



Rotary



October 8, 2019

Editor: Bryan Tastad

October 2019 Theme: Economic & Community Development

Program Chair: Betty Ann Arscott

Date	Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Oct 15	Jack Scott	Bill Sinnett	Bryan Tastad	Bryan Tastad	Sandra Kary <i>Friendship Inn</i>	TBA	TBA
Oct 22	Norm Woodcock	Jim Blackburn	Bryan Tastad	Lorne Braithwaite	<i>Meeting at St. Frances Cree Bilingual School, 6 Bateman Cres.</i>	TBA	TBA
Oct 29	Grant Devine	Peggy Clark	Bryan Tastad	Betty Ann Arscott	Winston Blake & Jack Brodsky <i>Update on RAP Program</i>	TBA	TBA

November 2019 Theme: The Rotary Foundation

Program Chair: Jim Blackburn

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Nov 5	Bob Devrome	Kent Creelman	Bryan Tastad	Joe Dierker	Peter Stoicheff <i>U of S President</i>	Jim Blackburn	Michael Gramiak
Nov 12	Stan Garchinski	Jim Gillis	Bryan Tastad	Michael Gramiak	Carol Henry <i>U of S - The Ethiopia Project</i>	Jim Blackburn	Eileen Harvey
Nov 19	John Hanlin	Bryan Harvey	Bryan Tastad	Eileen Harvey	Asit Sarkar <i>Nutana Rotary Foundation</i>	Jim Blackburn	Norm Woodcock
Nov 26	Kim Horan	Dorothy Hudson	Bryan Tastad	Randy Kutcher	Nazeem Muhajarine <i>U of S - The Mozambique Project</i>	Asit Sarkar	Bryan Tastad

Announcements

- Meewasin Valley Authority's 40th anniversary gala will be held on October 22 at the Delta Bessborough. Tickets are \$125 and are available through the Meewasin website at <https://meewasin.com/>.
- Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre's 3rd annual Soup Cook Off and Bake Sale will be held on October 24 at the SIMFC Gym, 168 Wall Street. Tickets cost \$5. You may purchase tickets from Will Grant or may also sponsor tickets so that families in need can go.
- John Hanlin invited everyone to the upcoming Art Exhibition and Sale – *A Tribute to Alice Hanlin* - to be held Oct 25, (6-9 pm) and Oct 26, (1-4 pm) at McClure Place – 4025 Taylor Street East, Saskatoon. This will be a perfect opportunity to remember Alice, see her wonderful artworks and to purchase from over thirty original paintings being offered.
- Lorne Braithwaite announced that we will once again be staffing the Salvation Army Kettles. Signup sheets will be available at the meeting on October 15.
- President Candace asked club members to consider our possible participation in a new Dream Vacation Lottery fundraising project. The project, which is used by other Rotary clubs, involves

selling \$100 tickets that give the purchaser a a chance to win a monthly draw for a dream vacation. The potential revenue to the club is as high as \$33,000. Watch for more discussion about the proposal.

- Honorary member Lorne Richardson would appreciate calls and visits.
- It is our club's turn to lay the wreath at the Remembrance Day Ceremony. Candace is looking for a volunteer to perform this duty.
- President Candace has complimentary meal cards available for those who want to bring a prospective member to a meeting. Every member is asked to bring one prospect to a meeting in the next month.
- President Candace circulated new duty roster for July 1 - December 30, 2019. Please take note and find a replacement if you cannot be present.

This Week's Program Highlights

Chair - Lorne Braithwaite

Desk - Will Grant

O Canada and Rotary Grace - Betty Ann Arscott plus *Autumn Leaves*

4 Way Test Song - Betty Ann Arscott and Jim Gillis

Greeter - Norm Woodcock welcomed:

- Guest speaker Georges Charpentier

Program - **Georges Charpentier**



Betty Ann Arscott introduced Georges Charpentier.

While Georges holds and has held many positions in the Saskatoon music scene. he spoke to us on this day in his capacity as conductor of the Saskatoon Concert Band. We have three members associated with the Concert Band - Jack Shiffman, Betty Ann Arscott and Jim Gillis. Until he stepped down this year, Jack Shiffman was the band's longest continuing member, having started in 1971. Betty Ann has been a member since 1974! The band traces its history to 1947 when it was formed as a Royal Canadian Air Force Band under the direction of John Schoen. It survived through several different structures, including the RCAF 23 Wing Band, HMCS Unicorn Band and the Kinsmen Concert Band, until it was set up as a non-profit organization in 1982. John Schoen continued to be closely associated with the band until his death in 2017. A highlight of recent years was the purchase and remodeling of the band's own rehearsal building, which is also used by the Saskatoon Philharmonic. The Saskatoon Concert Band performs at many community events. It has commissioned new Canadian music, including by noted composer Howard Cable. There are two

bands - the Saskatoon Concert Band and the Saskatoon Auxiliary Band. Both are currently full, so the group is exploring ways to make room for new players. Another current challenge in Saskatoon is finding adequate performance space. Bryan Tastad expressed the club's thanks.

50:50 Draw - Kim Horan coordinated the 50:50 draw. Joe Dierker won the pot of \$25.

Cheer Captain - Jim Gillis led us through a process that exposed some of the weaknesses of our electoral system and also generated significant fines. Happy/Sad dollars included Norm Woodcock for his favorite football teams winning and for hearing his autistic grandson sing; Betty Ann Arscott for Georges' presentation, the Riders and the bad weather at High Level, AB; Bryan Harvey for travelling to the 1954 Grey Cup courtesy of the RCAF; Joe Dierker for grandchildren graduating from university and for Rotary's work for polio eradication; Will Grant for the Oilers starting 2-0; and Jim Gillis for the old days when the Saskatoon Concert Band rehearsed at 3rd Avenue United Church.

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