

# **Rotary Club of Regina Eastview**

## The ROTOR

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Apr 14 "Special Crimes" with Corporal Jon Golden (RPS)

Apr 21 "The Regina By-Pass" with Tony Playter

Apr 28 "RESTOR International" with Tim Cowan & "2016-2017 Eastview Budget" Presentation

May 5 "Supporting A Syrian Refugee Family" with The Yule Family

May 12 "TBA"

May 19 "Amarok Society" with Gem Munro

## **NEXT WEEK**

"Special Crimes"
with
Corporal Jon Golden (RPS)

April 14, 2016

## **DUTY ROSTER**

**Registration: Peter Peters** 

50/50: Zarin Zavery

**Greeter: Ken Poon** 





It was a lucky day for Regina Eastview as "sticky finger" dessert eating **banker**, Richard Schwan was at the **Registration Desk** taking in resources for the meal. There should be no excuse for not breaking even for this meal. Matching Richard's marvelous work was **50/50 Ticket Seller**, Tania Woroby, who topped 2016 ticket sales – nice job – thank you all for investing in the Club's projects.

#### CHILI FOR CHILDREN

**Apr 8 ----Lyle Gollnick, Peter Peters, Hans Gaastra** 

Apr 15---Allen Hillsden, Ann Grahame, Tania Woroby

Apr 22---NO SCHOOL

Apr 29---Doug Mortin, Nelson Falkowsky, Sherry McKinnon

Peter Neufeldt was **Greeter** and it was incoming Treasurer Jizinge Mwela who timed it right to be recognized in this week's ROTOR – probably not a highlight in Jizinge's day, but it gets DGN Peter N almost to the "cover of the ROTOR" (for another day).



President Ron Okumura was back after a week away, but remembered what needed to be done and got us



through a great meeting of member induction, Birthday recognitions, Sergeant time, fine update on one of our Community Projects, the SEARCH literacy program.

In the absence of current **Philosophers**, Leif Riesach thought he could find a fitting **Thought for the Day** if given a minute. Rummaging through his briefcase Leif found this thought attributed to American comedian, actor, singer, and writer, George Burns, "The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible.".





The **Lead Table** was comprised of the following fine group of members, prospective members and guests: Guest Kelly Husack (left); prospective member Vern Hoyt; and, members Ron Okumura, Wally Dressler, Greg McNamara, Sam Berg and Shreedhar Jachak.

Richard Schwan introduced the following **Guests**, Kelly Husack guest of the Club, Maja Starovic', guest of Louis Browne; Vern Hoyt, guest of Greg McNamara; and, Chris Hefner (right), guest of John Van Koll; and **Visiting Rotarian** Doug Keam (lower left) from the RC of Regina.



**50/50 Ticket Draw** Lady Tania Woroby selected a neutral party to draw the lucky ticket and so it was our guest speaker Kelly Husack who would receive accolades from the winner, Jack Wozniak, who donated his winnings of \$41.00 to *Chili For Children* – such a nice man.

## **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

Pat Dell stepped into this familiar role and began by fining herself and others who jumped the season and did "spring preparation" things last

weekend only to be startled to learn, "Hey, it's still winter" (who knew). Richard Schwan paid a fine for failing to have Doug Kea's presence recorded for introduction purposes; Sergeant announced that Sherry McKinnon was selected to receive the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Leadership Award presented by the *Business and Professional Women – BPW Regina –* 



The Award will be presented to Sherry on April 18<sup>th</sup> at their Annual Fashion Show and Silent Auction event (See poster circulated with this ROTOR). Happy Dollars came from: Peter Peters who boasted about their

granddaughter Danika, who as Captain of the *Waldheim United Volleyball* team won Tier 3 Gold in last weekend's *Ladies 16 and Under* Volleyball tournament in Regina; Allen Hillsden was pleased to tell us their grandson has been accepted into the College of Engineering at the University of Manitoba this fall; Hans Gaastra reminded us that on April 6, 1955 he stepped off the plane in Halifax, Nova Scotia as a Permanent Resident of Canada; Leo Ell advised their Calgary son recently had a total shoulder replacement and is doing well; and, Ralph Goodale was invited to say something to enhance the Club's coffers – tough for a politician not to take such an open opportunity – Ralph responded by noting there are some good things among the difficult challenges in his portfolio and specifically related to streamlining border crossings between Canada and the USA – each day 400,000 people cross this border and \$2.5 billion in trade is realized – this is a busy border!



## **NEW MEMBER INDUCTION**



For the second week in a row Membership Director Louis Browne had opportunity to lead in the induction of individuals into the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview. His first responsibility was to introduce Maja Starovic' on behalf of Maja's sponsor Nicholas Robinson. From Louis we learned a number of things about Maja, which education wise included a degree in Clinical Medicine from the Faculty of Medicine, Belgrade in the European country of Serbia; a Medical Genetics degree from the University of Calgary; and, a Law Degree from the University of Saskatchewan. Maja practised for a time as a Defence Lawyer focusing on Family Law. Since January 2013 she has served as

Family Law Counsel with the Government of Saskatchewan Legal Aid Office.

In his Induction comments Director Louis, challenged Maja keep before her Rotary's focus as defined in the Object of Rotary, and the foundational thrust presented through the Four-Way Test. Louis's final point is to advise Inductees that they serve as their vocation's window to Rotary and in turn the window of Rotary to their respective vocations. Having touched on the privileges and responsibility of Rotary membership, Louis declared Maja a member of the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview, having been loaned the Classification of *Family Law*. At which point President Ron presented Maja with a Rotary pin, copy of the Four-Way Test, The Object of Rotary and membership documentation, while members lined up to welcome Maja into the Club.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

We celebrated the **Birthdays** of three members. Pat Dell (April 10), Greg McNamara (April 5) and Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk (April 5) wandered to the podium clutching the required funds to be presented with "the gift". We sang - they paid.





#### **PROGRAM**

Sam Berg was privileged to introduce our Guest Speaker, Kelly Husack Executive Director of *SEARCH* (Student Energy in Action for Regina Community Health). Kelly has lived and worked in this community her entire life. She convocated from the Faculty of Kinesiology at the U of R in the spring of 2015. While in University Kelly incorporated a strong volunteer component in her life which she carries into her current activities. In concluding his introductory remarks, Sam presented Kelly with a contribution from the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview.



## From Kelly we learned:



- She has been with the program for 4 years;
- SEARCH is a student run health clinic which functions in the North Central area of Regina;
- Their work focuses on the people who live in this area of Regina;
- The students involved in the program have learned to appreciate the citizens in this wonderfully supportive community;
- This is a diverse multicultural community which appreciates the services provided through SEARCH;
- They provide a variety of programs that focus on Literacy;
- The workers are sensitive and responsive to the social determinants of health (a number of non-medical factors that impact health and in turn health outcomes);
- Involvement in Literacy days in the past year saw between 4 and 40 clients per month attend for a total of 189 for the year;
- SEARCH's focus on literacy is because 1 in 3 children in this area of Regina are not ready for their first day of school;
- Their literacy program facilitates families learning together;
- Eastview's contribution provides study guides for their literacy program; family games; reading materials; brain games; etc.;
- Their clients are largely the result of word of mouth referrals;
- Hours of health Clinic operation:
  - Saturdays: 12pm-4pm (September April)
  - Mondays: 5pm-9pm (May August)
  - o Four Directions Community Health Center
  - o 3510 5th Avenue, Regina
- Website <a href="http://searchhealthclinic.com/tag/student-energy-in-action-for-regina-community-health/">http://searchhealthclinic.com/tag/student-energy-in-action-for-regina-community-health/</a>



President Ron thanked Kelly for her informative presentation and for her leadership in this critical service SEARCH provides to residents of North Central area of the City.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**District Conference 2016** – Please go to the District Website – <a href="www.rotary5550.org/">www.rotary5550.org/</a> for registration and accommodation information – Register now as registration costs increase on April 15, 2016

**Million Dollar Dinner** – In concert with the District Conference, the District is celebrating the raising of 1 million dollars for The Rotary Foundation. For details on how to get in on this opportunity please talk to Doug.

**District Training Assembly** – District Governor Nominee Peter Neufeldt encouraged new and veteran Rotarians to register for the District Assembly to be held in Regina on April 16<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the Registration Form is circulated with this ROTOR. Please send your registration to Joanne Misner at: <a href="mailto:joanne.misner@gmail.com">joanne.misner@gmail.com</a>, with a copy to President Elect Greg at: <a href="mailto:mcnamara@sasktel.net">mcnamara@sasktel.net</a>

# ROTARY TIDBIT Rotary Weekly – April 1, 2016

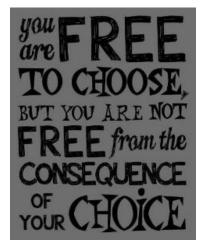
After the tsunami, a Sri Lanka hospital springs to life

A German Rotary member came to Sri Lanka for a peaceful vacation in 2004 and left with a purpose: to help rebuild a tsunami-ravaged maternity hospital. In the April issue of **The Rotarian** (page 42), read more about how Kerstin Jeska-Thorwart organized her Rotary district and others to help bring a <u>Sri Lanka hospital back to life</u>.



### **COMMENTARY**

**CHOICES**. This week I made a couple of choices. Well, I made more than a couple, but two choices were



outside the usual daily decisions one makes like, "will I get up" "what will I wear", "what will I have for breakfast" etc. On Monday I wandered the 2 blocks to the polling station where we fortunate White City folk go to vote. I had 5 choices, how lucky! I remembered a large segment of this planet's population have very limited choice and yet another segment have no choice at all. I chose and that choice has consequences, both for the one who got my "X" but also for me.

On Wednesday Margaret and I attended the Annual Saskatchewan Prayer Breakfast hosted by Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield Lieutenant Governor. A choice which put us in a room with some 700 people from all faiths gathered to eat, fellowship, pray and learn something about blending faith into our daily walk. The fact that Wednesday's breakfast followed Monday's election was particularly fitting. Made more pertinent as the *Prayer for the Province* was delivered by Rabbi Jeremy Parnes, a former member of Regina

Eastview. Jeremy has a strong peace perspective and in his prayer he recognized prayer as being foundational to building a community where justice, peace and love prevail.

Again, prayer is a choice, and it has consequences both for the one who speaks and the one who listens. I made the "Choices", am I prepared for the "Consequences"?

Be a gift to the world

For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters