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The NORATOR

The weekly bulletin from
The Rotary Club of Saskatoon North

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April 11, 2013



Chairperson:
President Ivan Wilson

Setup Sergeant:
Ruth Marritt

Greeter:

Door Attendance:
David Brown / Doyle Wiebe

Makeups
Brenda Banbury – WCS April 5,
Meals on Wheels April 10.

Birthdays
Kevin Wilson

O Canada & Rotary Grace
Kathy Jo Simmie

Guests: Kevin Wilson – RC of Saskatoon, Nick Meiring - prospective member.

Announcements:

Kevin Wilson – recognized the leadership skills of team leader Brenda Banbury under challenging conditions during the Rotary Friendship Exchange to Guatemala. Kevin also called for host families for the RFE from India for the period June 12-14.

Coming Events

- April 13, 2013 – District Assembly in Saskatoon
- April 18, 2013 - The Badge, Shield and Star Dinner
- April 27, 2013 – African Night – sign up sheet coming – Earle Newton
- April 28-May 4 – Adventure in Technology – billets & drivers needed.
- May 30 – June 2 – District Conference – The Pas, MB
- June 8, 2013 – RC of Saskatoon Meewasin Lobster Fest
- July 16 – 21, 2013 – Taste of Saskatchewan – signup sheet circulated.

Member Contact - If you have information on the health / welfare or special event issues of one of our Club members or their immediate family, please contact PDG June Cathcart who will arrange for a visit or an appropriate card. lincolnshirelass@sasktel.net

Sergeant for the Day– Don Ewart - reported by: Brenda Banbury

Fines, Happy / Sad dollars

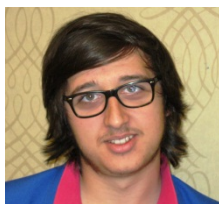
Fines were levied against ? for flashbacks and confusion as to his wardrobe due to the weather of the day. Peter Rhodes was fined for mumbling one again – something about daffodils. Bill Baker paid for his phone on RING and then to actually answer it while talking to the Sergeant. The President and all past Presidents were fined as a conclusion to this part of the Sergeant's program.

Sad dollars were donated by Don Ewart for buying a Blackberry and Peter Rhodes on the passing of Margaret Thatcher. Earle Newton was sad on the passing of Al's mother. Kathy Jo had some happy dollars for being able to assist her Mother's move to Minnapolis while Brenda Banbury was hapy to be leaving on Struday for Phoenix for a week. Concluding was the Sergeant on the speedy recovery from hip surgery by June Cathcart and also glad that his Mother is back in Saskatoon – on the negative, she doesn't know who he is.

Draw winner– ?



Nastya Saponova (from Russia) (Host Club: Meewasin; Attends Evan Hardy. 2nd host family Bill and Linda Brockhurst h: 978-1558 Cell 716-2936);



Gauthier Mace (from France District 1520); Attends Bishop James Mahoney High School; (Current Hosts Doug & Nettie McPeek 242-2556)



Ananda Lopes Teixeira (from Paracatu Brazil District 4760); Attends Marion Graham Collegiate; (Current Hosts Gerry & Dineke Kraay 931-4476)



Letter from the President

Many years ago I belonged to a tea club that met Tuesday to Thursday at 9.45 PM. As Seminarians, we talked about many subjects late into the night, with the authority of God's ambassadors. How, we thought, could such unvarnished, holy truths, be rejected by the world; there was no other explanation for this refusal to believe but willful blindness and sin! Later, the study of Philosophy taught me to speak less frequently, to say less, to be more thoughtful, and to contemplate the fact, that, the things that I consider to be most profound truths could, indeed, be false, even fanciful, not only to others but in themselves. People have the right to disagree, without being rude, even if they can't articulate the reasons for that disagreement. As the saying goes: "You may take the horse to the trough but you cannot make it drink." Something else is at work in the human condition—call it determinism, if you like—and that sense of independent determination, is not just stubbornness, it could save the horse from drinking polluted water.

We don't expect our political leaders to give us polluted water to drink, and they try hard not to do that to the public at large, but that does not prevent them from feeding us polluted ideas with messianic passion. We encourage them. We crave strong, charismatic personalities; we sometimes throw caution to the wind and follow blindly, sometimes over a precipice. Take for example three countries that have been dominating the headlines this past week: North Korea, Syria and the United Kingdom. What is the common theme of their notoriety in the news? The one is an unbending leader, barking in his corner like a frightened Yorkshire terrier, threatening nuclear annihilation; the other is actually bombing hungry citizens as they queue up to buy bread to feed their hungry families, and the third, the iron lady, as she liked to be called, sparked protests even in death. These strong leaders, and many others like them, have not brought permanent peace to their people. They have contributed more hunger, more devastating destruction, and more in abiding anger and resentment than to any lasting peace.

As Rotarians we can do a great deal of good in the world without the allure of power, but we do not possess the definitive solutions to the problems of the world. Rotarians need to be careful to listen before speaking; to weep silently before laughing out loud; to ask simple questions before acting; to respect the dignity and potential of others before dismissing their efforts, to help others before helping themselves. Remembering always that our strong convictions and clear vision do not make us infallible or absolves us from the hurt we cause by our enthusiasm. Perhaps we need to realize that we may offer service but we cannot guarantee that peace will come through service.

