

# Rotary Club of Saskatoon eBulletin

Friday, February 18, 2011



**Editor:** Joy Adams Bauer If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

## **Future Speakers**

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"

May 2 2011

Johnathan Berg

"Rotary Exchange Student from Germany"

#### News

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## **ROTATELLER**

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## Next Meeting, February 28, 2011

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Join us at the Delta Bessborough at noon on Monday, February 28th for a club assembly. We do not have a meeting on February 21st due to the Family Day statutory holiday.

## Meeting February 14, 2011

by Joy Adams Bauer

**President-Elect Dave Sundby** chaired the meeting. **President Wayne** has a bad cold and not much of a voice so we were on our own for the singing of O'Canada. **Bruce Bays** said grace, with his remarks focusing on relationships.

#### **Visitors and Guests**

**Gary Rusu** introduced the following visitors and guests:

- Paul Varga Rotary Club of Penticton
- Leo Velasco- our exchange student from Brazil
- John Schmidt guest of Gary Rusu

They were "serenaded" by a pretty lame version of our Hello Song, until **Gary Rusu** did his best to step up the tempo to double-time. (Almost as good as playing the spoons, Gary)!

#### Sergeant At Arms

**Tim Cholowski** began by contributing a happy dollar because **Mike LeClaire** mentioned Jubilee Ford in his presentation about our Restorative Action Program (the club's community service committee holds its meetings in the Jubilee Ford boardroom). He then fined **Murray Scharf** for some "colourful language" during his part of the RAP presentation. **Paul Varga** was asked to cough up a dollar due to the "Ed Pek Rule" (a rule coined on the spot by Tim) which states that any visiting Rotarian who has attended more than three of our meetings in a row should pay a fine. **Bruce Bays** was fined for mentioning the importance of compromise in our relationships - "you are preaching to the choir", stated the Sergeant.

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Tim fined everyone in attendance a dollar for our less than stellar singing of our national anthem - something that our exchange student **Leo** noted. Personally, your editor thought we did a pretty fair rendition - perhaps Leo can serenade us with the Brazilian national anthem at our next meeting?

## **Happy and Sad Dollars**

- **Bruce Bays** is happy to have been married for over 60 years the secret to a long and happy marriage is compromise.
- **Joy Adams Bauer** is happy to be back at club after her recent accident. She is using one crutch and has lots of physiotherapy ahead. She hopes to be dancing a jig in another month or so.
- Murray Scharf is a tad worried that his daughter received a car for valentines. Now the pressure is on him to ensure Margery feels suitably loved.
- **Dave Sundby** happily celebrated the Huskies recent Western Canada Championship the first time ever for the women's team. And the men's team did very well too!
- **Jack Brodsky** contributed \$10 sad because he forgot he was the greeter at today's meeting and arrived in time to greet only himself. He also contributed \$11 happy for the 11 game winning streak currently enjoyed by the Saskatoon Blades!
- **Paul Varga** opened his wallet and contributed \$5 because up until today he has avoided any fines during his time with us as a visiting Rotarian.
- **Clare Heagy** offered up a happy dollar because Joy is back and wearing some rather mesmerizing running shoes.
- President Wayne is happy that Dave Sundby chaired today's meeting and also for the performance of the Husky hockey team.
- **Jim Weber** contributed a couple of bucks in celebration of the Husky women's basketball team and their recent high scoring game.
- Kathy Weber is happy to the tune of \$5 because since joining our club she has enjoyed a free ride as far as being fined by the Sergeant.

Mike LeClaire won the free lunch!

## **Duty Roster February and March 2011**

by Joy Adams Bauer

#### **Duty Roster for February 28, 2011**

Greeter: John Davies

Visitors & Guests: Jocelyn Davey-Hawreluik

Cashier: Craig Bender Grace: Gary Kerr

Sergeant-at-Arms: Tim Cholowski

## **Duty Roster for March 7, 2011**

Greeter: Mary Beckett Visitors & Guests: Avis Hardy Cashier: Tim Cholowski Grace: Frank Garritty

Sergeant-at-Arms: Will Arscott

#### **Duty Roster for March 14, 2011**

Greeter: Al Morton

Visitors & Guests: Kathy Weber

Cashier: Mike LeClaire Grace: Joy Adams Bauer Sergeant-at-Arms: Will Arscott

## **Duty Roster for March 21, 2011**

Greeter: Jim Weber

Visitors & Guests: Graham Pearson

Cashier: Dave Sundby Grace: Peter Whitenect

Sergeant-at-Arms: Will Arscott

## **Duty Roster for March 28, 2011**

Greeter: Peter Shiel

Visitors & Guests: Bruce Bays

Cashier: Gord Menuz Grace: Kevin Wilson

Sergeant-at-Arms: Will Arscott

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

## **Program - January 31, February 7 & 14, 2011**

by Joy Adams Bauer

## Rotary at work in Tanzania (January 31, 2011)

Our very own **Arlene Jule** gave a slide show presentation on her visits to Ussongo, Tanzania. She showed us photos of the water reservoir that was built last year thanks to the help of our club. She also showed photographs of her work as a Doula assisting with child birth and helping to educate the women of Ussongo. The death rate among African babies is very high, but with education for the mothers, the rate is beginning to decrease a little. Kudos to Arlene for the work she is doing in Africa. It takes a very special kind of person to decide to make such a difference in the world in her "retirement".

