



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

@ Heritage Inn

January 14, 2019

Vocational Service Month

Rotary: Making a Difference

District Governor (5550): Elaine Thompson

President: Ron Loopkey/Tom Geenan

1st VP: Robert Fisher

Secretary: Garth Courtney

Past President: Sunny Mundi

2nd VP: TBV

Treasurer: Robert Fisher

Chair: Ron Loopkey / Tom Geenan

Desk: Ian Sutherland, Garth Courtney

Sergeant: Harold Empey

Service Above Self

Meewasin Rotary Readers Schedule		Meals on Wheels	
Wednesday (St. Michael's, 1:00 p.m.)		Monday (1100 am pickup – City Hospital)	
January		January	
9		7	Don Clements
16		14	Ken Wilson
23		21	John Benesh
30		28	Kris Tenaski
February		February	
6		4	Arthur Whetstone
13		11	Ian Sutherland
20		18	Family Day
27		25	Ken Wilson

Readers Needed

* Meals Wheels Contact: Volunteer Service Department - Dawna Shand - (306) 655-4323

Rotary Meeting

Call to Order: The Chair opened the meeting at 0700 at the Heritage Inn with the singing of O Canada and Rotary Grace.

Attendance: There were 22 dedicated members who enjoyed a morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: No guests.



50/50 Draw (\$2.00/Ticket): Draw Master Kris oversaw the 50-50 draw. _____ was the lucky winner of the jackpot.



Sergeant Harold harvested coinage from members for the Foundation for winning the 50/50, for being charter members, for not giving the sergeant a 50/50 ticket, for birthdays and anniversaries in January, for not going to the Xmas gathering, for not being with children or grandchildren, for not paying a fine in a while.

Happy and Sads: for upcoming trip to funeral of brother, for Malanka (Ukrainian New Years), for opportunity to work with Ron, for successful surgery of father, for a great Women's Husky Hockey team, for men's hockey game at new hockey stadium.

Announcements

SPORTS ON TAP

January 16th at 1700.

MURRAY ACTON CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Rotary Readers Needed

Starts on Wednesday. Please sign up.

Blades Hockey Night this Friday

Free tickets available before Friday. Get tickets before game night.

Club Business

No Club Business

Program

Phil LaForge provided members with an overview of the Costa Rica Dental-Eyecare brigade in which he is participating.

Change for Children was founded in 1976 by a small group of people in the Edmonton area who were convinced that concerned Albertans could make a positive impact in the fight against poverty and injustice, internationally and in their own communities.



In cooperation with the indigenous people of developing countries, Change for Children aims to identify the root causes of poverty and, in the spirit of solidarity, assist in finding long-term solutions

Change for Children fulfills this purpose by:

- Supporting projects which lead to self-sufficiency and a more just distribution of the world's resources;
- Maximizing the effectiveness of each donated dollar by applying to government agencies for matching grants and by ensuring appropriate administration of funds;
- Educating Canadians about the developing world to bring about an awareness of our global interdependence and solicit support for greater justice and equity.

Costa Rica Brigade: February 9-17, 2019

This trip to Costa Rica will be Change for Children's first dental and optometry brigade trip to this area. There will be four clinic days. Clinics will be held in barrios surrounding the capital City including a neighbourhood called La Carpio, which is where thousands of refugees from the Nicaraguan civil war of the 1980's and 90's have settled and have been largely ignored by the governments of San José and Costa Rica. We are also endeavouring to do a clinic day for the Nicaraguan refugees displaced to Costa Rica during this current period of civil unrest.

They work with the Costa Rican Humanitarian Foundation. They serve many rural areas that do not have access to health care.

They do clinics on dental care. Many do not do simple things like brushing their teeth.

In Eye Care, they also do basic eye health. There will be an eye surgery team that will do cataract surgeries. Many have cataracts in their 40s and are unable to work because of it.

In April of 2018, the violence in Nicaragua started. The President reduced the pensions by 5%. There were some protests and they sent in the military. The protests continued. The result is that 80,000 were lost. People are leaving because they are not able to earn a living. There were 24,000 applications for immigration to Costa Rica in the last year by Nicaraguans.

