



October 27, 2020

Editor: Norm Woodcock

November 2020 Theme: Rotary Foundation

Program Chair: Lorne Braithwaite

Date	Desk	Greeter	Rotana Editor	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Nov 3	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Kim Horan	Asit Sarkar Rotary Foundation		
Nov 10	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Peggy Clark	Gailmarie Anderson District 5550		
Nov 17	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Stan Garchinski	TBA		
Nov 24	NA	NA	Norm Woodcock	Larry Neely	TBA		

Announcements

- President Lorne is **still** wanting volunteers to line up speakers for December. Please volunteer and advise Lorne.
- Lorne reported that the Salvation Army Kettles will not be allowed in the local malls this Christmas season due to COVID 19. Hence the club will not be tending kettles at our traditional location at Market Mall. Individual members may still tend the kettles at Costco and Home Depot by calling Salvation Army to volunteer. It was agreed that club members can donate thru our club and the club will send a cheque to Salvation Army in December.
- Jack Scott has circulated an Enchanted Forest volunteer roster. Please fill in your dates and return to Jack. An updated roster will be circulated weekly.
- Candace reminded the club of an email from Cathie McFarlane about a Rotary Virtual Learning Event on November 5th regarding the Rotary Foundation. Candace has participated in these in the past and recommends all members take part. The zoom sign in was in the email sent October 27th.
- Lorne has sent letters to Ribfest sponsors asking for support for our projects since we were unable to have a Ribfest this year. Lorne asked the members who contacted those sponsors to follow up and send Lorne the results of the contact.

This Week's Program Highlights

Chair – Lorne Braithwaite opened the meeting by thanking everyone for signing on, welcoming our guest Jackie Bantle and acknowledging that we are meeting on Treaty 6 land and home of the Metis’.

Music – The 4 Way Test song was led on the keyboard and vocally by Betty Ann.

Program –Vegetable Growing in Saskatchewan

Joe Dierker introduced Jackie Bantle. AgBio Greenhouse and Hort Field Plots Manager, U of S. Jackie Bantle BEd, BSA (Horticulture major) has been working in horticulture at the University of Saskatchewan for the last 26 years. With 15 years of vegetable research experience and 10 years managing the USask Agriculture Greenhouse. Jackie is most famous for being a native of Cudworth.



Jackie's presentation was entitled "Growing Vegetables in Saskatchewan, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow". The indigenous population grew and harvested the native plants for survival and were self-sufficient. One of their staples was Jerusalem Artichoke. When the settlers arrived the indigenous people and the settlers shared their vegetable growing knowledge to the benefit of both peoples. The only commercial vegetable growing activity in the early days was people selling vegetables that were surplus to their needs.

Formal market gardening began in Saskatchewan with several having their own onsite stores. Commercial vegetable gardening began in Saskatchewan in the early 70's. Some growers have been very successful through hard work and the assistance of retailers who emphasized buying locally produced goods.

Saskatchewan has a very small land base devoted to vegetable crops compared to other provinces. In fact SK barely edges out NL for land area devoted to commercial vegetable production. Saskatchewan has disadvantages for people trying to get into the vegetable crop business but there is a large potential for ambitious people to be successful.

The U of S has had a role in nurturing an industry in Saskatchewan and will continue to do so but research funding is difficult to acquire. In the short term U of S horticultural research is going in a different direction other than vegetable production.

In the future vegetable production will come from rooftops, small urban plots, tunnels and hydroponics. Some initiatives in the area of northern food security are underway in LaLoche and other northern communities.

Jim Blackburn thanked Jackie on behalf of the club for an excellent presentation.

Cheer Captain – Ravi Chibbar quizzed the assembly about Saskatchewan in 1905 with respect to the governing party, number of seats and other ephemera. The group paid out lots of \$, not many history scholars in the club.

Happy/Sad

Jim Blackburn is sad because he couldn't vote for his favorite party

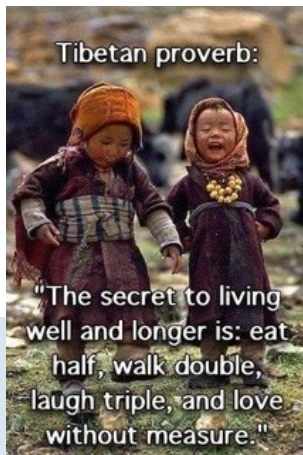
Bob McGillivray is happy for a date for his second hip replacement

Lorne is sad for the resignation of Bryan Harvey from the club

Other contributions from Jack Scott, Joe Dierker, Betty Ann, Jim Gillis, Ravi, Candace

Next Meeting –November 3rd, Zoom style

Thought for the Week:



Board and Executive

Officers

- President - Lorne Braithwaite
- Vice-President - Michael Gramiak
- Past President - Candace Odishaw
- Secretary - Jack Scott
- Treasurer - Bob MacGillivray

Board members

- Administration- Peggy Clark
- Membership - Betty Ann Arscott
- Projects- Randy Kutcher
- Rotary Foundation- Asit Sarkar
- Community Grants - Jim Gillis, Lorne Braithwaite
- New Generations - Michael Gramiak

Rotary International

- RI President – Holger Knaack
- District Governor – Gailmarie Anderson
- Assistant Governor - Asit Sarkar

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