



Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

Thursday, November 12, 2015

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Service Above Self

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Nov 19	“Substance Abuse” with Dr. George Carson
Nov 26	“Adventures in Agriculture Students” a Signature Project of the RC of Regina Eastview
Dec 3	“The Frontier Centre for Public Policy” with Mr. Peter Holle
Dec 10	“My Experiences as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar” with Dr. Susan Johnston
Dec 17	No Noon Meeting – in favour of Christmas Party on the 18th
Dec 18	“Eastview Family Christmas Dinner” – Evening Event
Dec 24	No Meeting – Christmas Eve
Dec 31	No Meeting – New Year’s Eve

NEXT WEEK

“Substance Abuse”
with
Dr. George Carson

Nov 19, 2015

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: **Allen Hillsden**
50/50: **Greg McNamara**
Greeter: **Dave Edwards**

Ann Grahame did a swap with Shreedhar Jachak to staff the **Registration Desk** this November 12. Unlike the consistency at the Registration desk, the selling of **50/50 tickets** presented a varied approach. Allen Hillsden was the “starting pitcher” for these investments, but during the first inning was relieved by the quiet but trusty Tania Woroby, who is known to have a unique “Ticket pitching” talent. Eyes remained focused on the dugout in the hopes that the assigned starter would burst forth, which of course did occur when Sherry McKinnon took to the mound and a short time retired the sides. Good job folks.



**November is “Rotary
Foundation Month” in
the world of Rotary**

CHILI FOR CHILDREN

Duty Roster

NOV 13--- Lyle Gollnick, Doug Martin,

NOV 20--- Peter Peters, Greg McNamara, Allen Hillsden

NOV 27---Ann Grahame, Tanya Woroby, Alda Bouvier

DEC 4----NO SCHOOL

DEC 11-- Doug Archer, Nelson Falkowsky, Lyle Gollnick

DEC18---Sherry McKinnon, Peter Peters, Greg McNamara

Reliable Gary Carlson, the assigned **Greeter**, and took care of this responsibility with dedicated class. He is seen here welcoming Rotarian Nelson Falkowsky, which meant we would be moving expeditiously through O' Canada (which we did).



President Ron Okumura is always at the meeting early, and today was no exception. He is seen here extending a presidential welcome to Susan Berg, representing the Canadian Mental Health Association – Regina Branch, a guest of Lyle Gollnick.

In honour of Remembrance Day, it was the “old” Philosopher Leif Riesach who presented our **Thought for the Day**. This observation is attributed to the 35th President of the United States of America, John F. Kennedy, who said, “*As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.*”



Joining President Ron at the **Lead Table** were Charles Keple, Sherry McKinnon, Lyle Gollnick, Nelson Falkowsky, Susan Berg and Gary Carlson.



Ann Grahame was called on to introduce **Visiting Rotarians and Guests**. Rotarians Doug Keam and Charles Keple (**below left**) from the RC of Regina, represented the visiting Rotarian group; and guests were, Farai Sadzamare (**below right**) (guest of his father, Charles), Susan Berg (guest of Lyle Gollnick) and Laurel Mattison (guest of Gord Wicijowski)



Sherry McKinnon coordinated the **50/50 draw** which would provide the winner with \$20.00. President Ron had the coveted ticket and promptly donated his winnings to The Rotary Foundation – Thank you, Ron.



In the **Family of Rotary**, Ann Grahame reported Gail Bradley is recovering from last Thursday's motor vehicle accident. Sadly the injury to her chest resulted in her coming down with bronchitis. Gail's car is a "right off" so very soon Gail will be zipping around in a flashy new vehicle.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS



Gary Carlson was Sergeant and tested the memory of members regarding the named Ministers in Canada's new Liberal Government. Some were known, some were not, some were paid, some had to pay (sitting with a Liberal candidate was only partially helpful), in some (one) instances the Sergeant screwed up on the Minister's title.

For happy dollars came from Pat Dell who rose to tell us that her husband Glen's, "Gallbladder - gone!" Seems Glen is now cleaning and organizing Pat's cupboards. They are comparing scars. And finally, "Retirement is tough on us non retired people." Who knew?

We sang **Happy Birthday** to Jizinge Mwela, as there is a November celebration in the Mwela home. Best wishes, Jizinge!

PROGRAM

Cary Carlson was invited to introduce guest speaker, Colonel (Retired) Charles Keple, on the topic "**Let's we forget**" (sic) (*now that Remembrance Day is over.*). A lot of what Gary included in the introduction was missed so this is what I learned from Google about our distinguished guest: Colonel Keple enlisted in 1958, and acquired unique military breadth



with regular and reserve service spanning army, air force and international command and staff appointments. A Regina native, he was a rifleman, a gunner, a BEng (Civil), who served in 2 and 4Fd SqnRCE [with 2nd BR Div (Germany)]. An honour graduate of the British Technical Staff, Canadian Command & Staff, and National Defence College courses, he qualified as both a Combat and an Airfield Engineer. He held senior staff appointments in Canadian Forces HQ, Air Command HQ, Mobile Command HQ, HQ Allied Forces Central Europe, and Supreme HQ Allied Powers Europe. He was Director General Military Engineering Operations at National Defence HQ during operations in Pakistan, Croatia, Kuwait, Somalia, Cambodia, and Bosnia. In 1996 he was transferred to the Supplementary Reserve, and retired in 2007.

A gifted instructor/facilitator/teacher/mentor, our friend Charles Keple used a Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) process to drive home an important Remembrance Day point. Using the Object of Rotary as a base, Charles challenged us, by table, to respond four basic Object understandings. Giving one table a "passing grade" while the rest of us failed. Charles suggested that if as a group of dedicated Rotarians did not know why Rotary existed, is it any wonder that the general population does not know or understand the impact of Remembrance Day.

Sharing his personal perspective, Charles noted Remembrance Day is set aside to remember, "The glorious dead". But should we not also honour the injured, physically and mentally, who return battered. The thrust of this day is focused on those who died in "war". Why, Charles wondered, "Why not on those who died in peace keeping". He noted that 3402 persons died as part of United Nations Peace Keeping Forces (122 Canadians) – they too are part of the glorious dead. .



Charles suggested that the “enemy” or the “foe” referenced *In Flanders Fields* should not be viewed as a person, country, or culture, but rather evil. It is evil that we must defeat. Rotarians, with our commitment to world understanding and peace are positioned to provide important leadership to achieving this end.

Thank you, Charles for sharing your learned perspective. It was an honour to have you speak to the Rotary Club of Regina Eastview.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Lyle Gollnick a member of the Club’s Community Services Committee was called on to make a special presentation. Lyle invited Susan Berg to join him at the podium. Lyle presented Susan with the Club’s donation to the Canadian Mental Health Association. The funds were raised at the Club’s Golf Tournament in July and by mutual agreement are to be directed to a “men’s health” issue.

Susan was sincere in expressing the CMHA’s appreciation for the donation, but most importantly for challenging them to identify a specific health condition.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAMS – We all received John Van Koll’s reminder to us to sell and/or “**BUY HAMS**”! The Order Form is online.

Rotary Carol Festival Volunteers – Organizers of the Carol Festival are looking for volunteers to fill a variety of roles for this 4 day event (Nov. 30 to Dec. 3). A signup sheet was on each table to Rotary today and the sheet is circulated with this ROTOR. Please help our Rotary Club fulfill its responsibility by assisting in this celebrative event.

Service Above Self Award - The Service Above Self Award nomination Form is attached to this ROTOR. The **deadline** for nominations will be **December 31, 2015**. Please search out candidates for this Award and get your nomination in to Jeanne Martinson, Director of Vocational Services.



Valentine GALA Ticket Sales – Every member of Regina Eastview is one of Four (4) GALA ticket selling Teams. In the next week or so you will receive an initial package of tickets which you will be asked to sell. Each Team has a Captain (John Van Koll, Allen Hillsden, Greg McNamara or Peter Peters) and these individuals will follow up with members of their Team on a weekly basis to find out how sales are progressing. Tickets are \$80.00 each or \$640.00 for a table of eight (8). Thank you on advance for making this the most successful GALA ever.