With every good wish

Ivan
Saskatoon
14th April 2013

From Sarah King

WE ARE NOW ON
FACEBOOK!

Just search for
"Rotary Club of Saskatoon North"



AFRICA NIGHT 2013 

Fundraising event - 27 April 2013
St. George's Senior's Centre 1235 20th St. W



Cocktails 5:30pm
Dinner 6:00pm

Entertainment by
ResurreCtion DanCe
Theatre of Haiti

\$45/50 (before/after Apr 25th)
Catered by SABA African Cuisine

In support of projects
in Zanzibar and Haiti

Tickets:
www.picatic.com/Africanight

Weekly Program as reported by Brenda Banbury

Program Speaker: Kathy Crowther
Heifer International - Canada

Introduced & Thanked by: Earle Newton

H.I. has a mandate hunger and poverty in the world in a sustainable manner through agricultural and animal husbandry programs. Established in 1944, now in 13 countries, assisted over 1 million families. HI, like Rotary, do project based community work. The organization is a firm believer in "passing the gift" – when a community receives an animal, the 1st born animal is passed on to another community. If the community receives agriculture help, seeds and knowledge are passed on to another.

HI works internationally and also locally. They have projects in Manitoba, Ontario, Sask. Alberta and BC with the Canadian head office in Saskatoon. Canadian budget is \$1 million, dependent upon donations.

Some of the current projects are:

- 1) Growing local food for sustainable livelihood in Northern Manitoba in inaccessible communities with high unemployment, poor access to fresh produce and small populations. 5 different projects in 5 different communities.
- 2) Urban Toronto – Black Creek Community Farm – an area with high poverty, large immigrant/refugee population. Intended to develop a new generation of farmers using urban intensive agriculture.
- 3) Ghana – a 5 year project to provide food security and improved nutrition to 15,000 families. Promote gender equity, micro-credit to women, education on HIV/AIDS. Establish Shea mills to provide value added and better product with less labour.
- 4) Haiti - REACH - \$The 18 Million project to develop rural agriculture entrepreneurs. Goals are to provide long term sustained recovery with family run breeding centers, improved livestock breeds, improving Haitian soil and work to develop disaster preparedness.

For more information www.heifercanada.org



Duty Rosters

<u>Date</u>	<u>Setup Sergeant</u>	<u>Club Meeting Fines Sergeant</u>	<u>Desk</u>	<u>Greeter</u>
April 18, 2013	Ramji Khandelwal	Earle Newton	Darren McClelland / Dale Kelly	Ruth Marritt
April 25, 2013	Doug McPeek	Glen Paziuk	Peter Sen / Darren McClelland	Peter Rhodes

Meals on Wheels Schedule

Route 1 – June Cathcart Coordinator 374-1702 or 270-8483

Meals on Wheels Coordinator – Amy at 655-4318

Please note that the pickup is at 310 Idylwyld Drive (across from Harry Bailey Pool).

April 17, 2013	Ed Buchholz	May 8, 2013	Elaine Tatarniuk
April 24, 2013	Earle Newton	May 15, 2013	Volunteer Required
		May 22, 2013	Volunteer Required
		May 29, 2013	Volunteer Required

Bingo Schedule

Elaine Tatarniuk Coordinator

1 shift can be split into 2 – e.g. 11:30 – 2:45 and 2:45 – 6:00

May 16, 2013 (Thursday)	5:30 am to 10:00 pm	Volunteer Required
May 20, 2013 (Monday)	11:30 am to 6:00 pm	Volunteer Required
June 19, 2013 (Wednesday)	11:30 am to 6:00 pm	Volunteer Required
June 24, 2013 (Monday)	11:30 am to 6:00 pm	Volunteer Required

Program Schedule

Bob Anderson Coordinator

April 18, 2013	Jenn Sharp	GSE to India
April 25, 2013	Priscilla Mah	China & Polar Bear Trips slide show
May 2, 2013	Project Amigo video	Mexican Children Rotary aid
May 9, 2013	India GSE presentation	

2013 Lobster Fest

Rotary Club of Saskatoon Meewasin

The previous Lobster Fests were so thoroughly enjoyed by everyone that we are doing it again.



We would like to invite you to attend and better yet, put a table of 8 together. It is a great evening of food and fellowship.

Saturday June 8@ the Soccer Centre

219 Primrose Drive

Doors open at 5:30pm – Cash bar

Serving at 6:45

Advance tickets needed- only 600 available

- *Large whole Atlantic Lobster*
- *Steak available as an option*
- *Delicious salads and desserts*
- *Tickets \$50.00 with a tax receipt for \$25.00*
- *Proceeds to Community projects*

Why are we doing this? ..

Funds raised will used to be of service to those in our community that need our help!

Potential ticket purchasers are able to contact Ralph – 955 6056 – 361 6876 – jrmorgan@shaw.ca for tickets.