



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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January 19	Learning Disabilities Association with Shelley Mitchell
January 26	Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada with Lisa Smith
February 2	Can. Mental Health Association-Regina Branch with Stacey Carmichael
February 9	NOON MEETING
February 10	VALENTINE GALA
February 16	The Caring Place with Gwendolyn Friedrich
February 23	Club Assembly with President Greg McNamara
March 2	Electronic Products Recycling Association with Gaylene Creelman

NEXT WEEK
January 19, 2017

Learning Disabilities Assoc.
Shelley Mitchell

January
19, 2017

Registration: Ann Grahame

50/50: Vern Hoyt

Greeter: Maja Starović

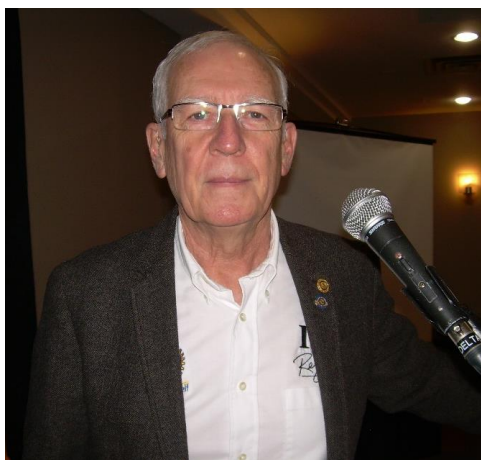


Registration: today registration was in the capable hands of PDG Doug Mortin with sidekick, Kell Sloan, selling 50/50 tickets. Both appeared to be enjoying their roles. We all greeted each other in warm Rotary fashion. Meanwhile President Greg circled the room making everyone feel Eastview Rotary was the place to be as only President Greg can do.

The meeting began with the President inviting Allen Hillsden to lead us in singing our National Anthem followed by Rotary Grace offered by Charles Sadzamare.

Philosophy: Doreen Pankewich gave the the following words of wisdom from Carl Sandburg: "Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you

let other people spend it for you." Thank you Doreen. Good words to remember.



Lead Table: Seated with President Greg today were Gordon Wicijowski, Wanda Blake (guest speaker), Doreen Pankewich, Richard Schwan and Gail Bradley.

Visiting guests and Rotarians: Good to see visiting Rotarian, Jerry Boulanger from the Rotary Club of Industrial Parks.

Other guests were Wanda Blake, and Norm Price. Welcome everyone.

50/50 draw: President Greg had the winning ticket however that green marble eluded him. Has anyone checked? Is the green marble still in the box? The grand total is perported to be \$876—certainly worthwhile to buy a ticket and the money goes to a good cause.

Sergeant: Sgt. Pat Dell came to the podium. Her first order of business

was to fine all those who had complained about the weather. Next was John Van Koll asked to donate funds (just to make the Sergeant feel good) because he had apparently told the Sergeant, “You are right”—about what, we are not sure! Doreen Pankewich donated funds because she has joined the ‘card shark’ group also known as bridge. The Club is being overtaken by bridge players. Nothing goes unnoticed by the Sergeant. She noted in the Leader Post this past week that Charles Sadzamare’s picture appeared celebrating 15 years of employment with the Co-OP. He was gifted a gold and diamond ring in honour of his achievement and—he had to pay a fine. Congratulations Charles.

Happy Bucks came from the following: Peter Neufeldt was happy to report that on this very cold day he had driven by a truck with golf clubs in the back. Peter rolled down his window and congratulated the man on his optimism. Doug Mortin was happy as sponsorships for the Valentine Gala have now reached \$12,050. Congratulations to the Committee for all of their hard work on this. Chris Hepner was glad to have his guest Norm with him today. They will be



working together on a project. The Sergeant thanked Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk for serving as deputy sergeant today. Sam Berg is happy to be curling with the “Saints and Sinners” curling group. He reported that his team won but it was not clear which team Sam was playing with!! Thank Sgt. Pat for giving us smiles on this cold day.

Birthdays: President Greg presented Ann Grahame with the coveted blue Rotary freezer bag. For Ann’s \$10 we also sang happy birthday to her.



President Greg then called Gail Bradley to the podium to discuss the revised draft Constitution. See more at the end of the Rotor under a ‘Rotary Moment’.

