

THE STANDARD

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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?

In the beginning:

Guests – Introduced by Fran Hochhausen

Guests joining us were our District Governor, Christine Rendell, Steve Dunk, a guest of Doug McDonald, and former YEX student Enya Oppenheim who joined us from her home in Germany.



Sunshine and Grace – presented by Stan Christmas

Stan led us in Grace and was also our Sunshine Boy announcing birthdays for both Lucas Bailey and Don McArthur. He also announced Rotary Anniversaries for Bill Skinner, 9 years and XXXXXXX, 27 years.

Guest Speaker – Jamie Powell on Estate Planning

On behalf of Vocational Services, Jamie provided an outstanding presentation on Estate Planning and the importance of having an up to date Will. Some of the key takeaways were the 60% of Canadians who pass away without a valid Will. While there may be many reasons for this, perhaps the biggest challenge is education.

An Estate Plan is simply making sure you have all your “ducks in a row”. The purpose is to minimize taxes and costs, minimize delays and provide clarity for the beneficiaries. One of the topics he touched on related to the impact on the family of a poorly thought out plan.

As the centerpiece of your Estate, your Will and accompanying documents should contain an enduring power of attorney and health directive. Careful consideration should be given to the choice of Executor and the possible appointment of a Trust Company to fulfill that responsibility. Jamie also dis-



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cussed the value that Testamentary Trusts may provide to provide protection and protect against future family breakup or litigation as well as the care that should be taken in providing direct inheritance to less financially experienced beneficiaries.

He also touched on several areas that require consideration when planning your estate including:

- Probate and Estate Taxes.

- Different Philanthropic strategies including the donation of marketable securities and life insurance proceeds.

- Joint Ownership and some of the problems it may create.

His final words of wisdom were to remind us that Estate and Will planning is an ongoing process that should be reviewed on a regular basis.

Lynda Campbell thanked Jamie on behalf of the club for his thought-provoking presentation and in recognition, the club has made a contribution to Polio Plus in his name.

Announcements

DG Christine announced that a video announcement will be appearing soon on the District Website. She also announced that most of the exchange students were back and only 1 inbound remained in the District.

Sheila announced that the District had made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020/2021 YEX program. While this was a very difficult decision, the District YEX committee agreed that it was the most appropriate course of action.

Martin followed up Sheila's announcement to let us know that at this time Rotary is leaving the decisions on YEX up to the Districts.

Brad shared a financial update that will require the Avenues of Service budget to be reduced due to the cancellation of our scheduled fundraisers. To date, \$26,744 of budget expenditures have been approved; however, going forward, the budget has been reduced from \$54,376 to \$18,311. This will result in the club carrying forward a surplus of \$8,433 rather than a deficit of \$27,632.

Motions

No motions were presented



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Happy Bucks

Graham – congratulated Kathy on the great work she has been doing reporting information on the Corona virus.

Sheila – congratulated Brian on the great summary he posted on Facebook and to Fran for the great work she has been doing on YEX.

Jim – is happy to report that Christine and Peter are on a plane and heading home and congratulated Jamie on a great presentation.

Mark – also congratulated Jamie on his presentation and is happy that Christine and Peter are on their way home.

Walter – is sad about the cancellation of YEX and echoed the appreciation of Jamie's presentation.

Daryl – is happy that Enya was able to join the meeting

Brad W. (Good Brad) – was also happy Enya could join us.

Enya provided an update of how things are going in her life. While she has been at home for 2 weeks, she got her driver's license prior to being confined to home, so she is happy about that. The rules in Germany seem to be quite strict and you can be fined if you have contact with anyone outside your household. She is finishing Grade 12 and has no idea when she may be able to go back to school. Otherwise, everything is fine and everyone in her family is healthy.

Sheriff

No Sheriff Today!

Thought of the Day

"Always plan ahead, it wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark."

Cheers...great meeting!



Position	Assigned Member
☰ April 17, 2020	
☰ Greeter	Noble, Velma
☰ Grace Sunshine Report	Paivalainen, Aliisa
☰ Introduce and thank Speaker	Paul, Asha
☰ Standard Reporter	Powell, Jamie
☰ April 24, 2020	
☰ Greeter	Paul, Raju
☰ Grace and Sunshine report	Radermacher, John
☰ Introduce and Thank Speaker	Robertson, Eve
☰ Standard reporter	Rowe, Mark
☰ May 1, 2020	
☰ Greeter	Sawers, Jim
☰ Grace and Sunshine report	Sapre, Vannita
☰ Introduce and Thank speaker	Semeschuk, Brian
☰ Standard Reporter	Skinner, Bill
☰ May 8, 2020	
☰ Greeter	Sonntag, Roger
☰ Grace and Sunshine report	Sumner, Art
☰ Introduce and Thank speaker	Tillotson, Dennis
☰ Standard Reporter	Tyminski, Sheila

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

March 27	Online meeting!
April 3	Online meeting TBD
April 10	No meeting—Good Friday
April 17	Toastmasters—presentation by Regional leadership
April 24	Challenger Park offsite meeting is cancelled, online meeting will take place.
May 1	Classification talks

