



Saskatoon Nutana  
**Rotary**  
 Club



January 25, 2022

**February 2022  
 Theme: Peace and  
 Conflict  
 Resolution/Prevntion**

**Program Chair:  
 TBA**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Desk	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
<b>Feb 1</b>	Norm Woodcock			Lorne Braithwaite	Brenda Banbury 75 Day Challenge and Polio Update	Candace Odishaw	Bob MacGillivray
<b>Feb 8</b>	Norm Woodcock			Will Grant	John Komar M.Eng., P.Eng. Executive Director, ACE Engineering and Aerodynamic Testing	Karol Komar	Norm Woodcock
<b>Feb 15</b>	Norm Woodcock			Karol Komar	TBA	TBA	Asit Sarkar
<b>Feb 22</b>	Norm Woodcock			Kim Horan	TBA	TBA	Larry Neely

**OPENING**

President Michael began the meeting at 12:03 by acknowledgement that WE LIVE ON TREATY 6 TERRITORY, HOMELAND OF THE METIS” and welcomed all members and guests. Mike also thanked all those who directly contributed to the meeting today.

We were led in “O Canada” and our “4 Way Test Song” by Betty Ann Arscott.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Candace advised that some of our Childrens Encyclopedae that were ordered in the fall are here with further issues causing some delay in delivery of the complete order. If you can't wait until the complete order is here to get your books, call Candace and she will make other arrangements
- Candace has advised that we have until Jan 31 to make a video as per her earlier request. Comb your hair, put on your makeup and get at it.
- Bob Mac Gillivray thanked those who completed the Ribfest questionnaire. The results will be considered by the executive and the club advised of the results.

## PROGRAM



Jim Blackburn provided the introduction for President Peter. Peter Stoicheff was born in Ottawa, obtained an undergraduate degree from Queen's University in 1978 and did his Master's and PhD (1983) in English literature at the University of Toronto

Peter came to the U of S in 1986, became Dean of Arts and Science in 2011 and was appointed the 11th President of the University in 2015.

Peter is an accomplished guitarist having recorded two albums(CDs?) and jammed with Jim Gillis while they were both students at Queens.

Peter began by reflecting on all of his previous positive interactions with the Rotary clubs in Saskatoon and

particularly with the Nutana Club.

Several years ago the University developed the motto 'To be the University the world needs.' This is not a boast but rather a direction to the University to determine what the world needs from the University.

### Pandemic Response

The policy is that everyone needs a vaccine passport and be masked when on campus. Compliance rate is 99%. Omicron delayed the start of in-person classes in January, it is hoped in-person classes will begin on February 7.

### VIDO

VIDO has developed two vaccines, one of which is in phase 2 testing in Africa. It is close to completing a level 4 containment facility which is the highest grade of containment . This will allow VIDO to work with the most virulent infections known. VIDO is also working toward completing a manufacturing facility for vaccines, something which is lacking in Canada.

### Post Pandemic University Projects

Discussions with all stakeholders has shown that the University is:

- 1) Excelling in remote program delivery but should persue more remote teaching world wide.
- 2) Formalize differing work arrangements and develop more opportunites for use of these arrangements
- 3) Offer different kinds of credentials other than degree, masters and doctorate. The nature of work changes rapidly and the need for different credentials has to match the pace of change.
- 4) The science is in place for the development of vaccines but the humanities has to match the pace of change of the sciences to react quickly to pandemics.

## Future of Indigenous Peoples

U of S is and has been one of the leading Canadian universities in the accommodation of indigenous peoples and studies. 17% of enrollment self identify as indigenous, about the same as the indigenous population in Saskatchewan.

## Relationships with Others

The University has developed MOU with numerous organizations including the City of Saskatoon, Waneskewin and arts institutions.

## Research

In 2021 the University received \$300 million in research grants, the highest amount in the University's history. The institution is rated in the top 100 research universities in the world.

On behalf of the club Bob MacGillivray thanked Peter for his informative presentation.

## **CHEER CAPTAIN**

Norm Woodcock asked questions of the members about some University history. Members were asked to self assess fines on the honour system and dutifully paid.

Happy/Sad \$ were given by Jack, Jim B., Walt, Jim G. , Joe and Ravi.

Next meeting is **February 1, 2022 on Zoom.**

### **Officers**

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