## Our Rotary Exchange Student (February 7, 2011)

**Leo Velasco**, our exchange student from Brazil gave a very interesting and fact filled presentation on his home country. Brazil is the fifth largest country in the world with a population of 191.5 million. The language of Brazil is Portuguese and over 70% of the people are Roman Catholics. The biggest cities in Brazil are Sao Paulo (19 million), Rio de Janeiro (12 million), Belo horizonte (4.2 million), Porto Alegre (3.7 million), and Brasilia (3.6 million).

Some other interesting tidbits about Brazil include:

- you can choose from 450 different brand new car models
- why not sample some of the 88 different kinds of tomato sauce or 120 different types of beer?
- there are 200 different models of sport sneakers

Leo, who is 18 years old, lives with his mother, nine year old sister, and his step-father. He also has a 22 year old brother. He left Brazil for his Rotary exchange during his last year of high school so will have to take some tests once he returns in order to complete high school and apply for university. During his year in Saskatoon he is attending Aden Bowman Collegiate. This semester he is taking Japanese, Guitar, History, English, and Life Transitions. Next semester he will take German, English, Drama, Media Studies and Photography. His first host family were Greg and Pat Wagner. He is now living with Tim and Laura Cholowski.

Dourados is Leo's home town, his "home sweet home". With a population of 212,000, Dourados is the second most populous and important city in the state of Mato Grosso do Sul. The city has a close relationship with Paraguay, which is only 120 kilometres away. At least 30% of the city's inhabitants are from Paraguay. The economy of the area is based mainly in arable agriculture (soya, maize, and sugar cane) and cattle ranching. Dourados has five universities, and more than 200 schools.

# The Rotary Restorative Action Program (RRAP)

(February 14, 2011)

**Mike LeClair** began the presentation by noting that "RRAP is alive and well." He provided a history of the program starting with its genesis in 2002 at Mount Royal Collegiate. At that time, staff of the school were looking at ways to make their school and community a safer place. At the same time, members of our Rotary Club were looking for a more "handson" community service project that would use the knowledge, wisdom and expertise of our members and be more than simply raising funds for a project. We wanted to help make a real difference in our city.

The first RRAP program was offered at Mount Royal Collegiate in 2003. It proved to be a success and was expanded to Bedford Road Collegiate in 2006. An expanded service delivery model was developed and our club continued to provide leadership to the project. In 2008 we expanded to E.D. Feehan High School and then Bethlehem High School. In 2009 Walter Murray Collegiate joined the RRAP family and in 2010 Bishop James Mahoney High School became the sixth school offering the program. There are 8 other high schools in the city clamouring to become involved. When former RRAP worker Winston Blake was hired as RRAP program coordinator a core program was developed focusing on the three pillars of prevention, intervention and re-integration.

RRAP is now a community driven program - it's much more than a community service project of one Rotary Club. Our budget is \$375,000. Thank you to all of the sponsors and supporters of RRAP and a special thank you to the members of our club for your leadership and support over the past seven years.

Murray Scharf concluded the presentation by speaking briefly about the new articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Restorative Action Program which is now a registered charitable corporation. This step became necessary in order to secure long term partners and long term funding for the program and to ensure its sustainability. The new corporation has four classes of members and the majority of the Board of Directors come from Rotary or our RRAP partners. Class A members are Rotary Clubs that have made a multi-year financial commitment to the Corporation. Class B members are non-Rotary Club entities, including schools, boards of education, government, community groups or corporations that have partnered with the Corporation to use or implement the programs of the Corporation and that have made a multi-year commitment to the Corporation. Class C members are indvidual members of Rotary Clubs that are interested in furthering the objectives of the Corporation. Class D members are organizations, corporate bodies or individuals (who are not Rotary Club members) interested in furthering the objectives of the corporation.

The Board of the Corporation has the following standing committees: Executive Committee, Operations Committee, Finance Committee, Funding Committee, Partnership Committee, and Nominating Committee.

#### **Announcements**

by Joy Adams Bauer

- Will Arscott reminded all members about our premiere fundraising event our Badge, Shield & Star dinner being held on Wednesday, March 23rd at Prairieland Park, Hall B. The proceeds from the event support our Restorative Action Program. We need every member to sell tickets and come to the event. It's a wonderful evening beginning with a champagne reception and ending with the citizen awards from Saskatoon Police Service, Saskatoon Fire & Protective Services and MD Ambulance. It's a perfect night out for you and your friends, a chance to thank the men and women of our police, fire and emergency medical services and a great way to support RRAP. Will is happy to give you tickets to sell. We also need volunteers to telephone those people who have purchased tickets in the past this is an easy way to help from the comfort of your own home or office. Please contact Will to help.
- **President Wayne** thanked **Jocelyn Davey-Hawreluik** for all of her work on the fundraiser for Ussongo. He was very proud to see all of the effort she put into this event as a new Rotarian.
- We are looking for a volunteer treasurer for our Rotary Charitable Trust fund. Clare Heagy is willing to train the new person. Someone with a book keeping background would be ideal. Maybe you know someone who might be interested in joining Rotary and getting involved right away? Let President Wayne know.

# 2010/2011 Club Executive

by Joy Adams Bauer

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