



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



November 14th, 2023

**November 2023 Theme:
 The Rotary Foundation**

**Program
 Chair: Asit
 Sarkar**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Nov 28	Norm Woodcock	Hannah Enti-Brown	Stan Garchinski	Nevine Yassa (via Zoom) Scarborough Rotary ROOTA Rising Out of the Ashes	Asit Sarkar	Bill Dupre

OPENING

Club Co-president Peggy introduced Guests Hyunjung Shin (former club member back from Korea), Arif Islam Ritu (returning guest), Usiwo Ohoghor (formerly of Africa) and Nadera Batori (guest of Nuru)

Peggy followed the welcome with the acknowledgement of Treaty 6 and Homeland of the Metis. Jim Gillis led us in the singing of O Canada and the 4 Way Test song.

CLUB BUSINESS

- Candace updated the club on the steak night fundraiser which raised \$3660 and thanked all members for selling tickets and attending plus bringing silent auction items.
- Jack updated on Enchanted Forest – still some nights to fill in however almost full for the season
- Lorne Braithwaite passed around a Salvation Army Kettlebell sign up for 2 Saturdays
- Peggy noted that we will have a meeting December 5th and our Christmas luncheon will be December 19th in which you can bring guests. Meal will be Turkey with desserts. Numbers need to be in by December 5th
- Monthly duties are needed for January to June. Please let Peggy know if you will step up and volunteer. Since there are only 2 meetings in the month, it is not a big commitment. There will be an executive meeting on November 28th at 10:30 prior to the meeting. An agenda will be forwarded prior to the date.

- Bob M mentioned that with year end coming up, Candace will forward final happy sad dollars amounts owing to member after the December 5th meeting and you will need to get your money to Bob so that he can get it into RI before the end of December to count. If you would like to know your Paul Harris amount, please contact Bob and he will use club points to top up and money will be retained by club. This needs to be done by December 15th.

PROGRAM

Asit introduced our speakers. Hannah Enti-Brown and Nuru Nyoni are club members. They are from Africa and are aware of the needs of their communities and country.

Presentation from Hannah Enti-Brown and Nuru Nyoni: Human Development Needs in Africa

Africa is made up of 53 countries. It is a diverse and dynamic continent with many challenges and opportunities for human development. According to the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Africa is the second fastest growing region in the world with an average annual growth rate of 4.6 percent between 2000 and 2018. The current population is 1.5 billion and The United Nations projects that by 2050, Africa's population will reach close to 2.5 billion, representing more than 25% of the world's population.

Africa is rich in natural resources including oil, gold, diamonds, uranium, copper, tea, etc. The cultures between countries is diverse including different dances, crafts, leather products from animals found in their countries.

According to the latest Human Development Index (HDI) report by the UNDP, Africa has an average HDI of 0.541 which is below the global average of 0.737 and the lowest among all regions. Human development needs in Africa are the requirements for improving the quality of life and well-being of the people living on the continent.

Human conflicts, drought, human causes, civil wars and lack of security, particularly in the Congo and Sudan, are some of the main threats to human security and development.

There are many human needs including the following:

Health needs: Large amount of malaria, HIV/Aids, and maternal and child mortality. Africa has 23% of all global disease.

Education: some rural schools have no buildings even though the area can be rich in gold which is exported.

Poverty and Inequity: Where there is war, many people get displaced

Poor Governance: Lots of corruption and human rights issues

Solutions: If governance represented more of the ethnic groups, that would help. There needs to be more education and better quality of education. Better healthcare is needed including accessibility to healthcare, particularly in rural communities.

There are many current national and local initiatives throughout Africa including government initiatives, private organizations and community outreach programs and local non-government organizations including organizations like United Nations and Oxfam and Rotary International. The presentation also suggested ways our club could become involved in improving conditions in Africa.

Discussion followed about a lady in a video shown who made only \$35 per month in Nigeria for an average income. She was helped out of her dirt floor shanty into an apartment and helped to set up a store to sell her handmade products.

Brynn Campbell thanked the ladies for their presentation.

CHEER CAPTAIN

Joe Dierker raised funds for the Rotary Foundation from many donors.

Next meeting is November 28th at the Parktown at 12 noon.

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