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THE HALLOWEEN EDITION

The mist rose upon the moors as the chosen materialized to learn their fate at Garry's Dairy Barn Meeting of Terror XVI . The bell tolled thrice to disburse the cackling coven at the sacred urn, which contains the plasma of morning life. The meeting commenced at the early witching hour of 7:00 a.m. Garry "the Wiz" Gary without cape or sandals or presidential medallion, but costumed in a dandy new sport coat, summoned all to order and introduced a trio of special guests. Peter Harding led the solemn chanting of O'Canada. Max Patel summoned assistance from the great beyond and employed the black berry grace app to offer the blessing. Bill Hope introduced and welcomed our guests and visiting Rotarians, many of whom had no idea of what fate awaited them. Jim Davis led the procession, while the caldron boiled and bubbled. Guests capered like children, while members were forced to proceed zombielike to what we hoped would not be our last meal. Deviled eggs awaited along with a suspicious absence of garlic. Young members loaded up on sweets, while the ancient ones spurned temptation and opted for more fiber.



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SACRED PROCLAMATIONS

We will host a special Remembrance Day meeting for all Rotarians on November 10th at the Ogden Legion. Please sign up online.

SPELLS AND INCANTATIONS

The executive met with District Governor Mike French on Thursday night. In the interests of secrecy Garry did not divulge the details, yet.



Community Service chair Mark "the bat" Rowe permitted no discussion, but presented 3 motions:

1. To donate \$2,500 of unrestricted funds to Victory Church for the annual Christmas Hamper Program. Seconded by Bob Sadler and passed.
2. To donate \$3,000 in restricted funds to Neighbour Link to purchase 9 new cribs for the "Infants and Children Under Two" Program. Seconded by Surinder and passed.
3. To Donate \$1,500 to the Veteran's Food Bank plus goods to be organized and collected by John Radermacher. Seconded by Jeannette and passed.

Thanking the club, but mentally cursing the Cardinals for all eternity, Mark returned to his seat.

The lack of a Rotary Minute was a trick, while the lack of a joke by Garry was a treat.

Mehmet informed us of a terrifying 4-0 soccer loss and turned those who laughed into toads (figuratively) with his stare. Ever observant, as exemplified by challenging the ubiquitous turkey for every meal around Thanksgiving, Mehmet noted Wynne had indulged in bubbling potions of forbidden fermented beverages and was bound to wander the halls asking all: "where is my glass". Tonight Mehmet will attend a Flames game and tomorrow basketball practice.

Lynda "Gwendolyn" Campbell reminded us of the two for one recognition for Polio Plus donations this week. A minimum donation of \$100 US is required.

Jeanette "High Priestess" Pyle cast a spell upon us as she promoted our first annual "Snowflake Ball" to be held on February 11, 2012. Complimentary wine pairing will be provided during appetizers and dinner. An outstanding dinner menu showcasing Alberta beef will be served. We will charge a very reasonably priced \$125 per person. Silent auction, raffle and live auction items are needed. Daryl Janz will emcee the event. Parking is free. Tickets will be available soon. Sponsorship opportunities exist including \$200 Snowman Consortium. Doug Hood gave fair warning to those with call display that he will be calling soon to secure sponsors. All club members are asked to sell a table of tickets. We hope to raise between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

TREAT OR TRICK



John Radermacher had \$1 happy for the ditch cleaning and after party at the Hardstaff Hilton.

Sheila Tyminski had \$1 happy that her friend Eve was in attendance.

Al Hardstaff had \$1 happy for Graham's assistance with pictures on the screen.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011

6:30 PM

Large Auditorium

OGDEN LEGION

Ogden Rd & 78 Ave SE

Guest of Honor:

Col.rtd Hon Donald S. Ethell

Lt. Gov. of Alberta

Cost: \$20/person

Refreshments

Cash Bar.

**ROTARY ATTENDANCE
EVENT**





Brian Semeschuk had \$1 happy for the return of plumbing and a kitchen to his home.

Wynne had \$2 happy to welcome Mike and Maggie and was feeling good after ingesting joy juice the previous evening.

Graham had \$1 happy to clarify he did not help with Al's floppy

Doug Hood had \$2 happy for Joan and Jeanette's organization of the Snowflake Ball and \$2 happy for Holly Drake.

Martin Harvey had \$1 happy that this would be the (66) 6th and final time he heard District Governor Mike's speech.

