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by Joy Adams Bauer

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Meeting, October 4, 2010 by Joy Adams Bauer

President Wayne opened the meeting with the singing of O'Canada accompanied by **Kirk Fong** on piano. **John Davies** gave Grace giving thanks for the harvest.

Scott Byers introduced the following visiting Rotarians and guests:

- Wayne Claypool visiting from the Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin.
- Paul? from the Rotary Club of Penticton
- Kent Smith-Windsor our guest speaker
- Bob Leslie former President of the Rotary Club of Whitecourt Alberta, and now retired to Turtle Lake
- Kevin Doell guest of the club
- Sarah Leslie new member of our club to be inducted today

Induction of new member

Jim Weber was called forward to introduce our newest member, **Sarah Leslie**. Sarah has been involved with Rotary for over 10 years. Her involvement started with her father, Bob Leslie, who has been an active Rotarian and past president of the Rotary Club of Whitecourt Alberta. Sarah was often her father's date at Rotary functions and was always a willing volunteer for the club's initiatives.

When she was 17, Sarah was a Rotary exchange student and spent a year in Denmark. This year abroad had a significant impact on her life, and helped to shape her future education and career choices. When Sarah returned to Canada she joined Rotex, the Rotary group for former Rotary exchange students. She began her degree in International Political Science at the University of Alberta. After her freshman year, she transferred to the University of Calgary to continue her studies. There, Sarah was the co-founder and Vice-President of the Rotaract Club of the U of C, which boasted well over 100 members!

Upon graduation Sarah joined a Canadian/Iraqi oil firm based in Calgary. She was re-located to Dubai, UAE to set up the Middle Eastern Regional Headquarters. She spent two years in the Middle East, facilitating a large-scale oilfield development project for the Iraqi Ministry of Oil.

Sarah decided to return to Canada and relocate to Saskatoon to be close to her parents. She is currently the Director of Communications & Marketing at March Consulting Associates, a 120 person Engineering, Project and Construction Management company in down town Saskatoon. She is recently engaged to Tyler and is planning a wedding next year. Becoming a Rotarian has been a lifelong goal of Sarah's and she is absolutely thrilled to be so warmly welcomed into the Rotary Club of Saskatoon. Sarah ... we are very happy to welcome you to our club and look forward to getting to know you!

Scott Byers, membership Director, and Sarah's father Bob were called to the stage to induct Sarah. Her father presented her with her Rotary pin and Scott provided her with her membership plaque and new member kit. She was enthusiastically welcomed by all members.

Sergeant at Arms

Murray Scharf began his session by telling any members who had not yet paid their dues to "pay up now!" (Editorial comment - dues are due July 1st. Any Rotarians who have still not paid 2 months later need to hang their heads in shame. What in the sam hill is your problem?")

Murray spent his session reminding folks about a number of announcements as noted in the last edition of this bulletin and exhorted members to buy sergeant bucks in order to support the Foundation, get in your happy dollars and get an income tax receipt to boot!

Happy Dollars

- Joy Adams Bauer gave \$5 for our new member Sarah Leslie. Welcome!!
- Mark Gryba gave his usual football happy dollars -- did he mention that BJM remains undefeated as the Saskatoon high school football champions!
- Jim Weber enthusiastically provided the highlights of the recent Husky win.
- John Davies offered \$5 for his safe return from 3.5 week trip to Europe.
- Jack Brodsky offered some happy dollars for the Blades.
- **Hugh Arscott** is happy there is now an Arscott Street in Saskatoon named after his father.
- **President Wayne** offered a happy buck for the Roughrider's weekend win. "We will be in the Grey Cup this year!"

Kirk Fong won the free lunch!

Next Meeting - October 18, 2010 by Joy Adams Bauer

Join us on Monday, October 18th at the Delta Bessborough Hotel for a club assembly when we will enjoy a vocational talk or two.

