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MEETING NOTES

I was greeted at the door with a smile and a warm handshake from Jamie Powell. It was a full house which was nice to see. The meeting was kicked off promptly by Bill Skinner who shared with us that today, Friday October 18th we celebrate Persons Day. It marks the day in 1929 when the historic decision to include women in the legal definition of “persons” was handed down by Canada’s highest court of appeal (the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council of Great Britain in London). This gave some women the right to be appointed to the Senate of Canada and paved the way for women’s increased participation in public and political life. The initial legal challenge and subsequent appeal were championed by the Famous Five; Emily Murphy, Nellie McClung, Louise McKinney, Irene Parlby and Henrietta Muir Edwards who were journalists, politicians, reformers and activists from Alberta.

In his Truth and Reconciliation remarks, Bill touched on the nature of the tie the First Nations have to the land and how the tie is not so much one of ownership but one of stewardship. As Reb Crowshoe said “We do not own the environment; we are part of it”.

PROGRAM

John Radermacher introduced our guest speakers from the Peace by Piece Quilters Guild, Audrey Jackson and Diane Hagel.

Audrey and Diane talked to us about the guild, how their 28 members build and sew their quilts and the organizations that benefit from the quilt donations. They also kindly brought and displayed several quilts to help bring their words to life. The quilts can be likened to a big colourful jigsaw puzzle whose pieces remain together. Each quilt has three layers; top, batting and backing which are sewed with quality quilt materials that are typically 80% cotton/20% polyester. Each quilter sews 3-4 quilts per month. Their process includes choosing a pattern, purchasing fabric, cutting the pieces, and sewing together the pieces for the top and integrating with the batting and backing. The “quilting friends” bring their talent, creativity, time and passion to their work as well as often personally funding the costs of supplies, tools and equipment. Donations from RCCHP are used to purchase fabric and are often supplemented with fabric from the quilters’ own stashes. The quilts are donated to organizations including The Kerby Centre for Seniors, Ronald McDonald House, Calgary Urban Project Society, Sunshine Centre, Blankets of Love, Meals on Wheels and Southwood Hospice.

Thanked by John.

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



MINUTES

Wynne -Host Hospitality.Response to the RI Convention Host Hospitality Night at Heritage Park Gunn Barn event has been great. We have a total of 89 registered with 52 visiting Rotarian Guests. The date is Monday, June 23/25; from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm ;at Gunn Barn. RI will bus in visitors.Program by Lynda and Brad W. Anyone registered for the event **do not** register on the RI site for Host Hospitality If you have Rotarians you want at the event let Wynne know so she can put them at your table Payment: 50% by January 15, 2025 with the balance due on April 20, 2025 Please consider hosting a dinner at your home – sign up through RotaryCalgary2025.org

Marlene: World Polio Day is October 24. Rotary's number one humanitarian priority is the eradication of polio and our call to action as Rotarians and clubs worldwide is to use our collective voice to advocate, raise awareness and fundraise. On Sept 20 at the zone summit, the Government of Canada pledged 151 million dollars to the Global Polio Eradication initiative over the next 3 years thanks to our advocacy team. Please contact your government rep to encourage them to support and allocate to polio eradicate. Participate in zoom meetings and webinars (links were sent) – contact Marlene to resend as needed 54, Number of children saved from crippling death or disability – 20 million, Number of surveillance labs: 146, Number of death-s prevented by giving Vitamin A at the same time as the polio vaccine, Number of healthcare workers killed in Pakistan last year:16 Donations go to vaccinations, surveillance, health care worker wages, educations Funds donated go directly to Polio Plus fund fund and are matched 2:1 by Gates Foundation Clubs asked to donate \$1500 Clubs in our district have organized event for Polio Plus day

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAY

DOUG MACDONALDOCT 31

MINUTES (CONTD)

Jamie: Wines of the World Raffle Tickets are 3 for\$100 or \$50 each. Draw date will be in January .

Consider promoting sales as stocking stuffers and Christmas gifts. More sales info/tools coming this weekend.Maximize outreach through texts to personal/professional distribution lists – asking contacts to support Rotary as we support our communities.Leverage social media tools to spread the word

MOTIONS

On behalf of Vocational Services Jim Sawers moved that RCCHP fund a bursary for a Bow Valley College business student. for \$1500 The candidate applications will be reviewed against 5 criteria developed by the committee. Seconded by: Bob Clark. Passed.

On behalf of vocational ServicesTed Woods moved that RCCHP fund a scholarship of \$1000 for Sait. The.committee will also apply for a District Grant for \$2000 bringing the total to \$3000. Seconded by:Bob Clark. Passed

NEXT WEEK

Small bits of Happiness

DUTY ROSTER

OCTOBER 25,2024

GREETERJIM SAWYER
DOOR SALES.....THAMPI THOMAS
INTRODUCE & THANK.....JAMIE POWELL
REPORTER.....PETER LEIGH

**If you are unable to fulfil your duties
please find your own replacement.**

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