



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



January 31st, 2023

**February 2023 Theme:
 Peace and Conflict
 Resolution/Prevention**

**Program Chair:
 Asit Sarkar**

Date	Rotana Editor	Attendance	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
Feb 7	Norm Woodcock	Peggy Clark	Betty Ann Arscott	Lori McAuley Update on St. Frances Cree Bilingual School		Lorne Braithwaite
Feb 14	Norm Woodcock	Peggy Clark	Jim Blackburn	Anthony Olusola Blacks in the Prairies		Bob Anaigbaosao
Feb 21	Norm Woodcock	Peggy Clark	Carm Michaelenko	David Katzman Conversation on Confronting Bigotry in the Community (Video presentation)		Brynn Campbell
Feb 28	Norm Woodcock	Peggy Clark	Peggy Clark	TBD		Joe Dierker

OPENING

President Candace welcomed all members to the Parktown and reminded us that we are on Treaty 6 territory and land of the Metis.

Betty Ann Arscott led the singing of our national anthem and the 4 Way Test song.

Candace then welcomed guests Christine Devrome, Tanya Baran and Bill Christensen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Candace and several members volunteered at the foodbank warehouse this AM and packed 309 boxes.

- Candace encouraged members volunteer to help for the District Conference scheduled for May 11th to 14th. Early Registration goes live Feb. 1st, check your emails.

- There will be a 4 club social held Saturday February 25th at the Saskatoon Bridge Club. Several members indicated they would be interested in the event.
- The club donated \$1000 to the Vietnamese Education Society. Letters of thanks from that organization were received and read. The donation will be used for a kindergarten meal program.
- February is Black History Month. Nuru brought to the clubs attention several events in February to celebrate the month. The attachment gives details.

PROGRAM.

Walt Pawlovich introduced Tanya Baran. Tanya Baran is a third generation Ukrainian Canadian who lives in Saskatoon. She is a registered nurse with a husband and three daughters. In the past year she has been to the Ukraine three times and plans to go again later in February. She is a member of Ukrainian Patriot and when in the Ukraine works under their auspices.

Ukrainian Patriot

Ukrainian Patriot is a group of Ukrainians and internationals working to aid volunteers defending Ukraine and those civilians caught in the crossfire. They are on the ground delivering medical, humanitarian and protective support to civilians volunteers and defenders in the form of protective gear, medicine, food bags, “grab bags” for children, hygiene kits, food and shelter for abandoned pets, while taking as many people as they can to safety. For more detail go to ukrainianpatriot.org.

Presentation

The members were moved by Tanya’s description of her experiences while in the Ukraine. She was in the eastern area, parts of which had been subject to Russian occupation, retaken by Ukrainian forces and now being heavily shelled and “droned” by Russian forces. She went into dangerous areas where other aid groups will not go. Tanya is the designated medical lead for Ukrainian Patriot and is responsible for ensuring the medical supplies are of the highest quality possible. Tanya was in harms way when rocket strikes were very close to her location. Prior to her trips to the Ukraine Tanya collects enough medical supplies to fill several bags. These bags are her luggage.

Asit gave a heartfelt thanks to Tanya on behalf of the club.

CHEER CAPTAIN

Norm asked for Happy/Sad dollars which were contributed by Asit, Walt, Joe, Nuru, Betty Ann, Peggy, Jack, Norm, Carmen and Candace. Some of the funds were designated for the Ukrainian Patriot.

The next meeting is February 7th at the Parktown.

Officers

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