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Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Jul 21 **“Our Excursion to Seoul, Korea”** with President Greg McNamara

Jul 28 **“TBA”**

Aug 4 **“TBA”**

Aug 11 **“TBA”**

NEXT WEEK

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With
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21, 2016

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: Please

50/50: Stay

Greeter: Tuned

It was a day of “newness” as former, and now returned Regina Eastview member, Vern Hoyt, was at the **Registration Desk**, working really hard to fill this responsibility with welcoming tact and warmth – well done.

Although not a new member PDG Doug Mortin was the seller of **50/50 tickets**. However his tenure as a tried and true Rotarian did not qualify him to introduce the “new 50/50 FORMAT”, as this task was assigned to President Greg McNamara who seemingly was responsible for the initiative. In due course we found out how this would work (but not yet).



New member

Chris Hefner was today’s **Greeter**, and not surprising he was able to put his “inviting”, welcoming personality into the role without a hitch. The editor was so “excited” (an oft used adjective used by President Greg), about the new Rotary year, all the welcoming pictures had motion, and so I settled for a motionless conversational photo of Louis Browne and Chad Cunningham.

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**District Governor Rod Riopel Official Visit -
Eastview Rotarians were in their best behaviour.**

President Greg McNamara, was preparing to preside at the first luncheon meeting of his Presidency, and wanting to make sure he would not err “too bad” (as he was certain that err he would), he consulted with his favorite Assistant Governor Father Lorne Crozon. A wise move on the President’s part.



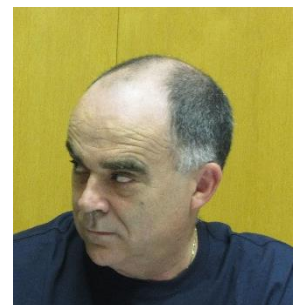
Philosopher Doreen Pankewich, wishing to match the **Thought for the Day** with the organizational thrust as we are poised on the threshold of a new Rotary year, chose the wisdom of British statesman 2-term Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Winston S. Churchill, who is to have said, “A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity, an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”



Gathering the right people to grace the **Lead Table** is a weekly challenge placed on the shoulders of the person in charge, and our President Greg wanted to provide the right balance on this first meeting. So this was the result his extended thought process: joining the President were DG Rod Riopel and his fiancé Barb Klassen; President, Rotaract Club of Regina Auxilium, Fakhra Shahid, Assistant Governor Lorne Crozon and DGE Peter Neufeldt.



The kind Allen Hillsden took pity on Registrar Vern Hoyt, who was trying to eat his lunch, and rose to introduce our **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**. This is the way it unfolded – joining us as Visiting Rotarians were DG Rod Riopel (**right**) from the RC of Kenora; AG Lorne Crozon (**left**) from the RC of Regina Oskaya; and, Fakhra Shahid (**below right**) from the Rotaract Club of Regina Auxilium. Guests were Barb Klassen (**below**) guest of the Club; Patrick Masvosua (**below**) guest of Charles Sadzamare; and, Margaret Peters (**below left**) guest of husband Peter.



The time can for the **50/50 draw** and we sat with batted breath waiting to be told, for a second time, what the new “FORMAT” would be for the distribution of the pots of money. (Even PDG Doug was not able to explain) President Greg, as the leader, was the explainer, because the “FORMAT” has an Irish twist.

Tickets are purchased as usual and a lucky ticket is drawn. Having your ticket selected gives you, the selectee, an opportunity to select a marble from a box which contains 51 blue marbles and one green marble (the Irish twist). Should the selectee pick a blue marble you get applause – should the selectee pick out the green marble, they get the pot. Today’s contribution to the prize box was \$30.00. **Oh yes, Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk drew a blue marble and was applauded – Tracey,** thank you for starting this off in the manner President Greg had in mind.





Jeanne Martinson was the test case on the **Birthday** gift, having celebrated such an event on July 5th. The gift selected by President Greg combines the fun of shopping and Rotary public relations into a combined prize. The option of attracting members into Rotary fellowship by simply going to your local Co-op store to pick up a jug of milk is a real possibility – let's do this!

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Pat Dell started gentle in this much appreciated role by commending last Friday's Lyle Pielt Memorial Golf Tournament planning committee for doing such a spectacular job, starting with weather arrangements and all other factors. Then she got down to the business at hand and fined President Greg,

\$2.00 because that would be the appropriate thing to do for his first day; no name tag cost \$2.00, after all we had guests at this meeting (and important guests to boot); New Board members were invited to stand and be recognized – action which cost them each \$2.00. Happy dollars came from: Jeanne Martinson who gave her District Conference 2016 presentation to a combined Rotary Clubs of Winnipeg gathering in the Manitoba Capital (Nice - we might want such a presentation in Regina); Peter Neufeldt was pleased to tell us about the *Neufeldt* sibling reunion in Calgary; there was recognition of the Doug Mortin/Peter Neufeldt TV debut on Access advertising the below Motorcycle Ride; Barry Strohan shared his feelings about Shirley leaving for Idaho; Doug Mortin told us

their sadness as daughter Cath and her family leave tomorrow returning to Hong Kong, but a bit pleased about getting back their house; and, Pat Dell invited everyone to their yard on August 5th for the Annual Picnic sponsored by the Club's Past Presidents – welcome all members partners, children – preferably no dogs or cats.

