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MEETING NOTES



On a nice spring morning, approximately 30 Rotarians remembered to stop at the Selkirk Grill for the weekly meeting.

In the absence of an official greeter, Bill Skinner and Lorne Kelly welcomed the members as they came into the Grill

The meeting was called to order by Linda Campbell, Chair for the meeting. This reporter had the opening time promptly at 7:00 AM, however there was later a controversial remark that the meeting had started at 7:02.

After an initially discordant, but eventually harmonious anthem (led by Stan Christmas), Linda gave her opening remarks. There were no guests or visiting Rotarians. The theme for this Club Assembly meeting selected by Linda was Gratitude and Positivity. Gratitude for the meeting, gratitude for the breakfast and gratitude for the fellowship. In recognition of upcoming Mother's Day, Linda invited all tables with mothers to line up first.

After breakfast, the meeting was called to order at 7:24. In Linda's land acknowledgment, she discussed the meaning of smudging. In many indigenous cultures, smudging represents the 4 elements, water, earth air, fire, and air. Smudging is used to purge negativity. Linda provided several smudging kits which members were welcome to take after the meeting.

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Don McArthur presented the Club finances. Even after the \$50,000 donation for the major project, the Club finances are in excellent shape.

Members were then invited to answer 2 questions at their tables and report back.

- What happened this year that helped you feel engaged or that you enjoyed?
- What would you like to see more of?

There were common themes in the report back, members enjoyed the Club anniversary, Second Chance Art Saale, table seating, rotation of meeting chairs, more socialization time. The would like to see more fellowship events, including Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, more off-site meeting, some more opportunities for the "traditional" roles of Sherriff, Invocation/thanks, and birthdays be included in some meetings. A full report will be available in Club Runner

Incoming President Bill Skinner spoke about some of his thoughts for the upcoming year. He wants to focus on storytelling rather than reporting. He would like to include an invocation to start meetings as well as a recital of the 4 Way Test. He would like Areas of Service to chair more meetings and also spoke about using the "5th Friday" of the month for an offsite meeting. He also mentioned that the planning for the RI Convention in Calgary kicks off officially after the Singapore Convention May 26 and there will be many opportunities for RCCHP to be involved.

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



MINUTES

Brad Sewell spoke about an indigenous land-based learning opportunity at Camp Horizon on May 26. Participants will meet elders and knowledge keepers who will share their Indigenous perspective of the world. They will learn about the culture and history behind several traditions that they will experience. Rotarians can sign up family/friends through Club Runner.

Graham Drake invited members to attend the James Wheeler Davidson Luncheon on June 6, with Dawn Farrell, Trans Mountain CEO as guest speaker. He also congratulated RCCHP members on attaining 3rd place of 45 Clubs in the District for both funds raised and kms travelled in the Move For Polio.

Bob Cove is looking for 6-8 volunteers for the Stampede Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, July 6th, supporting the Disabled Sailing Association of Alberta. The event will be held at the Glenmore Sailing Club. He noted that RCCHP has been a long-time supporter of the Association and that the first ever boat, the "Iron Lady" was a donation by Margaret Thatcher.

Velma Noble presented a Mental Health minute, asking members to focus on gratitude and authenticity. She noted that mental health is a policy priority for Rotary International.

Jamie Powell spoke about a letter he received from one of our SAIT scholarship recipients. She is a 32-year-old single mom of a 4-year-old, enrolled in the Business Administration program. Her grades had been suffering as he was working extra shifts to support her family. Because of the scholarship, she was able to reduce her work shifts and concentrate on her studies. Through hard work and reduced work shifts, she was able to raise her grades to a 3.98 GPA. A great example of how our Club can make a difference to others' lives.

HAPPY BUCKS



There were many Happy Bucks offered up, but the reporter's pen ran out of ink and his memory isn't what it used to be.

CLOSING REMARKS

Linda invited all the mothers in the room to select a rose from the back of the room and closed the meeting at 8:10

BIRTHDAYS& ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

BILL HOPE.....MAY 22
SUSAN HOPE.....MAY 17

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

BRAD SEWALL (12 YRS)MAY 18

DUTY ROSTER

MAY 17, 2024

GREETERHARRY KIM
DOOR SALES.....LORNE KELLY
INTRODUCE & THANK.....N/A
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