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We had an inspiring meeting. Janelle Twyford-Silvis told us about the Texas Forever Festival in Haggard Park. (Sponsored by HEB) It was a huge success. Plano had estimated that attendance would be between 2,000 and 5,000. The actual attendance was between 12,000 and 20,000.

We cleared about \$4,500. Johnny Lewis won the raffle for the grill and donated it back to the club, so it will be a prize next year. We kept running out of bottled water because our price was below the competition. We didn't have time to cool the water in the afternoon, so Nancy Humphrey told our customers that the warm water was better absorbed into their system.

Part of our success was due to Janelle's granddaughter and grandson. The desert of our 5! course meal was your choice of several cookies. The grandchildren cut up some of the cookies and offered them free to families that passed by. Many families then bought the full meal.



Rick Grady presented the trophy for best BBQ to the Plano Fire Department.

Janelle has already finished her analysis for the Festival and inspired John Caldwell to start working on documentation for the 4 Way Speech contest. All managers need to train their replacement.

Our speaker was Isaac McNary of the Eldorado, Kansas Rotary Club, with



about 35 members.

Isaac McNary wears a kilt so audiences will remember him. He does not carry a Scottish dirk. His email is isaac@outreachprogram.org

Isaac spoke to us on Thursday. On Friday and Saturday, he supervised about 1,500 volunteers at Hope

Fellowship Church in Frisco as they packed 500,000 meals. The meals are tasty, nutritious, protein rich, and shelf stable. They contain beans, rice, soy, and micronutrients (vitamins & minerals).



The food is bought in bulk from such suppliers as Cargill. <https://outreachprogram.org/>

The Outreach Program in Tanzania started in 2004. The organization asked the elders in eight different villages what they needed. All the elders said the same four things: food, water, medicine, and education.

Food:

Iowa State University recommended what ingredients would be the most beneficial. There are now 12 different meals, including red sauce and oatmeal.



Water:

Water that is clear may not be safe for drinking. This machine has tubular filters that remove 99.9% of biological contaminants: parasites, bacteria, and viruses. The solar cells power the UV light that kills the remaining .1%. The filters need to be cleaned daily, but the job is easy. The portable machine can be checked as luggage on an airplane. They cost \$5,000 each but will last for several years.

The machines are in seven schools and provide safe water for hundreds of children at a cost of \$5/child/year.

Medicine:

The eight villages are serviced by a full-time nurse practitioner. There are medical clinics, childhood vaccinations, prenatal care, birthing assistance, pediatric care, and checkups. In 2007, the childhood mortality rate was 60%. It is now 6%! 100% of the children in the Ilunda Ward are vaccinated. The nurse practitioner typically sees between 800 and 1,000 patients a month. She drives a 4 wheel drive Toyota pickup with a snorkel for driving through high water. Her work is supplemented by medical mission trips.



Education:

The education program gives the children a daily meal with lots of protein, school uniforms and supplies, tutoring and mentoring, and a safe place to play. The schools are for grades K – 12. The students do very well on their standardized tests.



Come to Tanzania!

Tanzania is in eastern Africa, south of the equator. Outreach facilitates trips to observe and participate in projects. The in-county staff provides a high-quality experience. There are many tourist opportunities including Mt. Kilimanjaro, Serengeti, and abundant wildlife.



In 2020, Rotarians from Iowa traveled to Tanzania and met with Rotary clubs in Same and Babati. They also visited several Rotary and Outreach Partnership projects.

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