

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the August 21st meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Gordon Weicker, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2025-26:

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

Head Table (L-R) : Valentin Frauenknecht, Jim Fitzowich, Abigail McIsaac, President Gordon, Megan Stokke, Terry Allen



Presentation: Club Archives Presentation	September 4th Dr Mistata	Next Week August 28th Greg McLean
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Click [HERE](#) to register for the September 4th meeting.

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

Today's Meeting:

Greg Smyth introduced our guests followed by the welcome song...



Neill Magee brought up the 50/50, **Neill** had our inbound exchange student draw the lucky ticket. The pot was \$135 and it was won by **Sjoert Zuidhof**.

Jim Fitzowich was our st@rms for this meeting. **Jim** starts off by asking **Sjoert** how much of his winning he want to donate to the club, **Sjoert** decided to donate the entire \$135 to the Kids at Heart 2026 fund! Next **Jim** asked **Cathie Saroka** to stand, **Jim** showed us an article from the Calgary Herald of **Cathie's** business. **Cathie's** task is to buy back her article, **Cathie** choose to put \$50 into the pot. Next **Jim** asked anyone who has taken summer holidays to add \$2 in the pot. **Jim** then asked **Chad Hason** to stand, he asked **Chad** how much he wanted to add to the pot for advertising his book at the last meeting. **Chad** will donate \$5 for every book he sells at his open house.



Jim Hutchens came up next to give us an update on Community Service Grant Applications. Applications are open until September 30th 2025. We need you Rotarians to engage some charities, please reach out to those charities and have them apply!!

Past President **Jim Bladon** came up next to give an update from the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook. They have their annual country music fundraiser on September 28th at Ranchmen's. It is \$40 for a ticket which includes your dinner. Tickets are available at <https://www.showpass.com/chinook-rotary-summer-round-up-2/>



Sharyl Madigan provided us with and update from the Charity Selection Committee for the Kids at Heart golf tournament. The applications will be open on September 5th and closing on October 10th



Cathie Saroka updated us on the new members event coming up on October 23rd There will be more details about this event coming soon!

Terry Allen gave us some history on the first few members who started our archives before introducing our guest speaker **Megan Stokke**.

Here is a brief summary of Megan Stokke's presentation.

As we continue to grow and evolve, preserving our history becomes more important than ever. Through the careful review, sorting, and cataloguing of materials, we have taken a major step toward building a lasting archive that captures the full scope of our club's contributions to Calgary and the broader Rotary movement. From early meeting minutes and event programs to awards, newsletters, and photographs, each item tells part of our story. Preserving these materials allows us to maintain continuity, recognize past achievements, and provide inspiration to future Rotarians who will carry our mission forward.

Please refer to the video for more. Information on access to the archives will be distributed next week.

Luanne Whitmarsh came up next to finish off the presentation by telling us about how important the archives are and how we will proceed in the future. Thank you **Megan** for all the hard work you have put into this project!



President Gord thanked **Megan** for her presentation

Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

Announcements

Health and Wellness

Justina Penner is still in the hospital after having a bad fall. She would love to hear from her Rotary family.

Hugh Delaney had a bad fall, he is recovering slowly. Huge would also love to hear from his Rotary friends and family.

Jim Cairn's wife **Carol** is improving from a stroke and is expected to be home soon!

Paul Brick went in for a second surgery or an infection following a hip replacement but he is recovering now.

For Health and Wellness updates, please contact **Brenda McKinley 403-870-4292**

Our 2025-26 Inbound Rotary Youth Exchange arrived

Our 2025-26 Inbound Rotary Youth Exchange student arrived in Calgary on Saturday, August 16th from Germany.

On hand to greet Valentin Frauenknecht were, from left: Tyler, Chris, Teresa and Abigail McIsaac; Valentin; and his inbound counsellors from the Downtown Club Barb Young and John Hsu. Photo-Dorothea Schaab



Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Assembly

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Assembly
September 12th- 13th, 2025
Waterton Community Centre



You're Invited!
Please join us at our
Annual Assembly
September 12-13, 2025
at Waterton Lakes Community Centre.

This year's speakers include:
Carmen Hancock
Superintendent, Waterton Lakes National Park
Martha Peak Helman
2019-2020 Waterton Lakes National Park
Lee Vorker
Waterton Lakes National Park Police Officer
Kevin van Nighem
Waterton Lakes National Park
Dave Roemer
Superintendent, Waterton Lakes National Park

The weekend concludes with the
Hands Across the Border
Peace Pledge ceremony
and a festive gala!

For more information, please go to
www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org

Register at

<http://www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org>

The demolition of our beloved Rotary House has begun



Closing:

Next week: **August 28th - Greg McLean**

The week following: **September 4th - Dr Mistata**

Closing words:

In Rotary, communication is about sharing information, building trust, creating a connection and uniting diverse voices around a common purpose. Our impact isn't defined solely by our projects, but in how we engage with the community, encourage others and how we inspire each other to act and *"Unite for Good"*!

Calendar

AUGUST

August 7th: Inaugural Address

August 14th: Dan Doherty

August 21st: Club Archives Presentation

August 28th: Greg McLean

August						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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SEPTEMBER

September 4th - Dr Mistata

September 11th - Brad Sewal

September 18th - Thomans keenan

September 25th - Manon Mitchell

SEPTEMBER						
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DATES TO REMEMBER – SAVE THESE!!

August 30th - Calgary Cavalry soccer game