



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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June 16, 2016 NO NOON MEETING

June 17, 2016 President's Social and Changeover Meeting at the Delta Hotel 5-30 PM

June 23, 2016 Sofia House with Executive Director Sarah Valli

June 30, 2016 TBA

July 7, 2016 NO NOON MEETING

July 8, 2016 Regina Eastview Lyle Pielt Memorial Golf Tournament at Tor Hill Golf Course

July 14, 2016 DG Rod Riopel's visit to Eastview

NEXT WEEK

June 16, 2016

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Changeover Meeting
Friday June 17, 2016**

Registration: the registration desk was a hub of activity. Pat Dell was handling registration tasks while Leo Ell looked after the 50/50. Hans Gaastra extended the hand of friendship as Greeter. Ann Grahame was on hand to encourage people to come to the President's Social and Changeover meeting next Friday evening. If you did

not buy a ticket today you will be phoned or emailed by Ann. It will be a lovely evening and a chance to say thank you to President Ron and to welcome Greg McNamara for the coming year. They both deserve our support.

President Ron welcomed all to Eastview on this lovely summer day.

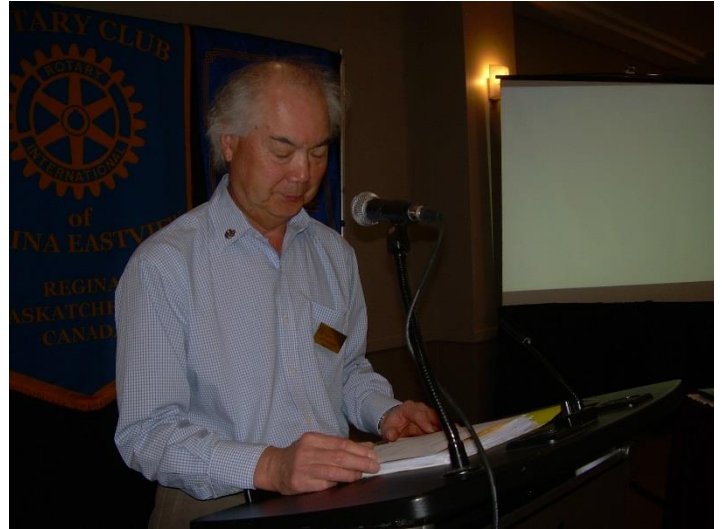
Nelson Falkowsky assumed his usual position as conductor in the singing of our national anthem. While not claiming to be a musical authority, my sense was that the singing was awesome! Nelson may have another opinion!



Lead Table: the following people had the pleasure of being seated with President Ron: Katherine and Isabel Gagne (guests of the Club), Laurel Mattison,

Gord Wicijowski, PDG Doug Mortin and Gary Carlson. Ron's days are numbered in the President's chair. Where has the year gone!!

Visiting Rotarians and guests: Doug Keam from the Rotary Club of Regina and Dinesh Kashyap from the Rotary Club of Regina Oskaya were the visiting Rotarians. Other guests were: Michael Lai, guest of Chris Heffner, Katherine Gagne and Isabel Gagne guests of the Club, and J.S. Raja from India, guest of Sam Berg.



Club Philosopher Doreen Pankewich gave us the following words of wisdom from the 32nd President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt: "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future". Thank you Doreen.

50/50: Leo Ell announced that \$70 was collected in the 50/50 draw. Visiting Rotarian, Dinesh Kashyap, was the winner of the 50/50 draw taking home a \$35 share. Congratulations Dinesh and it was good to have you visit Eastview. Leo had the further pleasure of presenting gifts to 6 lucky people with the right number. These were water bottles donated by President Elect Greg in support of Polio Plus. Greg has just returned from the RI conference in Seoul, Korea and if you thought he was passionate about Rotary before the Conference, you should meet him now!!! The lucky winners were: Gary Carlson, Chris Heffner, Hans Gastra, Jack Wozniak, Barry Strohan, Ann Grahame. Thank you Greg for these gifts.

