



ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the April 11 meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Bryan Walton, and it's my honour to be Club President for 2023-24.

Please join me in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table (L-R) : Alan Tennant, Carol Graham, Steve Mason, President Bryan Walton, Keith Davis, Dorothea Schaab



**Presentation:
Keith Davis**

**April 25th meeting
will be in the Blue
Room**

**Next week:
New Member
Event !**

Click [HERE](#) to register for next week's meeting and [HERE](#) for this week's meeting link

Where do pirates get their hook's? From the second hand store.



Today's Meeting:

Neill Magee, with help from **Dorothea Schaab**, pulled the 50/50 where **Penny Leckie** won \$165! She donated her winnings to the Curling Fellowship! Great donation.

Sargent at arms was **Spencer Tonkinson**. Penny was spared a fine because she donated back her 50/50 winnings. **John Shield, Jack Thompson, Stacey Johnson, Sherry Austin** weren't so lucky. Spencer picked on them and had our judge, **President Bryan Walton** determine if they should get fined or not.

Dream Home Minute: Home Base opens May 9th at 1:30pm. Last year off park sales were a huge success, so much so that in fact they have expanded the number of events that tickets will be sold at. The shifts for these are shorter, usually 3-4 hours, there is some walking and standing involved, but it might be a good option for those not wanting a full 8 hour shift. These shifts are scheduled for the Stampede Breakfasts around the city, the Grand Opening of the BMO centre and Stampede Parade. These count towards your 8 Dream Home shift commitment. **To find out more please call or email Brenda McKinley.** The event tied into the Dream Home and the charities we support, is the Mel Cunningham Publicity Award - this award was mentioned last week.

Volunteering with the vulnerable population 2024: **Carol Graham** is asking for your help to encourage those who require screening to work with the vulnerable population to please get in touch with her. Email - grahamca1120@gmail.com

Rotary Exchange: The District is looking for individuals interested in going to Brazil in November. They are also seeking host to host the Brazilians that are coming here June 29th to July 14th.

Shout out to **Brenda McKinley** for the Honourable Mention she received in the Rotary magazine from work she did on a program called Trees that Feed.

KEITH DAVIS

Steve Mason introduced **Keith Davis** (The story guy) for his Rotary profile



Born at the end of World War 2, Keith is a prairie kid from Saskatchewan.

"Some people grew up by the ocean, I grew up by an ocean of grass"

Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

He moved to Kelowna at 16, where he spent a few years in the troops. He then pursued a career in journalism and secured a job as a reporter at the Calgary Herald. Then, he was approached to sign on as an editor and broadcaster. Keith met the love of his life, Peggy, at a party, and instantly knew she was the love of his life. Keith is committed to being a father to Steven & Michelle and a grandfather. He went from Hayhurst communication group to starting his own marketing company, Davis Communications. Keith loves to be outside. When he's not birdwatching, he's busy with woodworking. Peggy sparked his interest in bird carving. He helped start the Kids at Heart Golf tournament, where he likes to show off his low scores. He appreciates **Don Spiers**, who brought him into the club. Thanks for all you do, Keith. From sharing laughs over Dim Sum to telling stories about your time with your family. We are so lucky to have you in our club!

To watch the full presentation click [HERE](#)

Keith, in recognition of your time with us today we will be making a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation which supports local initiatives here in our community.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Member Passport Night

When? **April 18, 2024, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

Where? **Ranchmen's Club**-Bennett Room, 710-13 Avenue S.W.

Pack your bags for an unforgettable evening of fun and fellowship at the New Member Passport Night! This is the perfect opportunity to meet new faces in the Rotary community and celebrate our love for travel and adventure. Come in your favorite vacation-themed attire! Think Hawaiian shirts & Sundresses

Don't miss the boat! **Register by April 12th** to secure your spot by clicking [HERE](#). Tickets are \$30 and online payment is required. See you there in your vacation best!

Click [HERE](#) for more information, prizes, sponsors and more!

Danish Canadian Club Dinner

Join us on **April 26th** at 7 PM for a true Danish Dinner! This event is held at the one and only, Danish Canadian Club 727 11 Avenue SW.

Hosted by **George Deegan** and **Norm Legare**, the event is \$60. Contact **Sjoert Zuidhof** for payment: zuidhofsjoert@gmail.com 403-471-6245



Tomato Plants

Dave Read has 100 tomato plants to give away. Please contact him in the next few weeks to arrange pick up of 2,3 or 4 plants. He would like to get rid of them by the end of April.

Call or text 403-271-5856
Email nread@telusplant.net

Pickleball

Pickleball is open to players at St. Mary's on Friday April 12 from 4 - 6



7 Rotarians (including spouses) enjoyed a grand evening at Beddington COOP Wine Store. Sommelier Hilary Throne took us through 7 tastings of "Wines From Down Under" - 3 white and 4 red, Tasmania area to Australia mainland. A beautiful charcuterie tray was complimentary. We were able to purchase special wines which we tasted that are not on the shelf!! Hilary needed no introduction to Rotary as she was the Inaugural Interact President of her school in Harrow, On a few years ago. What a lovely story!

We were the only tasting group for this evening so we felt very special!! Hilary described in detail each wine, grape, area, etc. and encouraged us to make notes. We were introduced to Wset and Vin Bin after the tasting (which lasted almost 3 hours!!). We all want our own "Locker". Our next Wine Club will be early May!! Join us for some wonderful fellowship and good wines!! Contact

Pat Neuman to join our Wine Lovers Club..
pneuman647@gmail.com



Book Club

Our next Rotary Partners Book Club is on **April 15 at 9:30am** at **The Calgary Golf and Country Club**. The cost is \$20 for a lovely breakfast buffet of Cheeses, Fruit, Muffins, and Scones with coffee and tea. Please email **Maureen Hutchens** at (mo_hutch@hotmail.com) if you are able to attend. We need your **reply by April 12th** so we can let the club know our numbers. **Jane Topp** is away until the 14th .

*Please remember to read: "A New Season " by Terry Fallis, for our May 13 book club (one week earlier than usual). Hope to see you there for our lively discussion.

-Jane and Maureen

ROTARY PARTNERS
SPRING EVENT INVITATION

When: Tuesday, April 30
Location: Willow Park Golf and Country Club
 639 Willow Park Dr SE
Registration: 10:30 Lunch: 12:00
Cost: \$40.00 per person

You MUST Confirm Your Attendance to:
 Karen Grant **NO LATER THAN April 20, 2024.**
partners@rotarycs.org or call 403-239-8987
 Payment via E-transfer to:
 Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park
partners@rotarycs.org
 Payment by cheque: Made out to:
 Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park
 Mail cheque to: 3927 Vancouver Crescent NW, Calgary, AB. T3A 0M2
 Attention Karen Grant or pay by cash at door.
 Any Food Allergies, contact Lorna Hamm at lorna@lornahamm.com

Fashion Show "A Special Place"
Jewelry Raffle
Door Prizes
50 / 50 Draw

Please feel free to bring a guest

BINGO

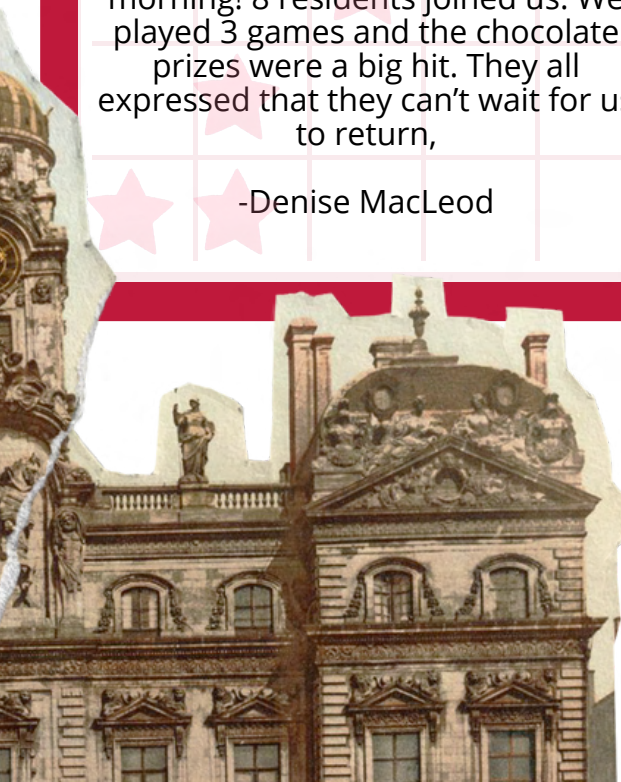
On April 10th, Rotary Partners Donna Mintz, Sandy Price, Pat Deegan, Wendy Miles (Bingo caller), Toby Oswald-Felker, Joan Walton, Lois Silverthorne (not pictured) and myself went to Aspen Heights Retirement Residence to host Bingo. It was a great morning! 8 residents joined us. We played 3 games and the chocolate prizes were a big hit. They all expressed that they can't wait for us to return,

-Denise MacLeod

IMPORTANT UPDATES

"WE'VE HEARD YOU"-
 LUANNE WHITMARSH

- Whats staying....**
- Registration process remains the same
 - Cut off is still Friday before 10 AM to order meals
- Changes...**
- New menu starting April 25th!!!
 - No more salad in the middle of the table
 - No refunds
 - 'Late/ walk-in' table with coffee only
 - Weekly email going out Thursday
 - Bulletin will go out on Friday mornings
 - Coffee & Dessert price will be changed to \$15 (meals and salads will remain at \$30).
 - All social and special events will be on the website



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This week's meeting link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=la2ItDsUQKA>

Closing:

Next week's meeting: Lunch meeting has been replaced by the New Member Event organized by **Catherine Brownlee** on **April 18** at The Ranchmen's Club 710 -13 Ave SW, Bennett Room starting at 5:00 PM.

The week following we are featuring **Tom Jackson** in the **Blue Room**, and because we are expecting a sellout – you **MUST** purchase your ticket in advance by 10:00 AM on April 19!

Closing words:

As you go about your business this week remember, as Rotarians our simple acts of kindness go a long way to Creating Hope in the World. Have a great Rotary week.



Final reminder to register for next week's meeting:
www.rotarystampedepark.com



Calendar

APRIL

- 1st: Easter Monday
- 4th: What Happening with Artificial Intelligence
- 5th: Wine Club
- 10th: Rotary Connect Comedy Night
- 11th: Rotary Profile
- 18th: New Member Event (in lieu of our meeting)
- 25th: Tom Jackson
- 26th: Dinner at the Danish Canadian Club
- 30th: Partners Spring Event

APRIL						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1 	2	3	4 	5 	6
7	8	9	10 	11 	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 	26 	27
28	29	30 	1	2	3	4

MAY

- 2nd: St Marys Partnership
- 9th: Rotary Profile/ Kids At Heart Info
- 16th: Annual Stay in School luncheon
- 23rd: Telus Feedlot Health Management
- 30th: PPCLI Officers Club

May						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1	2 	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16 	17	18
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HELPFUL INFORMATION

Sign up for meetings [HERE](#)

April 26th- Dinner at the Danish Canadian Club
 Contact George Deegan or Norm Legare for more info.
 (gdeegan@shaw.ca) (nlegare@shaw.ca)