

THE STANDARD

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FOUR WAY TEST

In all things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH ?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

In the beginning:

President Jim Sawers set off the meeting at precisely 7:00 a.m. in alignment with certain member requirements!!

Peter Harding followed with the same precision in the fine tuning of Oh Canada.

Next, came a timely prayer following the content of the Rotary's Four Way Test by Brad Sewall.

Our Guests were then introduced in a succinct and exacting fashion by Fran Hochhausen.

Sunshine Report:

Keeping with the efficiency of the meeting Brad made the following announcements:

Birthdays – Jim Coyle Oct. 25, Rotary Anniversaries - Jim Sawers 7 years, Joe Klassen 11 years, Personal Anniversaries – Greg Smyth and Leah 21st

Then the preciseness of our meeting went all askew when Brad shared his Joke:

“Two old timers, Jim and Bob, who were avid “Baseball Fans”, were coming close to the end of their life’s journey. Jim said to Bob, whose health was failing; let me know when you get to heaven if they play baseball up there. It was shortly after Bob’s passing that Jim heard Bob’s voice in his sleep one evening.

Bob whispered “Jim! Jim! Good News they play baseball up here. Jim! Jim! Bad News you’re pitching on Wednesday!!”

Rotary
Club of Calgary Heritage Park



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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Our meeting.

Introduction of Speaker: Bill Skinner introduced our Guest Speaker Mr. Jim Monroe from the “Amarok Society” who’s purpose is to provide “Educational Opportunities” to the under privileged in both Bangladesh and to the indigenous people of Canada.

Jim and his wife and family have been engaged in this mission for a number of years and a book was made available for members to purchase should they wish to learn more about the Society’s work.

The society’s work was not the usual outreach of developing schools in local villages but was directed to the children of the slums. The purpose was to educate mothers of the children so they in turn could educate five children each. Many of the other agencies said these efforts would be both futile and lead to fatalities. It would be futile because of the working and living conditions and fatal because harm may befall them because of their efforts. The landlords would lose their domestic help, husbands would no longer be able to abuse the mothers and terrorist wouldn’t be able to take advantage of the uneducated children.

Jim shared two videos which told the story of one mother and her child and how over a number of years the education program helped them to escape domestic slavery and educational deficiency. The old mindset was slowly being replaced by the realization that woman and children deserved to be educated. Jim was very passionate in his plea for people such as Rotarians to help “stop the rattling of sabers and start the ringing of school bells”.

Jim also emphasized our own Country’s need to further address the educational needs of our own indigenous people. “We need to move away from the political objectives which underlay the education held out to these people. We need to offer them an opportunity to find a way of escape from further victimization through a better education”.



Thanking of Speaker Roger Sonntag:

Roger thanked Jim for his commitment and sacrifice to the Amarak Society’s goals and for helping us to be more aware of the needs of the people they touch.

Announcements:

Ginny Murphy: Reminded everyone of the “Experience Event being held on Oct. 27, 2017”. Thanked everyone for their support in purchasing tickets, donating experiences, purchasing raffle tickets etc. She also asked everyone to keep an eye out for an upcoming email



Our meeting.

providing them with an opportunity to bid on an experience even if they will not be in attendance at the event.

Jamie Powell: Asked for the support of club members to sign up for our Kettle Campaign. We have to fill 49 spots and we have only 5 more shifts to fill. Give Jamie a call to get in on this opportunity to support others through the Salvation Army Kettle Appeal.

Induction of a New Club Member:

Jim Coyle introduced Neil Cameron as a New Member to the club. Outlining the expectations he would need to fulfil in order to be a member in good standing and presented him with his Club badge and Rotary Pin. Neil's wife Susan was also invited to be an active participant in Club activities as they arose.

Neil expressed how he had already benefitted greatly from the warm and friendly acceptance of club members and looks forward to becoming actively engaged in Club activities. He said: "so far it's been like attending a High School Reunion where only the good people come back".

50/50 – Garry Gray: Sheila Tyminski was the star candidate but failed to get her hands on the Joker

Happy Bucks:

Walter said he had a new name for the youngest holder of a Paul Harris certificate in the person of his newest grandson "Wyatt".

Peter Leigh was happy to be back from a trip to the United Kingdom with a side trip to Berlin where his wife Sheila did her best time in the Berlin Marathon.

A number of members recognized the passing of Gord Downie and expressed their heartfelt appreciation of his contribution to the fabric of Canadian values through his music and acts of goodness.

Recognition was also given to the speaker and to the induction of our new member Neil Cameron and his wife Susan.



Sheriff - Christine Martin:

Christine left no stone unturned in giving almost everyone the opportunity to contribute to the Sheriffs coffers.

You were fined if: not attending, not purchasing tickets or raffle tickets for “The Experience” or “Rotary Remembers”, a few individuals for their antics in the meeting and if at any time any member confused Christine with Ginny or Ginny with Christine.

Thought for the Day:

“Late-breaking story on the CBC,
a nation whispers, we always knew that he’d go free,”

Gord Downie

From the 1992 Tragically Hip song “Wheat Kings”

Next Meeting: Friday Oct. 27th - Club Elections Presentation

Duty Roster for Oct 27

Greeter: Dennis Tillotson

Door sales: Sheila Tyminski

50/50: Brad Wellicome

Grace and Sunshine report: Ted Wood

Introduce speaker: Walter Zuk

Thank speaker: Joan Bedard

Standard Reporter: Joe Klassen

Duty Roster for November 3

Greeter: Stan Christmas

Door sales: Bob Clark

50/50: Jim Coyle

Grace and Sunshine report: Jim Davis

Introduce speaker: Brian Gentles

Thank speaker: Graham Drake

Standard Reporter: Garry Gray

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Oct 20	Gem Munro—Amarok Society
Oct 27	RCCHP “EXPERIENCE” evening event
Oct 27	Club Elections
Nov 3	Hank Popoff—Rotary Foundation
Nov 10	Meeting deferred due to “Rotary Remembers”
Nov 11	Rotary Remembers

