**EyeOpener
January 18, 2022 - This is Rotary**

**Vocational Service Month**

**This Meeting was via zoom**

We opened with **O Canada** played by the Ottawa Bach Choir.

Odell read the **Acknowledgement of Treaty 6 Land.**

We acknowledge that the Rotary Club of Camrose Daybreak is located on Treaty 6 land. This is the traditional territory and an ancient gathering place of many Indigenous peoples for thousands of years.

We recognize that we are all Treaty people and have a responsibility to become aware of our shared history, understand the Spirit and Intent of the Treaties and by doing so we can honour the past, be aware of the present, and create a just and caring future built upon Peace, Friendship, and Understanding

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**Food for Thought** Patrice told us a story about elephants that were restrained by a tiny rope. The keepers placed the ropes when the elephants were small and young, they couldn’t break them, as they got older, they stopped trying. As adults, they didn’t believe they could break the ropes, so they didn’t try. The moral is that you can accomplish more than you believe you can – keep trying.

**Happy Bucks** for: the great snow and weather for skiing last week, Crystal’s talk last week, the opportunity to read and watch You Tube videos (listened to all the Gifford Lectures on cooperation versus tribalism), club members who remember what they read, the book “The Push”, 3 granddaughters who recovered from Covid, Little Free Libraries, a couple of days at the cabin with lots of snow.

**Foundation Moment** Rob spoke to us about what makes a successful Global Grant Application:

Consult with local experts early in the planning process to build a strong program plan and

global grant application. The district resource network can help.

To be approved, your application must clearly describe how your project, scholarship, or

vocational training team:

• Is sustainable — include plans for long-term success after the global grant funds have been spent

• Includes measurable goals

• Aligns with one or more of Rotary's areas of focus

• Responds to real community needs

• Actively involves Rotarians and community members

• Meets the eligibility requirements in the grant application terms and conditions

**Robyn Gray** Lou and Morris received an email from Robyn’s mother. In November Robyn had to return to hospital where she was found to have a pulmonary embolism which was causing her to be short of breath, her brain tumor was growing despite her chemotherapy, she developed left sided weakness. She was able to come home just before Christmas. She is being treated for comfort only; she is no longer able to converse. Cliff brought flowers, on our behalf, to Robyn and her parents on Sunday.

**Discussion of our Projects**

1. **Days for Girls** - Rob says that they continue to make kits however the social part of the projects has been lost and the number of participants is slowly decreasing. The district likes the project, but we are not sure how long we will continue to receive grants. The project needs about $4000 per year. We discussed how we might make up for the District Grants in the future—one suggestion was to have a booth at the Farmer’s Market to inform the community about Days for Girls and Daybreak Rotary as well as receiving donations.
2. **Little Free Libraries** - Carol, Cliff, Alan, Chris and Larry/Patrice have been looking after them. Carol is gone. Harry agreed to service 3 of Carol’s, Patrice and Larry will take one of them. Larry and Patrice have lots of books that they can rotate into the libraries. A plaque is missing from one of the libraries, Morris will investigate the method and cost of replacement either through the LFL Society or through the local engraver**.**
3. **Disk Golf –** The city has cashed our cheque. Suggested we present a disk labelled appropriately as mementos to each of the hole sponsors. Larry with Destiny and the course organizer will arrange this.
4. **Namaste Direct –** no report available as Alan was experiencing Wi-Fi difficulties.
5. **Scholarships –** We have received funds for two scholarships again. We discussed qualifications, it was agreed we will restrict recipients to students who attended high school in Camrose City or County. Jackie and Chris agreed to be the committee dealing with the Scholarships. A suggestion that we name the scholarships in honour of Robyn Gray was made. Odell will write the parents of Robyn a letter asking for their permission to name the scholarships after Robyn.
6. **Point of Care Ultrasound project of the RCC -** This was discussed at some length, there is some concern about the cost, usefulness, and sustainability of the project. Dr. Duffy has extensive experience working in Africa. Odell will contact Roy, Varghese and Dr. Duffy to obtain more information about the project. The Executive is to bring a proposal back to the club.
7. **Charity for the next Chase the Ace –** our club needs to pick a charity. Days for Girls was suggested but any other suggestions would be welcome.

**Announcements** –

* The RCC Rotary Cares Raffle has a few tickets left. Contact Morris or E-transfer $100 to RCCpay@gmail.com with name and contact information. First draw January 31st.

**Reminders of Upcoming Events**

* January 25 Nadine Litwin of Half Korked Ltd. – winemaking supply store
* February 1 Richard Weber of Canadian Arctic Holidays

**Rob led us in the 4 Way Test**.

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