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Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Jul 28	"The Universe" with Shreedhar Jachak
Aug 4	"The Rotary Club of Regina 100th Anniversary" with Ted Turner
Aug 11	"Back Pack Assembly Project" with Rotarian Val Wiks (Regina Industrial Parks)
Aug 18	"Club Assembly" with President Greg and Regina Eastview Directors
Aug 25	"The Regina Seniors Centre" with Lorraine Jarrett

NEXT WEEK

"The Universe"
with
Shreedhar Jachak

July 28, 2016

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: **Jeff Barber**

50/50: **Charles Sadzamare**

Greeter: **Maja Starovic**

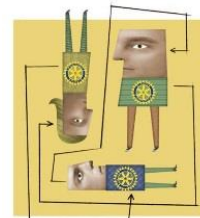
Gail Bradley filled in for Doug Archer at the **Registration Desk**, a "step up to the plate" reflection of the spirit of Rotary – thank you, Gail.

Tania was the seller of **50/50 tickets**, doing so with the knowledge that at least one person will be pleased with her advocacy.



Strolling the hallway, bringing in passers-by was today's **Greeter**, Jack Wozniak, here seen having dragged in District 5550 DGE, Peter Neufeldt.

July – Rotary Changeover Month



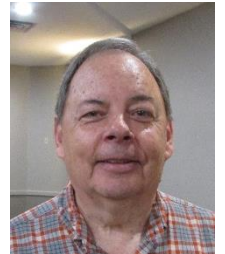
Philosopher Doreen Pankewich, as the collective response of Eastview members to President Greg McNamara expressed apologies for his self-identified and professed short-comings in the first meeting of his presidency, chose this **Thought for the Day** from the writings of American political journalist, author, professor, and world peace advocate, the late Norman Cousins, *“Life is an adventure in forgiveness.”* Well said!



The gifted Louis Browne got the nod to lead in the singing of our National anthem and then went on to provide leadership in meeting all our singing endeavours. Peter Peters led in reciting Rotary grace.

Joining President Greg at the **Lead Table** were John Dawes, Jack Wozniak, Louis Browne and Lyle Gollnick.

Gail Bradley was invited to introduce our **Guests** and **Visiting Rotarians**. Gail called on us to focus our attention on our single visitor, John Dawes (right), a former member of the RC of Regina South, and today a guest of Greg McNamara.



Doug Mortin thanked members for their financial support of the Rotary Riders Fund Raiser for the Ripple Effect Program. He also reminded us that the opportunity to join in this great cause remains open – call them at the numbers provided.

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

On Talk of the Town on Access 7 last week (July 13-15) 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 or tomorrow (July 22).



Increasing excitement as the new **50/50 draw** format hits week two. This time \$27.00 (actually \$25.00) was added to the pot when Zarin Zavery's ticket was drawn. In Zarin's attempt to select the Irish green marble from the box, she came up "blue". **Expansion of the 50/50 rules** – the person whose ticket is drawn, but does not win the pot gets back their \$2.00 investment. Just in case there is a desire to know, there is now \$55.00 in the pot to be won and we are down to 49 blue marbles.....TENSION IS MOUNTING!!!! (Right - color is wrong, but you get the picture)



Next Monday Pat Richards will celebrate her **Birthday**, so to set the stage for this event, Regina Eastview members sang for her while President Ron presented this year's gift – the “Rotary going shopping bag”. When the time is right (**and you have \$10.00**), you too will head for home but for some unknown reason you have an uncontrollable urge to get groceries. Who knew?



SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Pat Dell was the lady of the hour and came to the podium encouraged by the rousing applause. Sensitive to the Philosophers observation about “forgiveness”, the Sergeant choose to fine all the Past Presidents \$2.00 because of her certainty that mistakes were matters all PP have experienced and this should be an encouragement to President Greg. In reminding members of the Past Presidents’ picnic at her house on Sunday, August 7, she took a count of persons who already knew they were coming. Happy dollars came from Pat Richards who told us that last week their entire family was home (which included 8 teenagers – and Pat still looked fine); Barry Strohan provided an update on last week’s observation noting that Shirley is back and his week of choosing where to eat worked out just alright; Allen Hillsden told us that yesterday was Grace’s birthday which they celebrated by going out of town – only to learn Grace’s brother and family (camping at Echo Provincial Park) dropped in to celebrate this momentous occasion only to find the “celebrant” out gallivanting around (Allen & Grace drove to Echo this morning so the brother could make them breakfast (good deal).



