




Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Service Above Self

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Apr 7	“SEARCH Literacy Program Update” with Kelly Husack
Apr 14	“Special Crimes” with Corporal Jon Golden (RPS)
Apr 21	“The Regina By-Pass” with Tony Playter
Apr 28	“TBA”
May 5	“Supporting A Syrian Refugee Family” with The Yule Family

NEXT WEEK

“SEARCH Literacy Program Update”
with
Kelly Husack

April 7, 2016

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: **Richard Schwan**
50/50: **Tania Woroby**
Greeter: **Peter Neufeldt**

Although it was a rather large gathering at today’s meeting, assigned Rotarians to the **Registration Desk** (Greg McNamara), **50/50 Tickets** (Leo Ell) and our **Greeter** (Tania Woroby) were able to break away for these time consuming tasks for a “Photo Op”.

CHILI FOR CHILDREN

Duty Roster

Apr 1 ----NO SCHOOL
Apr 8 ----Lyle Gollnick, Peter Peters, Hans Gaastra
Apr 15---Allen Hillsden, Ann Grahame, Tania Woroby
Apr 22---NO SCHOOL
Apr 29---Doug Mortin, Nelson Falkowsky, Sherry McKinnon



President Ron Okumura was conspicuous by his absence, but not to worry as Ron made arrangements for this eventuality. Past President **Doreen Pankewich**, was at the helm and she proceeded to move the meeting along as though she was still “in control” – on reflection, she was exactly that – in charge!

Allen Hillsden was song leader for the second week in a row looking “ooh” so comfortable in the role. Nice job!

Barry Strohan was **Philosopher**, and although he suggested today’s selection was more “humorous” than a “philosophical”, actually it was both. Attributed to Prince Phillip in one of his “freer” moments, he is to have stated, *“When a man holds a car door open for his wife.....it’s either a new car or a new wife.”*

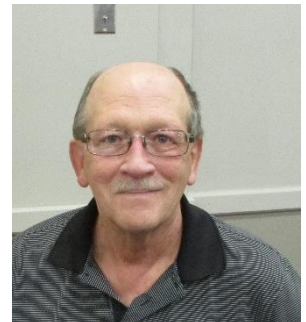


Those at the **Lead Table**

reflected a balance of Eastview maturity and RYLA youthfulness consisting of Wally Dressler, Nola Ayers (left), Ann Grahame, Doreen Pankewich, Bella Pankewich, Izabella Hunt and Paul Grahame.

President Elect Greg McNamara had the good fortune of introducing our **Guests and Visiting Rotarians**. Guests, and while he was open to being prompted periodically, Greg did make it through identifying the following Guests – Bella Pankewich (below left) and Izabella Hunt

(below) guests of Doreen Pankewich; Paul Grahame (below) guest of Ann Grahame; Nola Ayers guest of the Club; **Vern Hoyt** (right) guest of Greg McNamara; and, Maja Starovic’ (below right) guest of Louis Browne. While there were no **Visiting Rotarians**, Greg invited four individuals who would momentarily be inducted into Rotary to please stand – this included Joseph Mburu, Hussein Ibrahim, Chad Cunningham and Ted Kent.



Leo Ell orchestrated the always challenging **50/50 Ticket Draw** and this time it was for the mighty sum of \$23.00 having sold 23 tickets. It always looks good when “an about to be inducted member” is the winner as it provides immediate gratification for Rotary involvement. Today was like that as Ted King was the winner and wouldn’t you know, Ted donated his winnings to Chili Four Children – THANK YOU, Ted!

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

In the absence of a Sergeant-At-Arms, Acting President Doreen invited Happy Dollar expressions. Peter Neufeldt told us that he, his son and grandson shared a bonding skiing adventure, returning without injury;



Doug Mortin, having missed last week's meeting, expressed appreciation for the ROTOR's editorial team, who's reporting "was almost like being at the meeting"; Leo indicated that he and Helen are relieved now that their son Darren is back on Canadian soil having spent a few weeks in Greece (and area), providing photographic documentation of the Syrian refugee crisis; and, Charles Sadzamare was pleased to be back at Rotary having spent a time experiencing health care services in Regina (very good to have you back, Charles).

