





# RCCSP Weekly Bulletin August 10th, 2023 Volume Number 69, Issue Number 3

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Welcome to the August 10th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Bryan Walton, and I'm honoured to be the President of this Club for 23-24.

**Head Table**: (L to R) **Marietta Maier**, William Wei - Outbound exchange student , **President Bryan Walton**, **George Deegan, Terry Kellam - New Member** and **Murray Flegel**.



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





Hannah Schoendorfer, an exchange student from Austria in 2013, with her host Parents, **Murray and Arlene Flegel, Ken Farn,** and **Mary McPhee**.

Today we had the pleasure of a visiting Rotarian from India, Radha MuthuAzhakappan from the Rotary club of Coimbatore west, RI District 3201, Club charter No:15845 at our Meeting, to do a flag exchange.

To see the summary and highlights of his Club and click







#### **Announcements:**



**Visitors and Guests: Greg Smyth** did a wonderful job of introducing our guests, including Hannah Schoendorfer (an exchange student from 2013) and many of the partners (who had a part in housing or supporting Hannah 10 years ago!), and we sang a loud and enthusiastic rendition of our Welcome Song. Hannah delivered a Thank You to the entire Club, watch the recordering of the Meeting to hear her Thanks.

Health and Wellness: Health and Wellness contact is; Dorothea Schaab, she reports;

**NORM DEVITT** Remains at Foothills Hospital (Unit 100 – 10th floor). As Norm recovers from his stroke, his attitude is great, but speech is limited. If you wish to visit, please contact Doreen before going to the hospital. **GUI SALAZAR** Slowly but surely his health is improving ... went for Dim Sum with **Keith Davis** and fellow Rotarians Wednesday (August 9). Kate says he is not ready to return to weekly meetings.

**JOHN SHIELD** I learned after today's meeting that John Shield's father died earlier this month. Please see the link to the obituary from Vulcan Funeral Home. <a href="https://vulcanfuneralhome.ca/shield-alvin-william-1940-2023/">https://vulcanfuneralhome.ca/shield-alvin-william-1940-2023/</a> John certainly looks like his father. Our thoughts are with the Shield's!



**50/50**: A new face for 50/50 **Jim Hutchens** asked our Outbound Exchange Student William Wei to pull the lucky ticket and the winner of \$140 was **Rhonda Yaskowich** who donated it back to the exchange program and handed it directly to William Wei for his travels to Germany. \*You're the best Rhonda!\*

**Grants Committee: Greg Martin** spoke about the Grants Committee now being open to accepting applications. All applications need to be in by November 30th. See the website for application and more information, click here

**Stay In School Message to Mentors:** Stay in School mentors, while quite a few of you have asked your students for their end of year reports, Earl is still waiting on several to come in. IF, you have not sent in this years' reports, please get them as soon as possible and send them to Earl. <a href="mailto:Ehuslink@telusplanet.net">Ehuslink@telusplanet.net</a> Thank you — **Terry Allen** 

**Incoming Exchange Student:** Want an opportunity to contribute to the club and help a 17 year old athlete? This is your opportunity to host our inbound exchange student, Marino, from Italy. He arrives August 20th and is initially staying with **Stacey Johnson**. He's attending centrally located Crescent Heights High. Please reach out to **Stacey Johnson** or **Gail Williams** now with questions and interest! - **Rudy Ruberto** 

**Sgt. at Arms:** John Fitsimmons drained many pockets today with his antics as Sgt. At Arms with a fun game of trivia! Starting off with an old photo of some kids waterskiing, impressively, in a 5 man pyramid and **Fitz** asked which Member this was, no one could guess so **GR** finally mentioned that it was **Todd Richardson**! He continued on with other fun questions and raised money for the Club! Great job Fitzy.



