



Official Bulletin of:
ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON MEEWASIN #22664



8B -3110 8th St East, Box 425 S7H 0W2
Founded: April 23, 1985
Meetings: Monday 0700

February 12, 2024

Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

Rotary: Making a Difference

District Governor (5550): Sonja Susut, Moose Jaw

President: Luis Pagliarini

Pres Elect: Art Whetstone

Secretary: Garth Courtney

Past President: A. Postle, G. Courtney

Treasurers: Art Postle

Sergeant: Ron Loopkey

Desk: Art Postle

Service Above Self

DUES AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO THE CLUB

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
 - Send to Meewasin Rotary Club using the email: meewasinrotary2020@gmail.com

DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION

E.G., Fines, Donations In Lieu Of Meeting Expense

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
 - Send to Rowasin Foundation using the email: rowasin2020@gmail.com

Payment by Credit Card (For either Meeting Expenses or Fines/Donations)

- For a credit card payment contact Art Postle (postle@sasktel.net).

Rotary Meeting

Zoom – Meewasin Rotary Club

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83624852636?pwd=MjRTY2FQWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHISWHlvQT09>

Zoom & Queen's House

601 Taylor Street West

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87214323627>

Meeting ID: 872 1432 3627

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If you have problems getting on Zoom call Garth at 306 229-3965 or Art P at 306 227-3013

Call to Order: The Chair opened the meeting at 0700.

Attendance: There were 14 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.



Guests: Our speaker – Verona Thibault

The Sergeant raised funds for the following:

- Great football game, yesterday (Super Bowl)
- Anne paid up for last week (on zoom)



Happy and Sad Dollars:

Garth – on Canadian golfer Nick Taylor, who won the Phoenix Open

Hari – Happy to have a new client, father-in-law visit from France, Sad dollar to hear about their dog's cancer diagnosis.

Donna – Happy to be a Grandma hockey fan in Wakaw, even though false alarm with Carbon monoxide alarm - her team won.

Anne – happy to have seen Jenny on TV, spoke with a friend about Rotary – will get her to help with Meals on Wheels,

Jenny – was asked to tell her story on TV about Uganda as part of Black History month,

Nancy & John – were happy to spend a couple of days at Benesh cabin at Emma – games, great food and sledding.

Luis – happy for Pizza coupons,

Ron – happy to watch his granddaughter play hockey via Facebook live.

Announcements

1) EDADZ BACKPACK Drop Off



- a) You can Drop off items at John Benesh's Office.
- b) There is a Box in the reception area
- c) Any bag is OK, not just back packs.
- d) You may bring the backpacks to the meeting to give to John B.

2) Meals on Wheels

- a) Contact Nancy Luross regarding signing up or the schedule for Meals on Wheels --nancy.l@sasktel.net or 306 381-4342

3) St Michaels Reading Program

- a) Will be starting tomorrow
- b) Students being assessed for reading level.
- c) GET Police Check form from Art Postle
- d) Will be on Tuesdays – 2:30-3:10
- e) Two people each Tuesday

4) Pizza Night – WORKING ON IT

- a) People will buy the Coupons
- b) Use facility at condo – not cost

Luis has tickets for “The Men of Mystic Tie – Wine and Cheese 2024 – March 23, 24 for \$35

5) Lobsterfest

- a) The poster is done.
- b) Peter is working Eventbrite.
- c) Will be ready to go soon.
- d) Tickets should be ready in next week or so.

Club Business

- LobsterFest tickets coming soon. Set aside the dates: May 23 & 24
- A reminder of the special meeting on **Homelessness at the Nutana Rotary Club on February 20th**. Register in advance to attend in person (\$25) or \$5 by zoom. Contact Garth for details.
- Art reported that the St Michael reading program is almost ready to roll – get your Police check done 1st
- Luis reminded us about the ongoing pizza coupon/fundraiser.
- Donna is arranging a pizza party and will notify the club of the date.

