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at Stampede Park

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the February 1st 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 2023-24.

Please join me, accompanied by Vitalia Vas, in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table (L-R): Rhonda Yaskowich, Kathy Demorest, Sue Lasher, President Bryan Walton, Partner's President Teresa Stokke, Jim Hutchens



See you next week
for our Valentine's
event xoxo

Welcome Rotary
Partners!

We are back in
Rotary House!

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



Today's Meeting:

Today's guests were introduced by **David Field**. Welcome Rotary Partners!

Guest speaker, **Teresa Stokke**, pulled the 50/50, announcing that **Rudy Ruberto** won \$155!

John Fitzsimmons emptied our Rotary friend's pockets, calling on **Stacey Johnson** and **Don Taylor** to answer some Rotary based trivia questions, which they got fined for. Lucky for **Lynn Topp** and his attention to details, he was the only one to answer the question correctly. **Keith Davids, Dilan Perera, Rudy Ruberto** and those who are going down south in the next two months were fined. John fined Jim on behalf of Bryan Walton.'



Kathy Demorest struck out a poem, based off the Dr Suess Book, "Oh, The Places You'll Go." She extended a 'thank you' to **Allan Johnson** and **Sherry Austin**. Kathy talked (or should I say rhymed,) on the Social Committee and all the great things that they are doing! It was lovely to hear you speak today Kathy! Click [here](#) for her presentation slides.



Catherine Brownlee spoke on our new member event- theme being passports! We are still looking for sponsors for this event

Glen Godlonton called up **Marietta Maier, Norm Rose, Evan Strong & Miles Hamilton** to get their red stripe taken away! They have accomplished all the required steps to have the red stripe removed

Sue Lasher gave today's classification talk. She was born in Olds where her family worked in the oil patch. After spending some time in the industry, she soon realized she wanted to change paths and go to school in Funeral Services. She graduated as one of three women in her class, making her name known in this field. It is amazing that Sue could represent women working in the Funeral industry where she pushed standards, while being able to help and comfort many people along the way. Sue mentioned her love/hate relationship of running, having completed a full marathon! Dorothea is her Rotary mentor and friend.

"The kind of good fun that makes us feel like one." - Kathy Demorest

Rotary Partners

Jim Hutchens introduced our speaker, Partners President Teresa Stokke.

Partners President Teresa Stokke began with announcing great news regarding Partner's hard work. The Rotary Partners work and dedication won them first place in the Braco Homes Food Bank Drive! The pile of food overflowing their Christmas tree granted them with \$5000 towards the Partners and the charities they support! Thank you so much to the 88 women who want to create a positive change, from donating their time to sell Dream home tickets, to supporting many charities. Thank you so much President Teresa Stokke for all your contributions to the Partners, you are doing a wonderful job!

Denise MacLeod enlightened us on the history of the 'Rotary Anns.' She stated that her spouse Kevin is "tired of having all the Rotary archives in their house." Rotary Partners has changed overtime, still keeping the message of helping others. Dues were once a 'steep price...' of \$2. they played bingo, had guest speakers, annual garage sales and a 'Cotton Ball.'



It is nice to see where our contributions go towards. **Rhonda Yaskowich** spoke on what our funds go towards, and where greatest needs are. "We are honored to be able to help out the community and beyond!"

Teresa, 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. Thank you so much Rotary Partners!

Announcements Watch the video and check the calendar on our website for more details!



Negotiating the tricky ice, the snowshoes/spike hikers required careful navigation, with varying speeds among the group. Our picnic lunch by the lake offered a scenic view, although we faced persistent attempts by Whiskey Jacks to snatch our food, particularly cookies. To add to the adventure, a sizeable Raven paid us a visit, causing some unease among those with bird phobias, although thankfully, it refrained from any dramatic dives.



Dana Hunter and Ernie Yaskowich have a full car thanks to Rotarians and their support to donate to Alpha House. Alpha House helps Calgarian's in active addiction who are homeless, with approximately 200 guests per night. We will keep you updated on the goods run in next week's bulletin!



Health & Wellness
Your health and Wellness contact for January is **Dorothea Schaab**
schaabd@gmail.com

Dilan Perera got his right knee replaced. We are happy you can be back on your feet soon enough!

Business Club Meeting

Join us **February 7th** for some business fun with **Stacey Johnson**. Networking and refreshments to follow.

We will be meeting at Print Three, Bay 65 1011-57 Ave NE between 6 and 8 PM. See you there!

For more information or to register go to rotarystampedepark.com



Please RSVP to Pat Neuman at pneman647@gmail.com

WHERE: Aspen Heights Retirement Residence
15 Aspen Summit Drive SW

Free Parking

Heritage Park Club Celebrating our 25th Anniversary

Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park will be celebrating our 25th anniversary with an evening at (where else than) the *Wainwright Hotel in Heritage Park*. Join us for a fun evening of camaraderie with fellow Rotarians as we learn about the birth of a new club and the incredible Rotary accomplishments we have made in a (relatively) brief timeframe. Your attendance would be highly appreciated, as we attribute part of our success to collaborating with the numerous outstanding clubs in Calgary.

For more information and to register click:
<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/385/Event/25th-anniversary-celebration>



From the Secretary Desk:

1. The Membership Package has been updated! Huge thanks to Bruce MacDonald who spent a lot of time helping me make the Package fulsome! Many others sent in their suggestions – thanks so much! I am attaching a copy of the Package for your information and it is now on the website. It is vital to continue to attract great people to our Club. We need strong and successful people to join our amazing Club and this package is meant to assist make this happen! The Package is set as:
 - a. General information for you to promote our Club
 - b. Information for prospective members; outlining expectations and benefits
 - c. Information for incoming members; responsibilities and engagement
 - d. Information for sponsors; how to keep the new member involved, your responsibilities

I hope you find this helpful as we continue to build our strong membership! I am always open to your continued updates and information.

2. AGAIN, registration for meeting is completed at 10:00 on Friday and the site is taken down. You are expected to have your order in and hopefully paid for by then. This is not new – it is just being reinforced so I don't have to spend my weekend doing registrations. Please make sure you are registered and please pay online please. Thanks so much.
Today (February 1, 24), for example, there were 61 people registered and the we had 27 people walked-in!!! This is not fair to the registration desk members....
3. It is really important to have all make-ups recorded. The District and RI are calculating attendance. This is not new – this is a reminder! Please forward all of your make-ups for this Rotary year as soon as you can to admin@rotarycs.org
4. Terry Kellam has resigned from our Club due to increased business pressures. We thank him for his contribution and wish him well! Hopefully when life settles down Terry will consider coming back to our Club!
5. Darlene Whitmore has resigned from our Club due to personal reasons. We thank her for her contribution and wish her well! Hopefully when life settles down Darlene will consider coming back to our Club!
6. For ALL meetings after our weekly meetings – they MUST be requested. It is not assumed that the room is available so please email admin@rotarycs.org and we will request and let you know.



-yours in Rotary! Luanne Whitmarsh

THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ca7q-PLefU8>

Closing:

Next week's Meeting: February 8th in Rotary House

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
www.rotarystampedepark.com



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL







Dahlia ElShafie-Mostafa has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park transferring from Downtown Club with a proposed Classification of Communications.

If any Member objects to **Dahlia ElShafie-Mostafa** 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 *February 8th*.








FEBRUARY

1st: Partners Presentation
2nd: RCCSP Wine Club
Feed the Hungry at the Mustard Seed
4th: 'Fiddler on the Roof'
6th: Calgary Food Bank
7th: Business Club
8th: Valentines Day Meeting
9th: Chinese New Year Celebration
22nd: Bring a Guest Day

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
						
						
						

3rd:	Jubileations Dinner Theatre "The Beach boys of Summer"	
9th:	St. Mary's High School Big Band Annual Dinner	
10th:	Social Committee- Everly Brothers	
17th:	Happy St Patricks Day!	SUN
23rd:	"Rock the Nation" at Studio Bell	25

MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
 3	4	5	6	7	8	 9
 10	11	12	13	14	15	16
 17	18	19	20	21	22	 23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

Wine Club- Contact Pat Neuman pneuman647@gmail.com

Fiddler on the Roof- February 4th at 2pm by Painted Fish Preforming Society. Purchase tickets at <https://paintedfish.ca>

Chinese New Year at Regency Palace. Register at rotarystampedepark.com

Jubilations Dinner Theatre "The Beach boys of Summer" 5 pm
Cost is \$54. Contact Pat Neuman at pneuman647@gmail.com

"Walk Right Back"- the Everly Brothers \$66.60 at Grey Eagle Casino. Contact Pat Neuman at pneuman647@gmail.com

"Rock the Nation" at Studio Bell (National Music Centre) 12 noon show, followed by lunch at King Eddy.