



Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Service Above Self

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**December 10, 2015 “MY EXPERIENCES AS A ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR”
WITH DR. SUSAN JOHNSON**

December 17, 2015 NO NOON MEETING

December 18, 2015 EASTVIEW FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 24, 2015 CHRISTMAS EVE—NO MEETING

December 31, 2015 NEW YEAR’S EVE—NO MEETING

**January 7, 2015 THE MAMAWEYATITAN CENTER & THE GEORGE BOTHWELL BRANCH
LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT WITH JEFF BARBER**

January 14, 2015 NATIONAL SCIENCE FAIR IN REGINA IN 2017 WITH DR. ED. MATHIE

NEXT WEEK

December 10, 2015

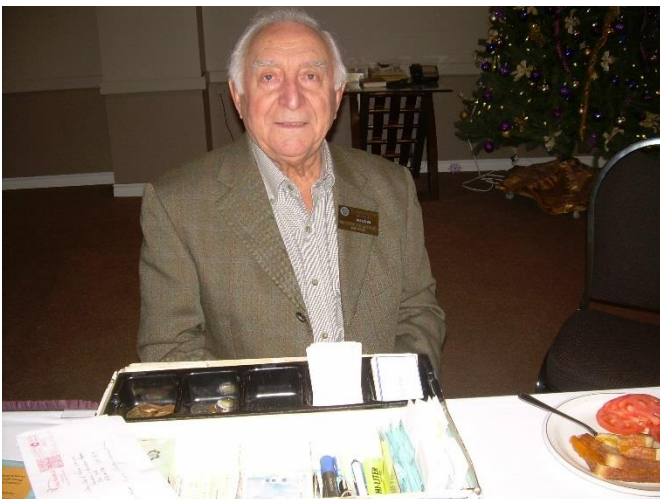
**December
10,
2015**

Registration: Nelson Falkowsky

50/50: Don Shindelka

Greeter: Doreen Pankewich

Registration: In the absence of the assigned person to handle registration, Nelson Falkowsky stepped up to the task and called on Allen Hillsden to count the money. Ann Grahame was registering people for the Eastview family Christmas party on December 18. And then there was Greg McNamara making people feel welcome as only Greg can.

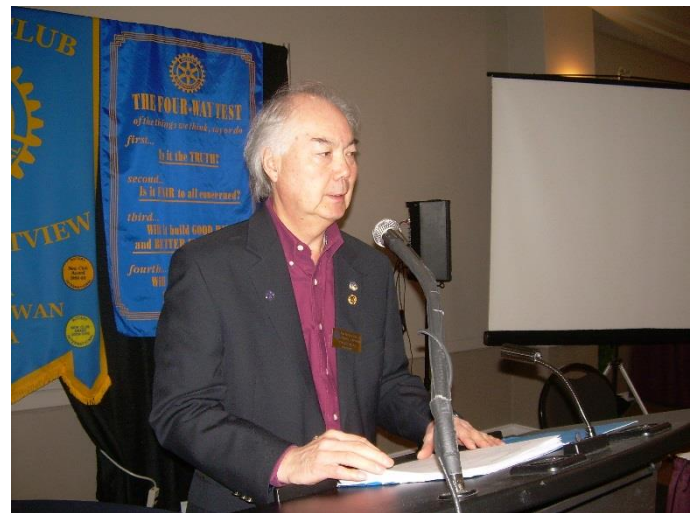




Lead Table: joining President Ron at the lead table today were: Leo Ell, Wally Dressler, Ken Poon and Richard Schwan. President Ron welcomed everyone to Eastview and called on Nelson to lead us in singing the national anthem.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests: the lone visiting Rotarian was Doug Keam, our friend from the Rotary Club of Regina. Our only guest was Laurel Mattison, who has been proposed for membership in Eastview. Again Nelson led us in singing the welcome song to our guests.

Club Philosopher: Doreen Pankewich offered the following by Bertrand Russell, a British author: “Why is



propaganda so much more successful when it stirs up hatred than when it tries to stir up friendly feeling?” Something for us think about.

50/50: Allen Hillsden announced there was \$35 collected and the winner of half was Greg McNamara who donated his winnings to the Rotary Foundation. Thank you Greg.

Sergeant at Arms: today the experienced Pat Dell was back in Sergeant’s role. Pat asked for happy bucks and Greg McNamara was happy to report he had volunteered at the Rotary Carol Festival and found it to be a moving experience. Jeff Barber was happy that the Sergeant, with her professional hat on, had assisted Jeff’s son with mortgage information. Jeff was commended by the Sergeant for appearing in the Leader Post in support of the Maker 2015 Event sponsored by the Regina Public Library this coming weekend at Regent Place

Branch. This is a community inspired opportunity in which people with common interests can meet, socialize and collaborate. Jeff is also excited about the new 3D printer at the Library. Sergeant Pat must have been glad

to be back as she was most generous in offering everyone a Rotobuck including those who have purchased hams and especially to John Van Koll who has arranged the ham sales. However the Sergeant does not have her Christmas lights completely up and fined anyone whose Christmas lights are ready to go. There were whisperings that the Sergeant should fine herself for not having her lights up!! And that concluded the Sergeant's report.



