## ROTATELLER

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## Meeting May 10, 2010

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President Bernie welcomed all and opened the meeting with O Canada led by Wayne McGillivary. Our guests included Gerry Williams from Thunder Bay, Ontario (Rotarian) and Al Anderson (Guest) Both were warmly welcomed with a boisterous rendition our Hello song after Wayne declared "Let's do it up right". Joy Adams Bauer shared a Dakota First Nation Prayer as Grace.

Thank you to all those who ably handled today's duties.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Steve Wilson. Fines were handed out to those people who used umbrellas to come to the meeting, to those who have already cut or rotatilled in their yard, to those who have not been to the symphony in the last 5 years, and to those who did not purchase their Mother's Day gifts until the morning of Mother's Day.

We had happy and sad dollars for the following: for gluten free desserts, for the Rotateller, and in Memory of Bert Jamison whose funeral will be held at the Knox United Church on Thursday.

For the lunch draw - Merv Bender sold himself the winning ticket - Rotarians around the room cried foul!

Bill Johnson on behalf of the membership committee indicated that there were some presentations planned but due to illness, they will have to be postponed to another meeting. Let the membership committee know if you have anyone in mind to be a potential member.

# Next Meeting - May 17, 2010 by Ian Smith

The next regular meeting will be at the Delta Bessborough on Monday, May 17, 2010. Tim Leclair - CEO, SREDA.

## Duty Roster May 17, 2010

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Duty Roster for Monday, May 17, 2010 at the Delta Bessborough.

Greeter - Craig Bender Visitors & Guests - Will Arscott Cashier - John Davies Grace - Frank Garrity Sergeant-at-Arms - Steve Wilson Food Cards - Clive Cory

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

## Program May 10, 2010

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Al Anderson, Citizen of the Year, took our club on a wonderful journey of what amazing opportunities are open to Saskatoon. His enthusiasm and vision were awe-inspiring. I have no doubt that my written version will fall far short of the wonderful oral version, but here goes:

Start by considering Saskatoon's new bridge that will soon be under construction - think of this as the way to a new investment and opportunity in Saskatoon through the new Bypass/Bridge and the future development of our City.

Fast forward a few year, the Bridge and the Bypass are now a reality. As a tourist drives to the outskirts of our City, he sees a sign for the "Four Seasons Resort" on "Four Seasons Road" - they drive for another minute and see another sign, "Four Seasons Park - Where the World comes to Play". The tourist takes Exit 27 and what do they find: a Top 10 Public Golf Course, a Top 10 Football Bowl, the best international softball parks, 10 community baseball and softball diamonds, a sign that reads "coming soon - baseball facility", they see parking galore, they see a world class Track and Field facility capable of hosting international events, they see 3 community hockey rinks, they see another sign to "Valley Road" which would lead them to 3 more golf course and orchid and fruit farms and other goodies galore.

We have it all here in Saskatoon.

Looking the other way, they can see the new Shaw Pool - one of the finest pools in Canada capable of hosting the finest athletes in the World for swimming events where world records can be shattered in the stainless steel pool.

In the winter, there are cross-country skiing trails all over the place and a greened landfill which created one of the finest tobogganing facilities in the world.

You see all this by exiting the highway at Exit 27. Not far from here is the River Landing - you can take Four Seasons Road down to River Landing and look at the amazing

development.

In relation to Holiday Park and the Gordie Howe Bowl. We can expect a \$30 Million expansion which will bring artificial turf, a track, new bleachers, new public washrooms, new concessions, and a new press section. This will be a great facility for football and high school students from North Battleford and Prince Albert will travel to play at this facility.

This will be one of the finest sports parks in the country. A story of rags to riches - the opportunity is there. A true spectacle to host national, international and world events such as the Olympic Trials. This is an opportunity to build on the reputation that Canada developed at the Olympics.

This can become a reality.

#### **Announcements**

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LobsterFest will be held on June 5th at the SaskTel Soccer Centre.

On June 14th, there will be a dinner to honour President Bernie at the Ivy. Tickets are \$25. Talk to Clive Cory or Gary Kerr about tickets. For those who don't know, the Ivy is the "Old Keg".

Dave presented the Bottles of Wine for the Rotary Golf Pool. Will Arscott chose red wine leaving Bill Edwards to take the white.

Minutes of Board Meetings can be provided upon request if you are interested.

Bert Jamison's funeral will be held next Thursday at Knox United Church.

Please be aware that the June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at the Saskatoon Club.

#### 2009/2010 Club Executive

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