



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

**September 25, 2023**

**Education and Literacy 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:** Garth Courtney

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:postle@sasktel.net)).

**Rotary Meeting**

**ZOOM – Meewasin Rotary Club**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83624852636?pwd=MjRRTY2FQWIRmRW9Cd2NKRHISWHlvQT09>

**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:** No guests



The Sergeant raised funds for the following real or imagined offences: Les for Light House Keeping house sitting on Salt Springs Island; Hari for being at the meeting; Art for a great symphony moon performance; Garth for not finding a new place to eat.



Happy and Sad Dollars. Hari for needing another 3 weeks for harvesting and for visit from of sister from India; Donna for remembrance of driving nuns to Muenster for education and teaching the nuns to drive; Garth for granddaughter visiting from Edmonton; John for rider performance last weekend and for trip to Jasper next week; Leane for a Jake and the beginning of the hockey season; Leane for her birthday; Luis for internet visit to his mother's new house and in memorial to his dad that passed away 6 years ago.

## Announcements

### 1) SASKATOON FOOD BANK

- a) Next Opportunities: To be announced

### 2) 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) Your may bring the backpacks to the meeting to give to John B.

### 3) Cell Phones

- a) John Benesh is collecting smart phones for the Mothers and Baby centre. They will be used by mothers for appointments, etc.
- b) Drop off at Benesh, Bitz and company – Quebec Avenue.

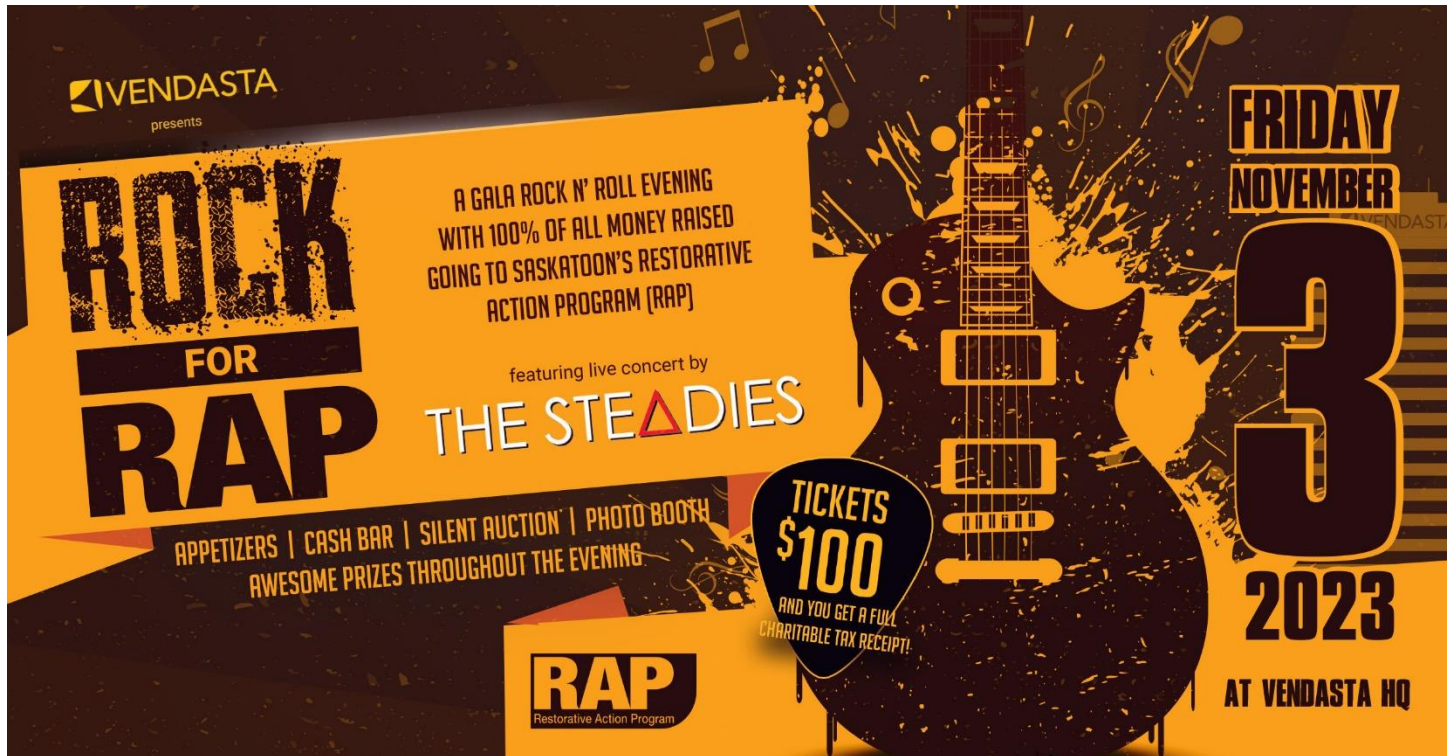
### 4) Coop Gift Cards

- a) Art has \$10,000 in gift cards,
- b) Order them from Art

### 5) Meals on Wheels

- a) Sign up for meals on wheels by going to the Sask Health website by completing the form. You only need to complete the required information.
- b) Link: . <https://bttr.im/2aeo0> Copy and past it or click on the link.
- c) After you select Meals on Wheels, make sure to note somewhere that you are with Meewasin Rotary.
- d) We delivered our first meals last week.