Program: Guest speaker today was Wanda Blake from the Regina Public Library (RPL). Wanda is the manager of Development at RPL. She moved to Regina in March 2000 from Newfoundland with her husband who teaches history at the University of Regina. Their two sons moved to Regina with them and are now studying in the medical field, one in Toronto and one in Cork, Ireland. Wanda has worked with non-profit/charitable organizations for a number of years and now with RPL. Wanda has worked on large and small fundraising projects to build successful fundraising units and securing gifts of \$1million.



Today Wanda talked about philanthropy at RPL. It has early beginnings with RPL—back to 1909 when a group under the Hon. Walter Scott built the first Regina Public Library. \$8000 was the budget to purchase books and cover expenses. The library was given 3 rooms on the second floor of the new City Hall.



Today the RPL continues to fundraise to provide programs and services to the community. The library is a charitable organization even though it does receive municipal tax levy and grants (in lieu of taxes). The RPL offers many programs and services to the public through its 9 branches. The Bothwell Branch in the Southland Mall has been newly renovated and offers many new features to the public.

Some years ago the Regina Library Home lottery was a major fundraiser but has been discontinued due to the competition. A new culture of fundraising is being developed. In the past year there has been 1.2 million visitors through all 9 branches of the RPL. The RPL has over 100,000 books in addition to many other materials and online services. There are many programs. Some are English as a Second Language, Homework Help for students, Newcomer Mom programs which provides transportation for the Mom and children to the program. The Mother Goose program develops literacy skills for parents. Literacy developing skills are offered in some elementary and high schools in the areas where these programs are desired. Books, lunches and snacks are also provided in these programs. Evaluations of the various programs shows they are successful. The Library continues to work to enhance philanthropy. Thank you Wanda for your presentation. We are fortunate to have the wonderful services of RPL available to us.

It was a busy day at Eastview. Next to the podium was President Elect Richard Schwan to ask for Membership acceptance of the new committee structure that was presented to the Club in November of 2016. That presentation is attached again for your review. Thank you Richard for your work on this and your vision for the Club. The Membership accepted Richard's plan which will begin in the new rotary year.



Announcements:

CHILI FOR CHILDREN

January 13 – Takayoshi Ono, Jack Wozniak, Ann Grahame

January 20 -- Nelson Falkowsky, Hans Gaastra, Allen Hillsden

January 27—NO SCHOOL

President Greg reminded us of the need to boost our Gala ticket sales. Ask – all they can say is NO. He also reminded us of the District Conference in Kenora and to consider attending this event.

Allen Hillsden reminded that there is a need for prizes and auction items for the Valentine Gala.

Two Rotary Moments

#1-- A presentation prepared by Past Presidents Ron Okumura and Gail Bradley outlined a review of the changes to the 2016 Constitution drafted by Rotary International for Rotary clubs. These changes were enacted by the R.I. Council on Legislation in the spring of 2016. As in the past, Rotary International expects Rotary clubs to adopt this Constitution. This draft document with highlighted changes was distributed last week to members. It was approved by the Rotary Club of Eastview Board on Nov. 10, 2016.

Today the members approved the document which will be properly formatted and posted on the Eastview website. Thank you to PDGs Peter Peters and Doug Mortin, President Greg McNamara, President Elect Richard Schwan and Jeff Barber for their mentorship on this project. It is much appreciated. The Rotary Club of Regina Eastview Bylaws will be reviewed and submitted for Board and Membership approval in the months ahead. A



Motion was made by Gail Bradley that the Membership accept the new 2016 Constitution of the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview as required by Rotary International. Seconded by John Van Koll. Motion carried.

#2-- *If you have not had a chance to read the January 2017 Rotarian, you will find the Article on The Quiet Diplomat interesting. Ban Ki-moon, retiring UN secretary-general, reflects on his 10 years with the organization. Following a difficult childhood during the Korean War, he states that he has “known hunger, war and what it is to flee conflict”. During his second five year term as Secretary General he made polio eradication a top priority. At the 2016 Rotary International Convention in Seoul he donated his \$100,000 honorarium to the End Polio Now Campaign. He says that “Rotary International has been the wind in our sails”.*



Filling in for Rotor Editor Peter Peters, I am Gail Bradley wishing you a safe and happy week.