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MEETING NOTES

We had a full house on this balmy Friday morning and Pres Bob had a full agenda.

David McKeown led the anthem and Al Hardstaff delivered the Rotary grace. Ray Gosselin introduced the guests and visitors and Jeanette (who actually arrived before Joan this morning) was the breakfast host.

Bob started out with some words of wisdom.

“Nothing is worse than the moment during an argument when you realize you are wrong.”

“Bad decisions make good stories.”

Urban spirits Club has changed location to the Hotel Arts from the Rose and Crown.

The big launch is on February 22, at 4:30pm. Cost is \$15.

IMPORTANT DATE

March 3, 2011, Thursday

Club Leadership Review

6:00 pm

at Heritage Park

\$priceless - more details to follow

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MOTIONS:

President Bob Clark moved that \$500.00 be donated to Rotary Peace Park. It was seconded by Doug Kinley and passed unanimously by the Club.

Secretary Bill Hope presented his attendance and make up proposal. It was seconded by John Radermacher and passed by the club. (The proposal was sent out last week.)

Zuzna Carter-edwards, Director of International Service, had four motions.

To provide \$2500 from unrestricted funds to the Kenya Rift Valley Water Project, with matching funds from Share the gift of water partners and backyard brands. The money will be held in trust by WASRAG. The host Club is the Rotary Club of Nakuru. Seconded by Peter Harding - passed.

To provide \$2500 to the puerto Vallarta Club Sur to install a UV water filter in a school. The fund will be matched by Backyard Brands and further matched by the Club Sur to pay for 2 UV water filters. Seconded by Harry Kim - passed.

To provide \$2,750 to the School of Champions, in Puerto Vallarta. \$2,250 to be used for the purchase of laptop computers. \$500 to be used for the purchase of English books. The funds to be administered and managed by the Rotary Club of Puerto Vallarta Club Sur on behalf of the School of Champions. Seconded by Wynne Bjorgan - passed.

To allocate \$1500, of uncontrolled funds, to the Guatemala Water and Stove Project. This project is administered by the Olympic Rotary Club. Seconded by Peter Harding - passed.

John Radermacher, Director of Vocational services proposed to provide \$2500.00 from un-controlled funds to 'It's a Crime Not to Read' to continue and expand their in-school programs with the Calgary Police Service reading to elementary school students. Seconded by Walter Zuk - passed.

Harold Aikenhead, Director of Community Services had two motions.

To donate \$2,000 to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary in support of their FANS program to provide nutritional meals for more than 11,000 children in the 2009/2010 school year. Passed.

To donate \$2,200 to Salvation Army Jackson Willan Senior's Residence to provide a computer work station to assist the Health Care Aids in meeting the unique needs of the residents who suffer from early onset Alzheimer's. Passed.





PODIUM DASH

Laurie Jaques will be away for a month after next Friday.

Doris was happy to announce that the Golf Tournament was already more than half sold out. Please bring your sponsorships and prizes to any one of the Committee members - Doris, Brian, Clancy or Max.

The aim is to get 180 golfers for the whole course.

SUNSHINE REPORT - MARTIN HARVEY

BIRTHDAYS

Harry Kim - Feb. 15

Ray Gosselin - Feb. 16

John Smith was the only Protestant to move into a large Catholic neighbourhood. On the first Friday of Lent, John was outside grilling a big juicy steak. Meanwhile, all of his neighbours were fixing fish. This went on each Friday of Lent. On the last Friday of Lent the neighbourhood men got together and decided that something had to be done about John. He was tempting them to eat meat each Friday in Lent and they could not take it any more. They decided to convert John to be a Catholic.

They took him to church and the priest sprinkled some water over him and said, "You were born a Baptist, you were raised a Baptist and now you are a Catholic."

The men were so relieved that their lenten temptation was over.

The next year's lenten season rolled along and on the first Friday of Lent came and just at supper time when the neighbourhood was sitting down to their fish dinner, came the wafting smell of steak cooking on a grill. They could not believe their noses. They decided to meet at John's place to see if he had forgotten it was the first Friday of Lent. The group arrived in time to see John standing over his grill with a small pitcher of water. He was sprinkling the water over the steak on the grill and saying, "You were born a cow, you were raised a cow and now you are a fish."

IMPORTANT NEWS

THE EXECUTIVE
APPROVED THE
APPLICATION FOR
MEMBERSHIP BILL
SKINNER WITH THE
PROPOSED
CLASSIFICATION OF
GEOLOGIST.



HAPPY BUCKS

Jim Hennessy is going to Mexico.

Bob Price' Dad, John has had a successful knee replacement surgery.

Both Doug H and Wynne were happy to pay on behalf of the curling team because Jim will be away.

Dennis had a wonderful trip to Disneyland and Walter had a ski trip to Emerald Lake.

Romeo Bob was in red for Valentines Day.

Norm has been asked to make a presentation about Rotary Hall at the District Conference.

Joe had a happy buck and Laurie was happy to be with John and Al at "Guess Who's Coming to the Pub".



SHERIFF - Jim Hennessy

He was standing in for Meredith who was AWOL.

Clancy Doug H and Wynne were fined.

Then he fined everyone who bought an arms length of tickets for being greedy and everyone who did not do so for being stingy.



50/50

Peter Pallesen ran the 50/50 and Clancy had the right number. He fumbled on the 4 way test. He fumbled on the Joker.

Better Luck next time.





GUEST SPEAKER

BILL GANTOUS - MEDITATION

Max Patel introduced Bill Gantous, a Chartered Account who was drawn to understand spiritual traditions and the deeper meaning of our human existence.

He is associated with the Akshobya Buddhist Centre.

Meditation is the art of bringing the mind to a virtuous object. The ultimate virtue is peace.

The focus is on the mind. Contemplate on the meaning of our existence and on our mortality.

Happiness is something found within yourself. All happiness comes from making others happy and all suffering comes from the wish to make ourselves happy.

He then asked us all to meditate for a few minutes.

He was thanked by Norm Haines who was in a deep meditative state himself.





REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATION

NOVEMBER 10, 2011

The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park will organize a special meeting for all Calgary Rotary Clubs to honor our Veterans. Alberta Lieutenant Governor Don Ethel will be in attendance. The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park will organize and promote the event. The plan is to use the Ogden Legion. Sandwiches will be provided and a cash bar will be available. Estimated cost is \$5 per person. The legion can accomodate 500 guests. We will charge \$15 to \$20 and donate all proceeds to the Vetrans Food Bank. The meeting of Nov. 11 will be rescheduled to the 10th.

Seconded by Jim Hennessy and passed unanimously.

CONCLUSION

Bob conclude with the lyrics of a Eric Clapton song.

