

THE STANDARD

September 4, 2020

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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:

Being the Labour Day weekend, the International Brotherhood of Heritage Park Rotarians gathered early for their weekly digital meeting.



“Unions: the people who brought you the weekend”



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Rotary

**“Everything
we do opens
another
opportunity
for someone,
somewhere”**

HOLGER KNAACK

Rotary Rotary Opens Opportunities

At precisely 7.00am, Supreme Leader Christine called the delegates to order. A rousing, and well illustrated, version of the National Anthem followed.

Upon being un-muted, Brother Mark Rowe indicated that no guests or visiting Rotarians were attending this weeks gathering and instead welcomed all members in good standing to the meeting.

Comrade Vannita Sapre was then charged with delivering Grace and the Sunshine Report. The grace met all union and management efficiency requirements.

Thank you, God for this food.
For rest and home.
And all things good.
For wind and rain and sun above.
But most of all those we love.
Thank you God.

Organizational and Brothers' anniversaries reported included.

Member Birthdays: David Field, September 7



Our meeting.

Spouse Birthdays: Nuri Peerani, September 6; Sanjay Pokhriyal (Vannita Sapre) September 11

Wedding Anniversaries: Brad & Kim Sewall September 4

Join Date: None

Reflecting on the wisdom of future IBHPR members returning to school this week, Comrade Vannita shared this anecdote.

Teacher: If you had 13 apples, 12 grapes, 3 pineapples and 3 strawberries, what would you have?

Student: (After a long pause trying to calculate comes with this answer) - A delicious fruit salad.



SPEAKER

Supreme Leader Christine indicated that today's planned speaker Jenny Thompson has been delayed until October 23rd. Brother Joe Klassen then introduced our special guest speaker, none other than our very own Comrade Aliisa Paivalainen – international member of intrigue who will share with us what she does on her ventures overseas.

Comrade Aliisa chose to provide us with details of her last deployment to the Bahamas following Hurricane Dorian which passed through the area on September 1-3, 2019. Key points of the presentation were;

Contacted by GER³ global response team on September 2

On ground in Bahamas on September 4 with initial \$40,000 budget

Abaco Islands and Grand Bahama saw 298 km/hr winds and storm surges resulting in complete devastation

Reported death toll was officially 74, but 2500 are still missing or unaccounted for

As one of the first team members on the ground determining how things worked locally was priority number one and included plugging in to Government Emergency Operations Centre briefings

Despite there being no boats or flights to the affected islands, by being open and talking with one and all, a one way flight to Freeport, a vehicle and a driver were secured

A team of local workers was assembled and work began on cleaning up the devastation in a local hospital, and with the addition of a further \$50,000 from UNICEF, all seven schools in the area.

Following questions from members present Comrade Aliisa noted that;

Supplies for repairs and clean up took 2-3 weeks to arrive

Her personal mental health is maintained by shutting out the tragedy of the situation, focusing on small steps to help and limiting deployment to one disaster per year.

She got into this line of work as she had always had an interest in improving people's situations.



Our meeting.

Brother Joe Klassen thanked Comrade Aliisa for her informative presentation and the great work she does.

In keeping with the Brotherhood's recent educational program of language instruction, Comrade Aliisa informed all that thank you in Finnish is *kiitos*.

MINUTES

Brother Bob Clark reported that casinos are re-opening but with fewer volunteers needed. Date could be first two weeks of October or as late as January 2021. We will require 2 day and 2 evening shifts. At tremendous personal sacrifice Brother Bob volunteered to undertake a reconnaissance trip to the casino to check out the current situation.

Brother Peter Harding reported on the Zoom Guatemala Experience coming up on Friday September 18th at 7.00pm. Cost is \$30 per person. A direct Zoom link will be forwarded by Brother Rob Mathews.

HAPPY BUCKS

Bob C for what Aliisa does and new home in Hillhurst/Sunnyside

Brian G for daughter Beth making partner at KPMG

Bill S for Aliisa's presentation, Bob C's leadership and good weather/cycling

Vannita for recent trip and new dog

Rob M for Aliisa

Sheila T for Raptors last gasp win and Aliisa

Jim D for Aliisa, Bob C, and new grandson.

Supreme Leader Christine noted that we will have another exciting speaker next week and that on September 25th we will have Steve Armstrong, formerly with the Red Cross, address the question of whether we can recover from Covid.

In closing the meeting, Supreme Leader Christine noted that the Chinese word for crisis is formed from two characters, one meaning danger and the other opportunity.



September 11, 2020

Greeter	Tyminski, Sheila
Grace and Sunshine report	Wellicome, Brad
Introduce and Thank Speaker	
Standard reporter	Wood, Ted

September 18, 2020

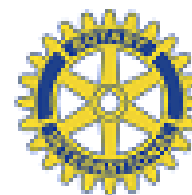
Greeter	Bailey, Lukas
Grace and Sunshine report	Bailey, Patricia
Introduce and Thank speaker	
Standard Reporter	Blahun, Janet

September 25, 2020

Greeter	Cameron, Neil
Door Sales	Dunk, Steve
Grace and Sunshine Report	Christmas, Stan
Introduce and Thank Speaker	
Standard Reporter	Coyle, Jim

October 2, 2020

Greeter	Clark, Bob
Grace and Sunshine Report	Davis, Jim
Introduce and thank Speaker	
Standard Reporter	Drake, Graham
Door Sales	Gentles, Brian



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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Sept 11	Celia Lee—Sustainable Calgary
Sept 18	Classification; Geoffrey Simmons, Steve Dunk
Sept 25	Steve Armstrong— We can recover from COVID
Oct 2	John Chik— Calgary Civic Symphony