

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview The ROTOR

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"A Director Report" Aug 1

Aug 8 "TBD"

No Noon Luncheon Meeting in favour of August 18th Off Site Meeting Aug 15

"Regina Eastview Family Summer Picnic" a Past Presidents Treat! Aug 18

"YMCA" with Steve Compton Aug 22

"Grandmothers for Grandmothers" with Sheila McKague & Heather Gosslin Aug 29

PROGRAM

"A Director Report" with

A Surprize(d) Director??

Next Week August 1, 2019

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: Gord Wicijowski 50/50: **Tracey Sparrowhawk**

Greeter: Tania Woroby

Gord Wicijowski was at the **Registration Desk** accepting money from the gathering Regina Eastview masses, so we could enter, fellowship, eat and enjoy.

John Van Koll was selling 50/50 Tickets, reminding each of us that the pot is increasing in size which created the gambler in

many to increase their investment. The assigned Greeter, Hans Gaastra was away and

personable PDG.

arrangements were made to have Doug Mortin serve in the esteemed task, a role that comes so easily to a this very





President Jack Wozniak was the meeting's "Director" and demonstrated a good sense about what should happen next - he should have worried about this a little more as Sergeant-At-Arms Pat saved up the misdemeanors and was quick to remind the President of the value of "consistency".

The President "gonged" and led in O' Canada.





This was followed by Shreedhar Jachak leading us in Rotary Grace; which was followed by today's Philosopher, Pat Dell, sharing this *Power of Positivity* thought, "The razor blade is sharp but can't cut a tree. The Axe is strong but can't cut hair. Everyone is important according to their own unique purpose. Never look down on anyone unless you are admiring their shoes."



President Jack introduced the individuals joining him at the **Lead Table.** This lucky group consisted of (1 to r)



Guest Speaker Claire Belanger-Parker, Lorrilynn Nanaquewetung, Laurel Mattison, President Jack, Ashok Verma, Kamla Verma, Billie Helps and Kumar Sikka

As there were no **Visiting Rotarians**, Pat Dell introduced the following **Guests**: Claire Belanger-Parker a guest of the Club; Lorrilynn Nanaquewetung, a guest of Laurel Mattison; Ashok Verma and Kamla

Verma, who in a few moments were inducted into the

RC of Regina Eastview; Billie Helps and Kumar Sikka, guests of Ashok and Kamla Verma (all at the head table); and Janice Routley a guest of Ann Grahame.

Click Fake 'Pinky Marks' The Newest Problem In Pakistan's Push To Eradicate Polio to read the story.



John Van Koll managed the **50/50 Draw** where \$70.00 was raised with \$33.00

being added to a winner portion. The ticket draw allowed



Chris Hefner to again test his skill at selecting the "non-blue" marble. Chris tried his very best to get his hands on the \$815.00 pot, but came up "blue", and so we look forward to next week for our next chance.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Pat Dell served as the meeting's Sergeant, and approached the task with her usual enthusiasm for "fund



extraction". Sergeant Pat started by drawing attention to the Club's longest serving member, Gord Wicijowski, who has for some time been sporting a cane – in response to a question, Gord indicated "I use the cane so people help me", it seems using the cane as a "pity attracter", is not "in the spirit of the Rotary way" and Gord had to pay; seems someone at the Sergeant's table welcomed a male Rotarian to the table with the observation, "please sit here, we need some classiness at our table" – you guessed it – a fine; and finally at "MY TABLE", Doug Mortin made a negative comment (sounds so out of character) – he too paid.

Happy dollars came from: Sergeant Pat, who indicated her husband Glen is celebrating his 75th Birthday on Sunday in their back yard, which he is looking after. Chef Glen is looking after feeding the 50 people and all she has to do is bring the cake (now that is worth some big Happy \$\$\$\$'s. Sam Berg had a happy dollar as he shared 3 wonderful occurrences – i) they had a wonderful 4 week holiday excursion along the western US



seaboard; ii) they attended the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the *Springside School* (**left**) in Springside, Saskatchewan, where Sam had the privilege of speaking; and, iii) they just welcome a

new great granddaughter into the family. Tracey Schick Sparrowhawk (**right**) told us about the great Dragon Boat events held last weekend where their boat came in 2nd in a specific race. Doug Archer spoke about the joy of hosting their



daughter and her family recently, during which time the daughter "choose" to deliver a pre-mature granddaughter, which will seemingly extend the family's stay with Doug and

Gloria. Billie Helps rose to thank the Rotary Club for the warmth of our much appreciated welcome (we all blushed). Gord Wicijowski told us that he now has 4 grandchildren in Medical School – the grandson in Texas

was selected as one of 3 top students in his class. Joyce Butler's Warman, Saskatchewan grandson is playing in the Canadian Under 14 Softball Tournament in Saskatoon – their team *Prairie Pride* is comprised of boys from rural communities around Saskatoon – pumped and ready; and, Doug Mortin had a "happy dollar" but he had to use it to pay his fine. So ended the Sergeant's Report.

