

# ROTARY NEWS

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**Welcome to the April 4 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) : Luanne Whitmarsh, Stephanie Matos, Dorothea Schaab,  
President Bryan Walton, Karl Yeh, Brenda McKinley



**Presentation: Karl Yeh speaking on AI**

**Important Secretary News**

**April 11th Meeting will be held in the Palamino Room**

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

President Bryan kicked off the meeting with a joke; What does a baby computer call his father? - Data!

## Today's Meeting:

Remarks: 69 years ago on April 7, 1955 the Rotary Club of Manchester Celebrated its Charter Night as the second club in Calgary. 35 members in attendance – one by the name of George Adam who was with us for 67 years until his passing on June 6, 2022. More on the history of the Club at the May 2 meeting.

### Introduction of guests was David Field, followed by the Welcome Song

Congratulations to **Max Feldman** who won \$140 in the 50/50! As always, **Michael Zacharki** pulled the winner with help from our guest speaker. Max, It's about time! Congrats. Max put his winnings back into Rotary International.

We all took out our wallets when **Chas Filipski** was announced as our sergeant at arms. To our luck, he spared us one and pulled out \$100 of his own to donate as happy bucks for an appreciation to those around him. He asked others to donate what they wished. This is a wonderful donation and we are happy to have you back.

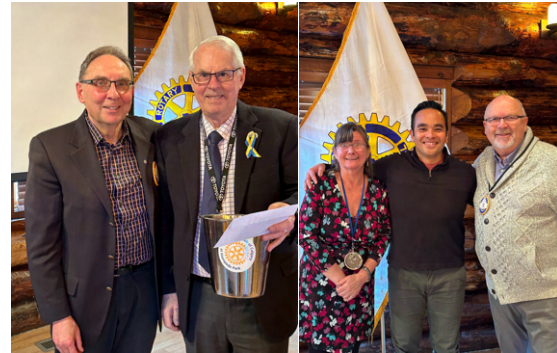
“Let's get real.” **Secretary Luanne Whitmarsh** talked about the role of the secretary. She spoke about the ‘unwritten rules’ of what the job truly entails. With that, an announcement of a new admin assistant, **Grayce Glassford**. Secretary Luanne shared her decision to step down from her position effective June 30th. We want to express our sincere gratitude to Luanne for her commitment and valuable contributions. Thank you for your unwavering commitment!

**Dorothea Schaab** talked about the three great scholarships we are offering for undergrad and graduate studies at the University of Calgary. Guest, **Stephanie Matos**, accepted these cheques on behalf of the University. It's great to see Rotary doing good things within our community!

**Stephanie Matos** spoke about the University of Calgary's ‘Giving Day.’ U of C will match donations up to \$2,500 between April 4th and 18th to support the research and innovation at the Cumming School of Medicine. For more info or to donate, click [HERE](#).

3 months until Stampede's ‘Sneak a Peek.’ Dream Home shifts open on May 9th at 1 pm. **Brenda McKinley** announced that yet again, there will be a draw for a belt buckle! More info to come.

**George Deegan** notified us of the joys of frikadellers. Dinner at the Danish Club is on April 26th. Additionally, we received a reminder about the New Member Event on April 18th. More information under ‘announcements.’



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

## KARL artificial intelligence



### Introducing Speaker: Brenda McKinley

**Karl Yeh**, Chief AI Officer and Co-founder of 0260.AI is an AI strategist, operator and builder, passionate about helping businesses realize the tangible benefits of artificial intelligence. He's led AI adoption for enterprises to start-ups through education, strategy and implementation. With a background and expertise in building businesses, demand generation, and keen ability to drive AI implementation company-wide, Karl has led initiatives resulting in substantial ARR growth and operational efficiencies. Karl showed us the power of AI and how chat can create images.

### Thanking Speaker: Jim Fitzowich

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



Karl 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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keith and Peggy are celebrating their 53 wedding anniversary !

## 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, comfy shorts, and flip-flops.

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!

## PARTNERS in PRINT

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### 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](mailto:partners@rotarycs.org) or call 403-239-8987

Payment via E-transfer to:  
Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park  
[partners@rotarycs.org](mailto: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](mailto:lorna@lornahamm.com)

Please feel free to bring a guest

Fashion  
Show  
"A Special Place"

Door  
Prizes

50 / 50  
Draw

Jewelry  
Raffle

## Comedy Night

Rotary Club of Calgary Connect is hosting a Comedy Night at Yuk Yuks on Wednesday, **April 10th** at 7:30 pm. This is one of their largest fundraising initiatives ever - a pretty big deal for our small club of about 15 members. Tickets are \$30 and you can purchase them at the link below!

[https://www.yukyuks.com/?  
action=club.comicDetails&comedianID=2674&venueID=2  
408](https://www.yukyuks.com/?action=club.comicDetails&comedianID=2674&venueID=2408)

## 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 ([gdeegan@shaw.ca](mailto:gdeegan@shaw.ca)) or ([nlegare@shaw.ca](mailto:nlegare@shaw.ca)) for more info!

## Rock the Nation at Studio Bell



32 Music lover Rotarians attended the fabulous event at Studio Bell, followed by lunch at the King Eddy. Some took in the last half of the show while a couple others took in the Bluescan! Great day for everyone.



## From the Secretary's Desk

1. Please refresh your Club Runner and update your contacts for the following people:  
Penny Leckie: [penny@myadviseher.com](mailto:penny@myadviseher.com)  
Allan Johnson: [allan.johnson@labelink.ca](mailto:allan.johnson@labelink.ca)
2. There is a committee working on the lease we currently have at our office to discover if we stay or move the office – more to come.
3. We are still hoping for 2 more office chairs to be donated. The ones we have hurt our backs. If you happen to have 1 or 2 available, please let me know.
4. I have a few people left to get their information regarding:  
Inventory you have at your home and on your personal computer  
Parking pass numbers and licence plates  
Please provide this to me asap.
5. Reminder that you will get your bulletin Friday morning from now on.
6. Reminder that you will get an email Thursday evening reminding you to register for the following week meeting by 10 am Friday! At 10 am the site goes down as the food order is placed.
7. Reminder the bulletin submission date is Wednesday at 3 pm every week.
8. Grayce Glassford is the new Administrative Assistant and she starts on April 8 th . Megan and I will begin orientation with her. Megan will continue to be actively involved for orientation needs and special projects in the future.
9. As announced at today's meeting I have resigned as Secretary effective June 30th . Thank you all for trusting me in this very important role!

-LUANNE WHITMARSH

## 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



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

**Closing:**

**Next week's meeting: April 11th** we are in the **Palomino Room** for the Profile of Keith Davis, a Classification Talk by Alan Tennant and a special presentation by Carol Graham on Protecting Vulnerable People.

**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](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)



**NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL**

**Krista Rabidoux** 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 Tax accountant Cross Border.

If any Member objects to **Krista Rabidoux** 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](mailto:secretary@rotarycs.org) prior to April 11th.

**NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL**






**Ian McKenzie** has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by David Read and Seconded by Glenn Potter with a proposed Classification of Wholesale Flooring Marketing.

If any Member objects to **Ian McKenzie** 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](mailto:secretary@rotarycs.org) prior to April 11th.

# 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						
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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

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## HELPFUL INFORMATION

Sign up for meetings [HERE](#)

April 10th- Rotary Connect Comedy Night at Yuk Yuk's link:  
<https://www.yukyus.com/?action=club.comicDetails&comedianID=2674&venueID=2408>

April 26th- Dinner at the Danish Canadian Club  
 Contact George Deegan or Norm Legare for more info.  
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