

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Club Web Site

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Aug 18 "Club Assembly" with President Greg and Eastview Directors

- Aug 25 "The Regina Seniors Centre" with Lorraine Jarrett
- Sep 1 "U of R Business School" with Professor Randy Linton
- Sep 8 "Sports Hall of Fame" with Vicki Krauss
- Sep 15 "Transitions Estate Services" with Bonnie Pollock

NEXT WEEK

August 18, 2016

"Club Assembly" With President Greg and Eastview Directors

DUTY ROSTER

Registration:Joyce Butler50/50:Don ShindelkaGreeter:Joseph Mburu

Another well organized group welcoming us to the August 11th meeting of Regina Eastview. At the **Registration Desk**, we were greeted by the Club's Membership Director, Louis Browne, taking our coin to access this special room; International Service Director Richard Schwan was selling the very attractive **50/50 ticket** opportunities; and finally, and certainly not least, was the smiling Charles Sadzamare, a star member of Community Service who was the "official" **Greeter.** Here they are in a quiet moment waiting for the next large influx of Rotarians.



Allen Hillsden was the lead vocalist in today's singing, while



Shreedhar Jachak was called on to lead in Rotary grace.

Philosopher Doreen Pankewich, sensitive to our Guest Speaker's focus, choose this **Thought for the Day** from the German Lutheran pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident, and key founding member of the Confessing Church, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, who wrote, "*The test of morality of a society is what it does for its children.*"







Out meeting was naturally under the direction of President Greg McNamara. Our leader presented two striking images of this man behind whom we rally. This is not to pole members on your "preferred image", rather it is to say, "Isn't he looking classy".

With this as a backdrop, it is a delight to report on the persons President Greg gathered at today's **Lead Table**, they were none other than guest speaker Val Wiks, Doreen Pankewich, Joyce Butler and Ann Grahame. Nice!

Louis Browne was the introducer of Eastview's **Visiting Rotarians** & **Guests** which today consisted of Rotarian Val Wiks (right) a member of the RC of Regina Industrial Parks, Dave Sandison (lower left), guest of Doug Mortin, and Louis own guest Bim Pandya (below). Thank you all for Val, Dave and Bim for slotting Regina Eastview's luncheon into your day.







Richard Schwan generated \$32.00 in his sale of **50/50** tickets, which adds \$14.00 to the ever increasing pot of money (now up to \$112.00) Jeff Barber attempted to win. With the exception of Jeff, all purchasers smiled as Jeff too "drew blue".

Birthdays are a time for celebration and this year we add in a strong "Rotary image" component. Today it was Joyce Butler who was encouraged to

shop often and always with this handed-dandy insulated shopping bag – don't leave home without it, and do not forget to remind others where you got it, never failing to mention, "You too can be so lucky!"

Special Presentation - Richard Schwan was invited to the podium where



President Greg presented Richard with a 10 year pin for his decade of

service through Rotary. Congratulations Richard, for your service and leadership.

2016 Rotary Riders Deliver Funds

On July 23, 2016, six Rotarians road motorcycles 420 kilometers in support of Rotary District 5550 Ripple Effect Program, building schools and improving

literacy in the lives and futures of Guatemalan children. These six Rotarians were generously supported financially by many Rotarians and non-Rotarians, raising \$9,587.00.

On August 9th, Floyd Manz (RC of Regina), Rick Schindel (RC of Moose Jaw) and Doug Mortin (RC of Regina Eastview) delivered these funds to District World





Community Service treasurer, PDG Brian Cocks and his partner Darlene in exchange for the Tax Receipts they had issued. The three motorcyclists enjoyed being part of the Rotary Club of Melfort's regular meeting and were afforded the opportunity to speak about the Ripple Effect and the annual fundraising ride. Round trip distance, 736 kilometers! Great ride!

<u>Rotary Club of Regina Eastview Rotary Riders</u>	
<u>RIDE #</u>	<u>FUNDS RAISED</u>
#1 - July 2011 #2 – July 2012 #2 – July 2012	\$ 1,500.75 \$ 2,485.00
#3 – July 2013: #4 - Best year: July 2014 #5 - July 2015	\$ 9,842.05 \$11,831.10 \$ 9,775.00
#6 - July 2016	\$ 9,587.00
Total:	<u>\$45,020.90</u>



Couple of reports on the **Family of Rotary.** Clarence Krause shared that earlier in the week he spoke to Nelson Falkowsky, who has been notably absent from Rotary for a number of weeks, and learned that Nelson is dealing with some health issues, but hopes to be back to Rotary

soon. Peter Peters spoke to Takayoshi Ono on Sunday and was asked to convey his warmest greetings to members of Eastview. Peter understands that part of Taka's required therapy includes golfing.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

In Pat Dell's absence, President Greg and Barry Strohan shared a time of searching out Happy Dollars. Greg began by commending Pat and Glen for their fantastic hospitality last Sunday for the Past Presidents Picnic - their place lends itself so well to this event; Barry Strohan encouraged all members to make a point of putting this event on their next year's calendar – the opportunity to interact outside the formality of a Rotary meeting makes one better appreciate the fellowship potential of Rotary; Doreen Pankewich gave high praise for the home-



made ice cream at the PP Picnic (where else is this treat available); Doug took this last opportunity to acknowledge members for supporting the Ripple Effect Bikers; Peter Peters expressed his appreciation to members for supporting the MS Fund Raiser – he has exceeded his goal of \$4,500.00 and there is still money coming in; and, Laurence Vigrass updated us on Canada's Olympic Men's Volleyball Team success in Brazil (their Grandson plays for Canada) – beat USA, lost to Brazil, playing France this afternoon (very exciting volleyball) (left – 2015 Men's National Volleyball Team.

PROGRAM

Joyce Butler was invited to introduce our Guest Speaker Val Wiks form the Rotary Club of Regina Industrial Parks. Val Wiks, a former member of Regina Eastview, is the Community Ministries Coordinator at The Salvation Army Haven of Hope in Regina, a role she has held since 2004.

Today Val was at Eastview to speak about a Salvation Army Project which has a "Rotary service in Regina" opportunity.

This is what we learned from Val:

- In 2009 Sleep Country approached The Salvation Army (TSA) about partnering in a back pack project for needy children in Regina;
- The expectation was to prepare 25 back packs, which was achieved;
- In 2010 the number increased to 35 and in 2011 to 70 back packs;
- After 2011, Sleep Country decided to discontinue their involvement and TSA continued on their own;
- In 2012 the count increased to 184 and in 2013 they registered 215 children;
- In 2014 the count went to 832 and last year they prepared 904 back packs;
- This year TSA purchased 1000 back packs and they have over 500 registered recipients;
- They expect to reach their goal by the distribution day which occurs on August 23 25 at 2040 13th Avenue



• Rotary's involvement was orchestrated by Rotary Clubs of Regina President's Council and includes:

• Filling backpacks as a component of the Rotary Clubs of Regina Annual Peace Pole Picnic;

 \odot Rather than meeting in the Park we will meet at the Salvation Army facilities 2040 – 13th Avenue at 2:00 P.M. in advance of the Barbeque at 5:00 P.M.

 \circ Please advise President Greg if you can assist in packing the backpacks

• Each back Pack is provided with the items listed on the form circulated with this ROTOR;

- Cash donations are welcomed and can be sent or delivered to the address noted above;
- Backpacks and contents are valued at \$35.00;
- Val indicated that this small gesture is big in the eyes of the students and their families;
- It provides each student with a boost and encourages many to do well and take education seriously;
- Val concluded her presentation with the expressed desire that if she had another 35 years of opportunity she would focus on eliminating poverty in Regina.

"Take a bow", Val Wiks and the Salvation Army for what you do for the Children in this community and around the world. We are honoured by the invitation to join in this venture.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Dues – Are due!

Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour Fund Raiser - MS Society 2015 Bike Tour – Pledge sheets were on the tables and donations were welcomed and appreciated. Donors can access Peter's on line page at:

http://mssoc.convio.net/site/TR/BikeTour/SaskatchewanDivision?px=1867496&pg=personal&fr_id=4896&s_1

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National Immunization Day – To Nigeria on October 18 to 26, 2016 – check with President Greg for details.

Rotary Foundation Information – Hans Gaastra followed up on last week presentation on how to make donations to TRF – Please see Hans about forms which allow you to make regular donations from your Bank Account or your Credit Card.





A ROTARY TIDBIT

Regina Eastview Constitution

Article 7 – MEMBERSHIP: Section 6 - Honorary Membership

a) Eligibility for Honorary Membership. Persons who have distinguished themselves by meritorious service

- in the furtherance of Rotary ideals and those persons considered friends of Rotary for their permanent support of Rotary's cause may be elected to honorary membership in this club. The term of such membership shall be as determined by the board. Persons may hold honorary membership in more than one club.
- b) *Rights and Privileges.* Honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of admission fees and dues, shall have no vote, and shall not be eligible to hold any office in this club. Such members shall not hold classifications, but shall be entitled to attend all meetings and



enjoy all the other privileges of this club. No honorary member of this club is entitled to any rights and privileges in any other club, except for the right to visit other clubs without being the guest of a Rotarian.

COMMENTARY

At last Sunday's Eastview Past Presidents Picnic the Club was privileged to recognize, in a special way two of



our more senior members. Lorne White and Madhao Thakre were presented with Honorary Membership in our Rotary Club. Lorne joined Regina Eastview in 1971, and Madhao joined the Club in 1985.

I appreciated Ron Okumura and Peter Neufeldt's comments as they introduced Lorne and Madhao touching on their respective

contribution to the Club and in turn the service Regina East-view has provided over the years.

Rotary was/is obviously important to Madhao and Lorne as in their response they both referred to the Rotarian who invited them into this "worldwide fellowship" – in Lorne's case it was Hugh Wolfe and for Madhao it was Chandra Kania – this was an acknowledgement of appreciation. Today you too can open this door for someone – you will be remembered with thanks.



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters

