



September 29, 2009
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**Rotary Club of
 Saskatoon Nutana**

Club No. 1380
Founded May 31, 1961

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Websites

Club

www.rotarynutana.org

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www.rotary5550.org

Rotary International

www.rotary.org

Call to Order

President Dorothy Hudson opened the meeting in the South Dining Room by asking for a minute of silence in memory of Tim Sandell who passed away on Sunday after a long battle with cancer. His funeral will take place on Friday, October 2 from St. James church, Dufferin Avenue and 12 Street at 2 p.m. President Dorothy thanked the table stewards Kenn George, Kent Creelman and Bill Sinnett. We sang *O Canada* and *Rotary Grace* without the piano accompaniment of David Kaplan.

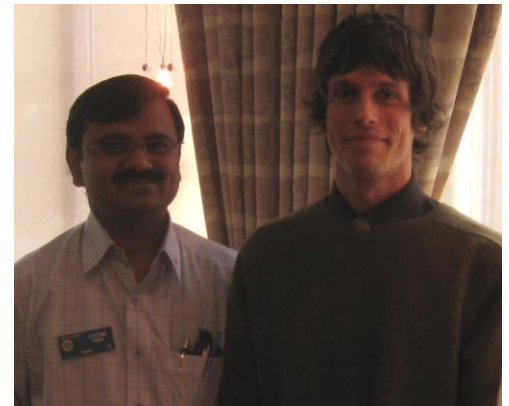
Visitors

Norm Woodcock introduced our guest - Jonathon Stockdale – guest speaker.

Make ups – Bill Christensen– attended Presidents Council and Summerland Rotary Club meeting

Program – Jonathon Stockdale – Youth Health Aid Club in Ghana

Khysar Pasha introduced guest speaker, Jonathon Stockdale. Jonathon is an Engineering graduate and is now enrolled in the College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan. Jonathan’s topic was volunteering and community service especially as it pertains to his time in Ghana with the organization “Engineers without Borders (EWB)”. Jonathan volunteered for 4 months in 2006 in northern Ghana with EWB and the Canadian Food and Agriculture Service. He was particularly involved with a Ghanian NGO



called Health Aid Youth Club (HAYC). EWB is located in 26 different universities; it has international recognition; it partners with various NGO’s – Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for example as well local organizations and tries to build local capacity in entrepreneurship as well as service organizations in countries in which it is serves. T he HYAC is an NGO stationed in

northern Ghana. The area is 90%+ agriculture, is underdeveloped because it has been used as a labour pool by conquering countries in the past. The population has only limited access to health services – the doctor/patient ratio is 1/100,000 – i.e. 10 doctors to service the population of Saskatchewan. HAYC is directed by Dr. Diego and provides services such as stationary and mobile clinics in 7 schools with 2,700 students in grades 5 – 9. It is supported by volunteers from around the world as well Ghanian community support with no permanent employees. In addition to health services, it is developing financial institutions to provide micro-credit, agriculture projects and education on health projects. Its goals are to increase local knowledge in health matters including such activities as slide shows, health marches, community cleanups, computer training, monitoring & evaluation and volunteer training. There has been a dramatic improvement over the past 10 years – use of soap, better hygiene, and knowledge of diseases such as malaria. Jonathan has undertaken a fundraising effort in addition to his law studies and other volunteer activities. His fundraising objective is broken down as follows:

- Mosquito nets - \$2 each, 2,700 persons = \$5,400
- Dust bins - \$30 each, 7 communities = \$210
- Fuel for motorbike – \$1 per gal, 200 gals = \$200
- Total target - \$5,810
- Request of each of 7 contacts including Nutana Rotary - \$830

Several questions were asked of Jonathan: English is the official language with some 76 different but similar dialects in Ghana. The federal government is a democracy with 8 regional governments and several district governments in each region. Recent oil discoveries have the potential to fuel an economic boon but - - will it happen? Land ownership seems to be held by the chiefs and community as a whole with allotments determined at that level. Individual land ownership doesn't seem to exist.

Contact information:

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Betty Ann Arscott presented a token of our appreciation to the speaker.

Announcements

- **President Dorothy** made a presentation of a Past President's pin to Kenn George. He lost his pin, presented to him as Past President of the Melfort Rotary Club, some years ago and replaced by his daughter Janice.
- **Khysar Pasha** announced that the Nutana rotary Club scholarship of \$1,500 was awarded to Trisha Amyotte of Regina, who is enrolled in the College of Nursing.
- **Bryan Tastad** announced that there will be an announcement each week in the Sunday Sun to indicate the topic and speaker for the following Tuesday club meeting as well as a welcome to non-members to attend.
- **Terry Kotyk** announced that tickets are available for a ShelterBox Reception and Dinner to be held on October 20 at the Travelodge. Reception at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 each with a \$25 donation receipt. Guest speaker will be Tom Henderson, founder and CEO of ShelterBox.



- **Helmut Hamp** announced a musical presentation called “Echoes of Erin” at Holy Cross high School on October 7. Tickets are \$20 each. Call Helmut at 227 7458 for more information.
- As **Lorne Richardson** is unable to promote and manage the Salvation Army Kettle appeal for this year so a replacement co-ordinator is needed. Lorne will be happy to help and mentor someone to do this for 2009.
- Responsibilities for assignments for October: Desk – Kim Horan; Greeters - Stan Garchinski; Sergeant-at-Arms – Rick Lee

Sergeant at Arms

Rick Lee, our Sergeant-at-Arms performed the following relatively painless extractions: sad \$\$ to remember Tim Sandell; Jonathan Stockdale (no \$\$) for his very good presentation; Bill Sinnett for an imaginary withholding of change from the SAA; Bryan Harvey for a recent anniversary (49); Bob Devrome for a cell phone interruption during the meeting; Helmut Hamp for advertising a concert; Happy & Sad \$\$ given by Bryan Tastad for the presentation; Jack Scott for an imminent trip to Montreal to visit family; Jack Shiffman to celebrate his 6 year old grand-daughter’s 1st place finish in a karate contest (a yellow belt), Philip Asea for Dorothy’s birthday; Helmut Hamp for The Concordia Club’s move to Off Broadway after the recent fire; Rick Lee for a trip to Newfoundland.

Draws - Lorne Braithwaite conducted the 50/50 draw which resulted in a \$31 win by Jack Scott.

Rotary Foundation Message

To: Dorothy Hudson, Saskatoon Nutana

Some of your club memebers may find it difficult to pay a lump sum into the Foundation once per year. The Canadian arm of the Rotary Foundation has sent up a direct debit process whereby payments are handled on a regular basis versus a lump sum.

I'm forwarding the application form to you so that you can print it out and take it to your clubs.

Remember, let's make the Rotary Foundation "our charity of choice".

Yours very truly,

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Program Calendar October 2009
Program Chair: Ray Bannister

Theme: Vocational Service

Date	Attendance Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Sgt-at-Arms	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
October 1	Meals on Wheels Driver – Mario Gould						
October 6	TBA	TBA	Bryan Tastad	Rick Lee	Zeba Ahmad <i>Phreedom Diagnostics</i>	Ray Bannister	Bryan Harvey
October 7	Meals on Wheels Driver – Helmut Hamp						
October 8	Meals on Wheels Driver – Harold Haid						
October 13	TBA	TBA	Bryan Tastad	Asit Sarkar	Michelle Chuhaniuk <i>Oskayak School</i>	Ray Bannister	Norm Woodcock
October 14	Meals on Wheels Driver – Kent Creelman						
October 15	Meals on Wheels Driver – Joe Dierker						
October 20	TBA	TBA	Bryan Tastad	Asit Sarkar	Anne Simpsom <i>Writer-in-Residence</i>	Ray Bannister	Walter Mills
October 21	Meals on Wheels Driver – Driver Needed						
October 22	Meals on Wheels Driver – Driver Needed						
October 27	TBA	TBA	Bryan Tastad	Bill Christensen	Klaus Gruber <i>Immigration to Canada</i>	Ray Bannister	Ed Pek
October 28	Meals on Wheels Driver – Driver Needed						
October 29	Meals on Wheels Driver – Driver Needed						