

THE STANDARD

THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY HERITAGE PARK



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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

Great crowd today, including four guests and four visiting Rotarians, two from Crowchild, one from Chinook and one from Centennial. The meeting started right on time with the meliforous tones of Don Bell leading us in O Canada. *In a prelude to the Grammys, Grant Patrick presented a musical Johnny Appleseed grace* sung with assistance for the words by the crowd. Alida Visbach was nominated to shine

our breakfast plates and we settled down to the usual good fare from Heritage Park, Surinder sighed with pleasure at the conclusion of breakfast as he has obviously not been fed as well at home!

If you listened carefully, you could hear the knock of opportunity, jingle of coins and swish of paper currency as Bob Clark reminded members of the upcoming casino days (Thursday Feb. 20 or Friday Feb 21). A volunteer schedule is attached to your email.

Guest Speaker: Sheila Timinski

Sheila Tyminski presented a membership Committee report based upon the survey results. 46 of 52 members completed the survey.

Sheila discussed the importance of membership and then provided the survey results:

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1. I enjoy being a part of the club: 39 strongly agree and 7 agree
2. I feel my opinion is valued: 17 strongly agree and 26 agree
3. I participate in fundraising as much as I possibly can: 20 strongly agree 23 agree and 3 disagree
4. I volunteer in activities other than fundraising as much as I possibly can: 18 strongly agree 25 agree and 2 disagree
5. I feel I contribute my knowledge and expertise as much as I possibly can: 20 strongly agree 24 agree and 2 disagree
6. I would like to be more involved: 3 strongly agree 13 agree 20 disagree and 2 strongly disagree
7. I could volunteer more: 2 agree and 4 disagree

Business from page 1

Sheila announced that on February 28th, Calgary North will host a fundraiser highlighted by Colin James.

Jordan and John from Crowchild promoted two fundraisers:

A Superbowl pool with 400 tickets sold at \$20. \$2,000 for the final, \$300 for the quarter, \$300 reverse final and \$300 random draw. The proceeds will benefit the Greenway project.

On January 25th the Calgary Canucks junior A game will benefit the Morley Food Bank. Tickets are \$10 each. If you are unable to attend, tickets can be donated to the Morley community and Rotary exchange students.

Bob Clark, Mr. Casino 2014, came to the podium to remind us of the dates, Feb 20 and Feb 21 and to tell us there were still a few open positions. This is our biggest and easiest fund raiser, so please call Bob if you can spare a few hours. Bob will send us our shift lists in the near future.

Bruce Byford announced that our last year's financial statements have been approved and reviewed. They were distributed at our club's last assembly.

Members will not be billed for meeting cancelled on Feb 21 (casino) and March 14 (anniversary pot luck). Attending these events will count towards makeup credits, but not for a meal credit.

Speaker: Sheila Timinskki—Membership

8. It is important to increase club membership: 8 strongly agree 35 agree and 4 disagree

9. I can do more to increase club membership: 8 strongly agree 35 agree and 4 disagree

10. I have ideas to increase club membership: 2 strongly agree 16 agree and 19 disagree

11. Diverse membership is important to me: 31 strongly agree and 13 agree

Number of years in the club: 0-3 10; 4-6 5 and 7+ 21

Providing members an opportunity to brain storm, Sheila will host a meeting at her home on Monday January 27th to discuss membership. Sheila's first comment was that our survey was to determine our clubs membership engagement and the team consisting of Sheila, Lynda Campbell, Bob Clark and Al Hardstaff were impressed by the good response to the questionnaire as 43 surveys were received. (Reporters note: if we can get 43 responses to this survey, why can't we do the same for Harry Kim's survey for the Octoberfest event? Come on everyone send in your survey if you have not done so yet.)

Currently, Sheila noted, in North America, membership in Rotary is declining but because of increasing membership in Countries like India, Rotary International Membership is increasing. As a club, we are doing very well with our membership and are increasing in numbers slowly, but we should not be complacent.

