



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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February 2	"Can. Mental Health Association"-Regina Branch with Stacey Carmichael
February 9	"NO 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
March 9	"Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada" with Lisa Smith
March 16	"State of the City" with Mayor Michael Fougere-joint meeting with the Rotary Clubs of Regina and Regina Eastview

NEXT WEEK
Canadian Mental Health Assoc.
Regina Branch
with
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February
2, 2017

Registration: John Van Koll
50/50: Doug Mortin
Greeter: Kell Sloan

Registration: The desk was capably manned by Sherry McKinnon with Pat Richards beside her selling 50/50 tickets, making no promises! She was filling in for Doug Mortin who is still away.



Greeter: was our Treasurer, Jizinge Mwela, who saw that there was a need and assumed the role in true Rotary fashion. When the assigned Greeter, Kell Sloan, arrived, they decided that Kell could be Greeter next week as Jizinge will be out of town. Several of the members arrived staggering under the weight of



large items which they piled up beside Allen Hillsden for the Silent Auction! **President Greg McNamara** was everywhere, greeting our guests and inviting a select few to sit at the lead table, before calling the meeting to order and asking **Allen Hillsden** to lead us in "O! Canada!" which was sung with great enthusiasm, perhaps because there was a former Roughrider in our midst. President Greg asked **Ron Okumura** to lead us in Rotary Grace. **Club Philosopher, Doreen Pankewich**, quoted from Henry James: " Kindness is in our power even when fondness is not", which was very applicable to the topic of today's meeting.



Seated at the **Lead Table** were: our Speaker, Luc Mullinder, guest Rebecca Benko (left), Takayoshi Ono, Ron Okumura, Doreen Pankewich and our President, Greg McNamara.

There were no visiting Rotarians. Sherry McKinnon introduced the **four guests** who were present, Luc Mullinder, guest of the club and today's Speaker, Rebecca Benko, (left, from the Canadian Red Cross, who introduced the Speaker, Sophie Maroudis (right), guest of the club, (who came with Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk), and Sharon Christie, (below left) guest of Richard Schwan. **Allen Hillsden** then led us in singing the **Welcome Song**.



50/50 Draw: **Pat Richards** brought up the basket of tickets, and announced that today's "take" was \$70.25. After a good shuffle and shake, she asked our guest speaker to draw "just one ticket, please". The winning number was held by **Takayoshi Ono** who was then asked to select one marble from the box being held above his head....and again pulled a blue marble! (Yes! The green marble is still in the box!)

Sergeant: Pat Dell, having recovered from the dental work which had been performed last Thursday, started by thanking Richard Schwan for stepping up at such short notice and went on to fine Jeff Barber and Louis Browne, both of whom had been on TV News programs recently, for not wearing their Rotary pins on screen! President Greg was fined for not

telling the Truth as he grossly exaggerates the amount in the kitty for the 50/50 Draw.

Chad Cunningham was awarded a Rotobuck for his excellent promotion of our upcoming Valentine Gala on the various radio stations with which he is involved. **Happy Bucks** poured in from the following:

- Pat Dell who is now certified as a Reverse Mortgage Specialist
- President Greg McNamara as his granddaughter Emma Rose took a selfie with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau at Nicky's Cafe this morning.
- Jeannie Martinson who is flying to Europe for 2 weeks to work, while Malcolm is going to Hawaii, and Jeanne also plans to take her mom to see a Blue Jays game in Toronto in June.
- Richard Schwan and Sharon Christie as their son Connor designed the Pink Days T-shirt (see below), plus Sharon had paid for Richard's lunch!



- Louis Browne, who was co-M.C of the Chinese New Year celebration last Saturday and got way ahead of schedule; he was rescued by Doug Archer who spoke off the cuff about Regina's Twin City, Jilin.
- Pat Richards, whose grandson is doing well at Notre Dame.
- Pat Dell and Jeanne Martinson also promoted Business and Professional Women which has several excellent programs coming up, including a presentation by Katherine Gagne.

