



RCCSP Weekly Bulletin January 20th, 2022  
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Welcome to the January 20th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, **Craig Stokke**. I would like to send a special thank you to our piper, **Billy Hawes** who greeted us at Rotary House today.

In line with our meeting, I thought I would share some interesting facts about Scotland.

- ♦ Scotland is home to the tallest waterfall in Britain. At 658 feet, it is three times higher than Niagara Falls.
- ♦ The official animal of Scotland is the Unicorn.
- ♦ Since the 70s, imports of haggis to the US have been banned.
- ♦ Scotland is made up of approximately 790 islands. 660 of which are uninhabited.
- ♦ Scotland is home to the oldest tree in Europe. It is 3,000 years old.
- ♦ Edinburgh was the first city in the world to have its own fire brigade.
- ♦ The Encyclopedia Britannica originated in Scotland. I wonder what the encyclopedia says about a Unicorn?
- ♦ There are over 600 square miles of freshwater lakes.

And with that, please keep your mask on and join me for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace

Now bring in the Haggis: Sword bearers: **Michael** (Alexander McKenzie) **Zacharki** and **Carol** (Kim Campbell) **Rosdobutko**.

Address to the Haggis: **Jim Hutchens**

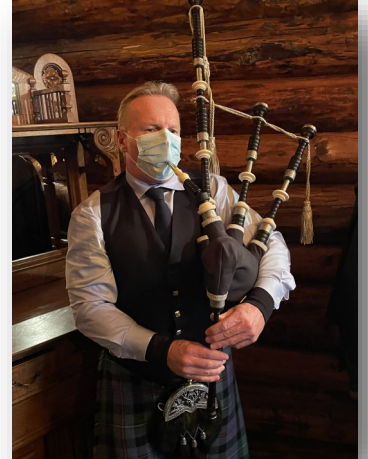
English translation for all of us heathens,

Good luck to you and your honest, plump face,  
Great chieftain of the sausage race!  
Above them all you take your place,  
Stomach, tripe, or intestines:  
Well are you worthy of a grace  
As long as my arm.

The groaning trencher there you fill,  
Your buttocks like a distant hill,  
Your pin would help to mend a mill  
In time of need,  
While through your pores the dews distill  
Like amber bead.

His knife see rustic Labour wipe,  
And cut you up with ready slight,  
Trenching your gushing entrails bright,  
Like any ditch;  
And then, O what a glorious sight,  
Warm steaming, rich!

Then spoon for spoon, the stretch and strive:  
Devil take the hindmost, on they drive,  
Till all their well swollen bellies by-and-by  
Are bent like drums;  
Then old head of the table, most like to burst,  
'The grace!' hums.







## English translation for all of us heathens,

Is there that over his French ragout,  
Or olio that would sicken a sow,  
Or fricassee would make her vomit  
With perfect disgust,  
Looks down with sneering, scornful view  
On such a dinner?

Poor devill! see him over his trash,  
As feeble as a withered rush,  
His thin legs a good whip-lash,  
His fist a nut;  
Through bloody flood or field to dash,  
O how unfit.

But mark the Rustic, haggis-fed,  
The trembling earth resounds his tread,  
Clap in his ample fist a blade,  
He'll make it whistle;  
And legs, and arms, and heads will cut off  
Like the heads of thistles.

You powers, who make mankind your care,  
And dish them out their bill of fare,  
Old Scotland wants no watery stuff,  
That splashes in small wooden dishes;  
But if you wish her grateful prayer,

**Give her a Haggis!**

MEETING LINK: [https://youtu.be/vtRt\\_T8Sk0Y](https://youtu.be/vtRt_T8Sk0Y)





**HEAD TABLE:** Jim and Maureen Hutchens, Billy Hawes, Jim Fitzowich and Michael Zacharki

**GUESTS:** Lynn Topp introduced our many visitors and guests, who were greeted with our Welcome Song and **President Craig** welcomed everyone in person and on Zoom!

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:** We have a great contingent going to Houston and look forward to building on those who are registered. This is a good opportunity to learn about the organization of an RI Convention, which will come in handy with our efforts on the 2025 event. Please let Kathyann know if you are going so that she can keep the list of attendees current

**50/50:** Michael Zacharki awarded \$85 to Bill Sumner.

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:** Bill Sumner then turned around and fined everybody who had declined to sample the haggis. He had to be reminded that it is usual for the 50/50 winner to contribute to the pot!

