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at Stampede Park



ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the April 24th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Jim Bladon, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2024-25:

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

Head Table (L-R) : President Jim Bladon, Minister Mickey Amery, Murray Flegel, Bill LeClair, Kathy Demorest, Joe Connelly, Micheal Worden



**Presentation:
Minister Mickey
Amery**

**May 9th
70 Years of Rotary
Gala**

**Next week:
May 1st -
Dr Duane Bratt**

Click [HERE](#) to register for the 70th Anniversary Gala taking place on May 9th

Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting video.

Today's Meeting:

President Jim Bladon gives a big shout out to president elect **Gordon Weicker** for taking over last weeks meeting and the board meeting last week well **President Jim Bladon** was away!



David Field introduced our guests followed by the welcome song...

Our Sgt@Arms today **Joe Connelly** starts off by fining **Glen** for his phone going off. Next **Joe** told us that **Jim Burns** turned 90 last week!!!! so everyone at **Jims** table pays \$2 except for **Jim**. Next up **Joe** asked the following people to stand up. **Chas Filipski, Catherine Brownlee, Len Hamm, Kathy Demorest, John Shield, and Spencer Tonkinson.** \$2 for each person standing for how well dressed they are!!!

Next **Joe** asked some questions to a few members, if you answer incorrectly you pay \$2 and if correct your safe. first up **Bryan Walton** - Incorrect. Next **Dilan Perera** - Incorrect.

Next **Bill LeClair** - Correct!!!. Next **Stan Cichon** - Incorrect. Next **Ken Copithorne** - Incorrect. Next **Murray Flegel** - Correct!!



Next **Kathy Demorest** came up to tell us about the following:

The Stay in School Program Needs YOU!

In just a few weeks the Stay in School Scholarship Program will introduce four new students as recipients of our 2025 Scholarships. Since 2001 we have selected 74 students from two Calgary schools to receive support in pursuing their post-secondary programs. A very important component of our program is the support provided by a MENTOR. Most of the mentors come from our Rotary club and support the student as the primary contact with the Stay in School committee.

The Stay in School Committee is seeking four mentors for our new students if you are interested please contact one of the following club members; **Evan Strong, Stan Cichon, Kathy Demorest, Max Feldman or Terry Allen** as soon as possible. We would love to hear from you.

Murray Flegel introduced our guest speaker. Mickey Amery the Alberta Minister of Justice and the Attorney General of Alberta. **Murray** shared a bit about Minister Mickey Amery before inviting him up to the podium.



Mickey Amery, Alberta's Minister of Justice, discussed his initiatives to enhance the justice system. He highlighted the \$706 million budget, a 50% increase, to support 72 court locations and improve courtroom safety. The Family Justice Strategy, serving 52,000 Albertans, aims to resolve family law matters outside courts. He emphasized the expansion of specialized courts for drug offenses, mental health, and domestic violence. Amery also addressed the need for stronger bail reforms and the establishment of a human trafficking unit. He stressed the importance of community involvement in addressing crime and social issues. I strongly encourage everyone to watch the meeting video linked on page 1!



Bill LeClair thanked Minister Mickey Amery for coming out to talk to our club and sharing all this information with us!



President Jim Bladon finishes off the meeting by stating that the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park will be making a \$100 donation to CRCF in Minister Mickey Amery's name in recognition of his time with us today.

Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

Announcements

New Dream Home Website

There is a new Dream Home webpage with lots of information.

Please check it out!

<https://rotarystampedepark.com/dream-home-2025/>

Health and Wellness Contact for April, May, June

Contact **Jerry Ohlsson** with health and wellness updates for the months of April, May and June

Tel: **403 975 6247** Email:

jerryohlsson778@gmail.com

Annual Kids at Heart Golf Tournament

Our 4th Annual Kids at Heart Golf Tournament is in "full swing". To access the website for registration, sponsorship and/or donation opportunities just click on the QR code within the poster. Or visit the website <https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart/>

Looking forward to a great day filled with lots of sun, fun and fellowship.

