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**PRESIDENT
GRAHAM DRAKE**

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MEETING NOTES

President Graham started the meeting promptly at 7 AM. Graham introduced a visiting Rotarian Bob James from Centennial as well as guests Phil Calvert, Diane Kashuba, Mitchell Ravin, Bob Cove, Phoebe Wang and her fiancé Lucas and our speaker Lindsay Galloway. We were also graced by the presence of Cheryl Wellicome. Graham spoke about some of the history of the Pikani Nation and a rousing up tempo rendition of O Canada was led by the effervescent Stan Christmas. In accordance with Club tradition, tables with guests and visitors went first to the delicious buffet breakfast.

President Graham thanked the many Club members who attended Doug Kyle's funeral and spoke about Doug's many contributions to the running community.

Graham also noted that the Wines of the World is looking for assistance on their organizing committee. Contact Graham if you have time to help with this important fundraiser

PROGRAM

Stan Christmas introduced our speaker, Lindsay Galloway, CEO of Heritage Park, whose presentation was titled; Exploring Our Past/Shaping Our Future. Lindsay noted the long partnership between Heritage Park and RCCHP and that Heritage Park was celebrating its 60th anniversary and RCCHP our 25th anniversary next year. He spoke about the successes and challenges of managing a 127-acre facility (65 acres in the village) that receives over 600,000 visitors/year has total revenue of \$30 million/year, 1500 volunteers and employees and is open year-round. Over the last several years the Park is open for 120 days/year and received 350,000 visitors over that period, 40% of which are tourists to Calgary and 15% International tourists. He told an anecdote of a "typical" International tourist whose visit to Canada (Whistler Banff, Jasper, Toronto) included Heritage Park as they wanted to better understand the historic culture of Western Canada.

He spoke about the importance of history, and that "the story brings history to life", and Heritage Park helps bring those stories to life. He noted that perhaps we are still missing a few chapters, including indigenous stories and after conversations with well-known historian Cheryl Fogo, there is Black history in Alberta, but no stories at Heritage Park. He spoke about the challenges of maintaining old buildings and the midway to modern standards and the requirement for new investment with very narrow operating margins. Heritage Park has developed a 20-year plan with theme of Reconnect, Reimagine, Renew. They will continue to focus on their key audience of young families and work on finding new storytellers and partners. He pointed out that "History matters. The "past" is still relevant today. It helps us understand who we are.

Graham thanked Lindsay and presented him with a Polio certificate.

FRIDAYS 7 AM. GUNN'S DAIRY BARN, HERITAGE PARK, 1900 HERITAGE DRIVE SW, CALGARY



NEW MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT

The board has approved the the application for membership for the following:

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Linda Craig

Classification: Fundraising Professional

CORPORATE MAMBERSHIP

HERITAGE PARK CORPORATION

Diane Kashuba.

Classification: Community Engagement

Mitchell Ravin

Classification: Fund Developement

Barring any objections from the membership, they will be inducted after two weeks.

HAPPY BUCKS

Bill Hope was happy for the marriage of his daughter which was to take place that weekend
Richard Broadwith provided many Happy Bucks in recognition of the surveys that had been completed and urged the remaining members to complete theirs. Brad Wellicome provided Happy Bucks in recognition of Phoebe's visit and the engagement of her and Lukas. Peter Leigh gave some Happy Buck to welcome Bob James from Centennial as a guest and to acknowledge the ceremony for Doug Kyle that was attended by many Club members. Walter Zuk gave up a sad buck to complain that he did not receive a standing ovation last week when he announced his hole in one. Bob Cole had some happy bucks to recognize our speaker and fellow Kamloopian Lindsay Galloway.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Graham closed the meeting with an announcement that next week's speaker would be our own Jamie Powell on ESG investment and asked if anyone could tell him what the acronym stood for (of course, many of this Rotary crowd knew it was for Environment, Social and Governance). He closed the meeting with the words "Take care of yourself, and if you can, take care of someone else"

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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PHILL HOCHHAUSEN.....OCT 4

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

JANET BLAHUN (5YRS)OCT 1

OLA OLUTUYI (5YRS)OCT 1

KATHY LE (5YRS)OCT 1

LYNDA CAMPBELL (17 YRS)OCT 1

TRACEY VAVREK (17 YRS)OCT 3

DUTY ROSTER

SEPTEMBER 29,2023

GREETERBOB CLARK

DOOR SALES.....LORNE KELLY

INTRODUCE & THANK.....HARRY KIM

REPORTER.....SHEILA TYMINSKI

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