Peter Harding conjured up a \$5 for his 50/50 win and time spent at the Danish Canadian Club.

Karl Herzog had \$5 happy for our club's visit to Motive Action.

Joan Bedard had \$2 happy to celebrate 8 years with the club.

Bob Clark had \$1 rock and roll because Rock God Dave Grohl and the Foo Fighters almost blew the roof off of the Saddledome on Thursday night.

President Garry had \$2 happy for a successful executive meeting with the District Governor.



SHERIFF - WALTER ZUK

Over stimulated by playing with his black berry throughout the meeting Walter Zuk played tricks on the following, although kindly setting a \$100 limit:

President Garry for his suit jacket costume, attempting to impress the District Governor, but embarrassing Ted.

Leroy and Jim for missing the meeting of Grants Committee, which is the coolest of all committees.

Max for somehow having his blackberry ring while attempting to say grace.

Wynne for laughing during grace.

A banking dispute being resolved between TD and CIBC during the meeting. Payment by the respective banking reps **Peter Harding and Lynda Campbell**.

Those who failed to participate in the road cleanup.

Asha for laughing at Mehmet's soccer score.

Steve Smith \$2 for failing to commemorate his 2nd anniversary.

Graham, who must have done something wrong.

Bob Clark, Asha and the rest of the do gooders who attempted to stop Walter from playing with his Blackberry.

PROGRAM

DISTRICT GOVERNOR MIKE FRENCH



50/50

With a pot of \$351 Max "the Count" Patel handled the drawing. Peter "Bankers Are Scary Year Round" Harding recited the four way test and then employing the banker's black arts and a nifty bit of prestidigitation conjured up the joker.

SUNSHINE BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

Oct 30

Steven Smith 2 years

Oct 31

Joan Bedard 8 years

Harry Kim 8 yrs

Nov 1

Jim Hennessy 11 years

Garry Gray 11 years



Assistant Governor Dave "Harry Potter" Townsend introduced our District Governor Mike "Dumbledore" French. Mike joined Calgary West in 1986 and has held every executive position in that club. Mike spent the last 3 years on the District Audit and Finance Committee. Dave added to the intro that Mike and Maggie walk the talk and are fun to work with.

Mike recognized that our club is alive and alert at this ridiculous hour of the morning. Last night's executive meeting convinced our DG that our club is in good hands with strong continuity. Mike acknowledged the efforts of Dave Townsend and the other Assistant Governors, including Wynne and Martin.

Mike noted our passions for veterans, youth and people in need. Our funding is through the golf tournament, Hayes Breakfast and new Snowflake Ball. We tend to give with our hands in addition to our wallets. Our legacy fund will allow a major project and create an opportunity to obtain matching funds.

Mike reminded us that Rotary allows us to be a part of a larger organization that can take on projects such as eradicating polio.

Our club also contributes to the Rotary Foundation, contributing \$7,400 last year. The Foundation returns 50% into the District after 3 years. Last year our District received over \$120,000.

Mike and Maggie visited Uganda last year to view projects and see the power of matching grants. He recommends that all Rotarians attend an international project while on vacation.

A \$1 million dinner will be held in February 2012, with R.I. President Kalyan Banerjee the anticipated speaker. Monty Audenart will also be in attendance. 10 tables of 10 at \$10,000 each.

Club administration is important with respect to programs, speakers and fellowship. International fellowship groups provide cultural exchanges and develop a world of peace and understanding.

Continuity is important, so we were encouraged to bring in apprentices to take over the business. Invite younger people and realize both generations will benefit. Open minded old dogs can learn new tricks and also share their wisdom.

Mike reminded us that the District is available to assist us and has teams available.

The District Conference in Canmore May 25 – 27th will provide an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the District. There will be keynote speakers, break -out sessions, a soap box plus home hospitality, an Open Mike session and dueling pianos.

The R.I. International Convention will be held in Bangkok May 6 – 9, 2012. It promises to be the international convention of a lifetime. Visit the District newsletter for more details on this and all other matters.

Doug Hood thanked District Governor Mike French and advised that our club will make a \$150 donation to Polio Plus in recognition of Mike's presentation.

FUTURE EVENTS

NOVEMBER 4

Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation

NOVEMBER 10 - Thursday

Remembrance Day Ceremony

NOVEMBER 18

Club Assembly

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I rise in the morning debating whether to improve and save or enjoy and savour. It is tough to plan your day.

WEAR YOUR ROTARY PIN

