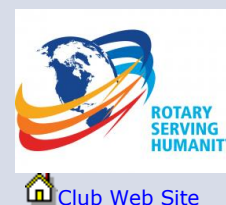


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Jun 8	“The Shania Project” with Tiffany Kearse
Jun 15	With Terry Simonson , CEO, Jay’s Moving & Storage
Jun 22	President’s Social & Changeover Evening Meeting – NO NOON MEETING
Jun 29	“TBA”

PROGRAM

“The Shania Project”
with **Tiffany Kearse**

June 8, 2017

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: **Kell Sloan**
50/50: **Louis Browne**
Greeter: **Doug Archer**

A very efficient crew at **Registration** today with Doug Mortin taking in the luncheon money for another person (maybe). To the right of Doug, Ann Grahame was filling in for the travelling Gail Bradley and in that capacity sold a “swath” of **50/50** tickets.

Jeff Barber was behind the pillar serving as the **Greeter** in place of Doug Archer – seems these two speak to each other and arrangements were made for the “swap” - this is the pattern Club Service Director (and President Nominee Elect),

John Van Koll, encourages all of us to do – find a replacement if you are not able to serve when assigned.



June is
“The Rotary Foundation’s 100th Anniversary”
in Rotary

President Greg McNamara, who always appears “up on his game plan” is seeking counsel from the “fill-in” Sergeant-At-Arms, Jim Powell and Club Secretary, Allen Hillsden. It would seem with all the pointing they are “fingering” it out (**Gary Carlson’s line**).

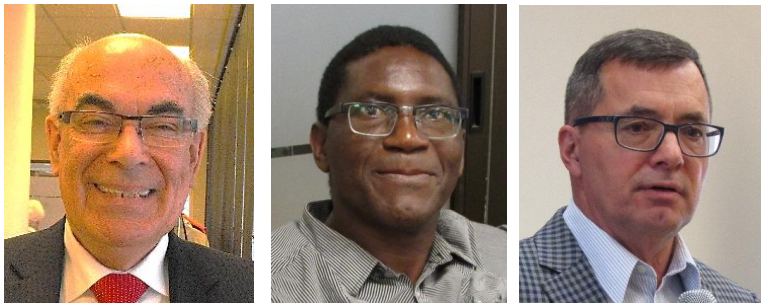


Club Philosopher Doreen Pankewich, is moving to a paperless mode and shared this “**Thought for the Day**” from her smart phone. Doreen choose to quote the late Sir James Matthew Barrie, a Scottish novelist and playwright, best remembered today as the creator of Peter Pan, who said, “*Life is a long lesson in humility.*”



The **Lead Table** was almost full and consisted of: (**R to L**) Guest speaker James Carter, Shreedhar Jachak, President Greg, Laurel Mattison and Jim Powell – please imagine Ann Grahame sitting between Laurel and Jim because that was her place when she was not off tending to other responsibilities.

Doug Mortin was called on to introduce **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**. We were introduced to two guests; (**Below R to L**) Dr. James Carter, guest of the Club; and, Patrick Masvosva guest of Charles Sadzamare; and Rotarian Doug Keam, from the RC of Regina.



Ann Grahame was the **50/50 Draw Manageress** which involved having our guest James Carter draw the ticket which would get the “drawee” to put his/her hand into the box to hopefully “select” the green marble.

Lucky Ticket Holder was Richard Schwan, who had to stand on his tippy toes to reach into the box. A hush fell over the assembled as Richard rummaged around in the box and came up with a blue marble. Come next week to play again.



It was a group of three who received our **Happy Birthday** wish through song. Today we recognized these Regina Eastview Past Presidents: (**L to R**) Gord Wicijowski (June 4 – President 1974-75), Ron Okamura (June 4 – President 2015-16) and Gary Carlson (May 28 – President 1985-86). Their collective service to and through Rotary is 117 years. **CONGRATULATIONS**, we are honoured by your consistent friendship and leadership!

SERGEANT –AT-ARMS



Jim Powell received the nod as Sergeant today and he was feeling exceptionally good because he dined at the Lead Table, which gave him visual access to the entire room. He rather “wormed” his way into our hearts and our pocket books by requesting “home remedies” for dealing with Regina’s infestation of “tent caterpillars” – oh we had good advice – mazolla oil; soap and water; dish soap and water; step on them. Peter Peters had to pay because he suggested Jim would not get the message about wearing the 2018 District Conference golf shirt, because he only checks his e-mail on Monday (limited screen time); Members who were honest enough to admit they had never been fined, were fined.

Happy dollars come from President Greg expressing appreciation for all the people who supported him in doing the PolioPlus walk at the District Conference where he raised \$195.00 for the cause; Richard Schwan rose to apologize for overlooking to include Shreedhar Jachak as one of three guest speakers for last week’s program; Peter Peters paid for advising that he is on his Granddaughter Elle’s Cycling fund raising team in Mental Health’s Ride Don’t Hide campaign; and, Dinesh Kashyap was glad to see the distinguished “purple golf shirted” members back as they were missed last week.



Good job, Jim!

PROGRAM

Shreedhar Jachak was invited to introduce our guest speaker Dr. James W. Carter. Jim Carter born and raised in the Maritimes and graduated with a Medical Degree from Dalhousie University in 1978. In 1982 he successfully completed the General Surgery Residency Program through the University of Saskatchewan. Dr. Carter is a General Surgeon practicing in Regina and has a committed academic component to his practice as a Clinical Professor in the University of Saskatchewan, Department of Surgery.



Dr. Carter’s focus today will be on his involvement with the Moose Jaw International Medical Mission to Patzun, Guatemala, February 3 to 11, 2017 where he served as a member of a 17 person medical team.

