



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

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**May 2018
Theme: Incoming Officers**

**Program Chair:
Asit Sarkar**

Date	Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Sgt-at-Arms	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
May 15	Boris Kishchuk	Larry Neely	Bryan Tastad	Ed Pek	Leanne May <i>Child care at Saskatoon Open Door Society</i>	TBA	TBA
May 22	Asit Sarkar	Candace Odishaw	Bryan Tastad	Jack Scott	Rob Norris <i>International Election Observer</i>	TBA	TBA
May 29	Jack Shiffman	Bill Sinnett	Bryan Tastad	Paulina Cholango Martinez	<i>Visit to Oskayak School</i>	TBA	TBA

Announcements

- Message from Dorothy Hudson:
Hello everyone,
Ran into a number of you and your partners at Jeanne's funeral and people expressed an interest in getting together for a social event. Perhaps we could invite Marion Mills and others. I looked at a 2 different restaurants and this is what I found out. We could use the party rooms at Manos and the Station. Manos wants a \$100 deposit. It would be refunded if we had 20 people. The Station party room is free but it is up a winding staircase and is not wheelchair accessible. They do have another area that just might work for us. The other option might be a beer and pizza night at Bill and Dorothy's. I was thinking of maybe Thursday or Friday night May 24th or 25th. Let me know if you are interested and how many of you might be bringing. In order to get a room, we should make reservations soon so could you let me know by this Wednesday by 5PM. (email Dorothy at [mailto:Dorothy.Hudson\[dhudson1@shaw.ca\]](mailto:Dorothy.Hudson[dhudson1@shaw.ca])).
- Peggy Clark has tickets for the Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin's annual Lobsterfest, to be held on June 2. Tickets are \$75, which includes a \$45 charitable donation for which you get a receipt. Lobsterfest is a fundraising opportunity, as our club gets to keep the \$45 charitable portion from every ticket our members sell. The Meewasin club also needs help with staffing the event. Shifts are only 45 minutes long and will include things like cooking and serving steak and lobster and selling tickets. If we help at Lobsterfest, Meewasin members will be sure to help at RibFest.
- So that the meeting doesn't go too long, we are serving the meal at 11:45 a.m. If you have thoughts about this or other means to shorten the meeting time, please pass them on to Walt or another board member.
- The district conference will be held in Regina May 24-27.
- We will visit Oskayak School for our May 29 meeting.
- Candace Odishaw prepared the duty roster for January to the end of June which is attached to this newsletter. Please arrange a substitute if you are unable to make your shift.
- Program coordinators for the balance of the year are:
May - Asit Sarkar

This Week's Program Highlights

Program - Citizenship Ceremony



Bryan Harvey conducted the Citizenship Ceremony for new Canadians. The text of Bryan's remarks are printed below. Follow this link to see the StarPhoenix article on the ceremony: <http://thestarphoenix.com/news/local-news/saskatoon-welcomes-new-canadian-citizens>

Presiding Official, Dr. Bryan Harvey:

Welcome to your citizenship ceremony. Today we are meeting on territory that belongs to Treaty 6, the agreement concluded in 1876 between the Canadian Crown and the Cree peoples that allows us to share the lands and their resources.

The histories of Indigenous peoples in Canada are rich and diverse. They stretch back thousands of years before the arrival of European in Canada. The stories of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples are essentially the story of Canada itself and they will continue to play important roles in Canada's development and future.

Candidates for citizenship, I am happy that you have chosen to become citizens of this wonderful country and it is a privilege for me to be here with you today. This is a proud moment for all of you. It is a memory you and your family will always cherish.

You are following in the footsteps of generations of great Canadians before you. Many have made outstanding contributions to their adopted country.

Like you I was not born in Canada. When my parents brought me here I was not very pleased with them. I missed my friends, I missed my family and I missed my culture. The first few years were hard in this strange environment. Thank goodness my parents made this decision however, I would never have had the opportunities I have had in my life if we had not come to Canada and I am extremely grateful.

Many of you have travelled far and struggled to make a new home in Canada. Your decision meant adapting to a new culture, a new climate, and for most of you, a new language.

You are joining the Canadian story, one that you are now quite familiar with after studying *Discover Canada* and passing your citizenship test.

You have learned about Canadian symbols like the Crown, the flag, the coat of arms, and our motto, "From Sea to Sea."

Being a Canadian means a lot more than simply having a piece of paper. It means sharing a common set of Canadian values; having rights and responsibilities, such as being a full member of the Canadian family and the responsibility to obey Canada's laws.

As a Canadian citizen, you live in a democratic country where individual rights and freedoms are respected. Thousands of brave Canadians have fought and died for these rights and freedoms. The commitment to Canada of our men and women in uniform should never be forgotten or go unrecognized.

As a Canadian you have the right to vote and to run as a candidate in municipal, provincial and federal elections. It is your responsibility to find out about the issues in each election, to make your choice and to cast your vote.

You are free to live and work in any province or territory. Take responsibility for yourself and your family. Get involved in your community by becoming a volunteer. These are responsibilities we all share and must act upon.

Our history is now your history. Our laws are your laws. Our identity is your identity. Our responsibility to be a good and faithful citizen, loyal to Canada, is now your responsibility.

The future of Canada, our freedom, our democracy, our peaceful society, equality under the law, our prosperity – the future of all of these things now depends on you!

You are about to take the Oath of Citizenship. As you pronounce the words of the Oath, take them to heart; they are your commitment to do your best for Canada.

Asit Sarkar introduced our own Bob Devrome. You can see the full text of Bob's presentation at the end of this newsletter. Kim Horan thanked Bob for his presentation.

50/50 Draw - Lorne Braithwaite coordinated the draw. Bill Sinnett won the pot of \$22.

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