

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:

A little chill in the air today and leaves on the trees in the park are turning color, definitely signs that summer is fading and cooler autumn weather is on its way. But, inside the Gunn Barn the atmosphere is as cozy and friendly as ever starting right off with a warm smile and (for the lucky ones) a hug from our greater Fran.



The meeting started off right on time as usual with President Brad striking the bell to get our attention and then turning things over to Peter Ruptash whose melodious tones led us all through "Oh Canada".

We took a moment to reflect on our good fortune and opportunity to share as Eve Robertson presented the blessing after which Doug Hood took the stage to welcome our numerous guests and visiting Rotarians.

What followed was the usual commotion of conversation, laughter and clattering of crockery and cutlery while breakfast was served and consumed. I must express my delight with the buffet presentation of both French toast and Waffles with warm maple syrup. If there isn't an Order of Canada designation for that there should be.

Soon Eve was back at the lectern with our **Sunshine Report:**

Happy birthday to Aliisa Paivalainen and to Brad (Good Brad) Wellicome.

Happy spouse/partner birthdays to Barb Skinner (Bill), Susan Cameron (Neil) and Sheila Leigh (Peter).

Wedding Anniversaries: Martin and Liz Harvey have enjoyed 52 years of wedded bliss.

Rotary Anniversaries: Greg Smyth 5 years and Aliisa Paivalainen 4 years.

Eve captivated us with a tale about a Calgarian and Edmontonian who were involved in a minor traffic altercation.

Our good natured Calgarian proposed they put aside their differences and toast the fact there were no injuries. He then offered up a bottle of 12 year old Scotch he just happened to have in his emergency car kit.



Our meeting.

The Edmontonian welcomed the unexpected gesture and quickly downed his drams of liquor but was puzzled by his host who balked at following suit with his drink. The lights eventually went on, albeit slowly, when the Calgarian explained he would prefer to wait until after the police arrived at the scene.

Announcements:

Eve had been gathering winter clothing donations on behalf of Donna Black and the Deer Park United Church who are now having a “Free Winter Clothing Event” on Saturday Sept 28th from 10:00 AM to 1:15 PM.

They will be giving out bags of clothing to families in need and expect around 300 to 400 families to attend.

They thank everyone for their donations today and are looking for volunteers to help clients find items they need, provide direction to the crowd and do some clean up after the event.

There are two shifts available 9:15 to 11:30 or 11:00 to 2:00.

If you are available contact Donna Black at home (403) 256-2435 or cell (403) 818-7414

Our Speaker – Sophia Larsen-Rosner

Introduced by Eve Robertson, who seems to be doing everything today, Sophia was our outgoing Youth Exchange Student in 2015/16. Sophia spent about a year in Taiwan and says that experience changed her life.

She is now studying at the University of Calgary but has also spent 4 months in Uganda working on a project called Healthy Child Uganda. She has been collecting stories and developed a presentation on Village Health Teams (VHTs) who act as a link between the numerous communities and the Uganda Health System.

The VHTs educate the local people promoting healthy life choices and helping them access the proper medical facilities when required.

One of the issues the VHTs have to deal with is that anyone working at them has to be a volunteer therefore they cannot receive any income for the work and time they are committing. Since many of these people are also low income this is a detractor from getting people involved. Sophia has been involved with efforts to determine ways and means for Income Generating Activities outside of the VHT to support the volunteers thus improve and increase volunteer involvement.

The presentation Sophia gave today was the same presentation she gave to an international conference on the VHT program and requirements for Income Generating Activities.

Great to see the wonderful work our YEX students like Sophia continue to do and their positive impact on the world.

Sophia was thanked by Eve

Minute People:

Valentina, our incoming YEX student, resplendent in a traditional Chilean dress, provided an update on her activities over the past week. She was wearing the customary dress to celebrate Chilean Independence Day/Week.

Chile has been independent from Spain since 1810.

Valentina enjoyed a wonderful weekend in Waterton Glacier Park for the Peace Park celebration where she hiked, had camp fires, and had her first experience with country music.

She has made a new friend at school who is from Brazil, her French is coming along well and she is looking forward to Cheer tryouts next week.

Lost and Found:

Someone left a denim jean jacket at the meeting last week. Contact Darryl Luhr if you are missing yours.



Our meeting.

Thank you to the members:

Darry sent a big thank you out to members for letting him know how many guests are coming each week so we can make sure there is enough food for all.

50/50

Din was the master of the 50/50 draw this week with \$422.50 up for grabs and only 40 cards left in the deck. Doug Kinley held the key ticket, passed the Rotary Four Way Test but sadly fell short of the final task drawing not the Joker but the 4 of diamonds. That leaves an increasing pot and 39 cards for next week's challenger.

Happy Buck\$

Fran was happy to see Valentina in her beautiful dress and celebrating Chilean Independence. She was also happy to have Sophia with us and proud of her accomplishments. Finally, Fran's mother will celebrate her 97th birthday and is still going strong.

Sophia had a couple of happy bucks one to Valentina and Chilean Independence but I missed the other one.

Walter was glad to be back at the club and announced his Flames tickets are up for sale if anyone is interested.

Jim Coyle was happy to drive Valentina around

Martin very happy that Liz has put up with him for 52 years.

Lynda happy to be back from vacation

Eve was proud of Sophia's work and presentation and she also enjoyed the bird watching and walk organized by Joe and his spouse Carole.

President Brad was pleased to have attended the initial meeting of a new Calgary Rotary Club "Calgary Connect"

Sheriff – Doug Kinley

Sheriff Doug was quick and efficient and carried no grudge for not winning the 50/50.

Our notorious back table was fined for being too raucous during the meeting and in true fashion managed to argue the fine up to \$2.

Anyone who had not volunteered at the Calgary Food Bank in the past month was fined

Doug commented on Valentina's wonderful dress and celebrating Chilean Independence and then fined every member who were not wearing a dress.

President Brad wrapped up the meeting with a quote from Babe Ruth.

"It's hard to be a person who never gives up."

Have a great week in Rotary



Position	Assigned Member
September 27, 2019	
Greeter	Kinley, Doug
Door Sales	Khanna, Surinder
50 50 Sales	Harding, Peter
Grace and Sunshine report	Knox, Matthew
Introduce and thank Speaker	Tyminski, Sheila
Standard Reporter	Leigh, Peter
October 4, 2019	
Greeter	MacDonald, Doug
Door sales	McArthur, Don
50/50	Mihailedes, Christine
Grace and Sunshine report	Murphy, Ginny
Introduce and Thank Speaker	Luhr, Darryl
Standard reporter	Noble, Velma
October 11, 2019	
Greeter	Olutuyi, Ola
Door Sales	Paivalainen, Aliisa
50 50 Sales	Paul, Asha
Grace Sunshine Report	Paul, Raju
Introduce and thank Speaker	
Standard Reporter	Powell, Jamie

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The Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park Announcements

Sept 27	Melanie Brody—AHS Aging in place
Oct 4	Kaitlyn McLaughlin & Mike Colborne— Inclusion AB
Oct 11	Club Assembly
Oct 18	Kathy Le—Her wedding and cultural story
Oct 25	Club election nominations
Nov 1	DG Dave Leslie