Birthdays: celebrating birthdays this month, so far, are Gord Wicijowski on June 4 and Shreedhar Jachak on June 8. *Happy birthday Rotarians.*

Sergeant at Arms: the Sergeant was interested to know if anyone had any special plans for the coming week. Deputy Sergeant Richard Schwan noted that he would be going to the Garth Brooks concert. Two others were also planning to attend the concert which led to Barry Strohan's quip about "having friends in high places". Very good Barry. Unfortunately he had to pay \$2. Then the Sergeant noted that a special event is happening this weekend to which Leo Ell replied (and had to pay) that there was a football game. When asked who was playing Sam Berg guessed incorrectly and had to pay, while Richard Schwan "donated" the answer and was fined. Sometimes you just can't win with the Sergeant! Because of the pending Golf Tournament the Sergeant initiated a golf quiz. Some knew answers and were given Rotobucks (Tracey and Louis) while others did not know the answers and were fined (Gail and Tania). Another Rotobuck was given to the person who knew that the best Golf course in Regina is the Royal Regina



Golf Club (the Sergeant's Club). When the Sergeant asked for happy bucks, Laurence Vigrass leapt to his feet



and featured a red sports sweater with Vigrass #17 inscribed on the back. Laurence was quick to explain that his grandson's volleyball team was successful in their bid to attend the Olympics. His grandson had given him the sweater sometime ago. Laurence was jubilant and we were all happy for him. Congratulations! Sam Berg was happy to have a friend visiting from India who works, as does Sam, with Good Shepherd Schools which provide schooling for the less fortunate in India.

Trying and not succeeding to control his excitement about his visit to the RI conference in Korea was Greg McNamara. See more about Greg's visit later in the Rotor. Allen Hillsden was happy his football team (Winnipeg—can you believe it) beat Montreal. Tracey Sparrowhawk Schick was

happy that her daughter's school did so well in the track meet including her daughter who won an award. Peter Neufeldt visited the Portage Rotary Club recently to help them build a strategic plan. Greetings come via Peter from Portage to Eastview. And that was the Sergeant's report. Great fun. Thank you Sergeant Pat.

A MEMBERSHIP MEGA MOMENT: Louis Browne came to the podium to celebrate new members. The Committee has had a successful year and have brought in 11 new members since July 2015. Most were at the meeting today and those present are pictured below with their sponsors.

Pictured below left to right: Greg McNamara, Vern Hoyt (New), President Ron, Chris Heffner (New), Hussein Ibrahim (New), Louis Brown (back row), Joseph Mburu (New), Chad Cunningham (New), Laurel Mattison (front New), Gord Wicijowski, Kell Sloan (back and New), Allen Hillsden, Jack Wozniak (New), Charles Sadzamare. Absent new members: Maja Starovic, Ted Kent, Jizinge Mwela.



Here are further details on the new members provided by PDG Doug Mortin:

Member	Induction	Sponsor
Kell Sloan	Inducted May 5, 2016	Allen Hillsden (RI)
Vern Hoyt	Inducted April 28, 2016	Greg McNamara
Chris Heffner	Inducted April 28, 2016	John Van Koll
Maja Starovic	Inducted April 7, 2016	Nicholas Robinson
Hussein Ibrahim	Inducted March 31, 2016	Doug Mortin
Ted Kent	Inducted March 31, 2016	Jeff Barber
Chad Cunningham	Inducted March 31, 2016	Louis Browne
Joseph Mburu	Inducted March 31, 2016	Louis Browne
Laurel Mattison	Inducted December 10, 2015	Gord Wicijowski
Jack Wozniak	Inducted October 15, 2015	Allen Hillsden
Jizinge Mwela	Inducted August 13, 2015	Charles Sadzamare

Presentation: President Ron presented Gord Wicijowski with an RI pin for sponsoring a new member, Laurel Mattison. This is a new RI initiative. Congratulations Gord and again, welcome Laurel.

Program: This was a special program which made Eastview Rotarians proud to sponsor programs involving youth. Allen Hillsden came to the podium to introduce Isabel Gagne, Eastview's representative to the MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly) program held in Winnipeg earlier this year. Isabel was accompanied today by her mother, Katherine Gagne. It took us only a moment to realize the capabilities of this young student. Isabel is a high honors grade 12 student at Harvest City Christian Academy. In 2015 she was recognized by the Lieutenant Governor as Saskatchewan's Junior Citizen of the year and by the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples with the National Youth Achievement Award. In 2016 the YWCA recognized Isabel at the Women of Distinction Awards as "Young Woman of Promise" and the SaskTel Youth Aboriginal Awards gave Isabel the top honor of Outstanding Achievement. She is the granddaughter of former cabinet minister, Graham Taylor.

Isabel has accepted an offer to study International Business at McGill University this fall and was awarded the



highest prestige renewable scholarship (The Greville Smith Scholarship). As well Isabel was just recognized with the TD Community Leadership Scholarship for a total offering of over \$100,000. Isabel's achievements in her school and community are equally outstanding.

