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MEETING NOTES

I was greeted with a warm smile and handshake by Walter and said hello to Brian and John manning the sales desk and 50/50 draw.

Lynda Campbell rang the bell sharp at 7:00 and invited Stan Christmas up to lead us in a rousing rendition of the national anthem. Lynda delivered the land acknowledgment and then talked about some significant events associated with March 6, including the gruesome end of the Battle of Alamo in 1836. On a happier note, today we celebrate national frozen food, oreo cookie, fraud and salesperson day. And most importantly, Sunday March 8 is International Women's Day which celebrates womens' achievements, raises awareness of discrimination and issues directly affecting women around the world, and encourages action to create gender parity.

Walter's delivery of the sunshine report led to all of us singing happy birthday to Ted Woods whose birthday is another significant March 6 event. Walter introduced our guests Janet Stewart, Steve Bernini, Tony Knight, Saskia Knight, Doug McMillan, and Landis Jackson, and on zoom Leticia Olivia. Lynda delivered a blessing and nominated Joe Klassen as plate shiner.

PROGRAM

Lorne Kelly introduced our guest speaker Janet Stewart from Woods Homes. Woods helps young people struggling with mental health issues. Janet started with them in 2003 and is now a Director and registered psychologist overseeing many programs including the culinary arts program which RCCHP has supported for many years.

Janet took the podium to express her appreciation for the support provided by Rotary and to tell us more about Woods Homes. They've been in operation for 112 years and currently offer over forty programs in Calgary, Lethbridge, Strathmore and Fort McMurray. They support 20,000+ children, youths, adults and families annually. What started as an orphanage model evolved into a multi-service organization with over 500 people on staff.

Janet feels what makes Woods special is they are incredibly client centered. A client will never have to tell their story more than once as all departments and other agencies work well together. Saying Yes to clients and opportunities seems to run deep in their culture. Janet is proud of how innovative Woods has become. Nine years ago they partnered with U of C to fundraise for an endowment that facilitated the hiring of Dr. Angelique

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



MINUTES

President Lynda asked us **not** to use the Pay Now feature when reviewing our invoices in Clubrunner as it isn't intended for members. Instead please send an email transfer to the rcchptreasurer to avoid the club incurring unbudgeted service charges.

Bob Clark let us know that the March 20th meeting will be a membership takeover where we will be inducting five new members and revisiting the roots of rotary and its history.

President Lynda reminded us to sign up for the casino and SCAS if you haven't already before they come for you! You can also use Clubrunner to sign up for games night at the Doherty's taking place on March 28th.

HAPPY BUCKS

Marlene: for insights in reading 50/50 draw tickets

Bob Clark: next Thursday gets to hear speaker on Bitcoin. If anyone is interested, contact Bob. And secondly he's happy to have scored tickets to see the Sex Pistols

Ted: has started a new business with his son and has been very successful 6 months in

Judy: happy to have friends from Calgary West join us

John: a groaner – 6 out of 7 dwarves are not happy

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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LORNE KELLY.....MAR 15

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

PETER LEIGH (11YRS).....MAR 20

PROGRAM (CONTD)

Jennes who splits her time between U of C and Woods. She ensures the services Woods provides are up to current standards.

In 2018 Woods purchased a building in Inglewood that enabled them to offer their services all in one place as an integrated model. They operate under four pillars; **Health & Wellness** which offers services such as showers and access to laundry, coffee, meals **Employment** which features the youth culinary arts program, help from counsellors with resumes, mock interviews **Housing Services and Support**, and **Social Enterprises Initiatives** provides young people with experience with a supported job through catering and the Woods market where they can learn customer service and sales skills.

The Hub model is effective because Woods knows that if someone invests two years and becomes involved in two or more services their risk of backtracking plummets as their resiliency is strong.

Future plans include opening a sandwich bar and purchasing a refrigerated truck.

Lorne thanked Janet and presented her with a big \$7000 cheque and polio plus certificate.

50/50

The winning tickets drawn by Janet Stewart! She didn't draw the joker so the pot will grow from \$546.50

DUTY ROSTER

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GREETER & SUNSHINE.....BRIAN GENTLES

DOOR SALES & 50/50.....GARRY GRAY

INTRO & THANK.....PHIL HOCHHAUSEN

REPORTER.....BRAD SEWALL

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find your own replacement.**

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