Program: Rebecca Benko of the Canadian Red Cross introduced the Speaker, Luc Mullinder, a former Saskatchewan Roughrider, who was on the team which won the Grey Cup in 2007, and who retired at the end of the 2012 season. He returned to Saskatchewan and worked for Harvard Broadcasting and now works as the Product Manager for the Canadian Red Cross.

Luc told us that the *Imagine No Bullying Initiative* now reaches one child in every 3 in the province, and by 2019 the project will have expanded to every student in Saskatchewan, which is leading Canada. Pink Day is a province-wide awareness campaign. Hand-picked Saskatchewan Roughriders are selected to undergo 2 days of intensive training, after which they go to schools where they give a 45-minute presentation. During the period from February to mid-May they will have contact with 30,000 students. The program has been gaining momentum since 2007, and 34 schools have signed up in the first week after registration opened. Students are then selected to undergo 2 days of intensive training to become Youth Facilitators, and then return to the schools to work with their peers. These mass training events are



coming up at the Univ. of Regina and the Univ. of Sask. Northern communities are asking for the program to be started there, but this can be very expensive because of transport costs. One of the Saskatchewan Roughriders is up there right now. T-shirts, polo shirts and packs of 3 pairs of socks can be ordered and are fund-raisers. The Canadian Digital Network, (CDN), with 30,000 billboards across the province, has also become involved.



President Greg then called up Luc & Rebecca, thanked them and presented each with an insulated blue bag. Following are 3 links which provide more information on

this important Red Cross program.

<http://redcross.ca/ImagineNoBullying/>

www.redcross.ca/CampaignForKids/

www.redcross.ca/PinkSK -read more about **2017 Red Cross Pink Day** “Join over 100,000 people across Saskatchewan as we change the culture around bullying. This is your chance to GET LOUD for Red Cross Pink Day. Help us build safe and respectful communities. The more voices we have, the more we can accomplish! Join us on February 22, 2017, and show the world that, together, we can *Imagine No Bullying!*”

“Imagine No Bullying is a culture change based on Red Cross Education, fuelled by active bystanders, and aims to create healthy and safe communities across Saskatchewan.”.

Birthdays: Chad Cunningham (Jan.26) and Jack Wozniak (Jan.12) were today’s recipients of the blue bags.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION TO THE MEMBERS

Past President Ron Okumura then moved to the podium, and introduced the other two members of the Nominating Committee, Past President Doreen Pankewich and President-Elect Richard Schwan.

The proposed slate of Officers for the Rotary year 2017 - 2018, as follows:

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| A). Vice-President: | Jack Wozniak |
| B). Secretary: | Allen Hillsden |
| C). Treasurer: | Jizinge Mwela |
| D). Committee Directors: | |
| i). Membership: | Doug Mortin |
| ii). Service Projects: | Jack Wozniak |
| iii). Fundraising: | Ron Okumura |
| iv). Rotary Foundation: | Greg McNamara |

2017 - 2018 Directors in the 2nd year of their 2-year term

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| v). Club Administration: | Pat Dell, (currently Director of Club Service) |
| vi). PR Committee: | Jeff Barber, (currently Vocational Service). |
| President, 2017 - 2018 | Richard Schwan |
| President-Elect, 2017 - 2018 | John Van Koll |
| Past-President, 2017 - 2018 | Greg McNamara |

Elections will be held at the Club Assembly on February 23, 2017. It was emphasized that it will still be possible to take Nominations from the Floor at that time.

Valentine Gala, 2017, is only 2 weeks away, please SELL, SELL, and SELL Tickets.

NOTE: Thank you to Ann Grahame for providing text and pictures for the Rotor this week. It is much appreciated.

Filling in for Rotor Editor Peter Peters, we are Ann Grahame and Gail Bradley wishing you a safe and happy week.