Isabel then came to the podium and with the help of Power Point, told us of her experience at MUNA. Her fellow classmate, Courtney Thrun, was also to attend MUNA but minutes before they were scheduled to leave, Courtney was having her arm casted following a fracture in a volleyball game so could not attend MUNA.

Isabel thanked Eastview for providing her the opportunity to attend this program. The days were

full and the schedule busy. Isabel represented India at the conference. She enjoyed the deep conversations, learning about India and about the United Nations. She was thankful to have her computer with her as there was much research to be done during the sessions. The note passing was unexpected and kept her thinking and researching to find answers and, of course, all answers had to be from India's perspective. She constantly had to remind herself she was speaking for India. She had to prepare a positional statement on India's stance on nuclear proliferation. This process gave her a depth of understanding on many levels. She said she matured significantly at this conference and the experience will serve her well in the future.

Following her presentation, Isabel received questions about her experience. Her mother, Katherine, came to podium to offer further thanks to Eastview for giving Isabel this opportunity. As Chair of the Regina School Board, Katherine noted that she saw in this program a level of education not seen before. She complemented Eastview on this wonderful program and for the work Rotarians do for the community and the world.

President Ron presented gifts to Katherine and Isabel and thanked them for attending and noted that youth is a very good investment for Rotary.

Announcements: Allen Hillsden thanked Laurel for her gift to him last week and for the card signed by members. He then reminded us of the Eastview Golf Tournament to be held Friday July 8. Prizes are needed as well as hole sponsors.

Ann Grahame reminded us there will be no noon meeting next Thursday. The President's Social and Changeover Meeting will be held Friday, June 17 starting at 5-30 PM. See you there.

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June 10	Ann Grahame, Tania Woroby, Allen Hillsden
June 17	NO SCHOOL
June 24	Lyle Gollnick, Greg McNamara, Doug Mortin

More about MUNA

Rotary International stimulated and participated in the events leading up to the establishment of the United Nations Organization. It was present at the signing of the United Nations Charter in San Francisco in 1945. The Rotary Club of Winnipeg, established in 1910, was the first club outside the United States, thus making Rotary international. It was fitting, therefore, that the Club should organize a Rotary Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) as an initial venture in promoting international understanding among youth.

The Model United Nations Assembly is purported to be a learning simulation of the United Nations General Assembly in its structure and proceedings. Therefore, debates in MUNA, the committee structure, rules of procedure, and the general decorum of delegates, were designed to approximate the UN General Assembly, conditioned, of course, by local limitations.

With the assistance of the then Winnipeg Branch of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs and Winnipeg Branch of the United Nations Association, the Rotary Club of Winnipeg held the first MUNA on April 26 and 27, 1957. The success of the first Assembly prompted the Club to hold one every year since, with only three lapses; in 1966 due to the Red River Flood conditions, in 1986 due to a Measles epidemic, and in 1997 upstaged by the Flood of the Century.

MUNA celebrated its 50th anniversary in conjunction with the May 2007 Assembly. A gala dinner and dance marked the occasion. The Rotary Club of Winnipeg congratulates all MUNA participants over the last fifty

years and we look forward to the next half century. You may enjoy reading and hearing more at:

<http://winnipegmun.ca/about/history/>

More about Greg



President Elect Greg McNamara at the Shelterbox booth at the RI conference in Seoul Korea (left).

Greg and wife, Anne, are very appreciative of the opportunity to attend the international Rotary conference. Greg has been a Rotarian 21 years and this was his first RI conference. He tells the story of arriving late for the President Elects' luncheon for which he had registered. He and Anne walked into the room looking for a place to sit where there were at least 1000 people. They came to a table that was reserved and a kind lady invited them to join them to which Greg replied: "we can't sit here, we are Canadians." The lady replied: "yes you can, we love Canadians." The kind lady was Jetta Burton, wife of former RI President, Ron Burton (2013-14). Our Greg was in distinguished company!!

Greg's story reminded Past President Pat Dell that at the RI conference she attended in England she sat beside a Rotarian from Old Persia. He gave her a key chain as a memento and she cherishes it to this day. An RI Conference, wherever it is held, is a very special event and provides wonderful memories for a lifetime.

We will hear more from Greg during his year. Thank you for sharing your story, Greg. We love to hear them. Glad you arrived home safely.

It was another wonderful Rotary meeting. Good food, good fellowship, great speaker, busy people everywhere doing great things—what a day!

More about Laurence



A very proud Grandpa—getting ready for the next Olympics!!

Filling in for Rotor Editor Peter Peters, I am Gail Bradley