Duty Roster October 2010 by Joy Adams Bauer

Duty Roster for October 18, 2010 Greeter - Gordon McKenzie Visitors & Guests - Elaine Zakreski Cashier - Craig Bender Grace - Peter Zakreski Food Cards - Joanne Fisher Sergeant-at-Arms - Murray Scharf

Duty Roster for October 25, 2010

Greeter -Visitors & Guests -Cashier -Grace -Food Cards - Joanne Fisher Sergeant-at-Arms - Murray Scharf

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.

Program October 4, 2010 by Joy Adams Bauer

State of the Chamber of Commerce

Gary Rusu introduced Chamber Executive Director Kent Smith-Windsor who provided his usual very interesting and well spoken overview. "Creating a city of opportunity" is the Chamber's slogan. Kent has been running the Chamber since 1996.

"You've got to be the best you can be," is Kent's primary message. The role of the Chamber is to ensure a business climate in Saskatoon that allows us to compete on a global stage in the areas in which we can be the best (biotechnology, agricultural manufacturing, agriculture, natural resources).

"We have an amazing century in front of us. Saskatoon is presently the best place on the planet to pursue a career opportunity."

We have one of the best financed cities in Canada. We are globally competitive. It's not a coincidence that Standard & Poors has given Saskatoon a AAA credit rating for most of Kent's career.

Kent ended his presentation with a challenge to Rotarians. Make sure, when you travel and visit with other Rotarians, and other people, to talk about the merits of a trading nation. These merits have helped to raise millions of people out of poverty.

Programma de Becas

For those of you who have not yet viewed the Programma de Becas power point presentation presented last week by **Pat Flaten**, check it out online at http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5550/1013/HTML/105481/ProgrammaDeBecas.ppt

Announcements

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• Wayne Claypool from the Rotary Club of Meewasin attended our meeting to remind members about Meewasin's "Black and White Dinner" being held at TCU Place on Friday, October 22nd. This is always a very fun evening which includes a gourmet meal

and a live and silent auction. The cost is \$65 with a \$20 tax receipt. 6:00 p.m. cocktails and 7:00 p.m. supper (which includes a bottle of red wine and of white wine on each table). Corporate tables are also available.

- **Bruce Bays** gave a report on our dear Harold Baker. Harold continues to recuperate from his heart attack of two years ago. He has little energy and a small appetite, but remains in good spirits. He takes short, occasional walks around his neighbourhood. Bruce referred to Harold as a "model Rotarian" and one of the finest men he has ever met. Your trusty editor can attest to that fact. Harold was my professor during my grad studies and he sponsored me for membership in Rotary. Harold -- we miss your hugs and your kind and gentle personality. Please know that the thoughts of all of us are with you.
- Will Arscott asked that we inform the club about an important meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 5th, 2010 at 5:00 PM in the Jubilee Ford boardroom. Two items need to be dealt with:

(1) Establish a Foundation Committee (chairperson?) - may need a committee to manage our part of the joint Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon commitment to the Polio Plus project.

(2) Discuss arrangements required for the Foundation Dinner scheduled for Monday, November 22nd at Boffins.

Any help that our fellow Rotarians can offer would be greatly appreciated. Please come out to the meeting if you can. If you can't make the meeting but would like to help please contact Will Arscott at 665-8111.

• Joanne Fisher reminded us about the food cards she brings to every meeting. This is a very easy way to raise \$ for our club. If you buy your groceries at Safeway, Sobey's or the Co-op, please see Joanne before you head to the store. She will happily sell you a gift card which you can pay for with cash, cheque or credit card. She will even take a year's worth of post-dated cheques.

How about giving gift cards to your employees as a Christmas gift? Now there's an idea! See Joanne now and help your Rotary club raise funds!

- **Peter Shiel** asked if any members come from the west end of the city to our meeting? If you do, one of our exchange students is attending Bethlehem High School and Peter would appreciate a volunteer who can swing by the school on their way to club to pick up the student and then take him back to school.
- Will Arscott asked members who will qualify for a Paul Harris to notify him before the end of October so that all the documentation can be completed.

2010/2011 Club Executive

by Joy Adams Bauer

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