Dr. Carter indicated this particular medical team consisted of 4 Physicians, 2 Anesthesiologist, Surgeon, Surgical Resident and a complement of Nurses. The genesis of this initiative is Jackie Wilson, an operating room nurse in Moose Jaw, who wanted to be part of a medical mission team. Teams have been going to Guatemala for the past 3 years. We learned this visit, as all such visits, are self-funded by the participants. In addition they have to raise the funds to cover the cost of all the medical and surgical supplies they will use in Guatemala (including anaesthesia supplies, anticipated drugs).

The Clinic they attended was at Patzun, north of Guatemala City in a mountain range (altitude 7,000 feet) – no mosquitos, cold nights, no hot water. Residents are largely subsistent farmers. The Clinic itself was in a Convent and while it had a Catholic bent, it was secondary to the care provided within the facility. Patients came long distances to attend the Clinic and were exceedingly appreciative of the care they received, “They were just so happy that someone cared enough to come here to care for us”. Surgical recovery was on a stretcher and all surgical patients stayed in the “hospital” area overnight because the Sisters who provided the after-care insisted it would not be good to send patients home “until next morning at least”.



Surgical equipment, as the sterilizers, was equipment used in Canada, 3-4 decades ago, "...we made do with what was available". The surgical team (which consisted of Dr. Carter, the 3rd year Surgical Resident and a team of Nurses) performed 27 operations in 3 tiring days.

The Canadian team was supported by Canadian "specialists" (doctors, translators, technical support) who lived large portions of the year in Guatemala. Providing medical and surgical services in third world counties is a challenge because the support systems in place in Regina are not even dreamed about and are simply not available and the team had to "make do". In 2016, 10 groups went to Guatemala to provide a variety of specialty services.



Dr. Carter, who has already signed up for next year, concluded his presentation by saying, "We left with hundreds of good memories".

Peter Neufeldt thanked Dr. Carter for his presentation. He indicated that as a Club with a keen interest in work in Guatemala that builds on enhancing communities and bringing peace and world understanding among peoples, we commend the health professionals for taking their skill to Central America. Peter went the second mile and presented our Guest with the "Bag".

SHELTERBOX CANADA

Ann Grahame updated us on the desperate situation where, "More than 20 million people are at risk of starvation in Nigeria, South Sudan, Somalia and Yemen. ShelterBox is providing mobile boxes filled with tarps, blankets, cooking equipment, water purification, solar lights, tools, and mosquito nets to nomadic families in Somaliland. Tarps are the best shelter solution for these families as they are light weight and easy to carry and allow people to weatherproof their traditional mobile homes.



We need your help. For every eligible donation made by individual Canadians to registered Canadian charities (including ShelterBox Canada) until June 30th, 2017, the Government of Canada will contribute an equivalent amount to their own Famine Relief Fund.

This means that your donation will have an even greater impact on the lives of families who desperately need help. **ShelterBox Canada is participating in the matching program up to \$150,000 raised.** This is the amount we can currently guarantee will be spent on our response to this crisis. In order for funds to be matched by the Government they must be spent in one of the specified countries."

DONATE NOW



Ann noted that at the District Conference, the Kenora Interact Club raised over \$2000.00 for ShelterBox, while the District's In-Bound Rotary Exchange Students raised in excess of \$7,000.00 for ShelterBox. Do what you can as you will "make a difference".

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017 OVERVIEW

DGE Peter Neufeldt was invited to do a brief overview of Conference 2017. Peter indicated that 96 people pre-registered for Conference 2018 based in large part because of the good work of the team of Rotarians and Partners that showed off Regina. He highlighted the attendance at the Conference of the District Governor Elect Julio Grazioso from District 4250 in Guatemala and a Keen supporter of the Ripple Effect Program. DGE Julio also has an interest in sponsoring a Global Grant in District 5550 focusing on First Nation needs. Peter invited Sam Berg a first time Conference goer for an overview.



as well as governance models within Aboriginal education. Sam expressed the hope that we could build on Kevin's presentation next year.

Peter Peters observed that he has attended a number of District Conferences and comes away with a new learning. He expanded on Peter Neufeldt's observation regarding the importance of DGE Julio's comments about the impact of the Ripple Effect program on his country – when we speak about what the REP does, in sounds boastful, when Guatemalans speak about the impact, we are humbled. Peter praised the Kenora District Conference program and the food – both of the highest quality.

Sam noted that as a “newbie” he was not familiar with process and as a result his less than attentive approach was costly as he was fined for an oversight “reported” by a fellow Eastviewian. Sam acknowledged the valued presentation made by Keven Lamoureux from the University of Winnipeg who has developed expertise in ground breaking mentorship and inclusion programs

NOTE

At the meeting today DGE Peter Neufeldt forgot to say the Purple Golf shirts with the Peace logo on them are available for sale for \$38.00. People can phone Peter N. with their requests.

You too could look as good, Sam!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Apprenticeship Bursary for Indigenous Students: The deadline for our club bursary for an Aboriginal student to attend an apprenticeship program is June 10th. Although the message has gone out to student groups, SIIT and Sask Polytechnic, Jeanne Martinson is asking us (you) to please forward this information to any group or persons who may be interested. The Application was attached to the ClubRunner material you received on May 29th.

ROTARY TIDBIT

Have you made your annual donation to The Rotary Foundation for 2016-2017? This is TRF's Centennial Year and Rotarians are invited to make a special effort to use the first donation of \$26.50, which established the Foundation in 1917, as the foundation for a gift. Maybe multiples of \$26.50 – 2, 3, 4, maybe 10. Please join the opportunity presented.



COMMENTARY

Thank you for being part of

