

Rotary
Club of Kelowna Capri



CAPRI ECHO

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Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Kelowna Capri

Website: <https://caprirotary.ca/>

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Mar 24 – Regular Meeting
Mar 31 – Regular Meeting
Apr 7 - Regular meeting
Jun 9 – Installation Night

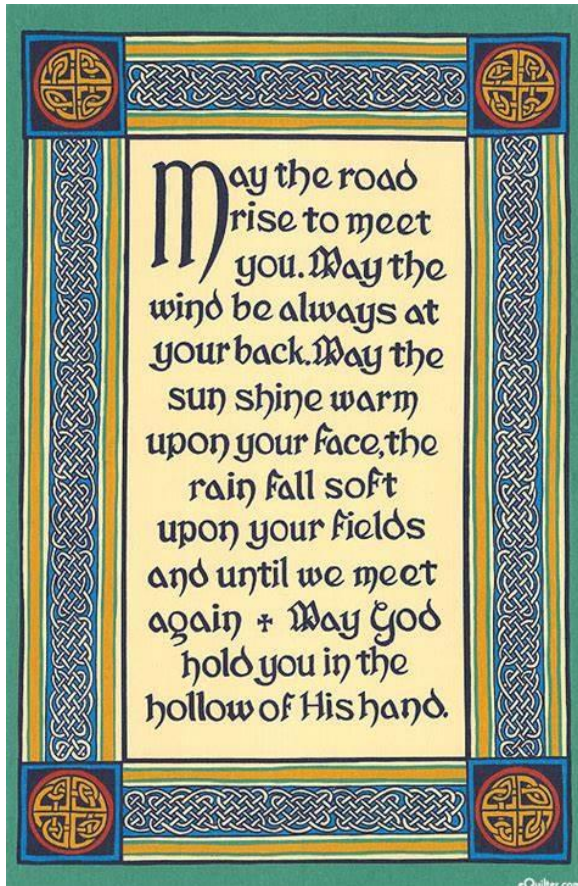
The meetings begin at 5:30 pm
With a social period from 5 -5:30 pm



SIGNS OF SPRING

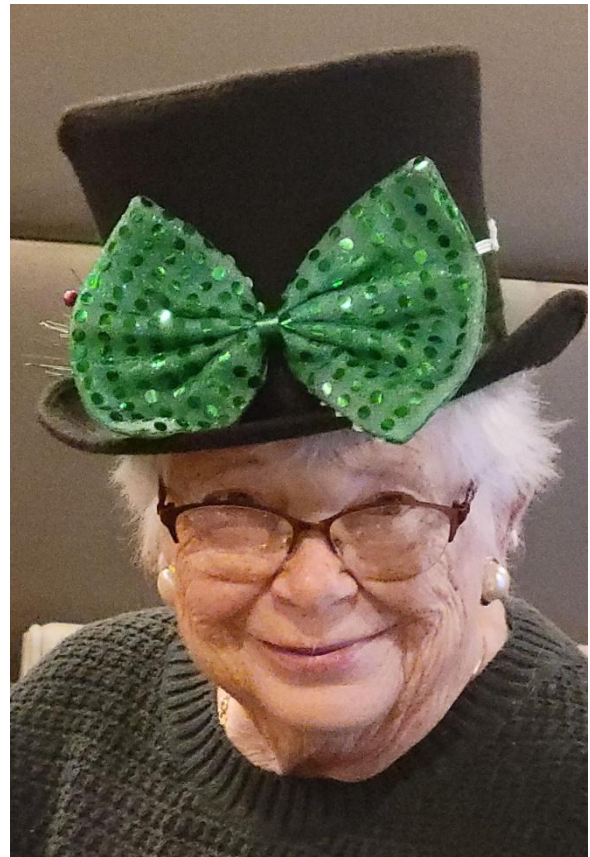


How about we get it right? Spring comes in only one size, it's an equinox.





Since our meeting fell on St. Patrick's Day it had a distinct touch of the Irish.



An Irish maid... Glenna

Our Sheriff put down his green beer and asked a few questions about St. Patrick's life such as where was he born (Romano Britain in AD 385), how did he get to Ireland (kidnapped by slavers at age 16), he escaped to Britain at age 22 and returned later as a Priest then later a Primate. He died in AD 461 and is Ireland's foremost saint,

How about the green shamrock? Actually, the original colour of the shamrock used by Order of St. Patrick was blue but St. Patrick had used the green shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity. In the end the American Irish began wearing more and more green shamrocks, and as with most St. Patrick's Day traditions, Ireland and the rest of the world followed suit.

Hope I got that correct. If not it's the green beer's fault.



2025 Rotary International Congress



The following is an active link to the convention website:

[Rotary Convention](#)

Meanwhile, our District is look at putting up a display in the House of Friendship.

District Conference 2025

Cancelled due to Calgary event.

Rotary Day Planning Committee

The Rotary Clubs of the Kelowna area are busy planning a Rotary Day from 11 am - 6 pm on June 14th at the Parkinson Rec Centre as it has indoor and outdoor space for food and entertainment.

The local Rotary Clubs have been asked to donate between \$250 and \$2000 to this event. So far, the Rotary Club of Kelowna, Sunrise, Mission and the Capri Club have confirmed their contribution.

The Strong Neighbourhood Block program might provide us with a free stage, sound equipment, and kids' games. We are also looking into renting bouncy castles and similar equipment.

BBQ donations and sponsorship are being sought for the event. In addition, we are looking for a sponsor for an outsourced beer garden.

Central Okanagan Performing Arts Festival



Festival Schedule 2025

Dance

March 30th – April 4th, 2025
Rotary Centre for the Arts 421
Cawston Avenue

Piano

April 7th – 11th, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Strings & Chamber Orchestra

April 22nd – 25th, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Voice

April 28th – May 2nd, 2025
St. Andrews Church 4619
Lakeshore

Gala & Reception

Friday, May 16th, 2025
Rotary Centre for the Arts 421
Cawston Avenue

There is a finer detailed schedule for each venue (dance, music and voice) on their website:

<https://copafestival.com/>

Volunteers are needed:

Please contact:

Julie Mulligan, Volunteer Coordinator

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World Health Container

Art reported that the medical container will be ready for loading soon. Art is planning to drive down to assist in the loading and is looking for volunteers to go with him. He will let us know the date as soon as it is available.

Possible 2025 Projects

Some discussion occurred over two possible projects this summer.

The first was Pollinator Gardens. Essentially President Jack suggested we might do some maintenance at the existing pollinator gardens. One real problem is that we are an elderly club and not really a working club anymore. Jack has some contacts the city and will try to arrange a speaker to find out what they are planning and could we be of assistance.

The second project has to do with trees. The city has a 35-acre site that they are going to clear and then tree to turn it into a parklike site for the public. Towards this they will be planting trees and there might be a chance to perform some service here. Jack will again arrange a speaker on this possibility of assistance.

HUMOUR





Especially on Rotary ice cream!

GUEST SPEAKER

No guest speaker this evening.

GALLERY



The Art of Absence Feline Shadow by Vitoriaa 4art (Brazil)



Fragments of Memory by Nurpu pm (Ukn)



Sorry, I lost the painting information and forgot where I was looking.