Program: the scheduled speaker was unable to attend. The International Services Committee took the opportunity to talk to the Club about the Rotary Foundation. Committee chair, Richard Schwan, came to the podium to remind us of the Foundation's role. The Rotary Foundation transforms Rotarians' gifts into

projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. A global network of Rotarians invest their time, money, and expertise into Foundation priorities, such as eradicating polio and promoting peace. Foundation grants empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact. Richard then called on Peter Peters to provide us with information about the Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) was established in 1917. The power of TRF and Rotarians has been demonstrated countless times over the nearly one hundred years but one of the most memorable ongoing programs has been the Polio Eradication program started in 1985. Peter noted at that time nearly 1000 people died from polio a day (350,000 per year) . Today less than 200 die in a year. Other programs that have had a profound global impact are water programs, peace and conflict resolution initiatives, healthcare, schools and literacy projects.



Leo Ell then came to the podium to advise us how we can contribute to the Rotary Foundation. When \$US1000 is contributed to The Rotary Foundation, a request can be made for an individual to be recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow; that person can be a Rotarian or a member of the community who is not a Rotarian.



When a person is recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow, they are presented with a Certificate signed by the Rotary International President and the Chairman of the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, and a lapel pin and medallion. The contribution to The Rotary Foundation can be made in one sum or by cumulative giving over a number of years. Individuals can make a personal contribution or the contribution can be from a club, a company or business. Other levels of contribution are: A Bequest Society member, when you give \$10,000 or more via your estate plans. Major Donor, when your cumulative donations reach \$10,000. For more information on the various ways to contribute to the Rotary Foundation see <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/take-action/give/recognition> or contact Leo Ell or Hans Gaastra. Thank you gentlemen for reminding us of this important information and that we need to take action, be a mentor, have the passion, and practise Service Above Self.

The family of Rotary: Leo Ell reported that he had visited Ted Gyles at William Booth Care Home. Ted was happy to see him and hear about the goings on at Eastview.

Gail Bradley spoke with Beth Foster this week. While Art and Beth are not able to attend the Family Christmas party they do send seasons greetings to everyone.

Announcements:

Lyle Gollnick reminded us of the Community Services “Gift of Warmth” project on behalf of mental health clients. The committee will collect warm clothing over the next week and distribute to Regina Mental Health. The Salvation Army Kettles projects needs 7 more volunteers. Contact Lyle for details on times available.

Vocational Services project: This Committee will accept nominations for a Service Above Self Award. Nominations are open from November to the end of December. Rotarians and their families are not eligible. It is open to people in the Regina Community who have excelled in providing service to their community. A one to two page nomination letter should be submitted. Nelson Falkowsky is the contact person for this project. The successful candidate will be presented the award at the Valentine Gala in February 2016.

The Adventures in Agriculture program for 2015 completed last weekend. It was a great success and 16 students attended. Nelson Falkowsky gleaned some interesting observations from personal stories from the students, their application information and their final speeches. He noted that the main concerns of the students were as follows: 50% are concerned that more young people are not seeking a career in agriculture; many are in favor of the Trans Pacific Partnership and 31% are concerned about the high cost of farming while only 19% are concerned about climate change. Peter Peters noted that A in A is a “big deal” for our Club and is our signature project. It was disappointing to the organizers that few Eastviewians were present to hear the Sunday morning speeches. Peter further noted that these students are a powerful group of young people with a powerful language and passion for agriculture. He thanked members for hosting the students.

Hams will be distributed next Tuesday (December 8) beginning at 8-30 AM. John Van Koll requests help in boxing and distributing the hams.

President Ron noted that Laurel Mattison has been approved by the Board for membership in the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview. Laurel is sponsored by Gord Wicijowski. She operates the “Hiring Hands” Employment Agency. If there are any concerns with this nomination please see President Ron.

REMEMBER THESE DATES:

CHILI FOR CHILDREN:

**DECEMBER 11, 2015: DOUG ARCHER, NELSON FALKOWSKY, LYLE GOLLNICK
DECEMBER 18, 2015: SHERRY MCKINNON, PETER PETERS, GREG MCNAMARA**



EASTVIEW FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY:

WHEN: DECEMBER 18, 2015 WITH DINNER AT 6-00 PM

COST: ADULTS \$35, CHILDREN UNDER 12 AND SPECIAL GUESTS--FREE OF CHARGE

If you have not registered please do so by contacting Gail Bradley or Ann Grahame by December 11, 2015. It will be a special evening of fellowship and celebration of the Christmas season.



In the meantime have a wonderful week. Enjoy the great weather and the beauty of this Christmas season.

Remember our theme: **BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD**

Filling in for Rotor Editor Peter Peters, I am Gail Bradley