



Official Bulletin of:
ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON MEEWASIN #22664



8B -3110 8th St East, Box 425 S7H 0W2
Founded: April 23, 1985
Meetings: Monday 0700

Jan 20, 2025

Vocational Service Month

Rotary: Making a Difference

District Governor (5550): Peter Tonge, Winnipeg

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to serve

Secretary: John Luross

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Treasurers: Art Whetstone

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Desk: John Luross

Service Above Self

DUES AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO THE CLUB

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
 - Send to Meewasin Rotary Club using the email: meewasinrotary2020@gmail.com

DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION

E.G., Fines, Donations In Lieu Of Meeting Expense

- E-mail Transfer from Bank Account
 - Send to Rowasin Foundation using the email: rowasin2020@gmail.com

Payment by Credit Card (For either Meeting Expenses or Fines/Donations)

- For a credit card payment contact Art Whetstone (wci@sasktel.net)

Rotary Meeting

Call to Order: Nancy Luross opened the meeting at 0700.

Attendance: There were 5 dedicated members who enjoyed a chilly (-30 C) morning of fellowship with their fellow Rotarians and guests.

Guests: Dorothy Hudson (RC of Saskatoon Nutana)



With such a small group, it was decided we would have a holiday from fines today.

Announcements

1) EDADZ BACKPACK Drop Off



- a) You can Drop off items at John Benesh's Office.
- b) There is a Box in the reception area
- c) Any bag is OK, not just back packs.
- d) Your may bring the backpacks to the meeting to give to John B.

2) St Michaels Reading Program

- a) Thanks for volunteering everyone.

Club Business

Program

Nancy introduced Dorothy Hudson to everyone. Dorothy was here today to discuss their Ghana project. Dorothy has been a Rotarian for 23 yrs and was first attracted to Rotary because of its involvement in the eradication of polio. Dorothy has worked in Nigeria, Nepal, Tibet, Haiti and Guatemala. Dorothy gave us a brief overview of the project. Members from their club working on this project include Hannah Enti Brown, Asit Sarkar, Bob MacGillvary (treasurer), Jim Gillis (legal advice) and Dorothy Hudson.

Hannah, trained in Public Health, is originally from Ghana and has visited the community in Kalbeo Zenga in the Bolgatanga Municipality in the Upper East Region of Ghana where the project will take place.

Kalbeo has a population of about 1500 people. Sanitation is a challenge – residents must travel at least 2 km to get clean water. Due to lack of toilets, the residents need to use open latrines.

Contacts have been made (via Zoom) with the Rotary club of Bolgatanga to oversee the project.

The plan is to provide a high yielding borehole with a large polytank c/w a solar powered pump. There will be several fetch points for residents to collect water. There will also be 80 biofil microflush toilets with handwash stations installed. These toilets will then produce fertilizer which can be sold to local farmers to enhance their crop production.

Total budget for the project is estimated to be \$81,800.

They have applied to RI for a global grant. Money will also be raised from our local clubs and Rotarians abroad in Ghana, U of S, DDF and the World Fund.

Their local (Saskatoon) fundraising goal is \$14,000.

Sustainability: The local community in Ghana will contribute small regular fees for use. Income generating opportunities will be available from making and selling soap.

We thanked Dorothy for braving the cold to make this presentation to us and told her our Service Committee would discuss further how we might be able to contribute.

Upcoming Meetings

January	
Jan 20	
Jan 27	
February	
Feb 3	
Feb 10	Social – Brent Klause
Feb 17	Family Day – No meeting

Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rotary Club</u>	<u>Information/Contact</u>

Welcome Song

We welcome you today
Good fellowship 'twill be
We're glad you chose to begin your day
With Meewasin Rotary

We hope that you will return
And join with us again
Fellowship at breakfast time
With Meewasin Rotary

4-WAY TEST

Is it the Truth?
Is it Fair to all concerned?
Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all good
We thank you for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve Thee all our days

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Monthly Speaker / Program - Members in Charge

"Rotary Connects the World"