

Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

The ROTOR

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October 8, 2015 Denis Simard with the Eastview Community Association

October 15, 2015 Allan Smith—This is my Life; Vocational Training Teams with Peter Peters

October 22, 2015 Major Mike Hoeft and the Salvation Army

NEXT WEEK October 8, 2015

Denis Simard
The Eastview Community
Association

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Registration: Doreen Pankewich

50/50: Greg McNamara

Greeter: Nicholas Robinson

Registration: Jim Powell was in charge of registration today while Leo Ell sold 50/50 tickets. We greeted each

other in Eastview fashion.

Lead table: Seated with President Ron were Sam Berg, Nelson Falkowsky, Charles Sadzamare, guest speakers Marcia Kooger and Melissa Stevens.

President Ron welcomed everyone to Eastview and offered a Rotobuck to the person who could successfully name the theme for this Rotary month.



However no one knew so President Ron deferred giving us the answer to next week. This left us wondering—did President Ron know the answer or did he simply want us to do our homework! Tune in next week.

Following the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace, President Ron provided a thought for the day from former U.S. President Calvin Coolidge: "No person

was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave." Coolidge was the 30th President from 1923-29.

Visitors were welcomed with the Eastview welcome song. Visiting Rotarians were Judy and Richard Taylor (Rotary Club of Regina Oskaya). Other visitors were Ruth Deutsch, guest of John Van Koll and Marcia Kooger and Melissa Stevens, guests of the Club.

50/50 draw: Leo Ell reported that \$44 had been collected and Jeff Barber had the winning ticket. He donated his \$22 share to the Rotary Foundation. Thank you Jeff.

Birthdays: Greg McNamara celebrated his birthday on September 23 and Alda Bouvier will celebrate her



which was developed to improve literacy among the Maori people.

Marcia then spoke about her involvement with the ArrowMight program. She emphasized it is a literacy program. English, Social Studies, mathematics and science are taught in 3 modules. It is a home based program. Students learn via DVD and have regular contact with facilitators. The target groups are First Nations and Metis people and students range in age from 19 to 75 years. There are also women and children immigrants with different challenges who gain confidence from the program. Some have to learn how to hold a pencil, learn sounds and letters. Others have never learned to use their imagination, or developed consistency and patterning. Marcia

birthday on October 3. President Ron presented them with gifts while we serenaded them. Happy Birthday greetings to you both.

Program: Sam Berg introduced guest speaker Marcia Kooger. Marcia has taught elementary school and at Saskatchewan Polytechnical Institute. Several years ago she started teaching English to adult immigrants. She and her husband have 7 children, 5 of whom are adopted from Korea, Brazil and Haiti. She sings with the Regina Philharmonic Choir. More recently she has been working with the ArrowMight program. program was originally started by Fidel Castro to improve literacy among the people of Cuba. There is now an ArrowMight Canada program which was adapted from a successful program in New Zealand



noted that it is very rewarding to watch the world open up to someone and to see children move on to High School.

Marcia then introduced her student, Melissa Stevens. Melissa is in a 4th Module of the program where each student receives a laptop computer. Melissa has learned about Canada and First Nations people. She has learned to write and gained confidence from the program. She is optimistic and looks forward to the future and further education.

President Ron thanked the speakers for their presentation and presented them with small gifts of appreciation.

More from the ArrowMight website: "The revolutionary ArrowMight education program is an at-home adult learning literacy program and computer course for English speaking Canadians, Aboriginal and Immigrant learners.

ArrowMight Canada is a team of 20 education specialists including First Nations, Inuit and Métis consultants. We collaborate with IPLAC (Instituto Pedagogico LatinoAmericano y Caribeno) to deliver a compelling, costeffective and rewarding literacy program that enables English-speaking Canadians, Aboriginal and Immigrant students to achieve their life goals.

Established in 2006, ArrowMight Canada is a division of ArrowMight International, globally respected pioneer in adult education, that was asked to expand its operations to help address the literacy needs of Canadians. Both ArrowMight International and ArrowMight Canada are subsidiaries of Aotearoa Institute, a Charitable Trust out of New Zealand." Read more at: http://www.arrowmight.ca/about.php.

