



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



January 11, 2022

**January 2022
 Theme: Vocational
 Service**

**Program Chair:
 Jim Blackburn**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Desk	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Jan 18	Norm Woodcock			Walt Pawlovich	John Komar M.Eng., P.Eng. Executive Director, ACE Engineering and Aerodynamics Testing	Karol Komar	Norm Woodcock
Jan 25	Norm Woodcock			Norm Woodcock	President Peter Stoicheff, University of Saskatchewan	Jim Blackburn	Bob MacGillivray

OPENING

President Michael was away getting his backup Covid shot so Jim Gillis ably chaired the meeting. Jim began the meeting by acknowledgement that WE LIVE ON TREATY 6 TERRITORY, HOMELAND OF THE METIS” and welcomed all members.

We were led in “O Canada” and our “4 Way Test Song” vocally by Jim (perfect pitch) Gillis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Candace advised that some of our Childrens Encyclopedae that were ordered in the fall are here with a further 15 boxes in transit from Ontario.

- Enchanted Forest wound up on Jan 9th.

- Jack Scott- The thank you note from Kim below for our participation in the Enchanted Forest project was directed to those who worked the window and till. It needs to be said that without all the volunteers from our club and family members who participated as assistants the project could not have been as successful as it was. So thank you to all.

“It is with a grateful heart that I thank you for the incredible job you did at the Enchanted Forest 2021-2022.

Your dedication and hard work through the busy and very, very cold nights is so appreciated!

So many times I saw that you received tips which tells me that our guests were very happy with what you were doing. All the times that I went through (there were several), I experienced your warm, good cheer, smiles and humor. It was truly heartwarming.

We had another very successful year. We are still processing the results but I did note that our vehicle count was up by almost 10% over the 5 year average (excluding the insane year of 20/21). That is so impressive but also means that cold little window was open a lot.

Please accept my heartfelt thank you. Have a great 2022 and I really hope to see you all healthy and happy for Enchanted Forest 2022!.”

Sincerely,

Kim Zuk

PROGRAM

Candace introduced our speaker and recent new club member Ijeoma . Ijeoma Nwamuo is the Executive Director of the International Women of Saskatoon (IWS). She was born in Nigeria, trained and practiced as a Lawyer there before relocating to the UK for her Masters in Law, University of Dundee in Scotland. After the completion of her LL.M she migrated to Canada.

In 2011, she was a Nominee for the YWCA-Saskatoon Women of Distinction Award. Under her leadership, IWS has expanded its operational capacity from a \$250k budget to over \$3 million to include direct client services in Regina, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and small towns in Saskatchewan. She also led her team to develop the first and only mobile app, known as Welcome to Saskatchewan, on orientation to life in Saskatchewan for newcomers. Ijeoma has served in advisory capacity on local, Provincial and Regional Committees and National Working Groups in furtherance of interests of newcomers to Canada.



She is a mother of two girls. She enjoys exploring Canada with her daughters during the summer and is keenly interested in business and political leadership development.

IWS was founded in 1985 with the Vision -”A community where clients reach full potential” and the Mission - “ To improve the status of immigrant and refugee women/young girls and their families through free programs and services.” The focus is client centred with settlement and integrated supports for newcomers. IWS works independently and with other agencies.

IWS provides many programs and services. Some of the programming is Centralized Intake and Referrals, Just 4 Women, Computer Literacy, Employment Training, Pathways, Needs Assessment and Referral Services, English Language Assessment and Referrals, Newcomer Orientation, Active Grey, Drop In

EAL/EASL and Girls Leadership Development Program.

IWS has developed an application for a mobile telephone called “Welcome to Saskatchewan”. Some of the things the App contains are a to do list for newcomers, an overview of Saskatchewan and Canada, where to find resources and important information.

IWS has 65 employees and 40 volunteers so there are ample opportunities to volunteer.

Peggy Clark thanked Ijeoma for her presentation..

CHEER CAPTAIN

Since the Saskatoon City Hospital is one of the recipients of funds from the Enchanted Forest project, Joe Dierker asked some historical questions of the members to do with the hospitals in Saskatoon and recommended the viewing of a historical video found on the City Hospital website. Members were asked to self assess fines on the honour system and dutifully paid. Well done Joe!

Happy/Sad \$ were given by Jim B., Candace, Joe, Asit, Peggy, Ravi, Walt, Jack, Norm, Lorne, Bob D., Jim G. and Betty Ann.

Next meeting is **January 18th, 2022 on Zoom.**

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