Special Presentation – PP Greg McNamara was invited to the podium where President Jack presented Greg with a plaque expressing the appreciation of the *Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan* (ldas) for support they received from Regina Eastview during Greg's Presidency – CONGRATULATIONS!



NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

President Jack invited Membership Director Laurel Mattison to the podium along with new member inductees Ashok Verma and Kamla Verma, and their sponsor Dinesh Kashyap. Director Laurel called on Dinesh

introduce Ashok and Kamla. In his comments, Dinesh expressed his great pleasure to introduce two of his best friends. He suggested that the Verma's will bring a special world view to the Rotary Club because of their extensive international travel experience. Kamla was born in Pakistan and moved to India with her family when she was 2 years old. From India she went to London where she received medical qualification in Psychiatry, which was the Medical Specialty she practiced in Regina. Ashok was born and educated in India. From there he went to the United Kingdom where medical qualifications to practise as a Radiologist were acquired. He moved to Regina where he served as a Radiologist from 1979.



President Jack invited Laurel to proceed with the Induction Ceremony. In her comments, Laurel indicated to Kamla and Ashok, and in turn reminded us, that we have been chosen into Rotary Club of Regina Eastview



membership because the members of the Club believe them to be a leader in their respective vocations and that they have the qualities which fit them to interpret and impart the message of Rotary to family and friends. Each member is the representative of their vocation in this club and in turn each is an ambassador from Rotary to carry the ideals and principles of service to our place of work. Rotary and its impact is judged in "the world" through the way we conduct ourselves. Laurel made the point that individuals are welcomed into the Club because we believe Rotary principles and organization will be safe in persons invited into the Club.

Laurel invited members to stand as she formally inducted Ashok Verma and Kamla Verma into the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview. At this point President Jack presented Kamla and Ashok with membership material and affixed a Rotary pin on their respective lapels.

Ashok and Kamla, welcome to the world of Rotary.







PROGRAM

Pat Dell was invited to introduce her friend Claire Belanger-Parker, Festival Manager with the *Regina International Film Festival and Awards* (RIFFA). Claire is a Professional Event Planner, who came to our meeting to talk about the Regina International Film Festival and Awards which will be held in Regina from August 13 to 17, 2019.

Claire provided a glimpse of RIFFA from its beginning from a seemingly one man's



dream of a film festival that would have the ability to compete with major or maybe even great film festivals around the world. John Thimothy, a professional nurse in Indian Head was able to focus on this dream at a time when provincial government funding for the film



industry was withdrawn. The resulting exodus of the film industry created a provincial void and the struggle to move forward was clearly hampered. Hard work to create a festival in 2015 was not successful as

there were no films entered. 2016 saw 4 films; 2017 15 films were in completion; and, in 2018 the Festival expanded to 34 films. The 4 day 2019 Festival will show 145 films, in 23 languages with entries from 33 countries.

Through the effort of a Film Festival, people will come to a greater understanding of different cultures. The entries RIFFA will be presenting are films created by young people who are finding their place in this exciting cultural profession. There will be a varied program which will include Master Classes in Film making. The "Red Carpet" event will provide a place where local designers are selected to show their creations.

Passes are available to a broad range of viewing experiences which can be accessed by going to RIFFA extensive Website at: http://riffa.ca/index.html

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regina Industrial Parks Pancake Breakfast: DATE – Wednesday, July 31, 2019; PLACE - Gaebel's Brewhouse Parking Lot; TIME – 6:30 – 9:00 A.M.; COST - \$9.00 per person. See Poster attached to this ROTOR.

Regina Eastview Family Summer Picnic: DATE – August 18th Afternoon; PLACE – 247 Hasting Crescent; No Cost (only to current Past Presidents); Wonderful time of socializing fellowship.

ROTARY TIDBIT

German Rotaractors aim to save wild bees

Wild bees are responsible for pollinating more than 80 percent of our crops and wild plants. We can't survive without them. Yet human dangers such as climate change, monotonous agricultural landscapes, and pesticides

have been threatening bee populations world-wide. Rotaract clubs throughout Germany have joined together on the "BeeAlive" project, supporting wild bees by building bee hotels, educating people about the threat to the bee population, and sowing wildflower meadows.



Read the story at:

https://blog.rotary.org/2019/07/18/whats-all-the-buzz-about-bees/

COMMENTARY

Claire Belanger-Parker's describing this entity which has become RIFFA is re-enforced by this observation.



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters