

			Saskatoon Nutana <b>Rotary</b> Club 			
Sept. 16, 2025						
<b>September 2025 Theme: Basic Education and Literacy</b>					<b>Program Chair: Dorothy Hudson</b>	
Date	Rotana Editor	Greeter	Cheer Captain	Speaker/Topic	Intro	Club Thanks
<b>*Sept 23</b>	Norm Woodcock	n/a	n/a	<b>Rotary Peace Plaza</b>		n/a

## 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”.

Our guests today are from the North Club, Priscilla Mah and our speakers from Global Gathering Place, Azalea Barriesses and Yuliia Hryshyna.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Asit invites you all to his book launch on Friday, October 10 at the Education Library, Education Building, University of Saskatchewan from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- The details for the gala opening fund raiser for the beautiful new awâsisak kê-nîmîhtocik St. Francis School on Oct 02 can be found on the club webpage.
- Details for the Peace Plaza brick laying on Sept 23 can be found on the club webpage.
- The St. Edwards Pancake Breakfast will be held October 03 at St Edwards.
- The club Christmas party will be hosted by Sask Polytechnic Food Programme on December 03. No turkeys will be harmed by this event

## PROGRAM



**Yuliia Hryshyna** has been with Global Gathering Place(GGP) for nearly two years. She began her role as a LINC instructor, teaching both mainstream and literacy learners. Recently, she was appointed as the Language Team Lead. Yuliia holds an MA TESOL and an MA in Applied Linguistics from the University of Saskatchewan. She has been teaching internationally since 2019 and in Canada since 2021.

**Azalea Barrie** is GGP's Language Services Manager and has been so for the past 13 years. She holds a Ph. D. in English from the University of Saskatchewan, and while she has also taught at the university in the past, she finds

working in the settlement sector very meaningful. With a passion for minority experience, Azalea has sat in committees and boards to advocate for literacy and newcomer support.

Yuliia's presentation was about the Literacy programming provided to its clients at GGP but first she spoke about GGP.

Global Gathering Place is a non-profit centre that provides a range of programs and services to newcomers. Last year GGP served 3850 individuals from 100 different countries speaking 70 first languages. Almost 900 clients are enrolled in English classes.

Language training at GGP is available in 60 different classes to accommodate different levels of competency, different delivery systems and schedule availability.

GGP provides a wide level of supports for learners. These include but are not limited to health needs, transportation issues, child care, learning how to learn, grocery shopping and life skills.

Approximately 350 active volunteers power programme delivery for the literacy programme.

Ride for Refuge is the annual fund raiser for this community. It will take place on October 4<sup>th</sup> and consists of a walk or ride along the river. This event raised \$38,000 last year. Food and entertainment are provided at the event. For details go to [rideforrefuge.org](https://rideforrefuge.org)

Karol thanked Yuliia and Azalea for their presentation.

## **CHEER CAPTAIN**

Derek was our Cheer Captain. Derek mentioned the work that the Salvation Army does with other support agencies in the city including GGP. As a fund raiser and educational tool Derek then asked members specific questions about the services provided by the Salvation Army. Some of the services

were meals distributed, assistance, Christmas assistance, school meals, disaster assistance and shelter beds.

Derek also received Happy/Sad Dollars from Derek, Jack, Kim, Jim G., Jim B., Karol, Bob, Peggy, Candace and Betty Ann

**The next meeting at Sports on Tap is on October 07th, 2025.**

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