




|  <b>Saskatoon Nutana Rotary Club</b>  |               |            |               |  |                |             |
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| Sept. 02, 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 |
| Sept 16   | Norm Woodcock | Preet Jain | Derek Kerr    | <b>Azalea Barrie</b><br>Global Gathering<br>Literacy                                | Dorothy Hudson | Derek Kerr  |
| <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”.

Candace introduced a Guest from the North Club, Priscilla Mah.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Just a reminder about Stans Trek for Cancer being held on Sunday Sept 14<sup>th</sup>. An email with details was sent to members earlier.

- Jim Gillis gave a short summary of the planned opening ceremony for the new St Frances School on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jim will report more details as they are known.

- Dorothy reported that Nadera Batori (former club member) has relocated to Toronto to further her education.

- A Board meeting will be held on Sept 16, 1030 AM at Sports on Tap.

- Peggy introduced the idea of having a club meal at Sask Polytechnic Food Programme in December. This could be a fund raiser or the club Christmas Party. The club will decide.

## **PROGRAM**

Dorothy introduced Will Grant as a former member of our club, Elvis impersonator, stand up comedian and an ISAC (Indigenous Student Achievement Coordinator) worker in the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools at St. Edward School.

After thanking the club for their help in the past, Will gave an enthusiastic presentation about his plans for next school year working with the Grade 7 and 8 classes at St Edward.

Will's background includes being in the foster system, being a runaway and being picked up by the police. He has had similar experiences as the students he works with. While he has the social work background, he feels he was meant to work in the education system.

With the Clubs help Will is planning a Batoche trip, a smudge for his students and a tipi making class. The club will meet with the students at St Edwards again as in the past year. The students mingled with Club members and got to know us as "that Rotary guy".

The cultural and land based learnings help the students find who they are and give them hope for a better future.

A pancake and sausage breakfast is being held on Sept 18 at St. Mary's School. Club Members are invited to come between 8:00 am and 8:30am to partake and mix with the students.

Kim thanked Will for his presentation and presented Will with some pizza.

## **CHEER CAPTAIN**

Dorothy was our Cheer Captain and we helped her celebrate her birthday. Dorothy then raised funds for the Foundation by playing a game called "fill the schoolbag" crossed with "Twelve Days of Christmas. The Foundation was fattened. She also received Happy/Sad Dollars from Derek, Jack, Kim, Jim G., Jim B., Karol, Joe, Walt, and Stan

**The next meeting at Sports on Tap is on September 16th, 2025.**

### **Officers**

President -Kim Horan

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Secretary-Jack Scott

Treasurer-Bob MacGillivray

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Club Administration- Candace Odishaw

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Major Projects- Jim Gillis  
Service – Dorothy Hudson  
Rotary Foundation- Asit Sarkar  
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