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## Rotary Club of Saskatoon

### eBulletin

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#### Future Speakers

**Jan 31 2011**

**Arlene Jule**

"Ussongo Project"

**Feb 7 2011**

**Peter Shiel**

"Working with People at Risk"

**Feb 14 2011**

**Murray Scharf & Mike LeClaire**

"The New RRAP - Rotary Restorative Action Program"

**Feb 21 2011**

**NO MEETING**

"Family Day"

**Feb 28 2011**

**Clare Heagy**

"Club Assembly"

**Mar 7 2011**

**Leo Velasco**

"Rotary Exchange Student from Brazil"

**Mar 14 2011**

**Ronn Lepage**

"Vereco Home"

**Apr 4 2011**

**Julia Ohcankammen**

"Rotary Exchange Student from Finland"

**Apr 25 2011**

**EASTER MONDAY**

"NO MEETING"

#### Upcoming Events

**Share the Love for the Children of Ussongo-Africa**

Feb 6 2011 - Feb 6 2011

#### News

**ANOTHER NEW QUOTE - Words of Wisdom?**

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## ROTATELLER

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### Chartered #332 in the Rotary World

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### Next Meeting, January 24, 2011

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**Join us at the Delta Bessborough at noon on Monday, January 31st for a club assembly and vocational talks by some of our newer members.**

### Meeting January 24, 2011

by Steve Wilson SPH

**President Wayne** opened the meeting with the singing of O'Canada accompanied by **Kirk Fong** on the piano. **Al Morton** said grace.

### Visitors and Guests

**Sarah Leslie** introduced the following visitors and guests:

- Craig Fisher - husband of **Joanne Fisher**
- Les Ferguson - Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin
- Kathy Messier - Rotary Club of Saskatoon North
- Leo - our exchange student from Brazil
- Al Scholz - our guest speaker

### Duty Roster January 2011

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#### Duty Roster for Jan 31, 2011

Greeter: Vic Savoie

Visitors & Guests: Scott Byers

Cashier: Gary Rusu

Grace: Don Somers

Food Cards: Joanne Fisher

Sergeant-at-Arms: Mark Gryba

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 - January 24, 2011

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by *Steve Wilson SPH*

## Farming in the former Soviet Union

**Bernie Sonntag** introduced our guest speaker, Al Scholz. He is from Churchbridge and obtained his Bachelor's degrees in Agriculture and Education. Later he obtained his Masters degree in Environmental Management.

Al spent 5 months in Kazakhstan, last May 1st to the end of September.

Large corporate farms are the trend in Kazakhstan. Their latitude and climate are very much the same as ours. Their tilled acreage is similar to all of Western Canada combined; however their farming practices are considerably less efficient and backwards. The large farms, 50,000 to 500,000 hectares account for 85 % of the grain production and peasant farms only 15 % but the bulk of the livestock is produced in small 'backyard' lots.

The fields are very large and the topsoil is deep (30 inches) compared to our own (12-18) but they till it in such a way that they lose a lot in the wind, similar to our dirty thirties.

The diet is poor because fresh vegetables are not abundant. They eat rice, potatoes, and buckwheat primarily.

Health is poor in men because of binge drinking and smoking.

Many standards have actually dropped since the collapse of the Soviet Union. They can't manage the highs and lows of the weather. Their economy is boom or bust, bust being when they have drought (which is 2 out of every 5 years).

## Announcements

by *Joy Adams Bauer*

### Calling all Rotarians - you are invited to GOODWILL 2011

Goodwill is a weekend celebrating the fellowship of Rotary and all that Rotarians do for communities internationally. It will take place in Winnipeg , **Manitoba on February 18th and 19th 2011** . This celebration coincides with the founding of Rotary International - the building block of International Goodwill. This will be the 86th annual Goodwill Meeting. The history of Rotary explains that on July 24, 1924 a Rotarian International Day took place for the first time. At this meeting, Arthur Johnston of the Winnipeg Club was present, and for the first time the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack were placed side by side. This was the foundation of fellowship across the nations. The first International Goodwill Meeting was held on February 23, 1924 in Winnipeg and was represented by 11 American Clubs and 7 Canadian Clubs. Since those first meetings both Rotary and International Goodwill have continued to grow.

#### **You can be there!**

Begin your Goodwill Meeting celebration at the Fort Garry Hotel in

historic downtown Winnipeg - the same venue it has been for a number of years. The event is more than just a gathering of clubs, but a joining of nations and their peoples who are still interested in their communities and their world. The Saturday afternoon information sessions that will include a variety of topics from fundraising, emake-ups, the Highway 75 corridor and CanPort (the duty free area around the Winnipeg International Airport) and other items that are relevant to US/Canada relationships and Rotary. Look forward to curling on Friday, and as an alternate to those who don't or can't curl there will be both Bridge and Cribbage Tournaments at the Heather Curling Club. A special roast beef luncheon will be available for all. Save the date, Rotarians! All will have fun! Those of you who have been to the International Goodwill Meeting in the past, share your stories with other Rotarians and friends. Enjoy this informative, exciting weekend renewing old acquaintances and making new friends across the border.

For more information, contact Bernie Sonntag.

### **2010/2011 Club Executive**

*by Joy Adams Bauer*

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