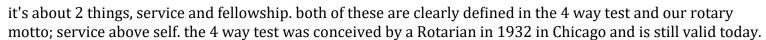


### New Member Induction: Terry Kellam

**George Deegan,** Sponsor of Terry, Introduced him to the Club and **Murray Flegel**, as Past President, did an amazing Induction for Terry Kellam today. In the new, reduced Bulletin format we don't include full inductions anymore but Murray made great effort to get me his notes so I am including part of his speech. To see the full induction we highly recommend watching the recording of the Meeting. Click <u>HERE</u>.

Rotary is a global network of 1# million Rotarians world wide doing projects all over the world. One big one is Polio Plus to eradicate Polio in the world and many projects in our community. Not only do we have the best Rotary Club in Calgary but one of the best in North America.

I know our membership committee has done a thorough job in advising you about your obligations and expectations as a new rotary member. so I would like to tell you what I think rotary is about.



- -is it the truth
- -is it fair to all concerned
- -will it build goodwill and better friendships
- -will it be beneficial to all concerned.

Not only does the 4 way test set standards for service it also emphasis fellowship and friendships. the fellowship is obvious during our luncheon meetings, but can also found when working in all avenues of service. our rotary motto 'service above self' needs no explanation. You will be given the opportunity to work on various committees with members of a similar commitment to service. You will find fellowship and service go hand in hand. The efforts you put into rotary will benefit you over and over as time goes by. To get the maximum or full Rotary experience and benefit you should attend a district conference as well as attend a rotary international conference in the near future. My hope for you is that you get as much personal satisfaction out of our Rotary Club members as I have. On behalf of our great members I ask **President Bryan** to induct you as a Member in the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park.

## Main Presentation: William Wei-Outgoing Exchange Student

Marietta Maier is William's Outbound Counsellor and has been doing a fantastic job with William and making sure he is set for his adventure. Marietta Introduced William Wei, our Outgoing Student Exchange, who is going to Germany later this month. William did a great job at the podium with his presentation that he will also be delivering to his host family and school while in Germany. He was very thorough in highlighting our Club and sharing all the fun and good things we do in our community. We look forward to seeing his presentation about his trip once he returns. Good luck William, we know you will have an amazing time and experience in Germany!!



Please watch the recording of the Meeting to see William's entire presentation.







# THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <a href="https://youtu.be/iG4ZWiewBE8">https://youtu.be/iG4ZWiewBE8</a>

# **In Closing:**

**Next week's Meeting:** We are back here in the Blue Room for a Presentation by Josh Traptow who will talk to us about the evolution of Stampede Park over the years. Should be a good one!

**Closing Words:** As you go about your business this week remember simple acts of kindness go a long way to *Creating Hope in the World.* 

And with that, our meeting is adjourned. Thank you for coming. Have a great Rotary week!

Final reminder to register for next week's Meeting by tomorrow morning



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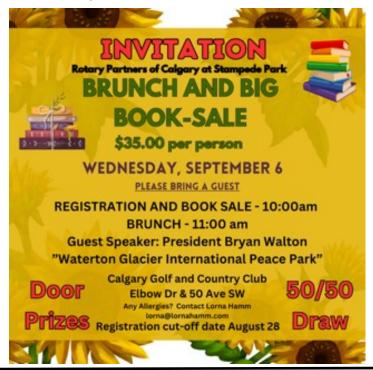


#### **NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL**

**Shondell Sabad** has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Catherine Brownlee** and Seconded by **Cathie Saroka** with a proposed Classification of **Vertical Farming.** 

If any Member objects to **Shondell Sabad** 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 August 17th, 2023.

We start Book Club again on September 18, 2023. The cost is \$20 for a yummy breakfast buffet and discussion about books that you have read. Email <a href="mailto:janetopp@shaw.ca">janetopp@shaw.ca</a> if you'd like to join us. Our Book Sale will be on September 6th 2023 at the Partners luncheon. **Jane and Maureen** 



#### **District 5360 Opportunity**

Here is an opportunity for Young Professionals in your club to attend this event in September. Over the past several months Phoenix MacLaren and Kamil Kanji have been developing a two-day training during the upcoming "Learning to Lead" event in Toronto to bring Rotary and Leadership Development to members ages 25-40... those a little newer to the work world, newer to the Rotary world. What will go down:

- We will discuss different District Committees and how to become actively involved-honing their leadership skills, while providing excited committee members for your district.
- We will explore The Rotary Foundation by developing grant projects- smaller projects to apply for District Grants; larger projects to apply for Global Grants; understanding how DDF works and the importance of giving, especially how easy Rotary Direct makes
- We have invited Toastmasters to join us, a partnership started a few years ago, to enhance public speaking skills finding our voice in an organization of leaders.

Finally, we will address Communicating Across Generations - for the first time, we have 5 different generations working together - let us all learn to communicate better with each other.

More information can be found on the website - <a href="https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/page/2023-learning-to-lead">https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/page/2023-learning-to-lead</a>

Costs to attend include; airfare, registration (\$575 – includes all meals except breakfast), and hotel accommodation (\$175).





**RIBFEST VOLUNTEERS**: Please note that you will not be able to edit the schedule however it is to be used as a guideline for the categories of activities and specific shift times and vacancies available.

Should your members wish to support our Ribfest project then they need only select the category and shift time and email the information back to me and I will enter their information into our schedule. The schedule is constantly updated so if they select a shift then the next day they can click on the link and see that their name has been entered. We ask that they provide their mobile number so we can enter it beside their name and also confirm if they have taken AGLC's Proserve Course. The Course is not necessary to volunteer but we need to confirm to AGLC how many of our daily volunteers have taken it. This year we are hoping to raise funds in support of mental health and wellness through local services including "I can for kids", CUPS, and "It's a crime not to read".

Volunteer Link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vvaCBHzJIcfdFn1rdrJybotBarOnCmDCzF5uSNdbsVA/edit#gid=0

A brief description of volunteer categories are:

- 1) Greeters will meet guests at the entrance area to make them feel welcome, collect donations and count the attendees.
- 2) Rotary info tent providing information about Rotary to interested guests.
- 3) Ticket sellers selling 50/50 and beverage tickets. Should be comfortable on your feet and interacting with guests.
- 4) Beverage runners/servers working to serve both beer and non alcoholic beverages. Will help restock inventory as needed.
- 5) Table clean up ensure the tables are clean for patrons to use. Will include using and changing garbage bags as needed.
- 6) Assistant accountants helping collect and manage the cash flow and information transfer at the request of our accountants.
- 7) Children's area working with the children, guiding them and keeping an eye on their activity.

The set up on Thursday and take down on Monday involves setting up or taking down tents, tables and chairs. it's a fun 3 days/evenings with great bands playing throughout, a market with a dozen vendors, a family section, a variety of Rib trucks ribs and cold beer.

Any questions let me know and I'll do my best to supply an answer. Yours in Rotary, Paul Gaudet. E-mail: <a href="mailto:gaudetco@shaw.ca">gaudetco@shaw.ca</a>

# Hiking Club

Despite forecasts of rain and threatening skies, the fearsome four went to Deer Ridge Trail. Hannah Schoendorfer, our former exchange student from Austria summited the view point. We had a pleasant lunch overlooking the valley and enjoyed Hannah's chocolate wafer cookies as our treat. Since the first part of the hike had been a steady climb, we thought the "down" part was going to be a piece of cake. We spent most of the time bushwhacking through the overgrown trail while consulting an All Trails map on a cell that was almost out of power! Happily we got out of it before the cell died. It was scary during all that, but we considered it an "adventure" after. When Ted started the car, it started to rain. - **Pat Farn** 











# Welcome Back to Regular Programming

August 17th:

Josh Trapow—The Evolution of Stampede Park



August 24th:

**TBD** 



**August 31st:** 

Kurt Kowalchuk — District Governor Visit



**September 7th:** 

Patti Pon—Developing Arts in Calgary