6) Rock for RAP on November 9



Date: Friday, November 3, 2023

Time: Doors open at 7 PM, music begins at 8 PM

Get ready to rock and roll for a fantastic cause at “Rock for RAP,” a not-to-be-missed event proudly hosted by Vendasta in Saskatoon! Join us on Friday, November 3 for an unforgettable evening of fun and support for the Restorative Action Program (RAP).

Tickets: <https://restorative-action-project.websitepro.hosting/events/>

## Club Business

### Egadz Garden of Hope Silent Room Project

The Retreat Home is an opportunity to support youth between the ages of 12 to 18 with high Mental Health and Addictions needs. It gives the youth a chance to focus on safety and build important development skills. With staff's open and empathetic approach, they provide the youth with relationship building skills and provide youth access to specialized services to reduce self-harming behavior and mental health incidents. The Retreat provides youth with a safe space to work on their Mental Health and addictions.

Our Retreat home has proven very successful and we are now in the process of purchasing a second Retreat Home which the youth have named Garden of Hope, it will be modelled after our current Retreat Home, with the assistance of the youth, who are currently in the designing process.

We are kindly requesting \$7410.00 to develop a "Quiet Room" a neutral soft room located within the home providing a relaxing, calming safe space where youth can participate in sensory soft play including a computer, monitor, printer, and a television. The youth would have daily access which will allow them to focus, process

and de-escalate in a calm soothing environment. With this funding we would show our appreciation by having a plaque engraved to be hung inside this "Quiet Room" dedicating the room to the Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin.

Motion: That the Club donate \$7410 to EGADZ to fund the Garden of Hope Silent Room Project. CARRIED  
Mover/Seconded: Garth/Nancy

### **Sask Polytechnic Scholarship**

The single parent will

Motion: That we donate \$3000 for two scholarships of \$1500. CARRIED  
Mover/Seconder: Art P/Donna

### **YWCA Children's Center**

We have paid the first instalment. We are now paying the last instalment of \$5000.

### **Guatemala School Project**

This project was several years ago. The local rotary club has not completed the final report. They are in a dispute of \$3000 that they claim was not paid. RI says that was to be from someone else.

### **TJ Pizza Proposal**

Proposal by TJ Pizza offering us a fundraising opportunity by purchasing pizza.

The Club pays \$7.00 plus taxes and sells them for \$20.00.  
Three toppings plus cheese and sauce.

Will get 20 tickets initially.

### **Wine Tasting Event**

Update on the Wine Pairing Event on November 9<sup>th</sup>  
At Sheraton Cavalier

Posters will be out this week.

Maximum of 110 people

Cutoff will be the Sunday before

Price per ticket is \$200

There is a lot of interest in the event/

Breakeven is 60 tickets.

Proceeds will go to Crocus Coop and RAP

There will be an artist painting during the evening. It will be auctioned off at the end of the night.

**Crocus Coop**

Crocus Coop wants to start a clothing line and has asked for \$7500 for the design and basic stock. The Board has several questions about the project.

Some members of the Board will be meeting with them on Wednesday at noon at Crocus Coop.

**Riverside St Mary School Food Basket Project**

Riverside had a project at St Mary’s School – they contributed \$500 from which food was bought. Those with good attendance were put into a draw for the groceries. The result was a significant improvement in attendance.

Before they disbanded – they paid for a year ending June 2023. The new Riverside Club doesn’t have the funds to support the project. The former President asked the North if they could assist.

\$500 per month for 10 months – total \$5000

Riverside has indicated that they will be able raise enough funds to pay \$1000. This means that if the other clubs pay \$1000 each, we could cover the year.

Consensus: That the club would donate \$1000 as long as the other clubs are also involved. Board will follow-up.

**Club Social**

Suggestion that we have a club social on December 4, instead of a morning meeting.

Agreement that it is a good date.

**Program**

Club Assembly

**Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Speaker and Topic
<b>September</b>	<b>Education and Literacy</b> <b>Coordinator: Literacy Committee</b>
25	Club Assembly
<b>October</b>	<b>Economic and Community Development</b> <b>Coordinator: Public Relations Committee</b>
2	Marcel Petit, Executive Director, Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op
9	Happy Thanksgiving. No meeting.

Date	Speaker and Topic
16	James Wood, Director, Economic Development and Employment & Training Services, Saskatoon Tribal Council
23	Depesh Parmar, Executive Director, Ideas Inc
30	Jessica Mills, The Generation Love Project
<b>November</b>	<b>Rotary Foundation Fisher (Chair) McArthur, Bailey, Wilson, Muir</b>
6	Michelle Busa, Foundations Learning
13	Remembrance Day – No Meeting
20	Club Assembly
27	Chelsea Korpan Sparks and Barbara Papp, An Ounce of Prevention

**Events**

Date	Event	Rotary Club	Information/Contact
Nov 9	Rock for RAP	All	

**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, Klause

**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 Treasurere Vacant

**Directors:**

John Benesh  
Peter Voldeng  
John Luross  
Anne Luross  
Robert Fisher

**Monthly Speaker / Progam - 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