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*Editor David Allen*

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Mar 25, 2013

[Desiree Tirk](#)  
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#### STORIES

[NEXT MEETING - Delta Bessborough - March 25th, 2013 - Noon](#)

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

#### Next Weeks Speaker - March 25th, 2013

- [Desiree Tirk - Read Saskatoon](#)

(Also - Please note that there is no meeting April 1st and that the meeting for April 8th has been moved to the Saskatoon Club)

[DUTY ROSTER for NEXT MEETING - March 25th, 2013 and subsequent meetings](#)

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

#### Greeter -

March 25th - Bernie Sontag

April 1st - No Meeting

April 8th - Lyn McGaughey

#### Grace -

March 25th - Lyn McGaughey

April 1st - No Meeting

April 8th - Mike Giesbrecht

#### Sergeant -

March 25th - Wayne McGillivray

April 1st - No Meeting

April 8th - Kevin Wilson

#### Visitors and Guests

March 25th - Mike Giesbrecht

April 1st - No Meeting

April 8th - Jim Holmstrom

#### Cashier -

March 25th - Paul Gauthier

April 1st - No Meeting  
April 8th - TBA

*Please contact Adriana if you are available to help*

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**VISITORS & GUESTS - March 18, 2013**

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

**Guests of Club**

Jim Holmstrom introduced the following visitors and guests:

- Bev Dubois
  - Vic Dubois
  - Faruk Nahir
- All soon to be members

**MEETING HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK - March 18, 2013**

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

**Induction of New Rotarians:**

President Gary was delighted to induct two new members:

Vic Dubois - Vic's many accomplishments include;

- o GM of Saskatoon Media Group
- o Board Member of Saskatoon Club
- o Initiated Danny Carr's Secret Santa
- o Paul Harris Fellow from his previous stint with our club

Bev Dubois - Bev, who has helped lead many of the positive changes in the City lists the following among her many achievements:

- o U of S Business Grad
- o 9 years as Saskatoon City Counselor
- o Audit Committee Chair
- o Executive Board Member for the Transit Board

Bev and Vic have two kids, Pat & Michele  
Welcome Bev and Vic!!



#### Masters Golf

Dave reminds us that the Masters golf pool will start the second week of April.

#### Becas

Jim Weber would like to know if any Rotarians have unused laptops they would like to donate to the Becas program. Two were recently donated and are on their way to PV!!

#### Pennies for Polio

A reminder to bring our penny's for Polio Plus for deposit in the large jar that the hotel will keep in reception. The Delta Bessborough is allowing us to put a collection jar in the hotel lobby to collect pennies to help fund Polio Plus. This is a great opportunity to get rid of all those unwanted pennies!

#### Other

- March is Literacy Month
- Rotary Corporate Memberships are now available
  - Saskatoon Media Group will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Corporate Member

#### Rotary Moment - "Engage Rotary, Change Lives"

[http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/130114\\_IA13\\_theme.aspx](http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/130114_IA13_theme.aspx)

#### PROGRAM/SPEAKER - March 18, 2013

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

Special thanks to meeting recorder and photographer James Pearson.

Our guest speaker today was our very own long term member **Stan Hodgins CA:**

Stan gave a special presentation about his very unique history and a clear demonstration of "Service above Self". Highlights of his talk included:

- He trained with the RCAF to become either a Pilot or Observer
- Decided he'd rather be a Navigator because he found he couldn't handle the training plane
- Stan was good in Mathematics so navigation was a natural for him
- His Ground Training was taken at Bedford Road Collegiate
- He then went to Air Observing School that consisted of navigation, gun aiming, and bomb targeting
- His first navigation was to Eyebrow, SK.
  - The pilot became worried they were off course as they flew over what he thought was their destination. Stan reminded him that they were looking for "Eyebrow", not "Elbow"! He

was never bothered again.

- He then went to PEI for Reconnaissance Training
- He spent 2 Years navigating for Coastal Command
  - He flew planes loaded with large amounts of depth charges that didn't feel as safe as some other planes he had flown!
- He then transported ammunition from India to Japan
- The Monsoon thunderstorms were quickly identified as their worst enemy. The bamboo tents rarely held up in such conditions
- They kept fighting for 2 weeks after the Japanese surrender because it took this long for word to get to the Burma front.
  - The Medals Awarded to Stan include:
    - Atlantic Star – Service in Atlantic Canada
    - Burma Star – Service in Burma
    - 1939 – 45 Star – Service during this time period
    - Canadian Volunteer Service Medal – Voluntarily served in War Zone
    - King George VI Medal

Stan concluded with the comment that Service changed his life because after he was able to attend University. He may never have otherwise received the opportunity he said. **Thank you Stan for a terrific talk and for your outstanding service to Canada!!**

#### **SERGEANT-at-ARMS**

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

#### **Sgt at Arms**

As usual Kevin Wilson did a masterful job of lightening many pockets for the good of Rotary!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS - Meeting Date March 18, 2013**

Posted by Graham Pearson SPH on Mar 18, 2013

#### **Reminders**

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- Please note that the meeting April 8th has been moved to the Saskatoon club
- April 13th, 2013 is the District Assembly in Saskatoon
- The **Badge Shield and Star** dinner will be held April 18, 2013 at which retired General Lewis Mackenzie will be our key note speaker. He will also be interviewed on the John Gormley Show. Ticket sales are now the priority. We are up to 152 tickets to date. Sponsorship support has gone well and includes Butler Byers, Scotia Bank, VWAG, Rusu Financial, Sask Mutual and many others. \$32,000 raised to date. Congratulations team!

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#### **Group Study Exchange Hosts Needed**

May 8th and 9th

Gary Rusu for details

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#### **Don't forget about the Polio Plus Triple Matching**

Ends March 31st, 2013

\$1.6 million has been raised from Canadians to date. Funds are to be matched by the Gates Foundation and the Canadian Government

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