



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



Oct 22, 2024

**November 2024 Theme:
 Rotary Foundation**

**Program
 Chair:
 Nuru**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Nov 05	Norm Woodcock	Preet Jain	Derek Carr	Zeba Ahmad Saskatoon Public School Foundation		Karol Komar
Nov 19	Norm Woodcock	Bob MacGillivray	Nuru Nyoni	Kirsten Thom Quint Developments		Candace Odishaw

OPENING

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

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

Our guests were:

Guest Speakers – Will Grant, Quanisea Muzka

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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. An anonymous member has offered to donate to the club \$30 for every ticket sold over 35. Also a charitable receipt for \$30 is offered for each ticket. All ticket money to be sent to Peggy Clark.

- 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.
- October 24th is World Polio Day
- Betty Ann reviewed items from the recent Presidents Council

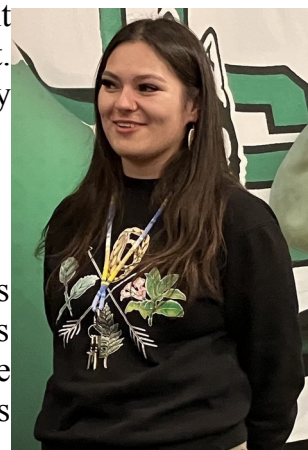
PROGRAM

Dorothy Hudson introduced our speakers.



Will Grant is a former corporate member of our club when he worked at Saskatoon Indian Metis Friendship Centre. He now works at St. Mary's School for the Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Board. He works in the area of Land Based Learning. Will also is an Elvis Impersonator in his spare time.

Quanesia Muzka is the Indigenous student achievement coordinator (ISAC) worker at St. Mary's School. She has a BSW from the University of Regina.



Every culture, no matter their location, is connected to the environment. It is that connection where cultures teach their people how their traditional ways connect and respect all things in their environment. Indigenous cultures have lived off the land for centuries so traditional knowledge and connection is deeply rooted in the original relationships.

Physical Connection

Earliest cultures have a traditional way to use land and what is upon it. The obvious being using the land to make things such as shelter and tools to aid in tasks for living off the land. Cultures have a traditional diet which includes immense knowledge of plants, animals and their properties. Traditional stories tell the generations about the connections, significance of symbolism that connect their culture to the land. By observing the land and how it speaks cultures have learned how to move with and respect

Spiritual Connection

Local Indigenous cultures have a common belief that the earth is alive and that all things are related. The respect that the cultures teach us to show is essentially that spirit we give to all things. When we acknowledge it's spirit, when we communicate to it and respect it, it becomes alive. The respect that we show to other things is embedded in the ways our cultural groups have been taught for generations.

Culture teaches us how to communicate with all things including the land. Before we can really see

how a relationship with the land is fostered, we must understand culture in a way that is all encompassing of the knowledge and belief systems.

The Land Based Program that Will and Quanesia provide is to renew the bond with the land that urban indigenous children have lost.

Will and Quanesia provided some examples of the programming and their future plans. St Edwards School is building an outdoor classroom. Will suggested a club meeting might be held there next spring, Will can be reached at wgrant@gscs.ca

Quanesia and Will were thanked for their presentation by Candace.

CHEER CAPTAIN

Our Cheer Captain Dorothy asked for renditions of Elvis songs in honour of Will. Most tables enthusiastically responded. The songs were surprisingly tuneful and covered most of the Kings top ten, We were also reminded to get our flu shots and to get out and vote.

Happy and Sad \$ were given by Jack, Kim, Jim G. Norm, Bill C, Lorne, Derek, Dorothy, and Candace. The Foundation thanks you.

The next meeting is on November 5th at Sports on Tap at 12 noon.

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