



**RCCSP Weekly Bulletin December 16th, 2021**  
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Welcome to the **December 16th** meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I'm the Club's **President-Elect Jim Fitzowich**. Please join myself and **Hugh Delaney** for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.

**Jim Fitzowich: Western Canada Honey Industry update:** : As a matter of interest to those who love statistics, while oil and gas remains the pillar of Alberta economics, the honey industry is a major business and economic driver in Alberta. Over 80% of Canadian honey is produced in Alberta and the business has grown by over 30% in the last 10 years.



**HEAD TABLE:** Bryce Starlight, Stan Cichon, Pat Neuman, Jim Burns, Keith Davis



**GUESTS:** Myrna Dube-Thompson introduced our visitors and guests.

**50/50:** Michael Zacharki asked our guest speaker **Bryce Starlight** to draw the ticket for the \$120 prize, and he drew his own number. The first time in memory that has happened. Thanks taking part in the draw, Bryce.

**DINNER CLUB:** Pat Neuman: The Dinner Club is looking for members to start activities in January. Registration closes January 7, 2022. See the guidelines and form attached to the bulletin email.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:** Jim Fitzowich: Early bird registration is closing soon, so if you are planning on attending take advantage of the savings. See Page 6 of the bulletin

**HEALTH AND WELLNESS:** The contact for December is **Brenda McKinley**. Her email is: [b-mckinley@hotmail.com](mailto:b-mckinley@hotmail.com) and her phone number is: 403-870-4292.

- **Roger Jarvis:** is back in hospital at Rockyview. They think its complications related to his recent heart procedures.
- **Jim Hutchens:** getting around, pretty sore though with 6 cracked ribs
- **Tony Ng:** at home doing fine, will always take company especially to watch a game. Just call first





## CLUB NEWS:

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Keith Davis** tested the room on some Christmas trivia.

**(Editor's note: Keith should fine himself, because there are 8 reindeer, not 6, plus Rudolph)**

Name Santa's reindeer: You know **Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen, Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen**

But do you recall ... The most famous reindeer of all? **Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer**

Is there really some place by the name of North Pole? If so, where is it? **Yes. There are six towns in North America named "North Pole" and two in Australia.**

Give me three other names that Santa is known as elsewhere in the world? **Father Christmas, Kris Kringle, Pere Noel (French), Papa Noel (Spanish), Babbo Natale (Italian), Noel Baba (Turkish)**

The Three Wise Men, so the scriptures say, brought baby Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense & Myrrh. How do you spell **Myrrh**? What is frankincense? **It is a fragrance**

What is Myrrh? **It is a spice that was often used to embalm the dead, and also as a pain reliever. Either way you were going to be pain free.**



**Next Week's Meeting: Will be hosted by President-Elect Nominee Bryan Walton  
DECEMBER 23rd at ROTARY HOUSE: Cleven Awards and Christmas Social**

**Registration Link:**

<https://rotarycs.org/event/dec23-rccsp-lunch--cleven-and-christmas-social/>

**Please register by 9:00 am tomorrow morning**

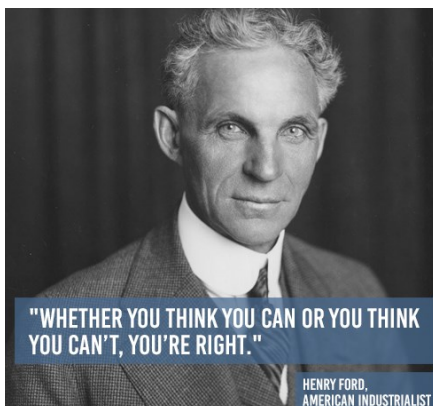


CLEVEN AWARDS

**JANUARY 6TH MEETING: President Craig's State of the Union address**

**JANUARY 13TH MEETING: Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park Annual General Meeting**

Guests are always welcome at Rotary meetings, these two January meetings will be discussing Club business. Guests will be asked to excuse themselves before the business portion of the meetings.



### **Final words:**

As we prepare ourselves for a New Year, I bring you a quote by Henry Ford on shaping the future:

***"Whether you think you can or think you can't,  
you're right"***

"And with that, our meeting is adjourned

**Thank you for coming. Have a great week!**





## GUEST SPEAKER: BRYCE STARLIGHT

**SPEAKER INTRO: Stan Cichon:** I have the distinct privilege of introducing a very knowledgeable community developer, Mr. Bryce Starlight. Bryce represents the Tsuut'ina Nation as the VP Development in partnership with Canderel MDC Development Management Inc. It is the entity responsible for the planning and comprehensive development of 1200 acres that is located adjacent to the southwest border of the City of Calgary. This comprehensive development encompasses three major precincts that will be developed over the next 20 years providing for a wide range of retail, office, entertainment, hospitality and institutional uses.



Ladies and gentlemen please allow me to share a very brief synopsis of Mr. Starlight's career:

Mr. Starlight currently has an active role in managing the planning and development activities with the Tsuut'ina Nation leadership as well as with their various administrative departments. He is directly involved in coordinating Legislative, Land Code and Property Tax development, as well as advising on the Nation's strategic Public Works expansion and growth. Starlight has an extensive background working with many aboriginal communities. He has been widely involved in both political and technical working groups relating to First Nations land management, water policy, and resource management.

Bryce previously spent over 5 years in the private sector, working closely with Aboriginal communities to develop their pipeline and transmission line applications throughout Alberta and BC. Mr. Starlight has earned a degree (a BA Political Science) from the University of Calgary as well as a Diploma from Mount Royal University. Ladies and Gentlemen: We are truly grateful and honoured that he is speaking to us this afternoon. Let us now extend a warm Calgary Stampede Park welcome for Mr. Bryce Starlight.

**SPEAKER: Mr Starlight** started by noting that the development on Tsuut'ina lands will more likely have a 10 year build out, rather than 20 years. He spoke to the proposed developments, the Taza (*noun of Dené origin: Language of the Tsuut'ina meaning: "Something wondrous is coming"*) partnership between the Nation and Canderel MDC Development Management, and how they are organized and structured to fit into the economy. The partnership is a stand-alone, autonomous entity that operates independently of Chief/Band Council direction.

Spanning 1,200 acres along Tsuut'ina Trail adjacent to SW Calgary, Taza is one of the largest First Nation development projects in North America. With three distinct Villages, its legacy encourages economic prosperity, entrepreneurial spirit and a shared vision for the future. Taza is founded on a set of standards that define an innovative framework to champion Tsuut'ina and all Indigenous communities to further transform and thrive. It operates under clear, concise legislative and jurisdictional parameters, and is dedicated to upholding treaty rights and obligations throughout its operations.



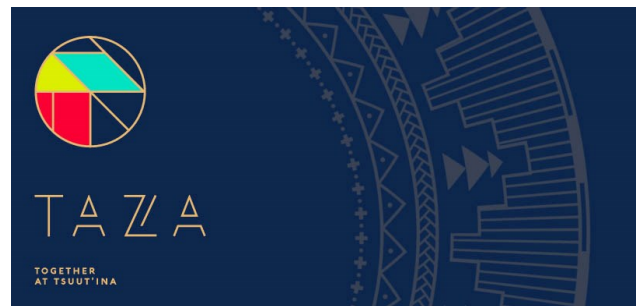


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The three interconnected Villages are Taza Park, a 530 acre commercial/residential/entertainment district adjacent to Grey Eagle casino; Taza Crossing, a 330 acre health/wellness/innovation district; and Taza Exchange, a 390 acre retail/office/tourism district, with the new COSTCO as an anchor tenant. Taza is connected by a comprehensive framework of Tsuut'ina and city of Calgary infrastructure that includes the newly constructed Tsuut'ina Trail and Southwest Calgary Ring Road.

Taza recognizes that transparent, accurate, and comparable Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) data is critical for evaluating a company's long-term sustainability. There is also a critical need to redefine ESG in an Indigenous context, so Taza is constantly seeking opportunities to make metrics reflective of Tsuut'ina worldviews and cultural priorities.

