



Saskatoon Nutana
Rotary
 Club



June 9th, 2026

**June 2026 Theme:
 Rotary Fellowship**

**Program Chair:
 Candace
 Odishaw**

Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
June 23	Norm Woodcock	Dorothy Hudson	Derek Kerr	Frances Meyer Saskatoon Community Foundation	Candace Odishaw	Karol Komar
June 28				Appreciation Barbeque Karol and Jo Komar" s Blue Roof Acres 2 PM to 5 PM		

OPENING

Kim Horan chaired the meeting and called for order. Kim thanked Jim Gillis for introducing the speaker and being Cheer Captain. Guests at the meeting were Dave Garvie and Linda Gillis. Kim reminded us “We are on Treaty 6 Territory, Homeland of the Metis”. Jim Gillis and his guitar led the singing of “O Canada” and the “Four Way Test Song”.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Candace announced that the Cow Plop tickets are SOLD OUT
- Other local Rotary clubs are participating in the Dolly Parton Library program and there is a Dolly Parton event being held at the Alice Turner Library on June 26th.

PROGRAM

Jim Gillis introduced our speaker, David Katzman. David is the current President of Saskatoon Bnai Brith. David worked for the Saskatoon Public School Board for 31 years.

His presentation will be Anti-Semitism in the current Circumstances –A Jewish Perspective.



Any discussion of anti-semitism has to be fair and balanced. The problem in most conflicts is getting accurate information. Israel has won the ground war but lost the media war.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is used to make propaganda look more plausible. Even respectable media outlets like the NY Times have published items that discredit Israel that have later been proven to be untrue. While the discredited story appeared on the front page, the later retraction appears on the

back pages.

David calls himself a pro-Palestinian in that he believes Palestinians deserve to have their own self governed country. The extremists on either side of the current conflict demand the destruction of their enemies, not peaceful co-existence.

Iran is the epicentre of evil in the middle east. It brutally suppresses its own people and works to destabilize the west and other countries. Iran sponsors and finances terrorist groups like Hezbollah and Hamas.

David feels that Israel and Netanyahu are far from blameless in the conflict. The Israeli people are aware of their governments errors and readily criticize in an open press.

Before accepting any news from this region at face value, try to verify the sources and corroboration of the story.

Jim Gillis thanked David for his presentation.

CHEER CAPTAIN

The Cheer Captain was Jim Gillis and guitar. As you may suspect members were fined based upon their knowledge of songs. Jim played a musical; excerpt of a song and members guessed the song name and/or composed. It was fun and members were very “with it”.

Happy/Sad dollars were provided by Jack, Jim B., Candace, Norm, Dave, Kim, Walt, Lorne, Bill C., and Derek.

The next meeting is at Sports on Tap, Tuesday June 23, 2026.

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