Program

Verona Thibault was welcomed as our guest speaker today. She is the Chief Engagement Officer with Saskatchewan Economic Development Alliance. SEDA

Serving the province since 1984, (SEDA) is the exclusive non-governmental organization dedicated to provincial community and economic development. They equip communities and organizations with the necessary skills, knowledge, resources, and programs to become investment ready.

As an independent non-profit organization, they are not funded by the public sector or any granting agency. All their revenue is self-generated. Helping communities thrive is what they do.

Values (as found on their website)

Passionate, about the future of Saskatchewan.

Inspired, by opportunities at a local and regional level and we aim to inspire others.

Resilient and self-reliant, we provide consistency in community economic development support.

Inclusive socio-economic development informs our mission.

Trusted, as a partner, we strive to support members and allies.

Verona has been a community builder for over 30 years. Saskatchewan has the highest number (773) of municipalities per capita in North America.

Jenny thanked Verona for her presentation and had her sign a book to be donated in her name, to St Michael School.

Upcoming Meetings

February	Peace and Conflict Prevention Arthur Whetstone
19	Family Day. No meeting
26	Earl Johnson. Children's soccer program, South Africa
March	Water and Sanitation John Benesh, Ken Howland, Nancy Luross, Kris Tenaski
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11	
18	
25	
April	Maternal and Child Care Anne Luross, Jennifer Lawrence, Brett Klause
1	Easter Monday
8	
15	
22	
29	

Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rotary Club</u>	<u>Information/Contact</u>
April 24	Rotary Badge Shield and Star Dinner	RAP	
May 10 & 11	District 5550 Conference	Moose Jaw & Assiniboia	
May 23 & 24	Lobsterfest 2024	Meewasin	

Welcome Song

We welcome you today
Good fellowship 'twill be
We're glad you chose to begin your day
With Meewasin Rotary

We hope that you will return
And join with us again
Fellowship at breakfast time
With Meewasin Rotary

4-WAY TEST

Is it the Truth?
Is it Fair to all concerned?
Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all good
We thank you for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve Thee all our days

COMMITTEES FOR 2023-2024

Administration/ Executive —Meeting administration (program, facilities, meals, supplies)

Pagliarini (President) Courtney (Secretary), Postle (Club Treasurer), Whetstone (President-elect)

Foundation—Foundation donations, member recognition

Fisher (Chair) McArthur, Bailey, Wilson, Muir

Indigenous Relations—In support of a District 5550 initiative

Ferguson, Birkmeier

Literacy—In support of a Rotary International initiative

Postle (Chair), Stefiuk, Berscheid

Membership—Membership recruitment, engagement, and retention

Anne Luross (Chair) Lawrence, Klaus

Public Relations—Club and event promotion, communications, website management

John Luross (Chair and Website Administrator), Whetstone (Eyeopener Editor),
Loopkey, Geenen

Service—Club charitable giving, foundation grant applications

Benesh (Chair), Howland, Nancy Luross, Tenaski,

Youth—Youth exchanges, adventure programs, school programs

Voldeng (Chair), Kessler, Nair, Paproski

Officers and Directors – 2023-2024

Board Executive/Officers:

President:	Luis Pagliarini
Past President	Garth Courtney, Art Postle
President Elect	Arthur Whetstone
Treasurer	Art Postle
Secretary	Garth Courtney
Ass't Secretary	John Luross
Ass't Treasurer	Vacant

Directors:

John Benesh
Peter Voldeng
John Luross
Anne Luross
Robert Fisher

Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

"Rotary Connects the World"

Listed below are the Theme months and the Committee Chair for each month.

September - Art Postle - Education and Literacy

October - John Luross - Economic and Community Development

November - Robert Fisher - Rotary Foundation

December - John Benesh - Disease Prevention and Treatment

January - Luis Pagliarini/ Peter Voldeng - Vocational Service

February - Art Whetstone - Peace and Conflict Prevention

March - John Benesh - Water and Sanitation

April - Anne Luross - Maternal and Child Care

May - Peter Voldeng - Youth

June - John Luross/ Garth Courtney - Rotary Fellowship