The Taza ESG Strategy aims to change the way people think about ESG in an Indigenous context. By developing with Tsuut'ina teachings and the goal of economic reconciliation in mind, Taza seeks to make a meaningful, measurable impact in topics that matter to the Nation.



For much more information and detail on this amazing development on our doorstep, visit the website at:

[www.togetherattaza.com](http://www.togetherattaza.com)

**SPEAKER THANKS:** Jim Burns thanked Mr. Starlight for his explanation of this fascinating program. They are doing a super job for the Nation and the City.

**In Closing: President-Elect Fitzowich:** Bryce, thank you for taking the time to visit us today. I know we could have kept you here all afternoon. In recognition of your time today, our Club will make a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. This gift will help support our community. Thank you.

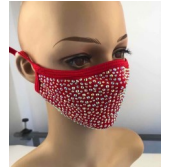
**MEETING LINK:** <https://youtu.be/k1jP8P6sCN4>





## CLUB NEWS

**MISSING MASK:** Ted Stack found a woman's face mask on the road just outside the Rotary House Gate on December 9th. It is wine coloured with rows of jewel like stones (similar to the photo). Ted Stack has this mask and would be delighted to return it to the owner washed and ready for use. Please contact Ted if this is yours.



## COMMUNITY KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY: Earl Huson

Here are our Community Kitchen Volunteer needs for 2022. Our task is to assist with the packing of food hampers.

**Tuesday January 11th: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm: Need to commit asap**

Monday February 7th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday March 15th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday April 4th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday May 17th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday June 13th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday July 12th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday September 12th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday October 18th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday November 21st:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday December 6th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



Contacts: Earl Huson at: (403) 686-0828 / [ehuslink@telusplanet.net](mailto:ehuslink@telusplanet.net) Ken Farn: at: (403) 560-6770/ [kgfarn@telusplant.net](mailto:kgfarn@telusplant.net)

Thank you for volunteering and representing our Club at this very worthwhile all-Clubs volunteer effort.

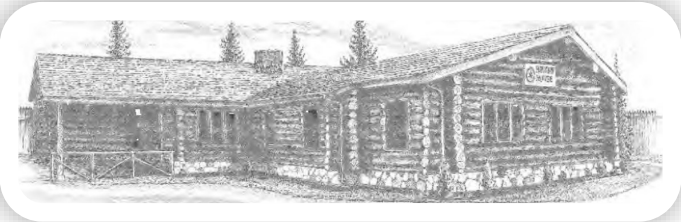
## The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park is active on FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM and TWITTER

This can be accessed though our Website: [www.rotarycs.org](http://www.rotarycs.org) at the bottom of the Home page.

To follow, simply click on icon of platform you wish to enter. Please send all interesting info to: [social@rotarycs.org](mailto:social@rotarycs.org)







## 2022 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION NEWS

Houston, which calls itself “the city with no limits,” reflects the limitless impact of our work in Rotary. Create change within yourself, your community, and the world.

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No matter who you are or where you’re from, you’re bound to find inspiration throughout the convention. It’s an experience unlike any other Rotary event, and it will renew your commitment to service and leadership.

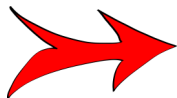
**Make new friends, connect with old ones and explore the diverse city of Houston or the House of Friendship.**

**Make global connections that ignite local action at all the convention events.**

Don’t miss your chance to Discover New Horizons and join us in **Houston, Texas June 4 to 8 2022**

There will also be a virtual convention option offers the opportunity to participate in events and share in the convention experience with your friends, family, club members, and community.

CLICK THE LINK



**REGISTER NOW!**

### ARE YOU GOING TO HOUSTON?

Several members of our club have registered. If you are going please let **Don Taylor or Murray Flegel** know.

