



Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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- Jul 7 **NO NOON MEETING**
- Jul 8 **“Regina Eastview Lyle Piett Memorial Golf Tournament”** at Tor Hill Golf Course
- Jul 14 **“District Governor’s Official Visit”** Starring DG Rod Riopel

NEXT WEEK

**“Regina Eastview Lyle Piett
Memorial Golf Tournament”**

July 8, 2016

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: Club

50/50: Service

Greeter: Committee & Friends

Jack Wozniak was at the **Registration Desk**, filling the role like a life-time registration professional – greeted each member before he took the money, made change, kept track of what was going taking place.

Gail Bradley was selling **50/50 tickets** and promising each purchaser that there was a really good chance they would be taking home the big money – as one might expect at least one person sees Gail as a prophet.

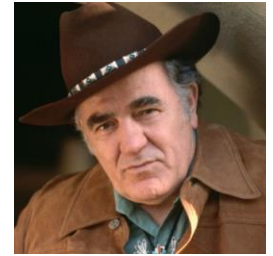


Joyce Butler was today’s **Greeter** and did a fine job of catching people as they came into the room. There was a nice photograph of Joyce welcoming Amanda Strohan and Ian Hirsh Hveld – sadly only Joyce was statelty and strong, while Amanda and Ian were so excited about being at Rotary, their portion of the photo was blurred and would have done them a disservice - hence you must imagine this threesome.

As today concluded Ron Okumura’s Presidency, he was looking particularly relaxed – fairly close to a smile.



Philosopher Doreen Pankewich, wishing to match the **Thought for the Day** with the focus of our Guest Speaker, chose this observation by American novelist and short story writer (consisting primarily of Western novels), the late Louis Dearborn L'Amour, "*A mind, like a home, is furnished by its owner, so if one's life is cold and bare he can blame none but himself.*"



For President Ron's concluding **Lead Table** he choose Chris Siddons, Jizinge Mwela, Greg McNamara, Ann Grahame and Laurence Vigrass to join him in this Thursday's feast.



Jack Wozniak had the honour of introducing our **Guests** and **Visiting Rotarians**, a task he did with the apprehension of one faced with the insurmountable challenge of deciphering the less than distinguishable peculiarities of adult "penmanship". Jack called on the following **Guests** to stand and be recognized: Amanda Strohan and Ian Hirsch Fveld guests of Barry Strohan; Chris Siddons (from left below) a guest of the Club; Bim Pandya guest of Louis Browne. Jack then introduced **Visiting Rotarians** Charles Keple from the RC of Regina; and, Assistant Governor Lorne Crozon from the RC of Regina Oskaya.



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.



Gail Bradley sold 28 **50/50 Tickets** and managed the **draw** for the lucky \$28.00. We were all delighted that Pat Dell our Sergeant-At-Arms was the lucky winner. Only fair!?!.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

It was another opportunity for Pat Dell to shine and there was some excitement as Pat picked up a quantity of Rotobucks on her way to the podium. Wrong.

Because she had been “gentle” on President Ron all year, the Sergeant fined Ron \$2.00, because she was nice all year; Jack Wozniak was

fined for not introducing Sierra, Chris Siddons service dog; Barry Strohan paid because Jack had difficulty deciphering the names of Barry’s guests; Gail Bradley paid \$2.00 because she did not know what was exciting starting this evening; Allen Hillsden was fined because he predicted the Riders would lose to the Toronto Argonauts this evening; No name tag cost \$2.00; Dave Edwards paid an extra \$2.00 because he could not find his name tag (there was no sympathy).



Happy dollars came from Jeff Barber who was “happy” that their daughter has moved back home – but more importantly he was extra pleased because he and Nancy met 40 years ago; Doug Mortin was happy to tell us that their daughter Cath, her husband and children are arriving from Hong Kong tomorrow; Ron Okumura was happy to say that starting as early as 12 midnight tonight, he would be the Club’s newest Past President; Barry Strohan was pleased that Amanda and Ian have been here for over a week, but will sadly be returning to Europe tomorrow; and, Chad Cunningham was pleased to report his wife will be returning to her teaching role after a maternity leave, which makes her happy and that makes him happy – that is just a lot of happy! Good job, Pat.

2015-2016 Service Awards – In view of their absence at the Changeover meeting on June 17th, President Ron called Louis Browne Regina Eastview Membership Director and Treasurer Jizinge Mwela to join him at the podium and accept a token of his appreciation for their service to the Club during the past year. Congratulations, Gentlemen.



PROGRAM

President Ron introduced guest speaker Chris Siddons, the Provincial Coordinator of **OSI-CAN** (Operational Stress Injury) Support Initiative. From Ron we learned Chris was born in England and joined the Queens Guard when he was 16. He did tours in Iraq and Kuwait and in Northern Ireland. He was in Iraq during Desert Storm in 1991. He came to Canada in 2005. From Chris we learned that he was diagnosed with PTSD in 2014; has had a Service Dog since January 2015; has connected with a “faith” community – and these three factors allowed him to “turn his world around”.



OSI-CAN was created in January 2016 to assist Veterans and First Responders in Saskatchewan who suffer from Operational Stress Injury and Post Traumatic Stress. Their Mission is: *To inspire hope and contribute to the continuous wellbeing of Veterans and Community First Responders.* All the while focused on their Vision: *We seek to empower and encourage Veterans and First Responders to strive for recovery through peer and professional support.*

Their Peer Group includes Canadian Armed Forces, Allied Armed Forces, RCMP, Municipal Police Services, EMS, Fire and Protection, Correction Services and 911 Dispatchers. **OSI-CAN** is supported by a Steering Committee from a host of professional and support organizations including CMHA Saskatchewan Division, RCMP, Royal Canadian Legion, Pharmacist, Psychologists, Psychiatrists and Service Animal Providers. Working with the Steering Committee they are able to strategize how to meet their goals which include:

- Provide educational and informational sessions for clients;
- Continue to raise funds for further growth of the **OSI-CAN** Initiative to other areas of the Province;
- Successfully pair 2 Service Dogs with handlers in the first year;
- Successfully pair 6 service dogs with handlers in year 2;
- Continue to support the Target group and their families;
- A 15 year Business Plan is in place.



Chris indicated the work of **OSI-CAN** now has established Peer Support groups on Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert and Weyburn. In addition **OSI-CAN's** attention is focused on public education (distribution of posters and pamphlets; interaction with media; seeking out business partners and lining up donation support; and, attending public and community events (like meeting with Rotary) to promote the Initiative and raise awareness.



Donations can be made directly to **OSI-CAN** if no tax receipt is required; if a tax receipt is desired donations can be made to CMHA. In this case donors are asked to make note that the donation is to **OSI-CAN**.

Chris responded to a great number of questions from members before President Ron thanked him for an interesting and informative presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Thank you for helping
the kids in Guatemala**

Lyle Piett Memorial Golf Tournament – The Rotary Club of Regina Eastview 9th Annual *Lyle Piett Memorial Golf Tournament* is scheduled for next Friday July 8th 2016 at Tor Hill Golf Course.

John Van Koll is looking for: **i) signed up golfers; ii) golf prizes; iii) 5 or 6 volunteers; iv) Not a golfer, come to the celebration dinner in the evening** – register with John. He has the weather lined up



50/50 Ticket Sales - President Elect Greg McNamara announced that he has his marbles together and there will be a change in the 50/50 Ticket Sale business – it seems the green Irish marble is the one you want – stay tuned this is big.



DG Rod Riopel visit – Assistant Governor Lorne Crozon took to the podium and encouraged members to be at Rotary when District Governor Rod Riopel visits Regina Eastview for his Official Visit on July 14th. This is a special occasion for our Club and one we should strive to attend. See you on the 14th.



ROTARY TIDBIT

From June 2016 Rotary Service Newsletter

How can you make new friends from all over the globe? By Azka Asif, Rotary Service Connections Staff

By joining a Rotary Fellowship! Throughout the month of June, we've been celebrating Rotary Fellowships Month by sharing inspirational services stories from various Rotary Fellowships. We hope these stories have inspired you to join or start a Rotary Fellowship.

As the 2015-16 Rotary year comes to end, we're taking a look back at all the new fellowships that were recognized this year:



- **International Fellowship of Rowing Rotarians** plans joint travels and sporting contests for those interested in rowing. Visit their [website](#) or contact chair [Hartmut Jaeger](#).
- **Rotarian Fellowship of Corporate Social Responsibility** aims to help Rotarians address social responsibility issues as well as encourage clubs and districts to incorporate social responsibility themes into their service projects. Contact chair [Gaetano Papa](#).
- **The International Fellowship of Rotarian Educators** was formed to promote quality education (both public and private) as well as training and development initiatives such as continuing education; [read how this group got started](#). Visit their [website](#) and contact chair [Charles Grant](#).
- **The 4X4 International Fellowship for Rotarians** will attract those who enjoy outdoor exploration in 4x4 vehicles while experiencing nature and conserving it for future generations. Contact chair [Ida van den Bergh](#).
- **Rotary on Pins Fellowship** will connect those passionate about Rotary pins and serve as a resource for clubs and individual Rotarians who want to learn more. Follow their [Facebook page](#) or contact chair [Ed Book](#).

[View](#) a complete list of Rotary Fellowships or [form](#) a new one today!

COMMENTARY



Tonight we trade in the tested and true 2015-2016 Rotary theme, for in the morning we put on the new 2016-2017 banner. Let us remember to continue to *be a gift to the world* for it is this gift that makes real this business of *Rotary serving humanity*.

Enjoy the New World!



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters

