

# Rotary Club of Regina Eastview The ROTOR

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Aug 16 "Immigration" with Tamara Woroby

Aug 23 "TBD"

Aug 30 "TBD"

## **PROGRAM**

"Immigration"
with
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Next Week August 16, 2018

## **DUTY ROSTER**

**Registration: Doreen Pankewich** 

50/50: Takayoshi Ono

**Greeter:** Peter Peters

# **August - Membership and New Club Development Month**

Doreen Pankewich was the single person at the **Registration Desk** because she can do it all – handles cash and is exceedingly adept at taking your luncheon money (along with your other financial commitments) when attendees want to pay with "cards".

Pat Richards was selling 50/50 tickets and was well chosen as one who could assist in calming the potential

whining at the registration desk, as members had to adapt to the meal price change. As anticipated, Rotarians were their usual "calm" selves, and Pat's charm was hardly required.



Tania Woroby was the assigned **Greeter.** Being friendly folk, Regina Eastviewians believe in the premise of ensuring individuals coming to our meetings are made to feel



welcome. Here, Tania is seen extending the "Eastview Welcome" hand to member, Nelson Falkowsky – being open and welcoming, we greet visitors with the same and maybe even greater enthusiasm – like in the *Dick and Jane* book of old "Come and see".

**NOTE** 

#### **Rotary Club of Regina South**

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**Summer Meeting Schedule (Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday)** 

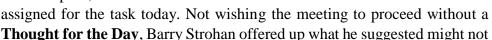
Regina South will be meeting on the following Fridays at noon:

August 3, August 17 and August 31.

**President John Van Koll** was seemingly pumped that he made it to the  $2^{nd}$  meeting in the  $2^{nd}$  month, a 12 month commitment without any challenges – that is, other than the attention the Sergeant pays to detail and the cost he has incurred as one sees the "big picture", leaving "details" to others - alas, it is what it is!.

President John rocketed us through the "call to order", singing the national anthem and Rotary grace without taking a breath. This has the potential to leave time for discussion should such be required during the course of our time together.

President John called for the Club Philosopher, and it seems no one was



fit within the parameters of a "philosophy" but in response to a nod from the President, he shared this observation, "My wife says I never listen to her...at least I think that's what she said."

In introducing those joining him at the

**Lead Table,** President John drew attention to the very special visitor, Berenice Beau (**left - with Doug Mortin**) a former In-bound Rotary Youth Exchange

Student, Ann Grahame and Jeff Barber.

Pat Dell was assigned the task of introducing our **Guests**, which consisted of Berenice Beau (above) a guest of Ann Grahame, and Helen Timm (**right**) a guest of Zarin Zavery.

Pat Richards managed the **50/50 Draw** – sales today were \$38.00 (meaning \$17.00 will be added to the "pot". The lucky ticket belonged to Laurel Mattison, who dove into the box and was promptly advised by Pat that the marble she selected was the wrong color.

**Birthday Recognition** – we sang for Takayoshi Ono (August 10) and Shannon Windrim, who will be presented with the special coffee mug (**nicer than this photo**) when President John brings them next week.

#### **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

Pat Dell came to the podium with "fire in her eye" as she challenged us with who would be getting the 1<sup>st</sup> fine (seems this is good thing) - no one was saying "pick me, pick me", although someone did offer up President John, who naturally was a safe choice. It was Barry Strohan, seems the "philosophy" was not consistent with Sergeant's understanding of appropriate gender equality – so Barry smiled and paid;











President John came second because he stumbled on introducing Berenice Beau attendance at the Lead Table.



Doreen Pankewich was going through the buffet line at this point having struggled to get the credit card machine to work and the Sergeant recognized her and Doreen received a Rotobuck for her "stick-to-it-ness".

Happy dollars came from Joyce Butler, whose granddaughters played on separate Softball leagues in Saskatoon and were successful in winning their tournaments - one granddaughter moves on to play in the provincials; Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk told us

her oldest daughter is off to an out of province sporting competition (sorry I missed which sport); Peter Peters was happy to tell us that he has exceeded his goal of raising \$5,500.00 in the Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour fundraiser.

The "Past Presidents Garden Party", previously scheduled for August 19 will have to be rescheduled because the Roughriders are at home playing against Calgary – a new date will be set and advertised. Members are reminded this is an event, the cost of which is covered by the Club's Past Presidents, is for members and their families – members are to let Pat know how many are coming from your family so the appropriate quantities of food can be purchased and ice cream prepared.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

RC of Regina Annual Golf Tournament September 7, 2018 - Tor Hill Golf Course.

This Rotary Hole-In-One Golf Tournament Provides a chance to win \$10,000 on every hole.

Registration fee is \$100.00 per player.

To register see details at:

<a href="https://reginarotary.org/golf-tournament/">https://reginarotary.org/golf-tournament/</a>

**Inbound Exchange Studen**t – Thomas Van Demarn from Belgium will be arriving at the Regina Airport on the afternoon of August 24<sup>th</sup>. Doug Mortin will

confirm the time – good to have a "welcome to Regina" contingent on hand to greet the young man.

**Former In-Bound Exchange student "coming to town"** – Former In-Bound Exchange student from Mexico, the quiet and reserved Cucho Casanova Jr (**right**) is coming to Regina for a visit – we can expect he will be at an Eastview meeting - it will be an event.

Exchange Student Friendships - Pat Richards told us that former In-Bound

Exchange Student Sarah from Finland visited former Inbound Exchange Student Emilie in Belgium reminding us all of the friendship power of the Rotary's Youth Exchange Program.

August 2<sup>nd</sup> ROTOR Editor's Correction -Regina Police Chief's name is Evan Bray -My apologies, PHP.

# **PROGRAM**

Out-Bound Exchange Student Brigid Malloy was to present today's program but the technology did not work and so her presentation will be rescheduled. To fill in President John invited Berenice Beau to share with us what she has been about since her Exchange year (2007-2008) with Regina Eastview.



Berenice indicated that she was last in Regina 6 years ago for a visit. She studied Fashion Design in France and has made this her career. She was until recently employed in Northern Ireland where she has lived for some time and has developed a delightful Irish lilt to her French accent. She terminated her employment and is spending some months traveling. She expects to be in Regina for a month, then spend a few weeks in Banff before going on to Mexico.

She indicated that there is not a day goes by that something she is doing is impacted by her exchange year experience. "I would not be as bold as I am today, if it would not have been for my Exchange year", was her admission.



Berenice expressed her thanks to Regina Eastviewians for being here today as we were when she spent those months in our midst eleven years ago. Wonderful to have you back for this visit, Berenice!.

President John invited Ann Grahame to provide an introduction to Rotary's September Theme, *Basic Education and Literacy*, the Literacy Rotarian Action Group (RAG).

Ann indicated the Literacy RAG has taken on new life with strong support from Carolyn Johnson, North Eastern USA who is Vice-Chair. The RAG has representatives from around the Rotary world and, "Works to increase the scale and effectiveness of literacy programs, as well as create a sustainable network of effective Rotarian literacy practitioners throughout the world."



In responding to Ann's "nudging", over the years as District 5550 Literacy

Chair, Clubs have responded realising that education is the way out of poverty. Ann cited the number of Grants Clubs have acquired to support them in their commitment to enhance the literacy rates of children in developing countries. She noted that annually there are Zone and District Awards available to Rotary Clubs. Zone Awards for Clubs who have 10 (or more) Literacy projects; and, District Awards for Clubs who have 5 (or more) Literacy projects. It is surprizing what Clubs learned about themselves when they documented what they were doing in their own communities. Work which supported schools and community organizations with a literacy focus. Ann held up the Vocational Training Teams District 5550 has supported in Ethiopia and most recently in Guatemala. In the latter instances, local teachers have come to believe that having children attend school when they are 4 and 5 years old has significant advantage over waiting until a child is 7 years old.

Ann pointed out there are great volunteer opportunities in Regina through the Regina Public Library to support literacy in our community.

Peter Neufeldt thanked Ann for her Literacy leadership over the years in our community, the District and around the world – to quote Peter, "You made a difference!".

#### **ROTARY TIDBIT**

The earthquake situation is a developing story and today we hear and read about yet another 5.something quake in the already devistated area. The following story came from ShelterBox Canada on Tuesday.



On Sunday, a 6.9 Magnitude earthquake suddenly struck the island of Lombok in Indonesia killing nearly 100 people. At least 20,000 men, women and children have been left homeless and urgently need shelter.

This devastating quake happened just a week after a magnitude 6.4 earthquake killed 17 people. There have been 66 aftershocks since the first quake, and more are likely.

A ShelterBox Team is Being Deployed - Today it has been confirmed that we're deploying a team to further assess how we can help the most vulnerable families. Our team has been in contact with our Rotary partners on the ground since the first earthquake hit.

We have emergency shelter aid already stored in the area should our assistance be appropriate.

**How You Can Help -** Any donation you are able to give today will help families who have been affected by natural disasters and conflict.

For families who have lost everything and have experienced terrifying disasters, <u>your gift of shelter</u> and supplies provides hope and the ability to start rebuilding.

Thank you so much for your support, and for believing no family should be left without shelter.



#### **COMMENTARY**



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters