



May 18, 2021

Editor: Jim Blackburn

May 2021 Theme: Youth Services

Program Chair: Ravi Chibbar

June 2021 Theme: Rotary Fellowship

Date	Rotana Editor	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
May 25	Norm Woodcock	Jack Scott	Anita Brukell – Early Learning Centres	Ravi Chibbar	Stan Garchinski
June 1	Norm Woodcock	Betty Ann Arscott	Dale Worrall- ShelterBox	Peggy Clark	Jim Gilles
June 8	Norm Woodcock	Jim Blackburn	Karol Komar – This is My Life	Peggy Clark	Michael Gramiak
June 15	Norm Woodcock	Ravi Chibbar	Kayleight Lafontaine – Exec. Director at Elizabeth Fry Society	Peggy Clark	Will Grant
June 22	Norm Woodcock	Bob Devrome	Club Assembly	Peggy Clark	Kim Horan
June 29	Norm Woodcock	Stan Garchinski	Farewell to Lorne – Passing of the Torch	Peggy Clark	Not Applicable

Announcements & Program Highlights

President Lorne called the meeting to order at noon and welcomed all members present as well as guest Darren Fradette.

Lorne thanked all the members contributing to the meeting this afternoon.

“WE LIVE ON TREATY 6 TERRITORY, HOMELAND OF THE METIS”. Betty Ann played “O Canada” and our 4 Way Test song.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Lorne reminded Board members of the meeting following today's Rotary meeting.
- Will Grant noted that the SIMFC outreach vans with the Rotary logo were handing out popsicles during the recent hot spell.

- Lorne spoke about the Sioux Lookout clubs project of collecting used eyeglasses. The Saskatoon club participated in the collection. The eyeglasses are used in Peru and distributed by a van that circulates in the rural area. The project was awarded a global grant and also coordinates required eye surgeries

Program

The program consisted of cheques being presented to the St. Francis Cree Bilingual School and Saskatoon Indian Metis Friendship Centre to assist in the funding of their respective food programs.

St Francis Cree Bilingual School is part of the Catholic school board system and houses approximately 600 students on two campus. Our club has a long standing relationship with this school, previously helping with the purchase of tablets. Lorne presented a cheque of \$1000 to Principal Darren Fradette for their breakfast/lunch/snacks program. Darren expressed his appreciation for the cheque and for the relationship with Nutana Rotary Club. Darren noted that to date Nutana Rotary has provided \$44,000 in funding support to the school. The budget for the food program at the school is \$72,000 and every cent is spent. Approximately 60% of the students participate.

Saskatchewan Indian Metis Friendship Centre (SIMFC) provides outreach programs and nutrition to the needy in the downtown core. SIMFC is a corporate member of Nutana Rotary and is represented at our meetings by Will Grant who works at SIMFC. Lorne presented a \$1000 cheque to Will for SIMFC's use on their breakfast program. Will expressed thanks from SIMFC for the continued support of their programs. In the past year they have distributed 10,000 breakfasts. Everyone has suffered through the pandemic but Saskatoon Nutana Rotary has shown they care throughout.

Jack Scott thanked Darren and Will.

Lorne, Candace, Jim Gillis and Jim Blackburn related their respective experiences at the virtual District conference this past weekend. They all had favorite presentations but were unanimous in their praise in how well the conference was run and how well the spirit of a live conference was captured.

Cheer Captain – Asit Sarkar

Asit questioned the members about various aspects of the AfroCanadian experience in Canada. Except for Bob Devrome, we all were shown to be poorly informed about the black experience in Saskatchewan and were fined accordingly.

Happy-Sad dollars were provided by: Candace – for the adventures associated with her brothers pet lizard; Stan Garchinski for a 60th birthday; other contributors were Jack Scott, Asit Sarkar, Bob Devrome, Jim Blackburn, Jim Gillis, Betty Ann Arcscott and Lorne Braithwaite.

Lorne closed the meeting with an Albert Einstein quote:

“It Life is like riding a bike, to keep balance you must keep moving”.

Have a great week!!

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