



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



Oct 08, 2024

**October 2024 Theme:
 Economic and
 Community
 Development**

**Program
 Chair:
 Dorothy**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Oct 22	Norm Woodcock	Kim Horan	Dorothy Hudson	St. Edward School and St. Mary's Wellness and Education Centre Will Grant		Arif Islam

OPENING

Co-President Betty Ann welcomed everyone and reminded us that we were meeting on Treaty 6 Territory and Homeland of the Metis.

Betty Ann noted with sadness the passing of former members Jack Shiffman and Jack Kernen.

Thanks were given to those helping at todays meeting: Joe, Jim G. and Dorothy.

Our guests were:

Vish Lahhani– Guest of Preet

Guest Speaker – Erika Thogerson

Jim G. led the singing of O Canada and the 4 -Way Test song.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Club membership fee (\$250) was due for payment at the end of July. Send payment to Bob MacGillivray. The membership fee must be paid separate from any other payments.

- Peggy spoke about the next club fundraiser, a dining event at Sask Polytechnic on November 7th. There will be a 5 course meal plus other activities to round out the evening. Tickets are \$80 each. See Peggy for poster and tickets.

- Bob has the list of contributions required from each member to get to the next level in the Paul Harris ladder. Contact Bob for your suggested contribution.
- Jack read a letter of thanks from the Enchanted Forest group thanking our club for helping put on this event for several years. Our club will no longer be able to help.
- A sign up sheet was circulated for those who wish to meet with the District Governor on Oct 23rd. Call Betty if you wish to take part.
- Grant advised the club that Ed Pek had fallen and broke his shoulder. Ed can be reached at 306-373-3790.

PROGRAM

Dorothy Hudson introduced our speaker. Erika Thogersen has been the constituency relations and education coordinator at the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for almost 3 years. In her role, she is responsible for building relationships with churches and community groups as well as coordinating educational experiences around peace and justice. She holds a BA in International Studies from Usask as well as an MSc in International Public Administration and Politics from Roskilde University in Denmark.

The MCC is a worldwide ministry of Anabaptist churches that shares God's love and compassion for all in the name of Christ by responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice. MCC envisions communities worldwide in relationship with God, one another and creation.

As of June 2024 MCC was working in 45 countries around the world with 353 partners, on 452 projects with 1150 workers. In terms of relief they provide emergency food, shelter and supplies during conflicts and disasters.

They provide kits and blankets and supervise long-term recovery projects that help communities to rebuild and prepare for future disasters. With respect to development, they work with vulnerable communities, supply long-term access to food and water, health, education and income generation. MCC hopes these efforts create lasting changes in communities.

Peace initiatives include teaching, conflict transformation, and peace building skills, addressing injustices that lead to violence, heal trauma and create dialogues conflict, create divisions, it's

Saskatchewan MCC has devoted their efforts to migration and resettlement, community development, helping indigenous neighbours, working towards peace building and providing education and advocacy. They also operate seven thrift shops.

Anyone can get involved with MCC by learning about MCC and giving of time and talents. There are specific opportunities for young adults.

More information about MCC can be found from their You Tube videos and their website

Erika was thanked for her presentation by Jim Gillis

CHEER CAPTAIN

Happy and Sad \$ were given by Joe, Jack, Kim, Betty, Preet, Jim G., and Grant. The Foundation thanks you.

The next meeting is on October 22nd at Sports on Tap at 12 noon.

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