



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



March 15, 2022

**March 2022 Theme:
 Water, Hygiene and
 Sanitation**

**Program Chair:
 Betty Ann
 Arscott**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Desk	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
March 22	Norm Woodcock			Bob Devrome	Mike Stekhan Marine Technology on the Prairies		Joe Dierker
March 29	Norm Woodcock			Jim Blackburn	Saskatoon Water Treatment Plant		Lorne Braithwaite

OPENING

President Michael called the meeting to order at 12:03 by acknowledgement that WE LIVE ON TREATY 6 TERRITORY, HOMELAND OF THE METIS” and welcomed all members. Mike also thanked all those who directly contributed to the meeting today.

We were led in “O Canada” and our “4 Way Test Song” on the keyboard and vocally by Betty Ann Arscott.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Testimonial videos are posted in the club website. Please take the time to access these videos and learn more about your fellow Rotarians.
- President Mike still needs a volunteer to line up speakers for the month of May.
- It was nice to see Eileen and Bryan Harvey present at the meeting.

PROGRAM

Joe Dierker and Betty Ann Arscott introduced Laurie Hayes as our guest speaker.



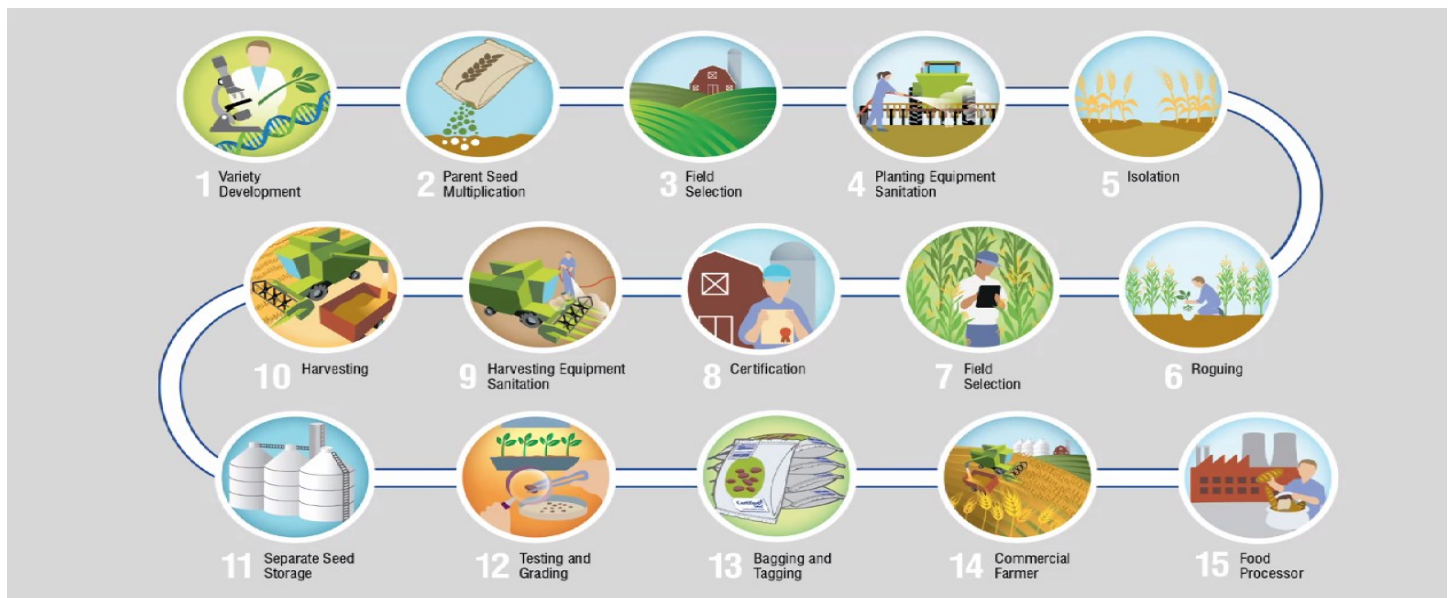
Laurie Hayes is a Professional Agrologist with a Master’s Degree from the College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan and certification as a Project Management Professional. She has been involved in many aspects of agriculture, ranging from primary production managing an applied research farm outside of Prince Albert through to business development and commercialization activities with the National Research Council. She has led many non-profit producer organizations through transitional challenges and actively serves her professional association, the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists. She is proud to be a farmer’s daughter from Val Marie Saskatchewan.

Laurie is the Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association(SSGA). This association was formed in 1928 to advocate for the best interests of pedigreed seed growers in Saskatchewan. It is an affiliate branch of the Canadian Seed Growers Association. The pedigreed seed industry in Saskatchewan involves approximately 500 growers growing 25 different seed kinds. It generates 9000 jobs and contributes \$790 m to the Saskatchewan economy. Pedigreed seed is the foundation of the \$11B grain industry in Saskatchewan.

The development of a new variety from “birth” to become a commercially successful product is a long, rigorous and arduous process. Laurie explained the process in some detail encapsulated in this slide.



How is Certified Seed Produced?



Saskatchewan produces 30% of the pedigreed seed grown in Canada including 55% of the oilseed, 84% of the lentils and 100% of the canary seed.

SSGA has developed a SASKSEED guide to help growers find certified seed. The guide is also in a computer based interactive version that Laurie demonstrated.

Walt Pawlovich thanked Laurie on behalf of the club. The club will be making a donation to Read Saskatoon to mark this presentation.

CHEER CAPTAIN

Ravi Chibbar asked us a number of questions related to the Rotary Foundation.. We learned a lot because we didn't know much. The Foundation thanks you.

Happy/Sad \$ were given by Jack, Joe, Walt, Betty Ann, Candace, Asit, Eileen, Bob D., Karol, Larry, Ravi and Norm.

Next meeting is **March 22, 2022 on Zoom.**

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