

# ROTATELLER

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*by Joy Adams Bauer*

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## **Next Meeting - July 20, 2009**

*by Kevin Wilson MPH*

**Join us on July 20th when our guest speaker will be Wilf Keller of Genome Prairie.**

## **Duty Roster**

*by Kevin Wilson MPH*

Duty Roster for Monday, July 20, 2009

Greeter - Will Arscott

Cashier - Craig Bender

Visitors and Guests - Scott Byers

Grace- Frank Garritty

Food cards - Dave Sundby

Please be at your posts no later than 11:45 a.m. **If you cannot fulfill your volunteer duties, please arrange for a fellow Rotarian to replace you.**

## **Meeting July 13, 2009**

*by Kevin Wilson MPH*

**President Bernie** opened proceedings and called on **Wayne McGillivray** to lead the singing of O Canada accompanied by **Kirk Fong** on piano. **Frank Garritty** gave Grace.

**Scott Byers** introduced our only guest, Dorothy Hudson who is President of the Rotary Club of Nutana.

### **Sergeant and Happy Dollars**

**Don Somers** conducted an unusual fines' session with a curiosity theme. He exacted fines from those who professed curiosity about the Roughriders, Clive, rental accommodation in Palm Springs, the sporting prowess of the Gryba family and the recent weather forecasts.

**Irv Bender** enjoyed his free lunch today and **Murray Scharf** is

looking forward to his free lunch next week.

## Program July 13, 2009

*by Kevin Wilson MPH*

### Ripple Effect Program in Guatemala

Gary Rusu introduced Dorothy Hudson who made a presentation on the "Ripple Effect Program in Guatemala." This is a major World Community Service program of District 5550 that involves 20 Canadian clubs and 14 Guatemalan clubs. The emphasis of the program is on improving educational opportunities in Guatemala. The work involves many things including building new schools, refurbishing old ones, paying teachers' salaries, and providing scholarships.

Dorothy went on to describe the situations in several centres she has visited. The first was in San Antonio and the second was El Paraiso-Palencia. Pictures of both locations supplemented her description. In closing, she indicated several prospective projects for which funding is being sought.

## Announcements

*by Kevin Wilson MPH*

- **Mark Byers** reminded members that the meeting of the WCS committee would be held at the Saskatoon Club at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15.
- **Wayne McGillivray** asked those interested in participating in the inter-club golf day to contact him ASAP.
- **President Bernie** announced that District Governor Nancy Morris would be visiting our Club on August 10.
- **Gary Kerr** wants people to reserve August 31 for a fellowship event. Gary is organizing a family night and is anxious to have us join with our newest members for a fun-filled event.

## Rotary Information

*by Joy Adams Bauer*

### Working as a family to meet Rotary's challenge

Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication is drawing broad support from the family of Rotary. The challenge is Rotary's response to the \$355 million in grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Rotary is committed to raising \$200 million in matching funds by 30 June 2012.

Around the world, Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Foundation alumni, and others raised about \$78.3 million in cash, District Designated Fund (DDF) allocations, and pledges in the 2008-09 Rotary year as of 15 May. Here is just a sample of their

efforts:

- Rotarians in more than 200 cities and villages in Switzerland sold packets of sunflower seeds on 13 September, National Day Against Child Paralysis, raising more than \$669,000 with support from the general public.
- A helicopter golf ball drop/raffle sponsored by District 6990 (Grand Bahama Island, Bahamas; part of Florida, USA) netted \$45,500.
- The Rotary Club of Washago and Area-Centennial, Ontario, Canada, chartered in 2005, is selling End Polio Now car magnets in a project aimed at raising C\$10,000 (about US\$9,000).
- Several districts in Japan and Korea have set the pace in contributing more than 20 percent of their DDF, led by District 2780 (Japan) with a donation of US\$200,000.
- Among contributions made by several Rotary Fellowships, the Rotarians' Wine Appreciation Fellowship raised \$15,000 by matching donations of \$100 from the first 75 contributors.
- Foundation alumni have contributed more than \$100,000, including \$6,200 received from the District 3450 Rotary Foundation Alumni Association (Hong Kong; Macau; Mongolia) through its India Night fundraiser.
- The Interact Club of San Mateo, California, USA, raised almost \$8,000 in an overnight campout and walk for PolioPlus that also featured a band, karaoke, movies, and other activities.
- The Rotaract Club of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, sponsored a Fashion Fights Polio show, raising more than US\$4,000.

"Now is our opportunity to capitalize on all these resources and get the job done," said 2008-09 Foundation Trustee Chair Jonathan Majiyagbe of the family of Rotary's role in helping to eradicate polio worldwide.

"We can't wait until the economic conditions improve to continue our fight. We must move ahead now," he added, urging the creation of "fundraisers that involve the whole community."

### **2009/2010 Club Executive**

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