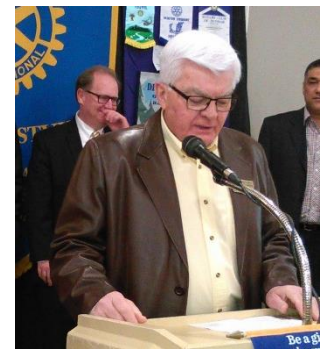
NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

Louis Browne, Director of the Club's Membership Committee was called on to preside over the induction of four individuals into the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview. Louis invited the individuals and their sponsors to join him at the podium. Each sponsor was asked to introduce the individual they were presenting - this began with Louis introducing of Joseph Mburu. Joseph is an assistant professor at the University of Regina teaching political science and international studies. Louis touched on Joseph's qualifications noting his intention to return to his native Kenya and run for president.



Jeff Barber was called on to introduce Ted Kent. In his comments Jeff referred to Ted's post-secondary education at the University of Saskatchewan in political science and Government. Ted Kent's vocational career has focused on insurance and banking Ted is currently General Manager, Banking Centre Leader at CIBC.

Doug Mortin had the pleasure of introducing Hussein Ibrahim, a graduate in Medicine from an Egyptian Medical School. Following this Hussein took additional medical education and training in London, England receiving a postgraduate diploma in Psychiatry. Further study in medical research in Florence, Italy earned him a European Union certificate followed by a Master's degree at University of Maastricht, Holland. Hussein studied Sexual Medicine and has been licensed from the European Board and recently the American Board and is preparing to soon establish his own business: The Psychosexual Clinic Canada. He is currently working with the disability domain at Ranch Ehrlo Society, Autism Services with the Ministry of Health and Cognitive Disability Strategy with the Ministry of Social Services.



Louis Browne then concluded the introductions by recognizing Chad Cunningham. A former Rotarian, Chad was being welcomed back to Rotary within the Regina Eastview community. A career advertising consultant, Chad is currently employed as a Media & Sr. Advertising Consultant at Rawlco Radio. Chad has a passion for helping

non-profit groups having experiences from the point of view of an owner, manager, and as the sales/marketing person giving him a multi-dimensional perspective. As an advertising consultant, Chad's goal has always been to make it a triple win. A win for his clients, the company for whom he works and a win for himself.



In his Induction comments Director Louis, challenged the inductees and all Rotarians to be mindful of the challenges encompassed in the Object of Rotary, and the dictates of the Four-Way Test. Touching on the privileges afforded through Rotary, Louis also emphasized the responsibilities that fall to us as Rotarians.

Most sobering of the latter, is the recognition that the community will judge by the action of the members of the Rotary Club (which is another way of expressing this year's Rotary Theme).

In his concluding comments Louis Browne noted Regina Eastview has loaned Joseph Mburu the Classification of Professor – Political Science & International Studies; Chad Cunningham the Classification of Advertising Consultant; Ted Kent the Classification of Retail Banking; and, Hussein Ibrahim the Classification CEO Psychosexual Clinic of Canada.



Acting President Doreen presented each Inductee with Rotary information, framed Object of Rotary, framed Rotary Four-Way Test, and the Rotary pin. The Inductees and their sponsors formed a “receiving line” and members of Eastview each had opportunity to welcome the newest members into the world of Rotary.

EXPRESIONS OF APPRECIATION

It was a special treat to have three of the five students our Club sponsored to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) come to our meeting and express appreciation for providing them with what was obviously a wonderful learning experience. Learning about themselves and others; participating in meaningful life enriching sharing experiences; developing friendships in a safe and enriching environment; and, searching out and developing unknown leadership skills.

Sounds like this is one of Rotary District 5550 great programs. Regina Eastview has to be proud of the quality of the candidates selected to represent us in this District program. Remember these names: *Bella Pankewich, Izabella Hunt and Paul Grahame* – the pride of Regina Eastview!



PROGRAM

Wally Dressler introduced our guest speaker Nola Ayers, who came to speak to us about Grandmothers for Grandmothers. He noted that Nola had a health care career in what is now known as the Five Hills Health Region. Her story today is associated with a Grandmothers to Grandmothers visit she had to Uganda in concert with The Stephen Lewis Foundation.

Ms. Ayers initially introduced us to the Stephen Lewis Foundation which was created in 2003. To date the Foundation has invested \$89 Million in 15 African countries in addressing the trauma created by the HIV AIDS.



It is well known that it is Grandmothers who are keeping families together in response to the impact HIV AIDS has had on an entire generation of African men and women.

The Stephen Lewis Foundation is in the top 25 highly respected Foundations in Canada, as it keeps its operating costs below 10% of contributions received. This requires its volunteers to cover the costs of their participation in various programs like going on the trip to Uganda last year. The Foundation provides both short term and long term support with the latter providing grief counseling, HIV counseling and education.

A component of the visit to Uganda was participation in a large Grandmothers to Grandmothers Conference which gathered together 500 plus grandmothers from around the world. The conference demonstrated the power of the Grandmother voices for they held the feet of Government officials to the fire being quick to challenge statements made by

Government officials. The African grandmothers were most appreciative of grandmothers coming from around the world to join them in addressing the challenges they face in this health crisis. By working together grandmothers demonstrate that, “we grow stronger as a human family”.

Grandmothers for Grandmothers in Regina meets once a month with the exception of two months and over the course of their history have raised in excess of \$500,000.00. Money is raised in various ways including “attic sales”, farmers markets, dinner speakers, etc. On April 30th Stephen Lewis daughter, Ilana Naomi Landsberg-Lewis, Executive Director of the Stephen Lewis Foundation, will be the guest speaker at a major Fund raising dinner in Regina.

Past President Doreen expressed our collective appreciation to Nola Ayers for their important work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frig Magnets – Rotary Four-Way Test frig magnets will be available at the Registration Desk for the next few weeks (or until they are all gone). Cost is \$2.00 per magnet – come now “Decorate your refrigerator”.

District Conference 2016 – Doug Mortin plugged this great event. Please go to the District Website – www.rotary5550.org/ for registration and accommodation information.

Million Dollar Dinner – In concert with the District Conference, the District is celebrating the raising of 1 million dollars for The Rotary Foundation. For details on how to get in on this opportunity please talk to Doug.



District Training Assembly – District Governor Nominee Peter Neufeldt encouraged new and veteran Rotarians to register for the District Assembly to be held in Regina on April 16th. A copy of the Registration Form is being circulated with this ROTOR. Please send your registration to Joanne Misner at: joanne.misner@gmail.com , with a copy to President Elect Greg at: mcnamara@sasktel.net




ROTARY TIDBIT

[Bringing clean water to thousands in Ghana](#) - More than 748 million people live without access to clean water and at least 3,000 children die each day from diarrheal diseases caused by unsafe water. Rotary is working to change that. Members used a Rotary grant to drill more than 20 clean-water wells and to repair another 30 in villages across Ghana.



World Water Day, which was on March 22nd, Rotarians were encouraged to [watch a video about the project](#). If you did not watch this last week, how about doing it today!



Help the
Rotary Club of Regina Oskaya
eradicate the world from **Polio** with a
fundraiser '**Fish Fry**' Night at
Bobby's Place (2044 Dewdney Avenue)
on **May 5th, 2016 (5 to 7 pm)**.
\$20 per ticket, for a meal of delicious Fish and Chips.
See you there!

COMMENTARY

I received the following *SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH GREAT MEANINGS* from a friend earlier this week and choose to share it with my Rotary friends

- i. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain, on the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. **That's FAITH!**
- ii. When you throw a baby in the air, she laughs because she knows you will catch her. **That's TRUST!**
- iii. Every night we go to bed, without any assurance of being alive the next morning but still we set the alarms to wake up. **That's HOPE!**
- iv. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. **That's CONFIDENCE!**
- v. We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. **That's LOVE!**
- vi. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence: 'I am not 80 years old.... I am sweet 16 with 64 years' experience! **That's ATTITUDE!**

May you always have love to share, health to spare & friends that care.

Have a great week as you live your life reflecting these six stories!

For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters