

RCCSP Weekly Bulletin February 17th 2022 Volume Number 67, Issue Number 28

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Welcome to the February 17th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Craig Stokke.

With the bizarre weather we've been having lately, with our 20 degree temperature swings from one day to another, I thought I would tell you about the Chinook.

- The word Chinook is a native term meaning "snow eater". The word "Chinook" also <u>refers</u> to members of an American Indian tribe on he north shore of the Columbia River (where the winds originate). Of course in Holly-wood, thanks to Leonardo DiCaprio, the word means "global warming".
- While Chinooks can occur on the downward slope of any mountain in the world, including areas in Argentina and the Swiss Alps, in Canada they are most common in southern Alberta. More specifically in the Pincher Creek area and Crowsnest Pass. Because of Calgary's size, our Chinook winds are famous worldwide (or so we thought, Leo).
- In 1962, Pincher Creek saw record temperature rise of 41 °C from -19 to 22 °C in just an hour.
- Once the warm wind sets in it can melt ice at a rate of up to one inch per hour and turn inches of snow into puddles of water, fast.



• And finally, while most Albertans welcome the warm winds with open arms, some believe that the winds trigger migraine headaches (also called Chinook headaches). However, some studies have debunked this myth by saying there is not sufficient evidence to determine that link.

And that is your weather lesson for the day. Please join me for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.

HEAD TABLE: Rudy Ruberto, Carol Rosdobutko, Rob Wolfson, PP Terry Allen, PP Chas Filipski

GUESTS: Roselyn Jack introduced our guests followed by the "Welcome Song" and President Craig thanked everyone for coming in person and on zoom!

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT CHANGE: Craig Stokke: There will be a change in the way we register for our weekly meetings effective the March 3rd meeting with the Mayor. In order to simplify the ordering process, we are changing from ordering meals on ClubRunner to a new platform that is much simpler and easy to navigate. It's like buying something on Amazon. You will be able to order and pay for a sandwich, a meal, or coffee, or a combination. I think you will really appreciate the change. The link will be sent out for you to use in the weekly email from Kathyann.





Past President Filipski and Past President Allen





HAPPY 67[™] BIRTHDAY

ROTARY CLUB OF MANCHESTER TO ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK

67 years ago in 1955, 38 members of the Calgary Community and their Partners, many of whom were members of the Rotary Club of Calgary met in the Palliser Hotel Crystal Room to begin the formation of the Rotary Club of Manchester. The Charter night was held on April, 1955 after receiving approval from Rotary International.

Peter Penner writes in his book: "Basically there were two good reasons for chartering a new Rotary Club in Calgary. The Calgary Club needed one close at hand in this burgeoning city for makeup attendance. As well they wanted a project to mark the fiftieth Anniversary of Rotary International. It was after all 1955, Calgary's growing business was expanding and President Ron Jenkins, later called the father of the Manchester/South Club, was anxious about these factors. Jenkins was the owner of Jenkins Grocery stores in Calgary.

The first seemed (make ups) to outweigh the second. Concerned about 100% attendance at the time, Jenkins wanted to avoid the long drive to do attendance make ups at Banff or High River, the only other Rotary clubs within a reasonable distance. Curly Galbraith a member of the Parent club and had 53 years of perfect attendance, recalled that some members would meet at the Palliser on a Thursday at 4 PM to catch Jenkins car pool to either Banff or High River for their supper meetings.



Jenkins prepared a survey of District Businessmen who fit the classification system and would be great Rotarians. In those days Rotary members were expected to be selected from a certain Territory and name: Manchester was chosen as the area for recruiting new members. It should be noted that one of the supporters for the new Club was Leishman McNeil, grandfather of our own Neill Magee. Neill's Dad, Don McNeil was one of the charter members of the new club along with our George Adam. Much of the history and archival material that was used in Peter's book was maintained by George in the club archives. We are so fortunate that his great Rotarian had so much foresight.

The new club met in the Palliser Hotel for the first year and a half. In December of 1956 the Directors decided to switch to the new Fort Calgary House within the Stampede Stockade beginning in January 1957. Eventually, of course Rotary International realized that recruitment of members from a specific geographical area was restrictive and in 1971 the Board of Directors received permission from Rotary International to change the name of the club to the Rotary Club of South Calgary and somewhat later to the Rotary Club of Calgary South. Then on November 18th, 2019 we changed again to the Rotary Club of Calgary and International communities. We can take pride in our commitments as Rotarians as we celebrate our 67th birth-day today.

SUBMITTED BY: Terry Allen



CLUB NEWS

RI CONVENTION: Craig Stokke: As we assumed, RI has confirmed that the 2022 Rotary International Convention will be an **in-person** event in Houston, June 4-8. We have a large number of people from our Club attending. But, to encourage attendance, there is a special registration rate of US\$495 through the end of February (which is retroactive to 16 December). Any registrations made at the US\$575 rate since 16 December will automatically be refunded the difference in price — so if you were thinking about going, take advantage of this price break.

BUSINESS CLUB: Melanie Todd: The first event will be February 23rd from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. You will hear from Len Hamm about his successes, failures and key learnings as owner of Thomas Jeffery Men's Wear. It will be held in Len's retail store on Macleod Trail. This is a new club providing tremendous mentoring and sharing, and networking oppor-

tunities for both Members and guests – tickets are available at <u>www.rotarystampedepark.com</u> and must be purchased by Feb 21st More information has been sent to all members and you can also **check the bulletin**.



HEALTH & Contact for February is Hugh Delaney

Sharyl Madigan's husband had a medical emergency this week and is home now but under the care of medical professionals. The Club wishes our best to Sharyl and family

Keith Davis: started out by fining Len Hamm and Melanie Todd for all the free ad-ISGT AT ARMS vertising in the Bulletin lately, but then suspended the sentence because it is "Do a Nice Thing for Somebody Day" (really?).



We all enjoy living in Calgary, but how many of us really known our city well? I thought today would be a good day to work on that knowledge a bit.

- **Q**: What is the current population of Calgary? **A**: 1,306,784
- Q: What is the current population of the Calgary Metropolitan Area? A: 1,481,806
- Q: What is Calgary's largest community by population? A: Panorama Hills, with 25,993 residents; second is the Beltline, with 21,939; and third is Evergreen with 21,700 people.
- Q: Where does Calgary rank in Canadian cities by size? A: We are fourth largest, behind Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver.
- Q: 67.8% of Calgarians list English as their first language. What languages are next, in order, by the number of people who have them as their first language? A: Tagalog, Cantonese, Mandarin and Spanish. French in Calgary is 1.5%, or approximately 20,000 people. Tagalog, for those of you who are curious, is the most prominent language spoken in the Philippines.
- Q: What is Canada's highest 'official city' above sea level? A: Airdrie, at 1,098 metres or 3,602 feet above sea level. Calgary is next at 1,045 metres or 3,428 feet above sea level.

Next meeting: As Melanie mentioned, the first Business Club meeting is scheduled for February 23rd and I encourage you all to support the Club and Len. I am personally looking very forward to it.

Next Thursday, we are back at Rotary House, Myles Hamilton from CanMar Foods will be our speaker. If you have a friend or Rotarian from another club who may be interested please consider inviting them to our meeting.

NEXT WEEK (FEB 24th) AT ROTARY HOUSE Please register with the link below in ClubRunner

Myles Hamilton:

Plant Protein Industry in Western Canada: CanMar Foods Ltd Register: https://rotarycs.org/event/feb-24--myles-hamilton--canmar-foods/







Final words:

As always, I finish by encouraging you to ask yourself: What do you need from our Rotary Club this Week? And What does our Club and Community need from you this week? And with that, our meeting is adjourned

Thank you for coming. Have a great week!

THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: https://youtu.be/yNS5L6ZgHL4

FUTURE MEETING REGISTRATIONS: We have attempted to make it easier to register and we will be using: <u>www.rotarystampedepark.com</u> for all future meetings starting with March 3rd 2022

MARCH 3rd AT ROTARY HOUSE

Mayor Gondek and International Women's Day Register: <u>www.rotarystampedepark.com</u> Please use this link to register for all meetings from now on

MARCH 10th AT ROTARY HOUSE

Dave Dickenson: Calgary Stampeder's Head Coach Register: <u>www.rotarystampedepark.com</u>

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Celebrating Murray Flegel's Birthday in Palm Desert with great Rotary friends: The Flegel's, The Legare's, Betty Stein, The Martin's and The Jakubec's

The wine was fine, the food superb and everyone had a great time."







SPEAKER: ROB WOLFSON: ROTARY LEARNING CENTRE

SPEAKER INTRODUCTION: Rudy Roberto introduced Rob Wolfson who Rob joined the Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook in 2014 and has been actively involved within the club on many committees, and at the board level, since 2016. He is Past President for the 2020 – 21 Rotary year. Rob was the Lead Chair of Rotary Ribfest YYC in 2019 and 2021 and Rotary McMahon Movie Night in 2020, two community focused fund raising events which the Chi-



nook and Centennial Clubs collaborated together to bring to our city. Rob joined the District's Learning and Development Committee in 2019 as The Learning Center Liaison.

Rob is a competitive 5 pin bowler and was the Men's Calgary City Champion in 2016 and has a gold medal from Nationals while representing Alberta. He also volunteers and coaches youth bowlers in weekly youth leagues at Toppler Bowl. He is also one of city's Provincial team tournament coaches as part of Calgary's Youth Provincial contingent. Rob is married to Angela, and has two children aged 17 and 20.

SPEAKER: Rob Wolfson: The Learning Centre

The best kept secret for expanding your learning and development in Rotary is The Learning Centre on the RI website. It is an amazing tool and resource to increase your knowledge about Rotary whether you are a new member or a seasoned veteran. This Rotary Training Resource is full of Learning & Development material, especially in the Learning Centre. There are now more than 450 individual courses available for Rotarians to access and learn from in the comfort of their home and when the time works best for them. Check out the Course Catalogue for all the great modules they have.

Rob spoke to:

- What is The Rotary Learning Center?
- Where to Find The Rotary Learning Center?
- How to Use the Rotary Learning Center
- Who Should Use The Rotary Learning Center
- Why I am Telling You About The Rotary Learning Center

The Learning Centre is:

- Online wealth of Rotary knowledge and information
- One stop shop for Learning and Development from the comfort of your own home and at your convenience
- Easily accessible to all members
- Will be of value to all members during their Rotary tenure (when needed)
- One of RI's Best Kept Secrets

As a simple starting point I strongly encourage you to check it out and take the Rotary Basics tutorial to brush up on what it means to be a Rotarian. They also have a quick "How to Use the Learning Center" Module as well.

Follow these simple steps to access the Centre:

1. Go to www.rotary.org

2. Click the Home icon for "My Rotary".

3. Find the "Member Center" which open up other drop lists of items and then choose The Learning Center under Online Tools.

4. You may have to Sign In here or Create an Account here. If you don't have a My Rotary Account already you need to create one (note this not the same as Club runner)

5. Find the Module to try out. As mentioned above the best two for starting out is how to use the Learning Center and then Rotary Basics. From there pick the topic that interests you the most based on the role you have (or want to learn about) in your club.



Rob provided several examples of the information and courses available, and how they can be applied to Rotary activities and management. An example of one of the topics available in the Learning Centre is Learning Plans for Club Officers. Club officers each have a learning plan (or series of courses) that we recommend before taking office.

New courses are added as they are developed. For example we are in the process of creating a course on how to run a committee. This would go in all of these learning plans. You can go back any time to review content or save it in your favorites to find it more easily. These courses also provide resource materials that you can easily download.





Rob strongly recommends that Members look at the information available in their areas of interest or responsibility and take advantage of the plethora of knowledge that has been compiled. New members and veteran Rotarians will find it useful as a knowledge based resource. It will help New Members, Club Leadership, District Leadership and Committee Chairs.

Rob wants to raise awareness and encourage RCCSP Members to take advantage of the Learning Centre. Currently only 56% of our Members have a "My Rotary" Account, which is required to access the Centre, and only 2 Club members have accessed the Learning Centre to date. This compares to 64% of District Rotarians with a My Rotary account, and 185 users of the Learning Centre, or 12% of all District Rotarians. These numbers are growing, but his objective is to increase awareness of the resource and grow the numbers.

One of our users is **PP Chas Filipski**, who noted that he was directed to the Centre by his predecessor, **Ron Prokosch**, as a valuable resource. There is a wealth of information available which helps prevent reinventing the Rotary Wheel, and provides a repository of ideas from worldwide Rotary Clubs.

For the full presentation please access the PowerPoint Presentation – Rotary Learning Centre referenced in the bulletin: <u>Rotary Learning Centre Presentation</u>

SPEAKER THANKS: Carol Rosdobutko thanked Rob, noting the Rotary Website as well as the Learning Centre has much valuable and interesting material. She feels somewhat remiss that she has not accessed the Learning Centre and will do so in the future.

IN CLOSING: **Craig Stokke** Rob, thank you for taking the time to visit us today and reminding us that there are tremendous tools available to our members and Clubs without having to re-invent the wheel. I know we could have kept you here all afternoon with questions. 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.





BUSINESS CLUB EVENT

February 23rd

ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK

Learn how the business was built. Networking & Refreshments to follow.

Hosted by Len Hamm at Thomas Jeffery Men's Wear



tickets at: rotarystampedepark.com



LEN HAMM Owner of Thomas Jeffery Men's Wear

www.rotarystampedepark.com

DETAILS

Host: Len Hamm will be our host for our first RCCSP Business Club Meeting

When: Feb. 23, 2022 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Where: Thomas Jeffery Men's Wear #303, 7337 Macleod Trail SW

Cost: \$20.00 (includes food & drink)

Focus for each meeting:

- A narrative of their success & failures, key learnings.
- To promote Rotary Motto "SERVICE ABOVE SELF" mentorship to other members.
- To demonstrate the value of not only philanthropy and fellowship but networking and education.





BULLETIN FEATURE: Sarah Brown: Services I Offer

For those of you that haven't had the opportunity to meet Sarah we would like to let you know that she has been assisting the <u>Social Media Committee</u> and she is <u>Don Bacon's grand daughter</u>. Sarah is on the hunt for a paying gig and we would like to thank her for the work she is doing by supporting her in this endeavour.

SARAH'S SKILL SET:

I have a Business Diploma in Finance, a Bachelor of Management majoring in Marketing with a double minor in International Business, (where I went on 2 international exchanges) and New Media, and most recently graduated with a Digital Marketing Certificate. This combination of schooling and my life experiences have contributed to my vast knowledge of Education, Marketing, Business, Digital Marketing, International Business and many different cultures, Finance as well as many other areas. With these vast skills I have a desire to pass on my knowledge and am offering my services in the following, but not limited to, areas.

Tutoring: I have such a passion for education that I have found ways to get others to enjoy it, or learn in their learning style and am able to tutor students of all ages in most subjects. I also specialize in students with ADHD as I have found ways to navigate my own disability (which I call my superpower)

Basic Finance: I enjoy budgeting, taxes, financial planning, financial literacy and saving strategies, among other areas.

Business/Marketing/Digital Marketing: Marketing is mostly all digital these days so I tend to focus on digital marketing but print and paper is still in my wheel house. For digital marketing I am able to start from the beginning and help with a business plan, then build a website and register domains, get the business setup on Google and then everything after from; basic search engine optimization, ads, google analytics, but my specialty is social media where I can increase followers, gain interactions, increase visibility, and in the end increase customers or sales for the business. I also do mystery shopping, if you have a business or client in which you are looking to evaluate anonymously.

Computers: everything is done on computers these days and I know not everyone grew up in the digital age where this knowledge is second hand. I enjoy helping others with anything on computers. Microsoft programs, basic computer functions, emails, basic design, typing, internet capabilities and anything else one could struggle with on a computer. I am more than happy to help with anything that may be lacking from your computer knowledge.

Basic help: some other things I would be available for are pet sitting, house sitting, dog walking, meal prepping, driving services, transcription, and volunteering opportunities. My grandparents and parents are my biggest supporters and I help them in all of these ways plus many more, I am more than willing to share my services for anyone that needs any kind of assistance.

If any of the above areas are something you think I could help with, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, no problem is too small, and I am confident I can solve any inquiry you have in the above-mentioned areas. Please contact me at **403-510-7347 or**

sarah brown 106@hotmail.com Thanks and look forward to assisting any way I can!

TOBY OSWALD-FELKER'S TESTIMONAL:

Sarah is a young woman who, as her resume suggest wears many hats. I recently had Sarah in for a private Tutorial on Social Media and not only did we have a great time, but I can now say that I am on my way to some small expertise on Facebook!!!! I thought I knew quite a bit but she taught me tricks I never would have discovered on my own.

We have set up further dates to continue adding to my knowledge base and fixing some of the long standing computer issues I have encountered. She is patient, knowledgeable and FUN and I'm learning so much all in a one on one format and the comfort of my home!!



ALL CLUBS EVENT



James Wheeler Davidson Luncheon Celebrating the "Marco Polo" of Rotary

Join The Rotary Club of Calgary (Downtown) on March

1st for a special ALL clubs Rotary luncheon celebrating James Wheeler Davidson, who dedicated himself to expanding Rotary worldwide. His background as an adventurer, journalist, diplomat, and businessman created his vision of Rotary as a vehicle to spread peace through friendship worldwide. He is now celebrated from Bombay to Melbourne to Athens and many places between and beyond.

James Wheeler Davidson had a huge impact on the Internationalization of Rotary. I believe that his legacy, more fully known among Rotarians in our region, could be very valuable in building member and community pride, recruitment and multi-club collaborations.

Advance ticket purchase is required for this luncheon on March 1st, at the Palliser Hotel's Crystal Ballroom. Spouses and partners are welcome. **Purchase Your Tickets to the First Annual JWD Luncheon**

DISTRICT 5360 EVENT: ROTARY FOUNDATION

https://tinyurl.com/TRF-2022

CELEBRATE OUR FOUNDATION!



Join us for a fast-paced 90-minute variety style show, with entertainers and some of the most talented leaders in Rotary. **Celebrate Rotarians Doing Good In The World.** This is our call to action! Rotary is needed more than ever!



Join us on February 23, 2022

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CELEBRATE OUR FOUNDATION!



WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT!

One Voice Children's Choir, Violinist Francisco Fullana, BYU Vocal Point and Alex Lifeson of RUSH!





Join us on February 23, 2022 https://tinyurl.com/TRF-2022







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you book a pickup time and the depot will come to your home or office and pickup your recyclables (including old electronics and clothing). <u>https://skipthedepot.com/locations/calgary-recycling</u>



COMMUNITY KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY Submitted by: Earl Huson

March 15th: We are building Good Food Boxes this day and we need 20 volunteers. Your help is needed! Volunteers are required. Click on <u>Sign Up</u> to view available slots and book yourself directly online.

Tuesday March 15th:

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Monday April 4th: Tuesday May 17th: Monday June 13th: Tuesday July 12th: Monday September 12th: Tuesday October 18th: Monday November 21st: Tuesday December 6th:

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING !!!



Calendar

Events

FEBRUARY 23RD: RCCSP BUSINESS CLUB MEETING Hosted by Len Hamm at Thomas Jeffery Men's Wear 6:30 to 8:30 pm REGISTRATION LINK: <u>https://rotarystampedepark.com/</u>

FEBRUARY 24th: ROTARY HOUSE: Register by 9:00 am on February 18th Myles Hamilton: Plant Protein Industry in Western Canada: CanMar Foods Ltd Register: <u>https://rotarycs.org/event/feb-24--myles-hamilton--canmar-foods/</u>

MARCH 3rd: ROTARY HOUSE—Register by February 25th at 9:00 am Mayor Gondek and International Women's Day Register: www.rotarystampedepark.com

MARCH 10th: ROTARY HOUSE—Register by M arch 4th at 9:00 am Dave Dickenson: Calgary Stampeders Register: www.rotarystampedepark.com

MARCH 17th: ROTARY HOUSE St. Patrick's Day

MARCH 24th: ROTARY HOUSE To Be Announced

MARCH 31st: ROTARY HOUSE To Be Announced

APRIL 7th: ROTARY HOUSE Rollie Cyr: Calgary Flames







International Women's Day











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PLEASE BEAR WITH US AS WE LEARN AND REMEMBER TO FOLLOW US!!!

This can be done by accessing our Website: **www.rotarycs.org** at the bottom of the Home page. **To follow**, CLICK on icon of platform you wish to enter. Send all interesting Club info to: <u>social@rotarycs.org</u>