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Next Meeting, December 12, 2011

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Join us at the Delta Bessborough Hotel at 12 noon on Monday, December 12th, for a club assembly.

Duty Roster December 2011

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December 12th

Greeter: Mary Beckett

Visitors and Guests: Gary Rusu

Cashier: David Allen

Grace: Wayne McGillivray

Sergeant at Arms: Bill Edwards

December 19th

Greeter: Steve Wilson

Visitors and Guests: Peter Whitenect

Cashier: Assem Hedayat

Grace: John Davies

Sergeant at Arms: Murray Scharf

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 December 5, 2011

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President Dave Sundby opened the meeting and led us in the singing of the national anthem. **Gary Kerr** led us in the Rotary Grace.

Sarah Paulgaard introduced the following visitors and guests:

- Vincent Varga - guest speaker
- Michelle Wildeman - Mendel Art Gallery

They were treated to a particularly spirited version of our welcome/hello song.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Allan Lebiszczak strode to the podium and conducted an excellent session. He began by fining **Gary Kerr** for forgetting the grace he had written at home. He fined himself for missing **Maureen Torr's**

fundraiser for Joy's Home of Hope. He then extracted a dollar from each member who was not able to attend Maureen's fund raiser, and anyone who is not able to attend the texas hold'em poker night being held at the Saskatoon Club on December 7th.

Happy and Sad Dollars

Many, many dollars were donated by our generous members. **Allan Lebiszczak** is happy about a recent golfing trip visit to the Okanagan; **Kevin Wilson** is happy for all of the volunteers who helped ring the bells for the Salvation Army; **Clare Heagy** is happy because he is celebrating his birthday; **Avis Hardy** is happy that **Gary Rusu** filled in her bell-ringing shift; **Gary Rusu** and **Maureen Torr** are happy about their recent volunteering at the Saskatoon Friendship Inn; **Jim Weber** is happy that RI has given us a grant to help build a school in Guatemala; **Wayne McGillivray**, **Mark Gryba**, and **Frank Garritty** shared many happy football dollars; **Peter Whitenect** is happy his son successfully ran the Las Vegas half-marathon; **Peter Zakreski** thanked the 25 club members and friends who volunteered at the Saskatoon Friendship Inn last week.

Wayne McGillivray won the free lunch!

Guest Speaker

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The Art Gallery of Saskatchewan

Peter Zakreski introduced Vincent Varga, Executive Director of the Mendel Art Gallery. Mr. Varga began his presentation with a history lesson explaining that the Saskatoon Arts Centre began in the 1930's in the basement of the King George Hotel. The Arts Centre opened in its present location in 1964 with funding from the province, the City of Saskatoon and the Fred Mendel family.

The city took over operation of the Art Gallery in 1967 and renamed it the Mendel Art Gallery. Fred Mendel donated the gallery's first 13 works of art. The gallery now houses 7,000 pieces of art worth \$14 million. The Mendel Art Gallery is well-loved by Saskatonians with 181,000 visitors last year.

In 2008 the Government of Canada provided funding for a new art gallery and land became available at River Landing. KPMB Architects of Toronto won the bid to design the new building. Mr. Varga showed the floor plans of the new gallery and the architect's drawings. A space within the gallery will be dedicated to Fred Mendel and will showcase the 13 works of art he donated. The Perehudoff murals, which have been painstakingly restored from their home at the former Intercontinental Packers plant, will be displayed in the same space. The new Art Gallery of Saskatchewan is funded by the City of Saskatoon (\$21 million), the Government of Saskatchewan (\$17 million), a capital campaign (\$20 million) and a very generous donation of \$30 million by local philanthropist Ellen Remai.

Vincent ended his presentation by suggesting how we can help write the next chapter of Saskatoon's history by being advocates for the new gallery which is scheduled to open in the spring of 2015.

A day at the Saskatoon Friendship Inn

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Thanks to Peter Zakreski for organizing an opportunity for hands-on service at the Saskatoon Friendship Inn. A number of club members, and family members volunteered at the Inn on November 28th preparing the noon meal, serving the noon meal, and cleaning up.

Chef Hank and the rest of the kitchen staff were very patient as we all learned the ropes. Thanks to the following volunteers: Elaine Zakreski, John Davies, Therri Papp, Avis Hardy, Kevin Wilson, Clare Heagy, Dave Sundby, Gord Menuz, Cheryl Tuck-Tallon, Joy Adams Bauer, Jocelyn Davey-Hawreliuk, Maureen Torr, Sarah Paulgaard, Gary Rusu, Joanne Fisher, Bernie Sonntag, Darcelle Pearson, Don (and Bobbie) Somers, Peter and Jean Whitenect.

Check out the photos on our site at

www.clubrunner.ca/portal/Journals/JournalDetails.aspx?accountid=1013&iid=40234

You can also view the photos by clicking on the Photo Albums link on the left hand side of our club's home page.

Announcements

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- **Peter Zakreski** reminded members about our club Christmas party on Monday, December 19th. He has been assured that old Saint Nick himself will be making an appearance. Please let Peter know about your spouse/partner, any children or any grandchildren that plan to attend. Please also bring an item or two for the Salvation Army's Bethany Home. They are especially looking for items for the young women who live there (aged 13 to 18). Please include a note on the gift with the age of girl it is intended for. Suggested items include:
 - o Toothbrushes
 - o Toothpaste
 - o Low scented or non-scented soaps
 - o School Supplies
 - o Back Packs
 - o Jackets
 - o Mitts
 - o Scarves
 - o Toques
 - o Slippers
 - o Pyjamas
- **Wayne McGillivray** reminded members about our grocery cards fundraiser. Please remember to buy your Co-op, Sobey's and Safeway grocery cards from **Joanne Fisher** - she brings them to every meeting. This is such an easy way to raise money for the club and it is so convenient! Grocery cards make great gifts!

2010/2011 Club Executive

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

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