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**PRESIDENT
GRAHAM DRAKE**

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MEETING NOTES



Stan Christmas led us in a quick tempo O'Canada.

We had two guests, Sheila Taylor – Speaker

Leticia De Oliveira – Visitor from Brazil

Sheila Tyminski was our meeting chair. She quieted the rowdy crowd quickly and shared how her mother was a positive influence as a social justice advocate and modeled that behavior in her everyday life. Sheila shared her memories of some of the indigenous people in her life and how positive role models can influence our fair treatment of others

Sheila had been told in her childhood that Sheila meant “dim-sighted” but was happy to share the name with our guest speaker after finding out it actually meant “heavenly”.

PROGRAM

The Parks Foundation and Rotary have a longstanding relationship including the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway in Calgary. The Parks Foundation has been around since 1985 as a non-profit organization. The foundation has been a part of the creation of 29 new greenspaces in the Calgary area in the last year

The Brawn Family Foundation Rotary Park was designed to support youth and teen mental health recovery. It is located adjacent to The Summit: Marian & Jim Sinneave Centre for Youth Resilience. The Parks Foundation took feedback from teens on what would draw them to this park and adjusted design based on these recommendations, including a bouldering feature. Mental health has many different paths to recovery so the outdoor recreation space mirrored that in diversity of activities. There are areas of this park that allow for different activities including playing sports or tranquility like swinging in a hammock.

The Parks Foundation is looking for participations in creating a Dementia Inclusive Park. 20,000 Calgarians currently live with dementia (10% of seniors). This park will be located at the Southview Park in Dover near multiple senior residences and support programs. This will be Canada's first public park designed to supporting those with dementia and their caregivers. The park will be designed based on research driven information down to the colors used. There will be sensory features in this peaceful environment created for walking, attending programs and concerts. In place of fences, there will be 4,000 shrubs with burming to help contain visitors. Constructions is slated for 2024-2025 depending on fundraising the \$3 million dollars needed.

Phil thanked Sheila and offered her the certificate representing 20 children being vaccinated by Polio in recognition of her presentation.

MINUTES

Brad Wellicome gave us an update on the Rotary Foundation and presented three Paul Harris Awards to Bob Clark, Steve Dunk and Sheila Tyminski. We have a club matching points system for first time Paul Harris Awards (reach out to Brad for more info). Our club's annual donation goal is \$10,000 USD and we were at \$3,935 USD as of the meeting. We have met the threshold needed in order to qualify for District Grants in 2023-24. Brad sent out an email with additional details

John Radermacher asked that those who volunteered for the February 17 Ronald MacDonald House dinner please reach out to

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



MOTIONS

Deb Duncanson presented a motion on behalf of the **Community Service Committee**, to provide \$3200 to Alcove Addiction Recovery for Women to fund the purchase of a 4 passenger stroller wagon (\$1,200) and a double oven electric range (\$2,000).

Seconded by John Radermacher. Passed

Mark Rowe presented two motions on behalf of the **International Service Committee**.

RCCHP provide Can.\$2500 to the Samuel Olatuyi Foundation to drill a fresh water bore hole for the community of Afin Akoko, Ondo State, Nigeria, contingent on a successful application for a District Grant of Can \$7500.

Seconded by Bill Skinner. Passed

RCCHP allocate Can.\$1,500 to Youth with a Mission to furnish 3 Homes of Hope in Tijuana, Mexico.

Seconded by Jim Davis. Passed

Linda Craig presented a motion on behalf of the **Youth Service Committee**.

RCCHP provide \$4000.00 to GW Skene school to support acquisition of tools and materials to support mindfulness practices, emotional regulation and sensory needs.

Seconded by Brian Gentles. Passed

FEBRUARY 23, 2024



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

MITCHELL RAVVIN.....FEB 2
BRIAN GENTLES.....FEB 7

ANNIVERSARIES

EVE & ALASTAIR ROBERTSON (4YRS).....FEB 2
JANET & DUANE BLAHUN (21YRS)FEB 1

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

STEVE DUNK (13YRS)FEB 8

HAPPY BUCKS

Brian G. was happy for the help provided by members to the Disabled Sailors Association.

Bill S. was happy for the vacation with Doug Hood to Yucatan region of Mexico. Noting that it was well timed with the -30 degree weather Calgary experienced.

Phil H. was happy to thank the speaker again!

Ted W. was happy that he has been busy storm chasing and even experienced some chest high powder!

Vanessa F. was happy to share her love of the Calgary green spaces she and her husband enjoy year-round.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Sheila T. thanked our speaker a fellow "heavenly" Sheila for her great presentation.

Sheila T. brought an end to another Rotary meeting full of fellowship and comradery by sharing that it should have been National Scottish Hangover Recovery Day (day after Robbie Burns Day) and provided us with MANY suggestions on what to celebrate today including Peanut Brittle Day, Spouses Day, Tax Credit Day, and the list goes on!

DUTY ROSTER

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GREETERPHIL HOCHHAUSEN
DOOR SALES.....DIANE KASHUBA
INTRODUCE & THANK.....NONE
REPORTER.....BRAD SEWALL

If you are unable to fulfil your duties

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