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***Sydney-Riverview Y Service Club***

***Bulletin January 15th, 2024***

***“To acknowledge the duty that accompanies every right.”***

***“The Club That Made Y’s Men International”***

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***Great first meeting of the New Year! There were 17 in attendance and all enjoyed a ham dinner prepared by Y’s Todd. Y’s Laurie offered the blessing and fines were handled by Y’s Starvin’ Steve.***

***Y’s Bucky is in hospital, but is doing well and should be out very soon. We look forward to having him back at club!***

***Y’s Liam’s new job will prevent him from attending club, so Y’s Sandy suggested he take a leave of absence. He intends to return once things are stabilized at work.***

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***This Week***

***Meal – Y’s Laurie***

***Blessing – Y’s Bucky***

***Fines – Y’s Todd***

***Clean Up – Y’s Sandy/Y’s AJ***

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***The dishwasher committee reported that Y’s David K did a great job of cleaning the machine and it worked very well following our Christmas party. The temperature gauge needs to be repaired/replaced and hopefully this will be done sooner than later.***

***It was reported that the building was recently left wide open with lights and heat on and a bag of salt blocking the door. This type of unacceptable usage will not be tolerated. Those involved will be denied future use of the hall. We will be taking a look at charges for using the centre, since it appears that our rates are low in comparison with other venues.***

***Reflective posts to show limits for snow plowing will be purchased to avoid putting snow on a neighbour’s property.***

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***The Christmas party was a great success again this year. All agreed that having more children present would be great, so we’ll look at how those numbers can be increased. (nephews, nieces, children/grandchildren of good friends of the club etc.) Thanks to all who helped make the event so special! We raised over $900 for Loaves and Fishes and $300 for Christmas Cheer!***

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***Our annual sale of Christmas Trees went very well. There were 6 trees left over. (Surprisingly they didn’t go at the Boxing Day Sale!) We will have a profit in excess of $2000.00, so thanks to Y’s Moe and everyone else who helped out with this longstanding project.***

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***Y’s Laurie presented a financial report on this year’s project. Spending was elevated this year due to the fact that we took on additional families and prices were higher. We provided joy at Christmas for close to 200 children and their families, and that makes it all worthwhile. We ran a small deficit, which led to a broader discussion about how we can protect this vital project for years to come. Y’s Laurie presented a notice of motion regarding use of Christmas Cheer funds. A committee will take a look at what needs to be done to solidify and stabilize funding as we look to the next 100 years for this wonderful project.***

***Have you ever just looked at someone and knew that the wheel was turning, but the hamster was dead?***

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***Next week we will have guest speakers Jennifer MacDonald and Irene Grezel who will speak on a project called “Connect”, which they propose to offer to area parents. The program provides a methodology for dealing with children who have serious, disruptive behavioral issues in the home. The program has been in place in BC and a few other locations for a while now and has seen some positive results. We look forward to learning about it so we can make an informed decision on funding.***

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***My New Year’s resolution was to going to be to quit all my bad habits. Then I realized no one likes a quitter.***