They expect to do 400 or more eye exams. They expect to give out 600+ glasses. They take a large number of glasses with them. This covers 80% of the glasses. The rest require a special prescription. They will be charging \$20.00 for the glasses. They also provide transportation to the eye surgery.

They also give out eye drops, which they must purchase locally.

This trip is different in that they will be in a more urban area. They are usually in remote areas.

Phil is fundraising for this brigade. You may support Phil's trip by clicking on the following link.
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/phils-costa-rica-brigade-fundraiser/>

Upcoming Programs and Events

Meetings

Date	Program/Activity
January	Phil – Ron – Brent Vocational Service Month
7	No morning meeting – Club Social - Location and details to be announced
14	Phil LaForge - Eye Care – Guatemala
21	Guess who is coming to breakfast!!!
28	Speaker roulette
February	John Luross, Ralph Morgan, Sunni Mundi Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
4	TBD
11	BD
18	No Meeting
25	TBD

Date	Program/Activity

Events

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
April 17, 2019	Badge and Shield Dinner	All Club	Art Postle
June 1, 2019	Lobster Fest All Hands on Deck	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



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**Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin
Monthly Speaker / Program Assignments for 2018-19**

Month	Monthly Rotary Theme	Members in Charge	
2018			
July	Start of new Rotary year	Bailey	Glen
	Note: No meeting Jul 2,;Change-over dinner on Jul 9; Grainfields Jul 23	Benesh	John
August	Membership and New Club Development, (DG Visit?)	Birkmaier -Tillotson	Donna
	Note: No meeting Aug 6; Holiday Inn & Belsher PI tour on Aug. 20	Clements	Don
		Ferguson	Les
September	Basic Education and Literacy, (Corn Roast?)	Courtney	Garth
	Note: No meeting Labour Day Sep 3	Empey	Harold
		Muir	Al
October	Economic and Community Development	Fisher	Robert
	Note: No meeting Thanksgiving Oct 8	McArthur	Murray
November	Rotary Foundation	Geenen	Tom
	Note: No meeting Nov 12	Howland	Ken
		Wilson	Ken
December	Disease Prevention and Treatment, (Club Elections)	Jaspar	Rob
	Note: No meetings Dec 24 and 31	Kessler	Leanne
2019			
January	Vocational Service, (Evening social?)	Klause	Brent
		Laforge	Phil
		Loopkey	Ron
February	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution	Luross	John
	Note: No meeting Family Day Feb 18	Morgan	Ralph
		Mundi	Sunni
March	Water and Sanitation	Nair	Hari
		Nickel	Jacob
		Paproski	James
April	Maternal and Child Health, (AIT Monday?)	Postle	Arthur
	Note: No meeting Easter Monday April 21	Russell	David
		Stefiuk	Don
May	Youth Service	Sutherland	Ian
	Note: No meeting Victoria Day May 20	Tenaski	Kris

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June	Rotary Fellowships, (Lobsterfest, 'Change Over')	Walling	Wayne
		Whetstone	Arthur

COMMITTEES FOR 2018-2019

Meewasin Rotary Club: 2018 / 2019 Committee

Administration - Meeting program & admin, Sergeant, raffle, facilities, meals, supplies

Ferguson – Chair
 Courtney – Secretary
 Fisher – Treasurer
 Morgan
 Walling

Service - Club charitable giving, Foundation grant applications

Howland – Chair
 Laforge
 Klause
 Sutherland
 Paproski

Youth - Youth exchanges, Adventures programs, school programs

Postle – Chair
 Muir
 Kessler
 Nair

Foundation- Foundation donations, member recognition

Wilson - Chair
 Bailey
 Clements
 Nickel

Membership - Member recruitment, education and retention

Stefiuk – Chair
 Tenaski
 Jaspar
 Benesh
 Loopkey

Public Relations- Club & event promotion, communications, manage website

Luross - Chair
 Empey
 Mundi
 Whetstone

Social - Plan & organize monthly social event or service project, social Media

Birkmaier – Chair
 McArthur Geenen
 Loopkey