



December 8, 2020

Editor: Norm Woodcock

December 2020 Theme: Disease Prevention and Treatment

Program Chair: Lorne Braithwaite

Date	Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Dec 15	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Jack Scott	Zoom Christmas Party		
Dec. 22					Meeting Cancelled		
Dec. 29					Meeting Cancelled		

Announcements

- \$1,600 was collected from club members and forwarded to the Salvation Army.
- Jack Scott said the Enchanted Forest volunteer roster is full. Thanks to the members who are able to help out. The drive throughs are going well, the organizers indicate that the receipts are ahead of last year so far.
- Candace provided details for the club fund raiser for the Food Bank. Auction is now on-line on the McDougall Auction website. Spread the news of the fund raiser to your friends via the poster. Go to the website, sign up, view the items and bid, bid, bid! Bids close during the afternoon of Dec 17th.
- Bob McGillivray noted that some funds are outstanding from members for the Cheer Captain/Attendance invoices forwarded earlier. If you want an income tax receipt for 2020 you must get your count current soon.

This Week's Program Highlights

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

Music –The 4 Way Test song was led by the viral video.

Program – Colin Taylor – Ripple Effect Schools in Guatemala.

Lorne Braithwaite introduced Colin. Colin is currently President of the Riverside Rotary Club. He was born in Prince Rupert B.C. At the age of 9



he moved to Saskatoon where he received his schooling culminating in a degree in Commerce. He completed 25 years in the banking field and recently retired.

The impetus for the school building project in Guatemala was a field trip taken to Guatemala by a group of high school students from Winnipeg in 1999. They were struck by the very poor conditions of the learning environment in Guatemala and approached the Winnipeg West Rotary club about funding to build 1 school. Since then, with the involvement of District 5550 clubs, over 100 schools have been built and 50,000 students positively impacted. Funds donated to the Ripple Effect for Guatemala also go towards the provision of scholarships for children to attend Gds 6 to 9; scholarships for teacher training at a University and the provision of 544 computers in 32 schools. In Guatemala the federal government provides for teachers and a food program for the education system. Up to Gd 6 the children pay no tuition, the remainder of their schooling must be self funded or by other means. Buildings and other infrastructure must be funded locally. The relationship with the local Rotarios is very important to the success of the program. It gives a point of contact for visiting Rotarians, provides the local supervision of projects, helps with project identification and ensures the program admin costs are zero.

Colin then detailed two projects in which he had personal knowledge through on site visits. He also provided photos of the before/after conditions. The change is quite amazing.

The projects are:

- Escuela Los Pinos : Funded in part by 3 local Rotary clubs, completed in 2019
- Escuela Nuevo San Luis : Funded in part by 4 local Rotary clubs(including Nutana), to be completed in 2021. Funds are in place.



**District 5550
Canadian
Ripple Effect**

□“Rotarians and partners changing lives through enhanced educational opportunities for children living in challenging environments.”

Walt Pawlovich thanked Colin on behalf of the club.

Cheer Captain –Candace extracted serious \$ from members who were unable to answer her Xmas trivia questions. Most were fined.

Happy and Sad \$ were paid by Jack, Jim Blackburn, Kim, Lorne, Candace and Larry.

The Nutana Rotary Foundation thanks you.

Next Meeting December 15th, Zoom style Club virtual Xmas party. Wear something seasonal, ugly sweater, santa hat, Xmas tie, horns or all of the above. Be festive

Thought for the Week:

Cows have hooves because they lactose.

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