The 2025 Kids at Heart Golf Tournament Committee



The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park's "Kids' at Heart" program invests in the lives of kids and youth to create real, long-lasting change for kids, their families, and our community.

PROUDLY SUPPORTING



REGISTER NOW



COTTONWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB



JULY 28TH, 2025

<https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart>

Invitation to the

"70 YEARS OF ROTARY" GALA

CELEBRATING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK
& ROTARY PARTNERS

\$100.00 PER PERSON

MAY
FRIDAY **9** AT 5 PM
2025

CALGARY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
919 50 AVENUE SW

Ticket Sales Begin March 1, 2025
Visit: Rotarycs.org

Just a quick reminder—the deadline to get your tickets for the 70th Anniversary Gala is coming up soon! **April 30, 2025.**

If you need help ordering your tickets, please talk to **Grayce**, contact her at the Rotary Office as soon as possible. She's happy to help! Need a ride to the Gala? Let **Grayce** know that too.

A few important things to remember:
Please tell us if you have any food allergies.
The Calgary Golf and Country Club **only accepts cash (no credit or debit cards).**
Cash only at this Event.

Details:

- ASSIGNED SEATING (BOOK EARLY FOR THE BEST SEATING)
- TO GUARANTEE GROUP SEATING, YOU MUST REGISTER AND PAY FOR ALL GUESTS (IN GROUP) AT ONCE, PROVIDING ALL NAMES AT THE TIME OF BOOKING. TABLES SEAT 10.
- FORMAL DRESS (BLACK-TIE OPTIONAL)
- COCKTAIL HOUR 5:00-6:30PM
- DINNER AND DANCE
BAND: "ENTWIND".
- CASH BAR (**NO CREDIT CARDS**)
- DOOR PRIZES /50-50 DRAW/BASKET RAFFLE
- THE GALA EVENT REPLACES THE THURSDAY ROTARY MEETING

From the Desk of the Secretary – April 24, 2025

1. We are looking for a medium sized desk – anyone have one to give away?
2. The Member survey is out and please take the 5 minutes it takes to complete it!

From your Club Champion for the 2025 Rotary International Convention

1. Registrations are still open so please sign up! <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>
2. <https://rotarycalgary2025.org/> The signature events are all up and they are awesome! Please register and bring your friends and family!
3. As of today (April 24th) we are only 57 days away from welcoming the world to Calgary!!! There is still time to get registered, buy your signature event tickets, register to volunteer and sign up for Home Hospitality! Let's get this done - We are the BEST Club - it is literally on our doorstep!!


Please let me know if you need any help! Luanne



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Adam Tarabay has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Catherine Brownlee** and Seconded by **Shondell Sabad** with a proposed Classification of Automotive Finance

If any Member objects to **Adam Tarabay** joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, **Luanne Whitmarsh**: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to May 1st.



Closing:

Next week: **May 1st - Dr, Duane Bratt**

The week following: **May 9th - "70 Years of Rotary" Gala**

Closing words:

As you go about your business this week remember, that each of you creates the magic of Rotary, unlock the magic, advance the magic, and be the magic of Rotary.

Calendar

MAY

May 1st - Dr Duane Bratt

May 9th - 70th Anniversary Party

May 15th - Annual Stay in School Luncheon

May 22nd - MRU President and Vice Chancellor

May 29th - Richard GotFried

May

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 	2	3
4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9 70 TH 	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15 	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29 	30	31

JUNE

June 5th - Presidents Social

June 12th - Stampede Update

June 19th - No Meeting

June 26th - No Meeting

JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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					

DATES TO REMEMBER – SAVE THESE!!

March 5 - South Indian Int'l Dinner

March 13 - St. Paddy's Day Fun at Lunch

March 22 - 5 pin bowling

Mar 28 - Thai Int'l Dinner

April 6 - Jubilations Dinner theatre

April 23 - Mexico Int'l Dinner

May 9 - Club Anniversary

May 23 - Japan Int'l Dinner

June 5 - Jerseys and Jeans (Pres Jim's party)

June 21- 25 RI Convention Calgary

July 3 - Kick off for Dream Home