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MEETING NOTES



It was a chilly Friday morning but Gunn Dairy Barn was warm with conversation as an unusually large crowd gathered for our morning activities. As the discussion ensued it became evident why the crowd had marked their calendars for this event. We had the students who had attended the RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) Camp. We also had our student who attended our Adventures in Citizenship program in Ottawa. Things were lining up for a great meeting. **Guest Host Bob Cove** rang the bell at precisely 7:00 to get things underway. He rang the bell at 7:00 but the crowd was so engaged that it took a full minute for all to quiet down. Where is the sheriff when you need him. Bob continued with the Hockey theme for our indigenous moment, and spoke about the indigenous hockey players.

Guests: Cheryl Matthew, Ben; Maya Hartel & Grandmother, Cindy; Oliver Esid.

Visitors: Wynne Bjorgan & Judy Cochrane

PROGRAM

Guest Speaker was introduced by Lynda Campbell.

Adventures in Citizenship. Ben is a St Francis graduate and class valedictorian with over 400 hours of volunteer service to his credit already. He told the group that his relationship with RCCHP would not be ending soon, which generated a huge applause. Ben gave a very interesting talk of the Adventures in Citizenship program that he attended in Ottawa on May 26 to 28. On the 26th he attended several seminars throughout the day learning of ways the future citizens of Canada can adapt to current events and break free of social barriers to change the world. They heard from a licensed life coach, trainer and public author who spoke of the merits of goal setting, properly setting objectives and methods of achieving them. He visited the Canadian war museum and a maple syrup farm. On May 27th, he visited Parliament hill, where he listened to presentations from the clerk of the House of Commons and the speaker of the House of Commons (among others) who spoke on their roles and how that affects our national legislative process. May 28 in the morning he heard several presentations on the indigenous affairs of Canada, and a tour of the Canadian Museum of History indigenous section. On May 29 he attended a real Canadian Citizenship ceremony which reinvigorated a long forgotten patriotism in him. He spoke of many learnings from the other student attendees and his increased awareness and open mindedness. He described the entire experience as life changing.

The presentations for Oliver and Maya were in the form of a Q and A with Sheila. Sheila asked them about a couple of things that stood out for them, what was the biggest surprise for them and how the overall experience was for them. Both indicated they developed some leadership skills they never knew they had, and a surprise at how open and friendly everyone was. They had never experienced support like this. Everyone felt valued. Their emotions ranged from nervous at the beginning, then happy, then inspired to sadness as they said goodbye to all of their new friends. They left the camp with an increased confidence level and proud of the new leadership skills they developed.

Following their presentation, Cindy (Maya's grandmother) gave a heartfelt thank you to the club. They recently lost Maya's mother and this program couldn't have happened at a better time. With all the sadness they were experiencing, this camp gave them something to look forward to. All Rotarians present were moved by this revelation and happy that we DID make a difference to this family.

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



MINUTES

Bob Clark – Informed the group that our casino still needs a couple of people in the count room on August 2 and 3.

Sheila Tyminski - Motion for RCCHP to provide \$2500 to Urban Society for Aboriginal Youth (USAY) to fund their backpack program.

She also invited the group to a pow wow. The date will be either July 26, 27, or 28. Survey monkey to follow to select date

NEW MEMBERS

Wynne Bjorgan - classification retired Exhibitions,
Judy Cochran - classification retired Accountant,
Marlene Doherty - classification retired Education

In accordance with RCCHP bylaws, members have the opportunity to communicate any objections to President Graham Drake. Since the new Rotary year begins on July 1st, please communicate any objections to Graham **prior to June 30, 2024**. Barring any objections, they will be inducted in the new Rotary year.

CLOSING REMARKS

True in hockey and in life is a quote from the great Wayne Gretzky – 'I skate to where the puck is going, not to where it was.'

BIRTHDAYS& ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

DOUG KINLEY.....JUNE30
GRAHAM DRAKE.....JUNE 30
DEBORRAH DUNCANSON.....JULY 3
STEVE DUNK.....JULY 11

ANNIVERSARY

TRACEY & VINCE VAVREK (24YRS).....JULY 1
SHEILA & CLIFF TYMINSKI (44 YRS).....JULY 11

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

WALTER ZUK (33YRS).....JUNLY1
LORNE KELLY (7YRS).....JULY 1
DOUG KINLEY (19 YRS).....JULY 5

HAPPY BUCKS

Bob /Cove almost forgot about them but was emphatically reminded about them from the boisterous crowd. Good thing he did, as almost everyone was happy and the collection plate was overflowing.

Lynda Campbell – Looking for Walter to fine himself for being rude at the coffee.

Bob Clark – Words of wisdom - accept all opportunities and expand your comfort zone. Corrected Sheila on the more appropriate way to calm the nerves when public speaking – focus on the smiling and nodding people.

Fran – Phil got everyone to sign a birthday card for her and she was happy to see everyone. She also reminded Phil that the jewellery store opens at 10.

Sheila – Excited about how well all the speakers did.
Phil – Happy Birthday to Fran, loved the presentations of Ben, Maya and Oliver

Bill Skinner – happy to see what youth serviced does

Mark – Okotoks dawgs doing well

Walter – Was both happy and sad that someone offered to help him load groceries into a car

Janet – Trying to brush up on her dad jokes. What states have the smallest drinks – Mini-sota

Wynne - Back from Singapore and wants to present what happened. Put in a plug for Rotary International convention.

Stan – Reminded everyone of the presidents social next week.

DUTY ROSTER

JUNE 28,2024

GREETERRAJU PAUL
DOOR SALES.....OLA OLUTUI
INTRODUCE & THANK.....TBA
REPORTER.....VANESSA FREEZE-SUMNER

**If you are unable to fulfil your duties
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