



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR



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March 1, 2018 “Volunteer work-Africa” with Mrs. Devraj

March 8, 2018 “Hospitals of Regina” with Melanie Gray, Manager and CEO, Dino Sophocleous

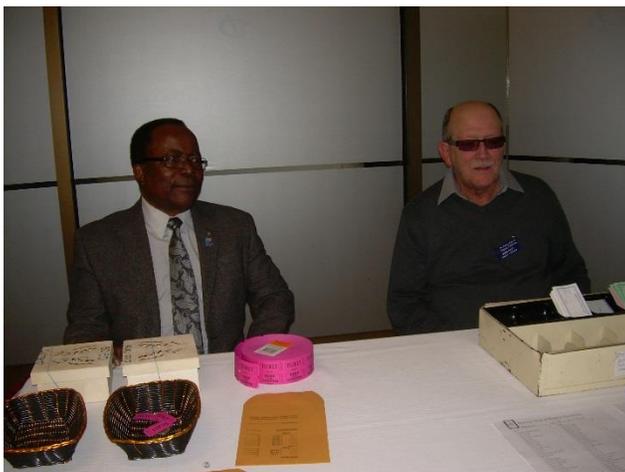
March 15, 2018 “The Regina Food Bank” with Steve Compton

March 22, 2018 “YMCA events” with Shawn Fraser

Next week
Volunteer work-Africa
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DUTY ROSTER
Registration: Leif Riesach
50/50: Pat Richards
Greeter: Greg McNamara
Student: TBA



Registration: serving today at the desk was Vern Hoyt, who we would later learn was filling in for John Van Koll. Vern was accompanied by Charles Sadzamare on the 50/50. Greg McNamara was in the **Greeter** role which he does so well, having had experience and mentorship at a large, local retail outlet for many years.

Welcome: President Richard welcomed everyone to Eastview and tested our knowledge with a number historical Rotary questions. It would be safe to say we were only average on the

quiz, by no means exceptional. Allen Hillsden was called upon to lead us in O’Canada while Shreedhar offered Grace. Vern Hoyt was **club philosopher** and gave us the following pearls of wisdom: *“It is never too late to become what you might have been or always wanted to be” (George Elliott)* and *“If passion drives you let reason hold the reins” (Benjamin Franklin).*





Lead table guests of Richard were: Lisa Gares (guest speaker), DG Peter Neufeldt, and Pat Dell. **Visiting Rotarians:** the one and only visiting Rotarian was Doug Keam from the R.C. of Regina. **Other visitors** in addition to Lisa Gares, were Darcy Moen, guest of Chris Hefner, and Judy Hamilton, guest of the Club. Guests were welcomed with the traditional Eastview song. The **50/50** on this day raised \$75 and the grand total is just over \$900. Chris Hefner's number was drawn on this day but he, in turn, drew blue, so the pot grows.



Presentation of Rotary pins: Today we honoured Jeff Barber for 25 years of Rotary service and Barry Strohan for 30 years. Richard thanked and congratulated both Rotarians for their contributions to Rotary over the years.



25 years ago: the Toronto Blue Jays won the World Series (game 6) against the Atlanta Braves and the last dollar bill was printed.

30 years ago: The 1988 Winter Olympic games opened in Calgary with 57 countries participating. The Terry Fox Marathon of Hope began.



Sergeant at Arms: Pat Dell welcomed *President Elect John Van Koll* back from Mexico with a fine. Apparently John was called about manning the registration desk and seemed to have forgotten. John appeared to have very little remorse and was heard to comment 'it was worth it'! *Vern Hoyt* was given two rotobucks for fulfilling John's duties at the registration desk. *Jeff Barber* received a Rotobuck for operating the debit machine while *Doreen Pankewich* is on vacation. *Richard Schwan* was fined for some unknown misdemeanor.

Happy bucks came from *Greg McNamara* for the company of his guest *Judy Hamilton*. Judy donated the huge beautiful quilt for the Valentine Gala live auction. Thank you to Judy from Eastview for her generous gift. *Ann* had happy bucks for the volunteers—Allen and Grace, Ron and Mary who helped set up the auction items. *Dinesh* was happy that Canada is doing so well at the Olympics and also that Waskimo was a success. *Jeff* is "happy" that his daughter has moved back home. *Charles* is grateful his daughter arrived from Zimbabwe. *Peter Neufeldt* had happy/sad bucks—sad because he missed the



Gala, but happy to have the opportunity to attend one of the RI President's Peace conferences held in Vancouver. The green grass was a bonus. The conference in Vancouver highlighted Peace and the Environment and DG's were challenged to plant a tree in their district—a summer project. Richard was sad because he missed Peter N. at the Gala and sorry that he and Sharon did not win the beautiful quilt. And so, the Sergeant concluded her report.

Next week: Past President Greg McNamara will announce the slate of officers for the coming year for Eastview. A Vice President and a Director of the PR Committee will be needed. If you are interested in serving in one of these positions please contact Greg.

Program: Pat Dell introduced guest speaker, Lisa Gares. Lisa worked 30 years for Scotia Bank and 9 years with First Canadian Title (FCT) insurance. Lisa has two daughters—one in London, England and one in LaRonge.



First Canadian Title Insurance (FCT) is a leader in the insurance industry in Canada with over 800 employees across the country and 25 years in business. Title Insurance protects the homeowner against losses associated with title fraud, survey and title issues/defects, as well as challenges against one's ownership. Title insurance can be purchased for a low one-time premium which will protect the owner as long as they own the property. The premium on the average home ranges from \$250-350.



Benefits include cost savings by reducing the number of expensive searches and satisfying most lenders' requirements for an up to date survey. The insurance allows one to close the purchase of the home by adding coverage over known defects. It provides a no fault claims process. It covers municipal issues, encroachment issues and fraud and forgery.

HOW TO ORDER A POLICY: TO PURCHASE A HOME—ask your lawyer/notary to order a homeowner title insurance policy from FCT. **IF YOU ALREADY OWN YOUR HOME:** if you do not currently have a title insurance policy, contact FCT at 1-877-888-1153 or at fct.ca where more information is available.

Richard thanked Lisa and presented her with the famous blue Rotary bag.

CHILI FOR CHILDREN SCHEDULE

FEB. 23 NO SCHOOL

MARCH 2 LYLE GOLLNICK, ANN GRAHAME, TANIA WOROBY

MARCH 9 NO SCHOOL

MARCH 16 LAURIE HUBER, GREG MCNAMARA, DOREEN PANKEWICH

MARCH 23 NO SCHOOL

MARCH 30 NO SCHOOL

INFORMATION ON PARKING AT THE DELTA

There is no longer a parking attendant at the Delta Parkade. A ticket machine has been installed at the 3rd floor exit to the parkade and also there is one at the parkade exit. The Delta has provided \$2 tickets for Rotarians to use which will be distributed at each meeting. Use this ticket in the machines NOT the ticket you receive on entry to the parkade. You must pay by debit or credit card—cash is not accepted at this time.

NEWS FROM THE AMAROK SOCIETY

The following is a message to Friends of the Amarok Society submitted by Ann Grahame. The Munro's visited Eastview some time ago and informed us about the good work of the Amarok Society.

The Amarok Society is a Canadian charity operating in Asia and Africa. Incorporated as a federally registered charity in 1992, it was founded by Dr. Tanyss Munro and her husband, G.E.M. Munro, a noted writer, as a support to their efforts to improve educational opportunity for Aboriginal and First Nations students. Below is a message to the friends of the Amarok Society from son, Gabriel.

“There are two things that have been key to Amarok Society’s success. On the other side of the world, it’s been the courage and dedication of the mothers we teach. They overcome all obstacles in order to provide their children, and their neighbours’ children, with an education.

On this side of the world, a huge part of our success is thanks to Gem Munro’s skills as a speaker and a writer.



We couldn’t have asked for a more eloquent champion of our work; his best-selling book, *South Asian Adventures with the Active Poor*, has been a major fundraiser for AS, and his speaking tours have inspired people all across North America to make a stand for peace and universal education.

Gem has recently started writing a weekly blog, inspired by the people he meets on his travels and the issues they face. Those who have read *South Asian Adventures*, or seen Gem speak, will recognize his signature blend of sharp wit and deep compassion. His humanist philosophy is still at work; with this blog, Gem doesn’t just find the humour in things, he finds the *goodness* in things. “

To read his latest entries, please follow his page on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GemMunroAuthor

Entries can also be read on his website, www.GemMunro.com/blog

COMMENTARY

“DON’T LOOK BACK. YOU ARE NOT GOING THAT WAY”. Anonymous

For Editor Peter Peters, I am Gail Bradley wishing everyone a good week.