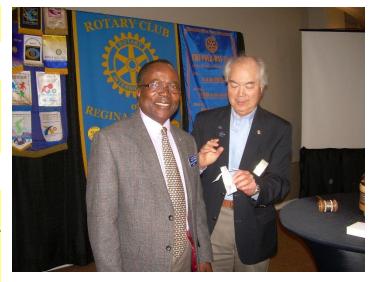
Sick and Visiting: Takayoshi Ono is still convalescing and hopes to return to Eastview in the New Year. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. You are missed at Eastview. Best wishes also go out to Theresa, our Delta hostess who is recovering from an injury.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Recognition: Rotary International recognizes members who are successful in bringing new members to Rotary. Today Charles Sadzamare received this recognition.

New Member proposal: Jack Wozniak has been proposed as a new member. He is a financial planner and has been proposed for membership by Allen Hillsden. If there any concerns with this proposal please contact President Ron.

Vocational Services project: This Committee will accept nominations for a Service Above Self Award. Nominations are open from November to the end of December. Rotarians and their families are not eligible. It is open to people in the Regina Community who have



excelled in providing service to their community. A one to two page nomination letter should be submitted. Nelson Falkowsky is the contact person for this project. The successful candidate will be presented the award at the Valentine Gala in February 2016.

Jim Powell provided pledge forms for the CIBC Run for the Cure in which his wife Cindy is taking part. Financial support to this project will assist the fight against breast cancer.

Sergeant at Arms: Ann Grahame was the Sergeant at Arms for today. Many had happy bucks: Allan Smith was happy that he and Beth celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary last Saturday. Congratulations!!! Peter Peters and Greg McNamara were happy to have participated in the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) on Sept. 26. As presenters they felt they were only slightly less than spectatular!! Jeanne Martinson is happy to be travelling to Barcelona and Malta where she will meditate, write, observe and perhaps other things as well! Judy Taylor is happy to be travelling on the River Danube next year with a mixture of Rotarians & others. Judy and Richard generously donate funds to Rotary following the trip. If you are interested in joining the group contact Judy and Richard.

Then the Sergeant proceeded to fine selected people. The first was Greg McNamara as apparently he had lied about his age. Do not feel badly Greg—we have all been guilty of this at one time or another. Those not wearing pins or name badges were fined. Then the Sergeant proceeded to ask questions of various tables about events that have occurred on October 1. Unfortunately none did very well and consequently funds were raised for Rotary.

Chili For Children: October 2015 Duty Roster

OCT 2-----Lyle Gollnick Greg McNamara Peter Peters

OCT 9----NO SCHOOL

Oct 16-----Ann Grahame Tanya Woroby Doug Mortin

OCT 23-----Nelson Falkowsky Doreen Pankewich Lyle Gollnick

OCT 27----Sherry McKinnon Alda Bouvier Allan Hillsden

MORE ABOUT LITERACY

"Literacy is the ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, communicate, compute and use printed and written materials associated with varying contexts. Literacy involves a continuum of learning to enable an individual to achieve his or her goals, to develop his or her knowledge and potential, and to participate fully in the wider society."— UNESCO

FROM THE CANADIAN LITERACY AND LEARNING NETWORK...

42% of Canadian adults between the ages of 16 and 65 have low literacy skills.

55% of working age adults in Canada are estimated to have less than adequate health literacy skills. Shockingly, 88% of adults over the age of 65 appear to be in this situation.

Impoverished adults often do not have the literacy skills required to get into job training programs. They may need literacy skills upgrading before they can succeed in training programs but only about 5 - 10% of eligible adults enroll in programs.

Less than 20% of people with the lowest literacy skills are employed.

Investment in literacy programming has a 241% return on investment.



LITERACY IN ROTARY DISTRICT 5550

At the Rotary District 5550 2014-15 Conference, District Literacy Chair, Ann Grahame, reported that 47/48 clubs had some participation in literacy projects. Many clubs won District and Zone awards. See more at http://rotary5550conference.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Literacy-Report-for-Rotary-District-5550Saskatchewan-2015.pdf.



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