At previous conventions members of the club have frequently come together for some social activities and Don or Murray ensure that you are kept up to date on such activities. **Kathyann is also keeping a list.**



### **New adaptation to Corinne's version: A Covid Christmas: Submitted by Bob Wiens**

Twas the night before Christmas, but Covid was here, So; we all had to stay extra cautious this year.  
Our masks were all hung by the chimney with care In case Santa forgot his and needed a spare.  
With Covid, we couldn't leave cookies or cake So we left Santa hand sanitizer to take.

The children were sleeping, the brave little tots The ones over 5 had just had their first shots,  
And mom in her kerchief and me in my cap Had just settled in for a long winter's nap.  
But we tossed and we turned all night in our beds As visions of variants danced in our heads.

Gamma and Delta and now Omicron These Covid mutations that go on and on  
I thought to myself, "If this doesn't get better, I'll soon be familiar with every Greek letter".

Then just as I started to drift off and doze A clatter of noise from the front lawn arose.  
I leapt from my bed and ran straight down the stair I opened the door, and an old gent stood there.

His N 95 made him look pretty weird But I knew who he was by his red suit and beard.  
I kept six feet away but blurted out quick " What are you doing here, jolly Saint Nick?"

Then I said, "Where's your presents, your reindeer and sleigh? Don't you know that tomorrow will be  
Christmas Day? ".  
And Santa stood there looking sad in the snow As he started to tell me a long tale of woe.

He said he'd been stuck at the North Pole alone All his white collar elves had been working from home,  
And most of the others said "Santa, don't hire us! We can live off the CERB now, thanks to the virus".

Those left in the toyshop had little to do. With supply chain disruptions, they could make nothing new.  
And as for the reindeer, they'd all gone away. None of them left to pull on his sleigh.

He said Dasher and Dancer were in quarantine, Prancer and Vixen refused the vaccine,  
Comet and Cupid were in ICU, So were Donner and Blitzen, they may not pull through.

And Rudolph's career can't be resurrected. With his shiny red nose, they all think he's infected.  
Even with his old sleigh, Santa couldn't go far. Every border to cross needs a new PCR.

Santa sighed as he told me how nice it would be If children could once again sit on his knee.  
He couldn't care less if they're naughty or nice But they'd have to show proof that they'd had their shot  
twice.

But then the old twinkle returned to his eyes. And he said that he'd brought me a Christmas surprise.  
When I unwrapped the box and opened it wide, Starlight and rainbows streamed out from inside.

Some letters whirled round and flew up to the sky And they spelled out a word that was 40 feet high.  
There first was an H, then an O, then a P, Then I saw it spelled HOPE when it added the E.

"Christmas magic" said Santa as he smiled through his beard. Then suddenly all of the reindeer appeared.  
He jumped into his sleigh and he waved me good-bye, Then he soared o'er the rooftops and into the sky.

I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight "Get your vaccines my friends, Merry Christmas, good-  
night".

Then I went back to bed and a sweet Christmas dream Of a world when we'd finished with Covid 19.





## PARTNERS in PRINT



### Christmas Tree Competition

The Christmas Tree Competition is still going on at Bracko Brothers Furniture located at: 5711 Blackfoot Trail SE. If you haven't made it down to the store yet please make sure to do so before December 31st.

Your donations of non-perishable food items will help put us in the "Winner's Circle" but the big winner would be The Calgary Food Bank!

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



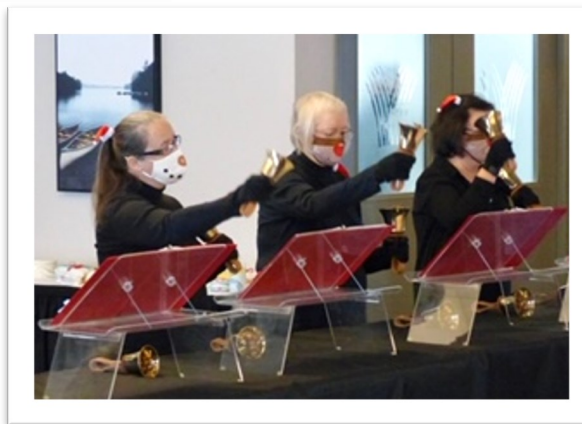
Rhonda Yaskowich, President  
Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park



## THE COLOURS OF CHRISTMAS

A great day was spent celebrating with Partners at our "Colours of Christmas". We were pleased that the Bell Ringer group "Tinnitus" was able to preform at our Colours of Christmas Luncheon! Their presentation really put everyone in the festive mood.

