

			Saskatoon Nutana Rotary Club					
Nov 25th, 2025								
December 2025 Theme: Disease Prevention & Treatment							Program Chair: Jim Gillis	
Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks		
Dec 09	Norm Woodcock	Stan Garchinski	Jim Gillis	Idowu Usman Diabetes Camps Diabetes Canada	Jim Gillis	Dorothy Hudson		

OPENING

President Kim Horan called the meeting to order and thanked those members helping out at the meeting.

Kim reminded us “We are on Treaty 6 Territory, Homeland of the Metis”.

The guests today were Casey Eberl RN(our Speaker) and Priscilla Mah from the North Club,

Norm led the singing of “O Canada” and the “Four Way Test Song”.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lorne will be calling to staff the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle shifts for Dec 5th and 20th at the Circle Centre Mall Co-Op.

-- All Rotary members and guests, friends and family are invited to our annual Christmas Party which will be a little different than usual. It will be held on December 3rd at Sask Polytechnique. Payment will be made the night of the event, however your RSVP must be given by **November 26th** to Peggy Clark at peggy.clark@shaw.ca. Please remember to bring cash for the tip and for a potential raffle which is to be determined. All the details are below:

Date: December 3, 2026

Place: SaskPoly Tech

Time: Doors open - 5:30 for drinks

Bar - Wine and Beer and Specialty Drink

Dinner: Served at 6:00

Dinner will be a buffet with over 20 items and a carving station with beef.

Cost: \$30.00 plus tax. Payment by cash, credit card or debit

Tip: If want to leave a tip for the students it has to be cash for the tip so it does not go through the SaskPoly payment system

- Anne Luross invited the club to the Meewasin Club Wine Pairing Event on Dec 4th at the Delta Hotel. Go to the Meewasin Club web page for details and tickets.
- School Art Sale December 12 – Oskayak
- Bob wishes to receive funds for Paul Harris ASAP. If you need your balance, call Bob.

PROGRAM

Walt introduced Casey Eberl. Casey grew up in Moose Jaw and now lives in Saskatoon, She is a Registered Nurse who obtained her degree at Usask . She has been practicing for 5 years as an emergency nurse (adult and pediatric). Casey has worked for MSF(Medicins Sans Frontieres) since 1922 in South Sudan, DR Congo and Gaza.



Casey explained that while there are many medical NGO's that provide humanitarian medical services in times of crisis throughout the world she chose to work for MSF because of the worldwide respect MSF gets for its independence, neutrality and impartiality. In the English speaking world MSF is known as "Doctors Without Borders".

The Gaza Strip is a parcel of land in Israel that is 3 to 4 km wide and 10 km long. Pre Oct. 07 war Gaza contained 2.1 Palestinians, the current population is estimated to be 1.6 million.

Casey worked as the Nursing and Activity Manager at the Tahir Building for Maternity and Pediatrics which includes ER services.

Casey's presentation told of the challenges faced by the workers when treating their patients.

Some of these challenges are:

- Infection prevention and control
- Patient referrals for treatment outside of Gaza
 - many deaths occur during lengthy referral waits
- Human rights violations
 - access to potable water
 - lack of warning before strikes
 - lack of access to food;
- Supply
 - all supply trucks come through one entry point for Gaza
 - all truck loads inspected for compliance with rules
 - looting

In spite of the challenges, the work is rewarding due to the excellence of the co-workers and spirit of the patients

On behalf of the club Lorne thanked Casey for the heartfelt presentation and wished her well for her next posting to Gaza.

CHEER CAPTAIN

Jim B. was our Cheer Captain and fined everyone \$5.

Jim received Happy/Sad Dollars from Jim B., Walt, Kim, Joe, Candace, Karol and Lorne

The next meeting at Sports on Tap is on December 09th, 2025.

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