PROGRAM

Today’s program was none other than President Greg McNamara, who provided a verbal report on the McNamara’s trip to the Rotary International Convention in Seoul, Korea.

Greg began by expressing his deepest appreciation for: first, being selected to serve as President of Regina Eastview; and, then being gifted with the opportunity for he and Anne to attend the Convention in Seoul. The following are some of the things we learned from President Greg’s report:



- An early flight from Regina got the McNamara’s into Vancouver at breakfast time, allowing for a train ride into the heart of Vancouver;



- There in the epi-centre of this huge City was a surprising mass of homeless people;
- It took some getting used to the time difference (between Regina and Seoul there is a 15 hour difference);
- Arriving in Seoul they saw more homeless people, but seemingly better looked after than in Vancouver;
- In Korea there were health care workers going about checking on the needs of the homeless and addressing urgent situations;

- After sleeping for a time, they took a day to orient themselves to their surroundings;
- The population of Seoul is 10.3 million people which expands to 25 million when considering Seoul’s metropolitan area ;
- Their hotel was three blocks from the centre of the City;
- City Hall was, “Like out of a Star Wars Movie”;





- South Korea and certainly Seoul has undertaken a miraculous regeneration since the 1950's Korean War;
- The streets are filled with Street Vendors – they even set up their stations on stairwells;
- There were 50,000 people registered for the RI convention which was held at Kintex, 16 km from Seoul;
- Rotarians from around the world come to the convention and are attired in their native dress which adds to a spectacular colour filled atmosphere;
- The opening speaker at the Convention was the Secretary

General of the United Nations, Ban Ki-moon;

- Ban Ki-moon commended Rotary for our involvement in setting up the United Nations in 1945 and for our strong leadership in the eradication of Polio'
- Food was absolutely fabulous;
- At the President Elect Dinner, Greg and Anne were invited to sit at the table reserved for PRI President Ron (right) and Jenna Burton (2013-2014) from the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma; and.
- In September we get the photo travelogue with Greg and Anne McNamara – stay tuned.



Rousing applause followed. Thank you, Greg.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Hands on Project - Ann Grahame advised that there have been no offers to assist her to set up the *ShelterBox Tent* at the RC of Regina Industrial Parks Annual Pancake Breakfast at on Wednesday August 3, 2016 on the Gaebel's Brewhouse parking lot (corner of MacDonald & Park). It will be later than advertised initially and you will not need to be there until 5:45 A.M. Please contact Ann at: ann.grahame@accesscomm.ca to register yourself to assist.



District Conference 2017 – Peter Neufeldt spoke about the District 5550 Conference which will be held in Kenora, Ontario on May 25, 26 and 27. The *Clarion Inn Lakeside and Conference Centre* is the site of the Conference and Eastview members are encouraged to attend so that we can better plan for the Conference we will be hosting in 2018. To book accommodation call the Clarion at 807-468-5521 and ask for "Group Booking" at reference the Rotary District Conference. Please consider attending this District Conference.

A ROTARY TIDBIT

From *Rotary Weekly* – July 15, 2016

"In 2016-17, our Rotary Foundation turns 100. That's a century of Rotary members changing lives and improving communities all over the world. And that's definitely something worth celebrating.

Through our Foundation, Rotary members have supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, provide basic education, and grow local economies. We've also been a leader in the fight to eradicate polio worldwide.

The centennial is the perfect time to share this impressive record with the world. Join us in making sure that every Rotary member and people in every community know about the vital work of Rotary and it's Foundation."



Here is the question - How might the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview share in this historic event? The Club's International Service Committee welcomes your ideas and suggestions – please contact Director Richard Schwan, or Co-Chairs of the Club's Rotary Foundation Sub-Committee Hans Gaastra and Leo Ell. They are looking for your input.

COMMENTARY

It is July, and while many are in the midst of summer vacations a number of Eastview's projects are gearing up



for success. Before today's noon luncheon, a few members were meeting to set a day for the second meeting of the 2016 *Adventures In Agriculture* Committee - Regina Eastview's signature youth program. Then after the luncheon Ron Okumura gathered together the beginning of the 2017 *Valentine GALA* Committee, the Club's major fund raising program to begin preparing for February 10, 2017.

Both of these events require the support of all club members. So, when the call goes out for volunteers, please do what you can to support these initiatives, as we proudly wave this year's Rotary Theme banner.

For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters

