

# ROTATELLER

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Meeting August 24, 2009

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**President Bernie** opened proceedings and **Kirk Fong** accompanied on piano for the singing of O Canada. **Frank Garritty** asked the blessing putting a bit of a local/seasonal twist on the Rotary Grace.

**Clive Cory** introduced our one guest - visiting Rotarian Nick Van Duyvendyk from Brampton, Ontario. Nick is brother to our own Arie.

Our Sergeant-at-arms for the day was **Kevin Wilson** who began by noting that all members were given a Sergeant's buck as they came into the meeting and each member should be ready to spend their gift. Kevin saluted **Stan Hodgins** for 50 years of Rotary membership. Over those 50 years Stan served in four different clubs in four different communities - Assiniboia, Regina, Saskatoon and Vancouver Island. Everyone at Stan's table happily paid a dollar. Kevin also noted that **Bill Edwards** has been a member of our club for 20 years and **Dave Sundby** for 10 years. Congratulations!

**Dave Sundby** and **Joy Adams Bauer** paid a dollar in recognition of their respective wedding anniversaries and **Peter Shiel**, **Steven Wilson** and **Irv Bender's** birthdays were recognized.

### Happy and Sad Dollars

**Peter Shiel** is happy that our two inbound exchange students have arrived safely in Saskatoon. He will bring Laura and Cesar to our gathering at the Forestry Farm next Monday. **Ian Wilson** is happy that his wife has successfully obtained a fellowship in obstetrical anesthesiology in Boston, but sad they will have to leave Saskatoon for a year next June. **Mark Gryba**, **Wayne McGillivray** and **Jim Weber** all threw in happy football dollars. Peter Whitenect is happy that he and Jan recently hosted guests from the Philippines. As the parent of small children, **Joanne Fisher** is happy that school starts soon!

Next Meeting - August 31, 2009

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Don't forget ... NO noon meeting on Monday, August 31st. Join us for a new member's celebration at the Forestry Farm.

Duty Roster

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Duty Roster for Monday, August 31 - 6:30 p.m. at the Forestry Farm

Greeter - Gary Kerr

Cashier - Clive Cory

Visitors and Guests - ??

Grace- Don Somers

Food cards - Clive Cory

Sergeant - Kevin Wilson

Please be at your posts no later than 6:00 p.m. If you cannot fulfill your volunteer duties, please arrange for a fellow Rotarian to replace you.

Program August 24, 2009

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**Jim Weber** gave an enlightening presentation about the Rotary Fellowship Program. Rotary Fellowships offer Rotarians the opportunity to make friends with others in Rotary who share a common vocation, hobby, or recreational interest. The nearly one hundred Rotary Fellowships encompass a variety of vocations and avocations, ranging from sports and hobbies to professional interests - all of which serve as a way to extend international fellowship, friendship, and service. In addition to offering members an opportunity to share their passion for a particular interest with like-minded Rotarians, many individual fellowship groups enable members to u

Rotary Fellowships began informally in 1928 when Rotarians with a shared interest in Esperanto joined together. In 1947, a group of Rotarian boating enthusiasts began flying the Rotary flag from their crafts, calling themselves the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians; this fellowship now boasts the longest continuous existence. The scope of Rotary Fellowships has changed much over the years, but today their common purpose is still to unite Rotarians in friendship and provide venues for enjoying their favorite recreational or professional activities.

Jim and his wife Kathy are members of the "travel and hosting" fellowship which allows fellow members to host one another for up to 3 days - you become an "unofficial bed and breakfast", says Jim. He and Kathy have hosted a couple from Australia, and have been hosted themselves in Connecticut and Mexico City.

The "home exchange" fellowship is another group that may be of interest to members. Rotarians in this fellowship offer up their homes to other

Rotarians looking for a place to stay when they are travelling.

You can find more information on the Rotary International website at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) (click on the "service and fellowship" tab).

Announcements

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### **Congratulations to our latest multiple Paul Harris Fellow!**

**Wayne Berney** proudly recognized **Jim Weber** and presented him with a Paul Harris pin for being an 8 time Paul Harris Fellow. Congratulations Jim!

Donors of US\$1,000 or more to the Annual Programs Fund, PolioPlus, or the Humanitarian Grants Program, or people who have that amount contributed in their name, are recognized as Paul Harris Fellows. Paul Harris is the founder of Rotary International.

### **Get your Sergeant's Bucks Now!**

**Dave Sundby** took the podium to remind members about a super easy way to pay fines, get a tax credit and contribute to your \$100 "Every Rotarian Every Year" commitment to the Rotary International Foundation. All you have to do is buy some sergeant's bucks from either Dave or treasurer **Joanne Fisher**. Track them down at a meeting, give them some of your hard earned cash, and you'll get a stack of sergeant's bucks in return. Each buck costs \$1 - hey, that makes sense!

### **Rotary Friendship Exchange to the Philippines**

Interested Rotarians are invited to apply for a Rotary Friendship Exchange to District 3800 in the Philippines. The deadline to apply is September 11, 2009.

The call for applications and the official application form are on the District website. Further information is available from **Kevin Wilson**, District Chair of RFE. at [kevin.wilson@usask.ca](mailto:kevin.wilson@usask.ca).

This Exchange promises to be an excellent opportunity to be hosted by the friendly and hospitable Rotarians of the Philippines.

### **New Member Biographies**

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As noted in a previous Rotateller, District Governor Nancy Davis inducted three new members to our club! WELCOME!

- Norma Denis has been in the business industry for over 25 years operating in various capacities from a small business owner to being Chief Financial Officer of a large charitable corporation that operated several entities from farming, retirement facilities, and the development of a large mission in Kenya. In 2000 Norma was

appointed as Chairman of the Board for the Catholic Religious of Canada self-insurance retention Program. She served on that board until March of 2005.

Currently Norma is employed with Manulife Bank of Canada as a Banking Consultant assisting individuals with their unique cash flow needs.

Norma is married to Ron Denis, and together they are the proud parents of 4 young men, Robert, Bernard, Patrick and Jason.

Norma loves sports of all kinds; particularly this year her youngest son's team winning the Provincial Bantam Baseball championship, and watching the World's men softball championships at Bob Van Impe Field. It is not uncommon to find her watching a ball game on TV, having the radio going with the Roughriders playing and talking to her son about different basketball defense strategies.

She is very grateful to be part of the Rotary movement worldwide as what has attracted her to the organization is the ability to reach beyond ourselves and help others who need it most.

- Gordon McKenzie or "Gord" as he prefers to be called was born in Mossbank, completed his high school in Moose Jaw and graduated from the University of Saskatchewan with a law degree in 1977. He practiced law in Saskatoon until 2000 when he was appointed to the Board of the Refugee Protection Division of the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. Following his seven year mandate with the Board he returned to private practice in Saskatoon with the law firm of MacDermid Lamarsh.

Gord has three children. He is an avid reader and enjoys spending time at the Panorama Mountain Resort near Invermere, B.C. where he hikes, plays tennis, swims and rollerblades in the summer and down hill skis in the winter.

Gord is a past volunteer with the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan and is a former member of the Saskatoon Kinsmen Club. He is particularly interested in Rotary's work in providing international assistance throughout the world because of the knowledge he acquired of country conditions in the majority of countries in the world through his work with the Refugee Protection Division of the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada.

- Arlene Julé has been a resident of the Humboldt/Saskatoon area all her life. She takes great pride in announcing that she has mothered six children and enjoys spending as much time as is possible with her 10 fabulous grandchildren. Arlene has an entrepreneurial, service-oriented, caring spirit, fashioned during her formative years through her family's service station/ restaurant business.

Arlene has been co-owner/ operator of a successful mixed farming

operation during which time she raised her children and worked for 10 years with special needs children at a school in Bruno. She entered the provincial political realm in 1995, successfully running as a candidate in the Humboldt constituency and served the people of Saskatchewan for 8 years as an MLA. During this time, Arlene became a strong advocate for abused children, speaking publicly to raise awareness of the need to end sexual exploitation of children on the streets of Saskatchewan. Her efforts resulted in stronger legislation and assistance for affected families in their healing process.

Upon retiring from politics, Arlene opened a "Bed & Breakfast" business in Humboldt. She is also a world traveller, revelling in the opportunity to immerse herself in other cultures and customs. For the past 3 years Arlene has travelled to Tanzania, Africa working as a volunteer in the Ussongo Health Centre. She is a professionally trained "doula" and assists expectant Mothers at the health centre with the labour and birthing of their babies. Arlene also engages in fundraising efforts aimed at making necessary improvements to the health centre in Ussongo.

Rotary International Conference  
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Mark your calendars now for the international convention in Montreal - June 20th to June 23, 2010 when Canada hosts the Rotary world at our International Convention in Montreal. We will be celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Canada in 2010. With your help we will host the best convention ever held in Canada or anywhere in the Rotary world!

As you may know, there is an excellent You Tube video with RI President John Kenny inviting all Rotarians to the convention and showing the highlights of Montreal. Check it out at: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=nJT-a8R3oUg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nJT-a8R3oUg).

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