Thank you, Pat.

Rotary Riders – 370 kilometer motorcycle ride in support of D5550 Ripple Effect, building schools in Guatemala – improving literacy & eliminating poverty!

Watch Talk of the Town on Access 7 July 13-15 at 12 noon, 5pm and 10 pm each day where Doug Mortin and Peter Neufeldt are interviewed by host Lisa Peters promoting their 6th annual charity ride which over the last 5 years has raised \$35,434 for Ripple Effect.

Doug & Peter appreciate your financial support. If you have not yet made your tax deductible donation, contact Peter (306-535-8526) or Doug (306-596-3076) today.



PROGRAM



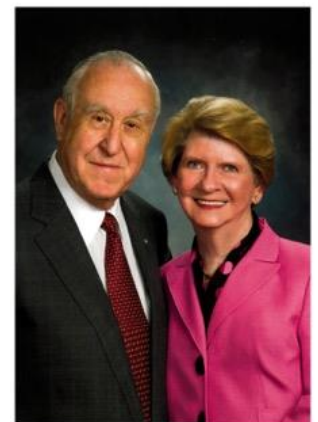
Assistant Governor Lorne Crozon was called on to introduce our Guest Speaker District Governor Rod Riopel. From AG Lorne we learned our DG is in the Rotary Club of Kenora, his second Rotary Club having been introduced into Rotary in 1996 in Sudbury, Ontario, where he was a self-acclaimed “knife and fork”. Kenora changed his image of Rotary, and it was here that Rotary filled a “service”

outlet for which he was looking. Community involvement is an important aspect of his desired lifestyle. Having spent a portion of his career with Motorola, Rod is self-employed spending a portion of his time working out of a Winnipeg “office”. Rod has two sons. He and Barb are planning their marriage in the summer of 2017.

Rod began his presentation commending President Greg and members of the Club’s Executive for their dedication to Rotary and the initiatives undertaken locally and internationally. He shared his enthusiasm for Rotary and the strength and consistency of the sense of Fellowship that prevails in all levels of Rotary. This was made real to Barb when they were at Rotary School in San Diego and she was embraced by the wife of the President of Rotary International (in the ladies washroom). It was in San Diego that he learned to appreciate the breadth of Rotary as he was one of 530 plus District Governors Elect who would be leading Rotary’s 1.2 million members in the 35,000 Clubs in the world.



RI President Elect (at that time and President as of July 1, 2016) John Germ (right **John & Judy Germ**), choose as the theme for this year, *Rotary Serving Humanity*. The reason for this choice was based on the premise that he wanted Rotary to “get down to the basics” of Rotary – service to humanity. John Germ’s RI predecessor from Sierra Lanka reminded the incoming group of District Governors that there is not another organization that can impact the world like Rotary, using his country as an example where a civil war raging in a component of the country halted their fighting for three days so that Polio immunization could be carried out – a pause in war brokered by Rotary. There is no end to the good we can do because, “All the limits we have, we put on ourselves.” So the key is to do the things we do best - Serve Humanity.



Rod spoke about the key to moving our clubs forward, is to start to share where we have been and where we want to go collectively. This means, unlike in past years where direction had the potential to change each year as a new president took the helm, successful clubs, now and in the future, are Clubs where is a multi-year plans are developed and maintained to the benefit of all. In this process we must ask ourselves, “Why are we in Rotary”, and “what is expected of me”. Our need is for Rotarians with a purpose, determining the thing we want, defining how we can achieve our dream. Rotary had a dream – we wanted a Polio free world, after a time Bill Gates called the President of Rotary International and said, “I believe in what you are doing – I won’t give you money but I will match what you raise up to \$100 million”. And so began a partnership which is about changing the world.



DG Rod concluded his message by emphasizing RIP John Germs Goals: i) Membership attraction and engagement; ii) Foundation Giving; iii) Humanitarian Service in the local community and internationally; iv) Reflect a strong focus on new generations; and, v) Focus on Public Image.

President Greg thanked DG Rod for sharing his vision and providing the always welcomed inspiration. DG Rod and Barb were most pleased to receive their own personal handy-dandy shopping bag.

ROTARACT CLUB REGINA AUXILIUM UPDATE

President Greg invited Rotaract President, Fakhra Shahid, to provide Eastview with an update on Rotaract Club happenings. President Fakhra spoke about their recent PolioPlus fund raiser where they raised nearly \$2,000.00. The Club is in the process of working out the details of a building project Pakistan to address the needs of orphaned children.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



A Hands on Project - Ann Grahame advised that on Wednesday August 3, 2016 she is looking for a few assistants to set up the ShelterBox tent at the RC of Regina Industrial Parks Annual Regina Exhibition Pancake Breakfast. Please contact Ann at: ann.grahame@accesscomm.ca to register yourself to assist.



Motorcycle Ripple Effect Rally – Peter Neufeldt thanked members for their support and provided a second last appeal to participate.



Thanks from Golf Tournament Committee – Allen Hillsden thanked members for their support for the successful Golf Tournament last Friday. The prizes and sponsorship were acknowledged with appreciation. Main thing missing was the level of involvement by members of the Regina Eastview.

COMMENTARY

In keeping with Doreen Pankewich's Thought for the day, remember

DON'T
FORGET
TO BE
AWESOME

For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters