



Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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Dec 6 **“Exchange Student Presentation”** with **Thomas Van Der Maren;**
Plus “This is My Life” with **Barry Strohan**

Dec 13 **No Noon Luncheon in favor of Christmas Party on the 14th**

Dec 20 **“Socializing”**

Dec 27 **“Socializing Continues”**

Jan 3 **“TBD”**

PROGRAM

“Exchange Student Presentation”

With

Thomas Van Der Maren

Next Week
December 6, 2018

DUTY ROSTER

Registration: Ron Okumura

50/50: Gail Bradley

Greeter: Tracy Schick Sparrowhawk

Student Pickup – Nelson Falkowsky

November is Rotary Foundation Month in Rotary

Regina Eastview gathered at the [mâmwêyatitân centre](#) today where Allen Hillsden was at the **Registration Desk** supported by Doreen Pankewich, who assisted card paying individuals. Although **50/50 Tickets** were not being sold, table flow was still about the same.

Gwen Friedrich was **Greeter**, ensuring all were made to feel welcome. Gwen had the good fortune of welcoming District Governor Elect (DGE) from the RC of Kenora to this special “off-site” meeting

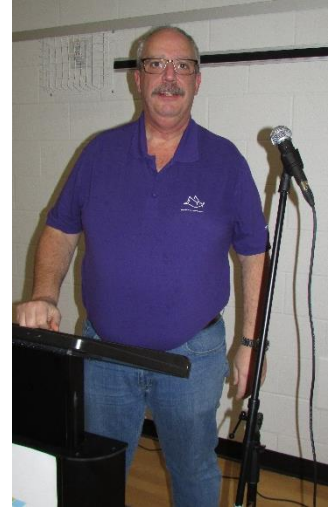


Chili for Children Roster

Nov 30 - Allen Hillsden, Lyle Gollnick, Vern Hoyt

President John Van Koll, was feeling wild and crazy and choose not to have a lead Table – and choose to sit with some “special” people (**Shannon Windrim, Doreen Pankewich, Lyle Gollnick, Pat Dell and Peter Peters**) in the back row of tables – they were some pumped!

Allen Hillsden was called on to introduce **Visiting Rotarians and Guests**. In the former category, Allen welcomed DGE Fred Wright (**pictured above**) guest of Peter Neufeldt. Guests included Guest Speaker Judith Silverthorne (**below right**), guest of the Club; Donelda Krause (**below**) guest of Clarence; Karine Juteau (**below**) guest of Laurel Mattison (**which one is Karine**); Anne McNamara guest of Greg; and soon to be inducted into Rotary, Govind Patel guest of Shreedhar Jachak.



Pat Dell was the repeat **Philosopher** and in view of our meeting in this unique facility shared these **“Words of Wisdom”**: *“You are OK! You have a roof over your head; You ate; You have a good heart; You wish good for others; You have clean water; Someone cares for you; You forgive others; You have clothes to wear; You smile; You’re breathing; You are OK!.”*

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Pat Dell was also the Sergeant-At-Arms, although she is here pictured in her Philosopher stance. Interestingly and thankfully, the thoughtfulness of the earlier role carried into and through this new assignment. The Sergeant extended our collective appreciation to Jeff Barber for making the opportunity to meet in the māmawêyatitân centre a reality; she then gave virtual Rotobucks to all members who served as home hosts for all the Adventure in Agriculture students last week.



Happy Dollars came from President John, for some fine levied previously which he had not paid; Chris Heffner was pleased to tell us that when the Associates he referred to earlier appeared last week’s Dragon’s Den, they walked away with \$100,000.00 worth of support for the expansion of their “bottle-cap” fish hook business; Richard Schwan, with a clear sense of pride, spoke about the “Krug” Travel App their son and his friends have created which is off to a “flying/cruising/holidaying” start (krugotravel.com); Nelson Falkowsky let us know of a hockey playing grandchild, at the current rate is bound for a grand hockey career; and, Doreen Pankewich and Peter Peters shared stories about the delightful Adventure in Agriculture students they were privileged to welcome into their respective homes

Family of Rotary – Shreedhar advised us **Madhao Thakre** had hip surgery and is on the mend – great news!

Have you Made The Rotary Foundation (TRF) your Charity of Choice

PROGRAM

Jeff Barber was called on to introduce guest speaker Judith Silverthorne, *Writer in Residence* with the Regina



Public Library. The Library's Website advises readers, "*Judith Silverthorne is an award-winning Saskatchewan writer. She has authored more than a dozen books, many of which are children's novels. She has also written two non-fiction biographical adult books, and has authored extensively as a freelance writer for newspapers and magazines.*" From Judith's Website one also learns, "*Her clients consist of the Saskatchewan Writers' Guild, the Saskatoon School Board, Saskatchewan Festival of Words and Sage Hill Writing Experience, New Media Campus, Pahnkisimon Nuyeh?áh Library System (PNLS) (in northern Saskatchewan communities) and the Oxford Learning Centre. She has also taught Freelance Business Skills in Film and Video class for SIAST (Wascana Campus), and writing classes at the University of Regina, Centre for Continuing Education and the Lifelong*

Learning Centre)."

From Judith we learned that as the *Writer in Residence*, she has the wonderful opportunity to write her own material while assisting others to tell their stories. It is about advancing the writing interest and skills opportunities for interested citizens while sharing the terrific store of the *Regina Public Library* and their some 4000 unique programs. Judith encourages the writings of others to become more accomplished, helping them with their personal editing, and fostering creativity, she serves as an inspiration to her "clients". As the *Writer in Residence*, Judith offers "one-to-one assistance with personal writing projects, as well as public readings, literary activities, school and community visits, and programs that focus on serving and supporting the amateur writing community in Regina." By example, every Thursday in November Judith gives "how to" talks at the Library. Assisted by a Resource Care aid, she works with residents of the Wascana Rehabilitation Centre, helping them to tell their story. Judith says being a "writer" tends to be a "solitary" vocation, however, being the *Writer in Residence* is a most community involved undertaking, which in and of itself keeps her inspired. The range of involvement with "writers" is exceedingly broad, from encouraging creative expression, to insight in the various phases of publishing to critiquing the "writings".



Interestingly, Judith's range of published writings is seemingly broad, which she suggest may be an anomaly. Judith's writings are detailed on her Website at: <https://judithsilverthorne.ca/about/>

Judith Silverthorne has to be a great addition to the services available through the Regina Public Library, and the Regina community. The "writing" community must be embracing her presence and individually marvelling at the support she provides.

President John expressed our collective thanks to Judith for her encompassing presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

78th Annual Christmas Carol Festival – Ron Okumura reminded us the Carol Festival will take place on December 3rd to 6th, 2018 at Knox Metropolitan United Church. Volunteers have been assigned, although there are still a few openings available. He will be circulating the detailed assignments to the selected volunteers.

Christmas Hams – Sale of these products closed on November 25, although John Van Koll reported on some late orders caused him to contact the supplier and increase the order. December 11, volunteers are expected to meet at the Regina Food Bank for ham packing and delivery. Details will be circulated.

Facility Tour – Jeff Barber indicated that he and a Staff member from the on-site Library would team tag a tour of the facility immediately after we assisted in cleaning up the room (**which was undertaken by a competent group of Eastviewians**).

COMMENTARY

During the past two weeks we experienced another example of a committed membership of Rotarians, as members of Regina Eastview hosted the 22nd Adventure in Agriculture. 19 enthusiastic young people from Dryden Ontario to Innisfail, Alberta, were selected by schools in concert with their community Rotary Clubs to experience an agricultural adventure. They came to Regina, in most cases as strangers, somewhat fearful about meeting a bunch of new people and for some the first time on a flight “alone”. Here they were “wowed” together by agricultural opportunities and surprisingly, they left in some instances as “the best of friends” with plans for a summer visit plans – who knew. Regina Eastviewians worked as a well-oiled team under Jack Wozniak’s leadership to provide once more, a quality life enriching experience for 19 creative minds.

TAKE A BOW!



For the Regina Eastview ROTOR, I am Peter Peters