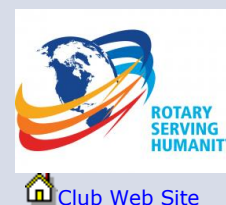


## Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

### The ROTOR

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Jan 26	<b>“2017 Red Cross Pink Day”</b> with <b>Luke Millinder</b>
Feb 2	<b>“Canadian Mental Health Association – Regina Branch”</b> with <b>Stacey Carmichael</b>
Feb 9	<b>No Meeting</b>
Feb 9	<b>“Valentine GALA”</b> at the <b>Delta Regina</b>
Feb 16	<b>“The Caring Place”</b> with <b>Gwendolyn Friedrich</b>
Feb 23	<b>“Club Assembly”</b> with <b>President Greg McNamara</b>
Mar 2	<b>“Electronics Products Recycling Association”</b> with <b>Gaylene Creelman</b>
Mar 9	<b>“Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada”</b> with <b>Lisa Smith</b>
Mar 16	<b>“State of the City”</b> with <b>Mayor Michael Fougere</b>

#### **NEXT WEEK**

**“2017 Red Cross Pink Day”**  
with  
**Luke Millinder**

**January 26,  
2017**

#### **DUTY ROSTER**

**Registration:** **Sherry McKinnon**  
**50/50:** **Pat Richards**  
**Greeter:** **Kell Sloan**

Just before the meeting today, DGE Peter Neufeldt called Peter Peters from San Diego, where Peter and Janet are going to “District Governor School” with exciting news.

**Rotary International President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley** (right), a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, unveiled the 2017-18 presidential theme, **Rotary: Making a Difference**, to incoming district governors at Rotary’s International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.



In 2017-18, Rotarians around the world will answer the question **“What is Rotary?”** with RI President-elect Ian’s theme, **Rotary: Making a Difference**. In announcing the Theme the President Elect observed, “Whether we’re building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people’s lives — in ways large and small — for the better.”

DGE Peter extended his thanks to members of Eastview for having reflected this theme for decades, and he invited us to continue to demonstrate how *Service Above Self* is foundational to the 2017-2018 Theme.

As an early attender, some of you may have noticed President Greg trying to remember what it feels like to be “ordinary”. He “staffed” the **Registration Desk** for a view seconds but as people were throwing money at him he soon surrendered the role to Ann Grahame who deftly returned the scene to normalcy – thank you for trying, Greg.



Kell Sloan was the **50/50 tickets** seller and as will be noted later in this issue, he did an outstanding job and may be vying for the, “Ticket seller of the year” Award (is there really such a prize??)

Sadly, **Greeter Maja Starovic** was not able to be at the meeting today so we were happy to greet one another.



President Greg McNamara soon found his rightful place and the meeting proceed almost like a finely oiled “Singer Sewing Machine. Before we could swallow the last of the chicken breast on our plates he invited us to stand, sing, pray and the “show was on the road”.

Club Philosopher Doreen Pankewich went to the top of the Rotary ladder for our **Thought for the Day**. She quoted the following from RI President John Germ’s “Dear Fellow Rotarians” letter in the February 2017 issue of *The Rotarian*: “None of us ever knows the full impact of our actions. None of us



*knows the effects that will ripple out from the things we do and say, the decisions we make, the opportunities we seize, and those we let pass. But I think we all know that when we choose to do good, good will follow; and that when we choose Service Above Self as our life’s path, the direction it will take us will be a good one.”*

Joining President Greg at the **Lead Table** were guest speaker Shelly Mitchell, Shelly’s Associate Lea Skaar, Pat Richards, Richard Schwan, and Ted Kent.

Ann Grahame was called on to introduce our **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**. As there were no Visiting Rotarians, Ann was left with introducing five guests which included (**l to r below**) Shelly Mitchell and Lea Skaar, guests of the Club; Francois Brien, a friend of Chad Cunningham; Lucien Dubois, guest of Chris Hefner; and, Yol Lueth, guest of Laurel Mattison.







Kell Sloan was the **50/50 Draw** king and he did surely work the membership into a frenzy, keeping us in suspense. Kell made \$84.00 in sales today, with \$42 - \$2 going into the pot (**someone in Finance will know the actual value**). He called each number with a dramatic pause between numbers, and had us shifting our butts (one each) to the front of our chair (one each) until Lea Skaar shouted out the last number “**1**” to which Clarence Krause responded with a shout (quietly of course). Clarence searched for green and, as you can see, he couldn’t believe he missed and wound up with a blue marble.

### **Chili For Children Duty Roster**

**Jan 20 - Nelson Falkowsky, Hans Gaastra, Allan Hillsden**

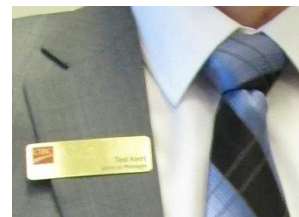
**Jan 27--- NO SCHOOL**

**In Rotary, January is:  
Vocational Service Month!**

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



*Service Above Self* was evident in Eastview today as our regular Sergeant-At-Arms was feeling unwell having just returned from a visit to the Dentist, so graciously filling in at the last moment was Richard Schwan. Such a guy, stepping up to the plate so the rest of us could be spared visions of our favorite Sergeant drooling. Picking up on the dental theme, Richard gave a Rotobuck to each person who had visited a Dentist in the last month. There were no fines for not wearing your Rotary Pin, nor were you fined if you failed to put on your name tag, however, if you were wearing a name tag, that featured your bank, this was a clear violation of all things Rotary; if you were going south before the end of April it cost \$1.00 (and yes, Weyburn is south).



Happy dollars came from Jack Wozniak who just came back from a family holiday in Mexico and missed the cold snap, and then he donated a few more dollars because he felt bad that the rest of us could not have joined him in the warmth; Peter Peters paid a couple of Rotobucks to extend Peter Neufeldt’s greeting from San Diego with Peter N’s thanks for Eastviewians commitment to *Making a Difference*; and, Ted Kent had a happy dollars because today is their son Carter’s 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

### **PROGRAM**

President Greg introduced our guest speaker, Shelly Mitchell, Director of LDAS (Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan) Regina a role she has filled for the past 18 years.

From Shelly we learned that in Regina a service for children with learning disabilities began in 1971. It started around the kitchen table because there was no place else where children with severe learning challenges were able to be accommodated. It was not until 1998 that the service was able to move to a store front facility where children with learning disabilities could receive individualized attention.



The agency’s Mission is to “promote the education, employment, wellness and human rights of those with learning disabilities and ADHD”. Their four Strategic goals are; i) Expand services for professionals who serve people with LDs and ADHD; ii) Grow & develop programs and services for people with LDs and ADHD; iii) Achieve financial stability and sustainability to ensure that LDAS can continue to serve those with LDs and ADHD; and, iv) Improve understanding and awareness of LDs and ADHD within Saskatchewan.



A challenge faced by this agency is that there are some 109 symptoms of a learning disability and each person is unique - so the “one fits all” scenario does not exist when dealing with their clientele.

Programs provided by LDAS include, but are not limited to the following: Academic tutoring, adult upgrading and GED, ADHD Coaching, Arrowsmith learning, designation employment, screening for success and EEG Neurofeedback. There are three LDAS sites in Saskatchewan – Regina, Saskatoon and Prince Albert – and not all services would be available in each of the sites.

From the LDAS Website the “*Arrowsmith Program*”, the newest of the services provided by LDAS, the following was noted, “*accomplishes the following for students with learning disabilities:*

- *builds and strengthens cognitive processes that are necessary for more efficient learning*
- *trains visual and auditory memory as well as attention and concentration*
- *improves fine motor skills necessary for writing and note-taking*
- *strengthens working memory, processing speed and cognitive efficiency*
- *strengthens executive functions*
- *builds the capacity of both verbal and non-verbal thinking, reasoning and problem solving.*

EEG Neurofeedback is a service only offered in Saskatoon and Shelly’s discussion was of significant interest to Shreedhar Jachak and it is anticipated further information will be exchanged.

