



December 1, 2020

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**December 2020 Theme: Disease Prevention and Treatment**

**Program Chair: Lorne Braithwaite**

Date	Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
<b>Dec 8</b>	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Candice Odishaw	Colin Taylor - Canadian Ripple Effect Schools in Guatemala	TBA	Walt Pawlovich
<b>Dec 15</b>	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Jack Scott	Zoom Christmas Party		
<b>Dec. 22</b>					Meeting Cancelled		
<b>Dec. 29</b>					Meeting Cancelled		

**Announcements**

- Salvation Army Kettles will not be allowed in the local malls this Christmas season due to COVID 19. Hence the club will not be tending kettles at our traditional location at Market Mall. It was agreed that club members can donate thru our club and the club will send a cheque to Salvation Army in December. Please send to Bob McGillivray.
- Jack Scott has circulated an Enchanted Forest volunteer roster. There is 1 empty spot (Dec.25th). Please fill in your date and return to Jack. Please be generous with your time. This fundraiser began on November 19<sup>th</sup> and runs daily through to January 9th. An updated roster is attached.
- Candace provided details for the club fund raiser for the Food Bank. An online auction has been arranged with McDougall Auction with items donated for auction by members. Spread the news of the fund raiser to your friends via the poster Candace will forward and you place the poster on your social media(you know Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Interweb and Whatchamacallit). Register to bid at the McDougall Auction webpage. There will be 46 items on offer.
- Will Grant noted that SIMFC is doing fund raising for Christmas hampers for families in need. They are hoping to do 100 hampers. This takes \$ as each hamper is \$125. If you wish to help out, funds can be etransferred to [smyth4life007@gmail.com](mailto:smyth4life007@gmail.com). SIMFC is a registered charitable organization.
- Polio Plus District Chair Pat Chernesky announced the District raised \$26,016.22 for Polio Plus. Congratulations and thank you.
- Sundog Arts Fair will not be held this year but you can still view the works of the participants on the Sundog Facebook page or the Sundog Website - [sundoghandcraftfaire.com](http://sundoghandcraftfaire.com)

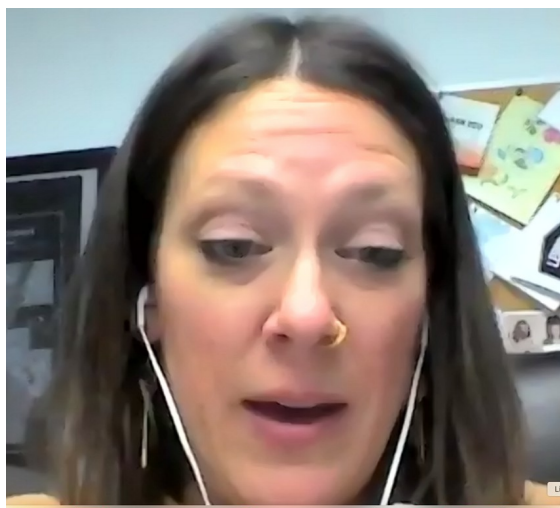
## This Week's Program Highlights

The meeting prelude was a live action session of Larry figuring out Zoom on his devices. Work on it Larry!

**Chair** –President Lorne Braithwaite opened the meeting by thanking everyone for signing on, thanking the various meeting helpers, giving special recognition to our speaker, Jolene Zidkovich and acknowledging that we are meeting on Treaty 6 land and home of the Metis’.

**Music** – O Canada and the 4 Way Test song were led live by Betty Ann and her keyboard.

### Program – Jolene Zidkovich – Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre



Candace Odishaw introduced Jolene. Jolene has been with the Food Bank for 5 years. Currently she is responsible for all of the programming at the Food Bank.

Jolene began by explaining that the Food Bank is about more than food.

Some of the areas where the Food Bank provides programming are as follows:

- Adult Learning - 4 to 6 week program with the recipient acquiring a skill that can be used to get permanent job, This is the only program at the Food Bank that gets government funding.
- Food Program – recipients receive a 2 to 3 day emergency supply of food every two weeks.
- Clothing depot – accept donations of clean used clothing and toiletries.
- Income Tax Preparation – 40 volunteers prepared returns for 6000 clients in 2019. This activity resulted in \$25m of refunds injected into the community. Affinity Credit Union funds this program.
- Urban Agriculture – 10 employees and 2000 volunteers tend the plot at the north end of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. 12,000 pounds of vegetables were harvested in 2020. There is significant community engagement at the garden.
- Nutrition – the teaching of kitchen, cooking and nutrition skills.
- Food Hampers – perform in conjunction with the Salvation Army.

Many programs have been cancelled due to Covid or have had to pivot their method of delivery. Local grocery chains have been very supportive of the Food Bank with donations of unsaleable groceries. The Food Bank has been in operation in Saskatoon for 25 years and there doesn't appear to be less need currently.

Jolene is very grateful for the efforts of Nutana Rotary raising funds through the auction for the Food Bank.

Michael Gramiak thanked Jolene on behalf of the club.

**Cheer Captain** –Bob McGillivray asked for Happy and Sad \$.

Several members noted the passing of Bev Shiffman and donated in her memory.

Members noted as contributing were Jim Gillis, Kim, Norm, Larry, Lorne, Betty Ann, Eileen, Joe, Walt, Jack, Stan, Candace. Bob had some happy\$ because he had his hip surgery staples removed

and now he can run away from his Mommy again.

**Next Meeting** December 8th, Zoom style

**Thought for the Week:**

The Chief Medical Health Officer for Saskatchewan has advised that only 4 people are allowed to meet for Christmas Day, but 10 people for a funeral.  
On December 25<sup>th</sup> Candace will be holding a funeral for her pet Turkey named "Butterball," who will pass away on December 24, 2020  
Refreshments provided. In lieu of flowers, please bring a side dish...

Be safe out there.

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