ROTARY TIDBITS

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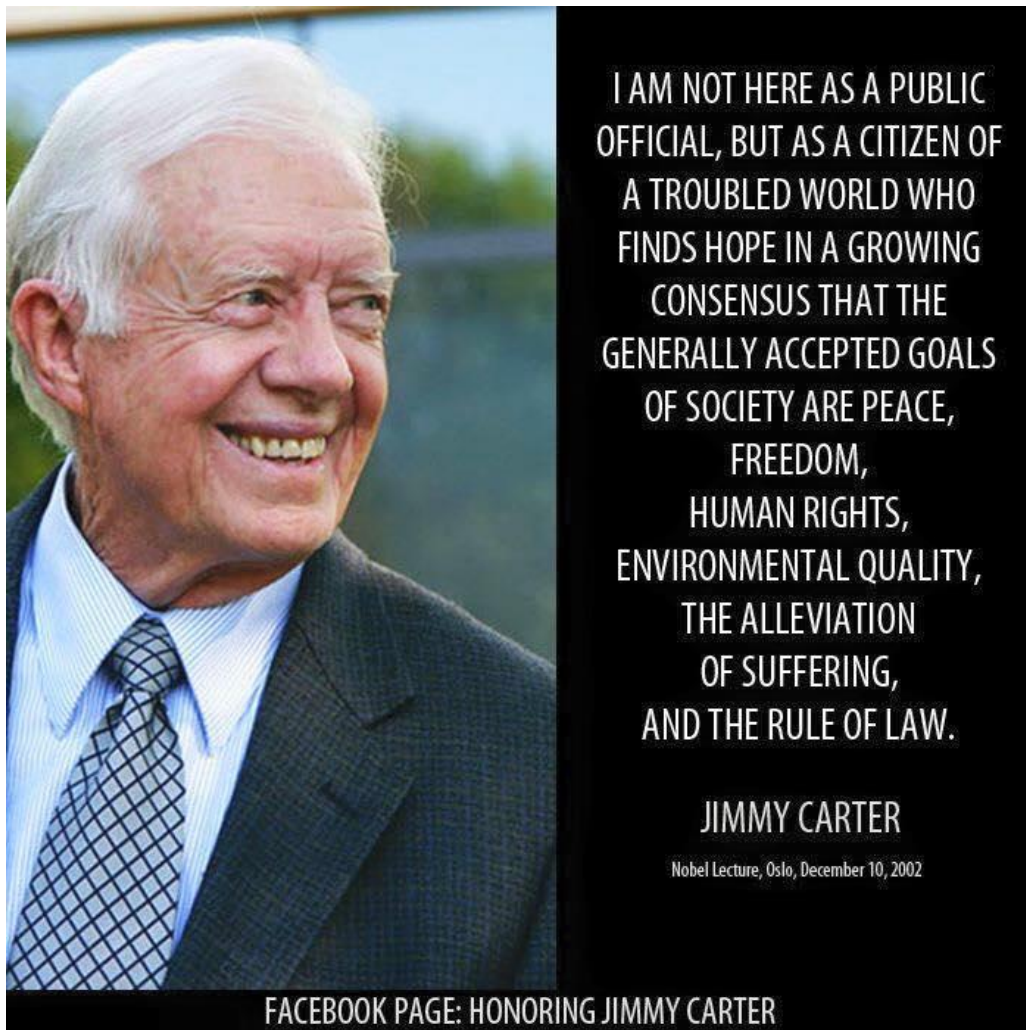


Dr. Deborah K. W. Walters a member of the Rotary Club of Unity, Maine (D 7790) **was one of 6 “Global Women of Action” Rotary honoured on November 7th during the annual Rotary Day at the United Nations in New York.** Because of her work in Guatemala, Deborah Walters has been a helpful connection for the Ripple Effect Program and particularly Program Coordinators, Deb and Gord LeMaistre.

- Dr. Deborah Walters is a neuroscientist by profession with training in physics and engineering with professional academic experience at Unity College, the State University of New York and the University of Birmingham (UK).
- She has served as the director and supporter Safe Passage (Camino Seguro) a Maine registered non-profit organization that helps to provide educational and social services to the children and families who live in the Guatemala City garbage dump.
- During her time a District Governor she lead an initiative, in partnership with Behrhorst Partners for Development and a Guatemalan Rotary Club, to improve water systems and build latrines for people living in and around the dump.
- She was honored as Rotarian of the Year by her club in 2015.

COMMENTARY

A Modern Day Hero



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters.