

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the February 22nd meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Jim Bladon, and it’s my honor to be your President-Elect in this Club for 2024-25. President Bryan sends his regards.

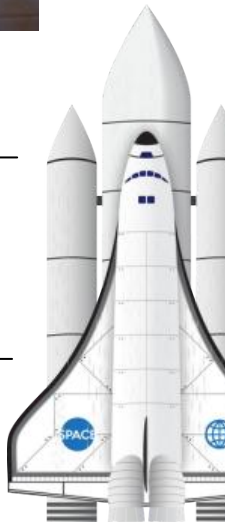
Please join me, accompanied by Vitaliia Vash, in the singing of O’Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table (L-R) : Penny Leckie, Gord Weicker, Cathie Saroka, Jim Bladon, Nagwan Al-Guneid, Jim Fitzowich



Speaker: MLA Nagwan Al-Guneid	Welcome lovely guests to our ‘bring a guest’ meeting	District Conference Announced
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Click [HERE](#) to register for next week’s meeting and [HERE](#) for this week’s meeting link



Today's Meeting:

Sue Lasher introduced our many guests, followed by the Welcome Song.

Michael Zacharki pulled today's \$145 50/50. Our guest speaker picked a number which allowed **Terry Allen** to have a 'spare 20 bucks.' Congrats on the winnings! Spend it well.

When announcing our Sergeant at Arms, Rotarians knew their pockets would soon be empty. **John Fitzsimmons** fined almost everyone; from those who didn't bring a guest to those with happy bucks. We had some great news today from some of our Rotarians. Thanks for sharing them!

NET ZERO BY 2035

Our Guest Speaker was introduced by **Jim Fitzowich**

Nagwan Al-Guneid

In May 2023, **Nagwan Al-Guneid** secured the position of Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Glenmore. Prior to her election, **Nagwan** served as the director of Business Renewables Centre Canada. Her professional journey includes diverse roles at Energy Futures Lab and TotalEnergies, spanning the oil and gas as well as oil sands sectors.

Recognized for her outstanding contributions to business, **Nagwan** has been honored with prestigious awards such as the Globe and Mail's Top 50 Business Changemakers in Canada, Avenue Magazine's Top 40 under 40, and the 2020 Young Women in Energy award. She holds two degrees from the University of Calgary, with her master's thesis concentrating on collaborative approaches between the public and private sectors to tackle climate change. Watch the video [HERE](#) for the full presentation.

Cathie Saroka thanked our speaker

Ms Al-Guneid, 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.



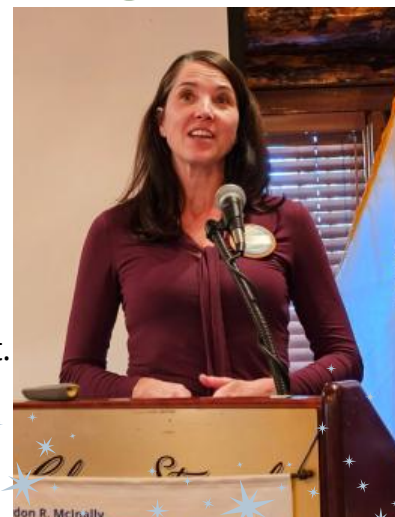
Announcements From the Meeting

The district conference was announced by our DisConsaurous Rex! Hope to see you all in Drumheller from May 4th to 5th. Thanks Rex for the awesome video!

Pat Neuman announced another Wine Club event happening March 1st. At the only urban winery in Calgary Rotarians can try some wine and charcuterie while spending time with other great members of the club. Please contact **Pat** for more information at pneuman647@gmail.com

Cathie Saroka spoke at our amazing 'passport' themed New Member Event.

Business Club is back! Join **Allan Johnson** at Sheraton Labels on March 13th to discuss and learn with other members. Thank you **Melanie Todd** for speaking on this at the meeting. Register [HERE](#)



Announcements

Veterans Food Bank Volunteer Opportunity

March 5th, 2024, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Veteran's Food Bank Calgary Warehouse
#114 - 4303 26 Street NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 7K2
15 volunteers required.

Please contact **Brenda McKinley**,
b-mckinley@hotmail.com,
or text 403-870-4292 to register.

Thank you,
Brenda

Feed the Hungry

Feed the Hungry provides a full sit-down meal for those in need. Located in St. Mary's Hall (221 - 18 th Avenue SW), our Rotary Club will "Sponsor and Serve" the Sunday meal on **March 24th, 2024**. In order to do this, we will require approximately 65 volunteers for the following:

- Hall Set Up (tables & chairs etc.)
- Main Door Hospitality
- Table Service & Replenishment Services (350 - 500 guests)
- Beverage & Dessert Service
- Recycling Services
- Hall Clean Up (tables & chairs etc.)

Register before March 17th at
<https://feedthehungry.flocknote.com/signup/156374>

Contact **Ken Farn** at kgfarn@telus.net with any questions or problems

Health & Wellness

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

Jane Topp had her hip replaced. We are glad to hear. Hope your time in Montreal was spent well.

Condolences to **Ernie Yaskowich** on the passing of his mother. Sending love towards you and your family. Linked below you can find her obituary.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/en-ca/obituaries/regina-sk/rose-yaskowich-11676022>



Rose Yaskowich

PARTNERS IN PRINT

28 ladies attended the Coffee Party on Friday, February 16th and we were treated to cookies, squares and a birthday cake at the Aspen Heights Retirement Residence. As it was **Maureen Hutchens** birthday, we all sang her Happy Birthday. **Katharine Benedik**, the Lifestyle Director, put together 2 lovely baskets for a draw. The winners were **Corinne Wilkinson** and **Toby Oswald-Felker**. **Toby** gave her basket to **Maureen** for her birthday. There were 5 door prizes to be drawn for a beautiful heart necklace. The winners were **Marianne Jost**, **Constance Jackson**, **Leah Ritz-Smyth**, **Wilma Gibson** and **Joan Walton**. It was a fun time had by all who attended.

- Partners President Teresa Stokke



SINGAPORE

Have You Booked for the Rotary International Convention 2024 in Singapore Yet?

Come join the party of 68 Alberta Rotarians booked so far.....and counting.

The Singapore conference is **May 25 – 29, 2024** and is our first opportunity to market and sell the 2025 Conference in Calgary. We will have a very large and popular Calgary booth with loads of digital images and videos, a Calgary Host Committee website ready to take bookings for experiences like Calgary's Host Hospitality Night, Calgary Signature Events, and Pre/Post Trips such as the Rockies, Hoodoos, Cowboy Trail, and the 2025 Calgary Stampede.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Singapore booth to promote Calgary there are many opportunities to do so. Email **Farid Bedwany** at bedwany@yahoo.com. He's on our local Calgary Host Organizing Committee and gathering names for those who would like to join us in the Calgary booth.

We hope you will join us in Singapore! The RI Registration site for Singapore is here:

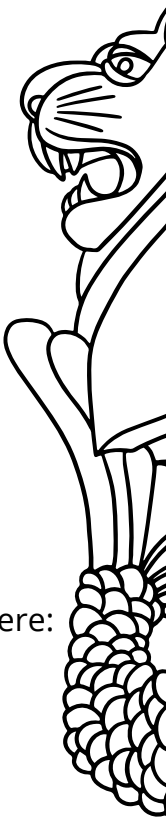
www.convention.rotary.org

The Singapore Host Hospitality site for all sorts of other activities going on in Singapore is here:

www.rotarysingapore2024.org

Hop on the RI2025 Calgary Marketing team and join us in Singapore this May. We plan on making a VERY large splash (as Calgary always does) a full year ahead of what Rotarians and their families can expect in Calgary June 21 – 25, 2025. Come share your favourite stories about your Alberta experiences that will entice our guests to stay even longer!

-Corinne Wilkinson



From the Secretary's Desk

1. I get asked to apply make-up's that are not in policy. Here is the policy (this is in your Handbook) so we are all on the same page:

Missed Meeting Makeup Opportunities

The Board has approved the following activities which are "Authorized Club Service Projects". Attendance credit (makeup) will be granted to members, on request, for participation in fund raising and service activities at which a member is requested to spend at least one hour of their time to participate completely. Make-ups may be "banked" as long as they are used during the same Rotary Year in which they were earned. By way of an example: if you earn a makeup in November 2019, the makeup must be used by June 30, 2020.

The onus is on the Member to notify the Club Administrator as soon as possible if you have a makeup available to be utilized for a missed meeting. Authorized makeup activities include but are not limited to:

- Attendance at a regular meeting of any other Rotary Club in the world. Make up meetings and out of town meetings are to be submitted to the Administer.
- Attendance at any RI convention, council, or meeting convened with the approval of the RI board of directors or the RI President.
- Attendance at any District conference, assembly, or meeting held by direction of the District Governor.
- "Hands On" Community Service Projects such as Salvation Army Kettle Campaign, Food Bank shifts, Feed the Hungry, etc.
- "Hands On" World Community Service Projects
- "Hands On" St. Mary's High School Partnership (mentoring, judging Four-Way Speech Contest, etc.)
- RYPEN/RYLA Conference participation
- Participation in the Student Exchange conference and district meetings
- Major Club committee meetings, e.g., Dream Home, Stay- in-School, Small Grants, Large Grants, World Community Service, etc.
- Dream Home Project participation - 8 shifts worked allow 2 makeups
- Casino participation
- Other activities approved by the Board as specific requests that are made prior to the event.
- Club Board Meetings
- Members of the Bulletin Committee receive a one meeting credit for writing each bulletin.

Committee chairs are responsible for contacting the Administrator to ensure credits are given for Member participation in committee meetings.

2. Effective immediately please use the following emails for communication for me and for Megan - thanks!
 - a. Secretary: secretry@rotarycs.org
 - b. Administration: admin@rotarycs.org
3. Reminder that all Committee meetings after our weekly meetings must be approved. Please send your request to admin@rotarycs.org and we will get it submitted.

*-YOURS IN ROTARY,
JUANNE WHITMARSH*



Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park

This week's meeting link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pD2ivRAdbom>

Closing:

Next week's meeting: February 29 in Rotary House for a presentation by Holly Singer, who owns a very unique company called Milkjar –

Closing words:

As President Bryan always says: 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.












Final reminder to register for next week's meeting:
www.rotarystampedepark.com



Calendar










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: Valentine's Day Meeting
- 9th: Chinese New Year Celebration
- 16th: Partner's Valentines Coffee Party
- 22nd: Bring a Guest Day
- 29th: Holly Singer- Milk Jar

FEBRUARY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
						
						
						
						

MARCH

- 3rd: Jubilations Dinner Theatre "The Beach Boys of Summer"
- 7th: International Women's Day
- 9th: St. Mary's High School Big Band Annual Dinner
- 10th: Social Committee - Everly Brothers
- 13th: Business Club
- 14th: St Patty's Meeting
- 17th: Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- 21st: Rotary Profile
- 23rd: "Rock the Nation" at Studio Bell

MARCH						
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	18	19	20		22	
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31	1	2	3	4	5	6

HELPFUL INFORMATION

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.