The Agency is looking to rebranding the organization and from LDAS Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan to LDAS Centre of Excellence.

Shelly received an insulated grocery shopping bag for “**Excellence**”.



**“This is My Life”** - Today it was the man with the unique name tag to tell us about himself, and this is the way it unfolded

Ted Kent grew up in a family with one brother and one sister. The brother was also a banker and therefore worthy of note. Ted’s sister is married to a lawyer in London, England and seemingly required no additional explanation. Born in Calgary, the Kent family moved around a lot because “Dad” worked for Woolco, and had the good fortune of managing stores all across Canada. On retirement from the Woolco Career, the Kent’s moved to the “farm” in the North Battleford area where all manner of livestock were raised.

Ted obtained an Arts degree from the U of S, where he also met his future wife (they married 26 years ago and life is good). He and Kim have 2 children, Mackenzie, a 4<sup>th</sup> year student at the U of R hoping to get into medicine. Carter, who is 18 today is expecting to get into the faculty of Engineering at the U of R. The family just took in a “rescue dog” and are hopeful that they will not have to be rescued. Ted’s career is in insurance/trust companies/merging of companies/banking, where each one of those components might well be a store unto itself.

He joined Rotary, because of the people in this room. Take a bow folks – let us continue to impress this gentleman.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Valentine GALA** – **Allen Hillsden** reminded us that it is time to approach our contacts for Silent Auction items. Ticket selling teams are encouraging their team members to sell those tickets. **Doug Mortin** advised that we are on track with sponsor donations, but encouraged members to consider contributing in addition to selling tickets or in place of buying tickets if you will not be at the GALA.



**New Member Proposal** – Chad Cunningham was called on to introduce his friend Francois Brien a recent resident of Regina and the Manager of the Regina East Canadian Tire Store. Francois was a Rotarian in his earlier life and was convinced by Chad the Regina Eastview was a really good Rotary Club to join. Francois has completed the application, which was approved by the Board. Therefore, if the President does not receive, within the next 7 days, information from member(s) of the Club as to why Francois should not be admitted to membership in

Regina Eastview, he will be inducted into the Club.

**Service Above Self Award** – Nelson Falkowsky advised that the Vocational Services Committee, from the three quality nominations received for this Award, selected Lee Beck to be this year's recipient. The Award will be presented at the Valentine GALA Event on February 10, 2017.



## COMMENTARY

Since July 21, 2016 Valentine GALA Coordinating Committee consisting of Ron Okumura and Doreen Pankewich, (co-chairs), Gail Bradley, Ann Grahame, Chris Hefner, Greg McNamara, Doug Mortin, Peter Neufeldt, Chad Cunningham, Nelson Falkowsky, Allen Hillsden, Fakhra Shahid, (representing Rotaract) and Peter Peters have been meeting to plan Valentine GALA 2017.



Committee Meeting # 9 was held after the regular meeting today – the group will meet at least two more times before the February 10<sup>th</sup> GALA event. Complementing the GALA Committee are six Sub-Committees which have gathered any number of times.

Households with Access Communication can watch President Greg and Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk on Channel 7's *Talk of the Town*, with the talented Lisa Peters on February 8, 9 and 10. Those same delightful Rotarians will also be on CTV's on this Friday, at 8:15 A.M. and again at *News at Noon* also tomorrow. They can also be heard on Community Radio on Monday at a time you will learn about tomorrow. This year's event MC is CKOM's Jill Smith.

Allen Hillsden does a marvelous job of gathering up Silent Auction items, and you can still get in on this opportunity. Our job now is to get enthusiastic "Valentiners" into the building to enjoy interactive activities, bid on those silent auction items and dance some of the best music available in Regina.

**Your being there will make this a great event. Thank you for "making a difference".**

**For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters**