniversary, with over 3,000 guests arriving at Heritage Park to dine on bacon & eggs, pancakes & maple syrup and, of course, the legendary beverage, Sillabub. Also available at this "private" event, and served by our Club's volunteers, will be gallons of coffee, orange & apple juices.

Circulating a sign-up sheet for round 2, Al reviewed the four phases of our Club's participation as volunteers (setting it up, mixing it up, serving it up, and cleaning it up), and highlighted a need for involvement at the Friday, July 9TH set-up phase, in the early afternoon (when the serving and guest "elbow-propping" equipment gets spruced up) for use early on Sunday morning, July 11TH.

In closing, Al cautioned: the Friday set-up is not for the faint-of-heart - some activities can get a little "messy" (power sprayers, scrub brushes and gallons of hot soapy H2O) - so bring appropriate clothing. Please contact Al for more info.

Incoming Club President Bob Clark used his temporary command of the podium to remind everyone of (1) the Club's special evening meeting on Friday, June 11TH at Heritage Park's Railroad Café; (2) the upcoming R.I. Convention; and (3) the unofficial name for his incoming executive is "B Squared" and promises that all meetings will be in 3D. Details to follow....

President Martin called John Radermacher and Meredith Petrie to the podium for one of Martin's favourite activities, inducting a new Club member. Meredith is with Scouts Canada's Calgary Headquarters and, with Scouts Canada Executive Director for the Chinook Council, Doug MacDonald, looking on with pride, Meredith was officially introduced to the fold. Already participating in some of our committees, Meredith brings experience in public relations to the Club. Welcome Meredith!

SUNSHINE REPORT

Ever popular, John Radermacher continued Norm's warm & fuzzies with birthday greetings to Joe Klassen (May 27), wedding anniversary wishes to John & Trish Radermacher (May 30), club anniversary to Helen Buchanan (May 26), and then related a story with a "Stupid Questions to ask God" theme. Very funny, John.

Happy Bucks

John Radermacher, Norm Haines, Dennis Tillotson, Walter Zuk, Clancey Ellingson, Garry Gray, Bill Hope, Rob Burton, Surinder Khanna, Joan Bedard.



Sheriff: Rob Burton

Sheriff Rob Burton, starting with a general "no pins or badges," then went after specific people, namely Meredith, Laurie, Harold, Wynne, Martin, Walter and John. Wynne attempted a rebuttal but, as usual, was drowned out with cries of "Mommy, mommy!"

Rotarian of the Month: Doris Kutrowski

Martin then called upon Norm who, in turn, called upon Message Man to herald the announcement of June's Rotarian of the Month. Message Man arrived, sans the all-important envelope, and thus became the subject (object) of a sharp rebuke from Stormin' Norman. Out of breath and out of air (for his air horn), Message Man beat a hasty retreat to the Men's Washroom.

Doing a complete Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde about-face, Norm then turned on the charm to introduce a charming young lady, Doris Kutrowski, as June's recipient of the coveted title and fridge magnet. Congratulations Doris...well deserved!



50/50 JACK POT



Ticket pusher Dennis Tillotson, announcing "two-eight-zero" had everyone searching their tickets frantically, looking for that magic combination of winning numbers. Ever the practical joker, Dennis said that was only the potential winnings in the pot. Doug MacDonald drew the lucky ticket, belonging to Clancey Ellingson who, after reciting the four-way test...sort-of, then drew from the deck of cards...a card other than the joker...to thunderous applause and cheering. Way to go, Clancey – you're our kind of loser!



Rotary International

Mulambuzi Joshua is not likely to forget his fifth birthday.

He spent the day recovering from heart surgery that will allow him to attend school again in his village outside of Kampala, Uganda. Mulambuzi was 1 of 20 Ugandan children who received free heart surgeries through Gift of Life India. The program is among 65 throughout the world supported by Rotary clubs and established to arrange cardiac care for young children whose families cannot afford it. The surgeries were funded by a US\$105,000 Rotary Foundation Matching Grant sponsored by the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest and District 3010 (India), and all 17 districts in Korea.



The children, between the ages of 11 months and 12 years, arrived in New Delhi over a three-month period starting in January. Doctors at the Escorts Heart Institute and Research Centre and the National Heart Institute performed surgeries to correct their congenital heart defects. Several of the children needed immediate attention. "Many of them were overdue," says Dr. A.C. Peter, a member of the Rotary Club of Delhi East End and Gift of Life India national coordinator. "After surgery, all these patients can lead healthy and productive lives like any other child."

District 7250 (New York, USA) established Gift of Life India in 2002. Since its inception, the program has treated more than 500 children from India, Kenya, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Sudan, with support from Rotary clubs and Matching Grant funds.

Making connections

January's Matching Grant project arose because of connections from a similar effort a year earlier, when the Indian program agreed to arrange two surgeries as part of Gift of Life International's Our Hearts Are in Uganda campaign. Sixty Ugandan children were treated in 13 countries. Bret Halvorson, a member of the Rotary Club of Emerald City (Seattle), Washington, USA, and a native of Korea, escorted one of the children and her mother from the airport in Seoul to a local hospital. Wanting to help more Ugandan youth, Korean Past District Governor Sangkoo Yun and Youngsuk Yoon, then district governor-elect, suggested a follow-up project to Halvorson, a Gift of Life beneficiary himself. "Everything came together nicely," says Halvorson. "I'm just happy that I can be a part of that – to pay it forward to these children who are in the same position that I was."

Korean Rotarians pooled District Designated Fund (DDF) allocations. Grace Agwaru, a member of the Rotary Club of Soroti Central, Uganda, and the first Gift of Life beneficiary, worked with fellow Ugandan Rotarians to identify candidates for the program and help their families understand the surgery and make travel arrangements. Delhi East End club members met the children at the airport and visited them almost daily in the hospital. "Raising DDF from all 17 districts in Korea was a major task, but we had the pronounced leadership of Yoon from District 3650," says Yun, who stressed the role of the Rotary network in completing international service projects.



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

June 11	President's Social
June 29	Golf Tournament