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Next Meeting, October 24, 2011

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Join us at noon at the Delta Bessborough Hotel on **Monday, October 24th** when our guest speaker will be our own Elaine Zakreski giving an update on the Hope for Malawi project. Please plan to attend -- this will be a very interesting and inspiring presentation.

Duty Roster October 2011

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Duty Roster for October 24th

Greeter: Bev Johnson

Visitors and Guests: Peter Zakreski

Cashier: Clare Heagy

Grace: Stan Hodgins

Sergeant at Arms: Bernie Sonntag

Duty Roster for October 31st

Greeter: Avis Hardy

Visitors and Guests: Assem Hedayat

Cashier: Kevin Wilson

Grace: Mike Giesbrecht

Sergeant at Arms: Peter Shiel

Please be at your posts by 11:45 a.m. If you are not able to fulfill your assignment, please arrange for another member to fill in for you.

Meeting October 17, 2011

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President Dave Sundby opened the meeting and Past President **Wayne McGillivray** led us in the singing of the national anthem. **Mark Gryba** offered grace.

Don Somers introduced the following **Visitors and Guests**

- Ken Wilson - Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin
- Carol Schnell - guest speaker
- Curtis Klimpton - guest of Jim Weber
- Wayne Storozuk - guest of the club, soon to be inducted as a new member.

They were welcomed by a very enthusiastic version of our famous welcome song.

Happy and Sad Dollars were offered by a number of members in celebration of the Saskatoon Hilltops, the fact the Memorial Cup and the Grey Cup are coming to Saskatchewan; two 50th wedding anniversaries (the Schnell's and the Zakreski's), holidays just completed and holidays to come; and new members.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Wayne McGillivray fined himself for not being ready to serve as Sergeant and for the Roughriders' season. He also threw in a few happy bucks for his recent two week vacation in Hawaii cheering on his son-in-law in the Iron Man World Championships!

Graham Pearson won the free lunch!

Program - October 17, 2011

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An overview of the Provincial Court of Saskatchewan

Peter Zakreski introduced Judge Carol Schnell who gave a extremely interesting presentation about the provincial court. Judge Schnell was the first woman appointed as a Chief Judge of the Provincial Court in 2008. She had served as a judge since 1999 and spent many years as a Crown Prosecutor prior to being appointed to the provincial bench.

Judge Schnell explained that 49 judges sit in 13 permanent provincial court locations throughout the province. 12 judges in Saskatoon; 10 in Regina; and 6 in Prince Albert. There are also 66 circuit points, with 15 of those being fly-in locations. 98% of the criminal work in the province is handled by provincial court. Queen's Bench Court handles family law matters, with the exception of child protection cases.

Judge Schnell commented on the changes in law since she began practicing 35 years ago. In the 1980s, society became conscious of the over-representation of Aboriginal people in the justice system. They decided the traditional "punitive" approach was not working. Restorative Justice started with sentencing circles in the north. The provincial court is very much in favour of restorative justice initiatives. Judge Schnell applauded our club for its restorative action program.

The province now has domestic violence courts in Regina, North Battleford and Saskatoon, which encourage offenders to acknowledge responsibility for their crimes and get into treatment right away. With continual court supervision, these types of sentences have been very successful due to their true rehabilitative effect.

Regina has a drug treatment court thanks to funding from the federal government.

Members had many questions for Judge Schnell who answered each question thoroughly and thoughtfully.

Announcements

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- **Kevin Wilson** announced the Rotary Interclub Christmas Party - on November 26th at the Nutana Legion on Louise Avenue. 6:30 p.m. cocktails and 7:00 p.m. dinner and entertainment. Tickets are \$30 each and available from Kevin. Mark your calendars now!
- **Gary Rusu** announced that our own Bill and Eleanor Edwards are being recognized by the United Way this year for their many, many contributions to Saskatoon. Our club plans to have at least one (if not two tables) at the event. Please see Gary for more

details. This is always a wonderful evening and celebration.

- **Peter Whitenect** updated members on the first official meeting of our RAP board, held on October 6th. RAP is now duly constituted as a non-profit corporation. The Board passed motions to transfer assets from "Rotary Club of Saskatoon Club Projects Inc." to RAP; to appoint Winston Blake as RAP's Executive Director; and to pass the 11/12 RAP budget (with a \$51,000 deficit). The Board also thanked the Ministry of Justice for a recent donation. The Saskatoon StarPhoenix and the Saskatoon Blades have also recently joined RAP as partners. Thank you so much for your support! Tommy Douglas Collegiate is our seventh RAP school with an excellent RAP worker and school management committee in place. Thanks also to the Saskatoon Public School Division for their long-term commitment of RAP and their celebration of the program at a recent public school board meeting.

2010/2011 Club Executive

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Past President - Wayne McGillivray
President-Elect - Gary Rusu
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Secretary - Avis Hardy

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