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## Rotary Club of Saskatoon

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#### Future Speakers

**Mar 5 2012**

Ray Neale, Executive Director  
"SASKATOON HOUSING AUTHORITY"

**Mar 12 2012**

Sheryl Harrow, Executive Director  
"READ SASKATOON"

**Mar 19 2012**

John Allan, Executive Director  
"BIG BROTHERS & BIG SISTERS"

**Mar 26 2012**

Chief Darcy Bear  
"WHITECAP RESERVE UPDATE"

**Apr 2 2012**

Dale Brin, Publisher  
"SASKATOON EXPRESS"

**Apr 9 2012**

EASTER MONDAY  
"NO MEETING"

**Apr 16 2012**

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**Apr 30 2012**

Allan Thomarar - Executive Director  
"HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION"

**May 21 2012**

VICTORIA DAY  
"NO MEETING"

#### News

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

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### Next Meeting March 5, 2012

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Next week's speaker will be **Ray Neale, Executive Director of Saskatoon Housing Authority**

### Duty Roster for March 5, 2012

by Cheryl Tuck-Tallon

Next weeks Duty Roster is:

Greeter: **Cheryl Tuck-Tallon**; Visitors and Guests: **Theresa Papp**; Cashier: **Gary Kerr**; Grace: **Avis Hardy**; Sergeant: **Mark Gryba**

### Meeting February 27, 2012

by Bernard Sonntag

Visiting Rotarians: **Ed Pek**, Nutana and **Tammy Perex-Chica**, Palm Desert, CA.

Guests of Gary Rusu: **Terry Alm, Jim** and **Debra Stadnyk**

Guest of Jim Weber: **Kevin Junk**

Guest of the Club: **Randy Pshebylo**, Guest Speaker

President **Dave** opened the meeting with **O Canada** and Visitors and Guests were greetedgreeted with a hearty rendition of our **Hello Song**.

### Program - February 27, 2012

by Bernard Sonntag

**RIVERSDALE BUSINESS NEIGHBOURHOOD - Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director**

Randy is a member of the International Downtown Association. This enables him to see how other communities deal with similar issues and work strategically toward growth and improvement of their communities.

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**Community evolution:**

- Pawn shops - used to be 17, now 6
- Riversdale services the City for high need sensitive social services, i.e. food, financial and others.
- Eg. Giant Tiger, at community request, has added fresh fruit and veggies at the 22<sup>nd</sup> St. location - more expected soon
- Real estate values - \$65/sq ft at Farmers Market; only \$15 one block away near the liquor store
- Recent survey of panhandling concluded that it was not the central issue; rather groups of youths create concerns about personal safety. New bylaws regarding panhandling were introduced to address the issue. Calgary and Winnipeg models are being examined as an alternative to police cells.
- Crime in Riversdale is down 37.4 %
- Roxy Theatre, last of its kind in W. Canada , has undergone a \$1 M retrofit and is now a great facility. The Saskatoon Symphony has played to old silent movies - a hit.
- Gluten-free, nut-free shop opening soon on 20<sup>th</sup> St .
- Lots of 'waiting' by developers and businesses to assess potential spinoff investment opportunities from River Landing
- Concerns expressed about negative press in various media regarding crime in Riversdale - it is difficult to refute with limited media budget

**Dave Speaks:**

Dave presented a plaque to **Kevin Junk** as a small 'thank you' for his donation of musical instruments for WCS projects in Mexico . **Jim and Kathy Weber** will deliver and demonstrate.

Dave also reminded members that contribution's to **Arlene Jule's Ussongo Project** in Africa can be made through our club WCS committee.

**See you on March 5, 2012**

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