Sheila went on to discuss the responses to the questionnaire and then announced that she had issued an email to all members that on January 27, she would be hosting an event at her house to listen to and discuss what should be our next steps. If you wish to attend, please reply to her email.

The maximum number of members remains an area of discussion. Our last club vision meeting resulted in a 60member maximum. Sheila opened the floor to discussion and questions. Members feel it very important that engagement continue as we grow in numbers. A balance between camaraderie, while being proactive in following our goals.

In Regards to Membership: We have an application from Peter McKenzie-Brown. He has been a member at the Centennial Club.

Business con't

District Conference 2014 will be held in Lethbridge April 11 – 13th. The first 5 members signed up for their first district conference will receive \$100 towards registration.

A Friendship Exchange is planned for July 11 – 24 (group from the Philippines) and August 22 – September 4th (group from Denmark).

Grant Patrick announced birthdays for Jim Sawers and Jackie Kinley

Grant proved that light moves faster than sound.

50/50

With \$413 available, Wynne's guest Shelley had her ticket selected. Wynne delivered the 4-way test, but Shelley failed to draw the joker.

Happy Bucks

Jamie Powell was happy today \$1 for those 20 that showed at the Salvation Army toy warehouse, \$1 for his daughter's birthday, Jim Sawers was confused but threw in \$1, Wynne Bjorgan \$1, Ted Wood \$1 for his son passing his driving test and Jeanette Pyle \$5 for her globe trotting over the next few weeks, Disneyland, Las Vegas and Hawaii, and finally, Martin Harvey \$1 for an upcoming trip away from the snow.

Sheriff, YXE

Sheriff

Peter Harding fined the following:

People without snow tires

People without stylin' tire rims

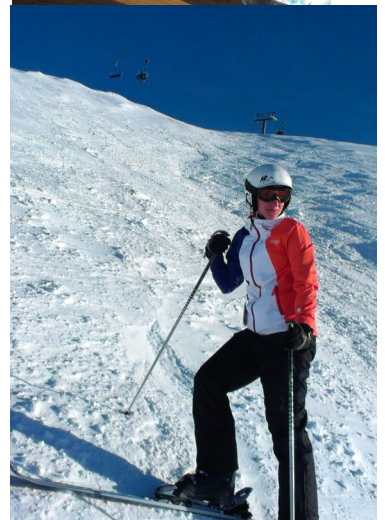
He also had more fines, Wynne for character assassination, Harry for lack of cost control and finally Grant for not knowing all the words to Johnny Appleseed.

Doris

Doris our exchange student in residence again had a week off school and thanks to club members she went to see the Olympic Team kick-off event in Banff, went snowshoeing, shopping, to the movies and skiing at Sunshine with the Klassens. What a tough life! And yes, she ate the whole thing!

Thought for the day

Growing older is mandatory while growing up is optional.





Upcoming Duty Roster:

24 January - Greeter	Jamie Powell
24 January - Door sales	Bob Price
24 January - 50/50	Jeanette Pyle
24 January - Grace and Sunshine	John Radermacher
24 January - Introduce speaker	Eve Robertson
24 January - Thank speaker	Mark Rowe
24 January - Standard reporter	Bob Sadler
31 January - Greeter	Jim Sawers
31 January - Door sales	Tara Seitz
31 January - 50/50	Brian Semeschuk
31 January - Grace and Sunshine	Brad Sewall
31 January - Introduce speaker	Bill Skinner
31 January - Thank speaker	Dennis Tillotson
31 January - Standard reporter	Sheila Tyminski

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Jan 24	Pam Ison Reilander: STARS
Jan 31	Ron Jarrett; personal fitness
Feb 7	Katie Pearson; Friends of Fish Creek
Feb 14	Valentine's day; Meet at Railway Cafe
Feb 20 & 21	Casino Fundraiser; Volunteers needed

