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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?

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Rotary

In the beginning:

Today we meet in Gasoline Alley with the members of 2 other area clubs; The Rotary Club of Calgary Sarcee and Centennial. We have a large crowd and there is much fellowship. It is not a surprise that at a Rotary event such as this we see so many old acquaintances catching up, and the opportunity to meet Rotarians which we have not previously had the pleasure to greet.

In addition to our many guests, we note:
President Nadim Esmail of Rotary Club of Calgary Sarcee
President Jeff Dworkin of Centennial.
President Harry Kim of Heritage Park.
DG Martin Harvey
PDG Garth Toombs
Jean Sadler and Linda Haines
Speaker: George Brookman

Rotary
Club of Calgary Heritage Park



Harry opens the meeting with a special thanks to Mark Rowe of our hosting club, Roger Frain from Centennial and Dave Townsend from Sarcee for their great efforts in organizing this meeting.

Blessing is given by Roger.

Dave Townsend gives a tribute to Bob Sadler, describing his long history of service. Not only his notable contribution to Rotary but to the Presbyterian Church and the Boy Scouts. Bob was instrumental in creating this joint meeting several years ago, so we acknowledge him today. We have the privilege of having wife Jean Sadler in attendance. We are holding a special 50/50 draw today with proceeds to the Dr John Kelly Brain Tumour Foundation research project. <https://www.braintumour.ca/5164/2014-researcher-dr-john-kelly>.

Message from Sarcee: Art from the Heart annual auction has been a foundation in raising over 1.25 Million. Great art, good fun with revenue shared with the artists. This year they are adapting by reducing ticket price and finding a different venue.

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Our meeting.

Funds are supporting children's cottage this year. And another wish van for Children's Wish. Support a good cause while making your home a little prettier.

Message from Centennial: They will be having an Easter event, with more information coming soon. They welcomed French YEX student last year. They will be hosting a summer rib dinner, they have supported Mustard Seed shelter, and staffed the Salvation Army kettles at Westgate Coop.

Message from Heritage Park. Harry Kim describes our club as 54 members, 14 ladies among this. We hold three major fundraisers: Give a Fork, Fall Harvest wine and local food event, and a golf tournament. The Club's strategic plan includes events like today, social media, YEX, and the continued support of our many local, international and RI projects.

Mel Foth introduces George Brookman. He has held every important office the city has to offer. Notably as Past President of the Calgary stampede.

George opens with a few comments on the current concerns for our economy. Recent remarks from BC politicians which create a tension between provincial neighbours is not helpful. Especially in that we need some nation building, and Rotary is well suited to help. Just as we have helped to work on International cooperation and understanding.

George wrote a letter to the Globe and Mail where he compared Canada to 10 brothers and it got a lot of play; it is included on page 3. Maybe we need more of this family as a nation. He recites a stolen poem. *Holler down a well or holler from a tree.* We need to tell our story from the treetops.

We live in the best nation on the earth. Everything you could want, resources & energy, a great diverse population; yet something is still not working correctly. What could Rotary's role be? We change governments without burning cars; smooth as glass. No riots, no damage to property or injury to people.

Declining the pipeline is as silly as it would be for Alberta to refuse to let clear cut forestry products through our province. We need leadership that will stand up, and pitch for Alberta.

As captains of industry we need to talk about Canada as a nation. Our three clubs need to go beyond our comfort zones. We need to promote a vision of Canada. And George finishes with his 10 most powerful 2-letter words.

If it is to be it is up to me.

We have deferred our usual Sheriff and other meeting business for this special occasion. We do accept Happy Bucks, but fail to hear most of the items.

50/50 draw with proceeds to the Dr John Kelly Brain Tumour research.

Joan Sadler draws the ticket for Doug Kinley.

Brad Wellicome is the lucky winner, and so is brain tumour research.

Brothers, eh

In spite of the PQ win, I don't believe for a minute that Quebec will leave Canada – Canada as a nation is just too good a deal for everyone who lives here. Still, it made me think of us as a nation of brothers.

Brother 1, Alberta: Brash, bold, works hard, but hey, he also won the Lucky Sands lottery. Lucky, lucky guy.

Brother 2: So cool, he only uses his initials. B.C. likes to fish, sail, wear sandals with thick grey socks and drive an old VW van. Happiest outdoors.

Brother Ontario: Had it all, great job, big income. When he spoke, everyone in the family listened. But, he lost his job, ran up really dumb debts, then still tried to throw his weight around. He'll come back, but needs to realize he's not the kingpin any more.

Brother Saskatchewan: Likes working in the summer sun growing food, then takes his motor home south for the winter. If the growing-food thing fails, really likes the family to pitch in with the bills. Won the smaller "Pot Ash" lottery, so he's feeling pretty good these days.

Three of the brothers on the East Coast live together. The Maritime Boys love life. They also like to fish, but making a living at it hasn't gone so well for them.

Another brother lives apart: Newfoundland and Labrador likes to fish too, but enjoys the solitude and likes lots of ice in his water.

Brother Manitoba doesn't say much, keeps a low profile. Not flashy but a really good guy.

And then there is Brother Quebec: Always upset with the family, always asking for more, always living slightly higher than he can afford. What can I say, we love him and he loves life but here he is talking about leaving ... again.

Of course, I asked our Northern family if they wanted to be called our brothers, but they just said they wanted "Nunavit."

George Brookman, Calgary

Duty Roster for Feb 19.

Greeter: Joe Klassen

Door Sales: Darryl Luhr

50/50: Christine Martin

Grace and sunshine report: Ginny Murphy

Introduce speaker: Leroy Neilson

Thank Speaker: Velma Noble

Standard Reporter: Aliisa Paivalainen

Duty Roster for March 4

Greeter: Asha Paul

Door Sales: Raju Paul

50/50: Din Peerani

Grace and Sunshine report: Jamie Powell

Introduce speaker: Bob Price

Thank speaker: Jeanette Pyle

Standard Reporter: John Radermacher

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Feb 19	Lori Payne; Calgary Seniors
Feb 26	Classifications
Mar 4	Renee Vaugeois: Ainababazi Children's Project
Mar 11	Kerry Longpre; Calgary Foundation Vital Signs
Mar 18	Bill Skinner; Highlands of Guatemala