A big thank you to **Marlene Doherty** (who just happens to be the President of the Calgary West Rotary Club) and her fellow bell ringers for taking time out of their busy days to be with us. Their performance was enjoyed by all!







**You're Invited to Join  
Tom Jackson  
this holiday season as he presents The Huron Carole!**



**This event has been running for over 30 years and has limited availability. Join us for the retelling of a classic Canadian story and other Christmas music performed by Tom Jackson's Group on December 22nd at 7:00 P.M**

**For \$25 Dollars**

**You will get a ticket to this Virtual Event with all net proceeds being donated to **I Can for Kids.****

**The remarkable Charity that is dedicated to helping the over 50,000 Calgarian children that are living below the poverty line.**

**Celebrate with your family while bringing a miracle to others.**

**<https://icanforkids.ca/>**

**Register or Donate Here! <https://bit.ly/31F1fON>**





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# Calendar of Events



**DECEMBER 23rd: ROTARY HOUSE:**  
Cleven Awards and Christmas Social  
Registration Link:

<https://rotarycs.org/event/dec23-rccsp-lunch--cleven-and-christmas-social/>

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**DECEMBER 30th: NO MEETING**  
**Happy New Year**

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**JANUARY 6th: ROTARY HOUSE:**  
President's State of the Union Address  
Registration Link:

<https://rotarycs.org/event/january-6th-2022--state-of-the-union-address/>



**JANUARY 13th: ROTARY HOUSE:**  
RCCSP Club Annual General Meeting  
Registration Link:

<https://rotarycs.org/event/january-13-2022--rccsp-annual-general-meeting/>



**JANUARY 20th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
Burns Day Celebration



**JANUARY 27th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
Debra Yedlin: Calgary Chamber



**FEBRUARY 3rd: ROTARY HOUSE**  
To Be Announced



**FEBRUARY 10th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
Valentine's Day Luncheon



**FEBRUARY 17th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
Rotary Profile



**FEBRUARY 24th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
Myles Hamilton: Plant Protein Industry in Western Canada: CanMar Foods Ltd



**MARCH 3rd: ROTARY HOUSE**  
International Women's Day

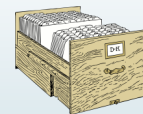
**MARCH 10th: ROTARY HOUSE**  
To Be Announced





#### MEMBERSHIP DOCUMENTS: Submitted by Penny Leckie

Various committees in RCCSP have created documents that include great ideas, suggestions and recommendations of how to increase membership, enhance member experience and improve membership retention. What we haven't done well is share this information with the committees that can actually implement these changes.



We're asking members to search computers/records for these documents and forward them. **Penny Leckie** has graciously volunteered her employee: to be the "point person" who will gather the info and merge the documents into a single PDF that can be shared with members of membership committees. Once the committees have all the suggestions in one document, it will be easy for them to review the documents and see what ideas they would like to implement. Kristie's email address is: [kristle.panfili@taxtherapist.ca](mailto:kristle.panfili@taxtherapist.ca)

#### DIRECTORS / COMMITTEE CHAIRS: DOCUMENT AND MATERIAL RETENTION

Please begin having discussions with all Committee Chairs about the importance of keeping digital documentation of all committee "works" that are currently going on. Please keep **digital** copies of your committee info so that we continue to engage with the technology we just spent the last year learning how to do during the pandemic



The Archives Committee are in the process of digitizing all of our Club Documents, Minutes, Financial Statements and any other relevant information for referential and historical purposes.

We also want to continue this policy moving forward so that we will have collective information moving forward. Please contact Secretary **Luanne Whitmarsh**, **Kathyann Reginato** or a member of the Archives Committee if you require any further clarification on how to do this. **Thank you**

## 2021/2022 RCCSP OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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