**Valentine's Day Luncheon:** Darlene Whitmore reminded us that the Annual Valentine's Day Luncheon with Partners, Friends and Family is coming up on February 10th at Rotary House. Tickets are \$50.00 per person and you must reserve in advance. See poster in bulletin. Thank you to the social committee for planning this great event. It will be fun.

**HEALTH AND WELLNESS:** Contact for January: Dorothea Schaab

- **Ken Copithorne:** was admitted to Rockyview Hospital (Unit 93) on Jan 18 for treatment for pneumonia. He has reported to George Deegan that he has "rounded the corner" and is starting to feel better.
- **Roger Jarvis:** continues his recovery at home. He welcomes phone calls.
- **Tony Ng:** is improving daily with continued therapy. He is doing some treadmill workouts.
- **Justina Penner:** returned to Calgary on from her Christmas trip to Nevada. COVID has caught up to Trinity Lodge. Justina is taking meals in her room and most activities are restricted. Calls are welcome.
- ♦ **George Adam:** In mid December George fell and broke his hip. Original diagnosis was to let it heal itself but after a couple of weeks, a successful surgery was done on the hip and he is recovering. However in the meantime, George has also picked up the COVID virus which is going through the hospital. Son Wayne says the hospital is in lockdown to visitors at this time. We send George our wishes for a full recovery.

We wish everyone a speedy recovery

**NEXT WEEK at Rotary House:** President-Elect Jim Fitzowich will introduce our Club's new Investment Policy

**Registration Link:** <https://rotarycs.org/event/rccsp-jan-27-21-meeting/>

**FEBRUARY 3rd: ROTARY HOUSE**

**Alex Baum: Great Trail Project**

**Registration Link:** <https://rotarycs.org/event/rccsp-feb-3-2022-registration/>

**FEBRUARY 10th:**

**Valentine's Day Luncheon with Partners**

**Registration Link:** <https://rotarycs.org/event/rccsp-feb-10th-valentines-day-lunch/>  
(See poster in bulletin for more information)

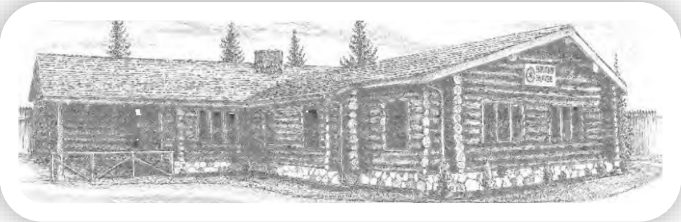


**Final words:**

As always, I finish by encouraging you to ask yourself:

What do you need from our Rotary Club this Week? What does our Club and Community need from you this week? This meeting is adjourned





## ROBBIE BURNS DAY

**SPEAKER: JIM (JOHN A. MACDONALD) FITZOWICH**

Jim Hutchens introduced our speaker, our own Jim Fitzowich who spoke to the Immortal Memory of Robert Burns. Jim has done his usual exhaustive research, determining why Burns is considered to be a Hero of Scotland, but as per Jim H's instructions, no jokes included. (Although he snuck a few in).

Jim is of Scottish descent, but he was the first one from his family to visit Scotland. He spoke to why Burns is considered to be a National Hero of Scotland, examining the historical context of the times, the time of Enlightenment and Scotland's specific form of it, and how Burns' background fit into it.

Burns was born in 1759, some time after the financial merger with England. Scotland was definitely the junior partner in the union. In a time of absolute monarchs, Scotland was ruled from afar (somewhat like Alberta today). Although a poor, basically rural society, Scotland was relatively advanced with an educated population and high literacy rates. It was the time of European Enlightenment, with significant advances in science, economics, architecture, art, literature, political science & engineering. The Scottish version was egalitarian – education and literacy should not be limited to the upper classes, and it was possible for anyone to achieve the highest rank. The Edinburgh “literati” believed in the myth of democratization – a “lad of the pair’ts”.

The son of a farmer, Burns was educated by his father and in the parish school. Starting life as a farmer, he started composing poetry at the age of 15. Burns first achieved some literary success in July, 1786. His first publication was “Poems, Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect”. It was written in Standard English, but phonetically using Scottish dialect. The book subscription was underwritten in part by his Masonic lodge. He was accepted by the “literati” as the Ploughman Poet, although he sold the rights to his poetry to his publisher and never received any royalties for his work. In later life he turned from poetry to lyricism. His premature death at 37 captured the public's imagination and may have saved his legacy from obscurity.

He was a “controversial figure” then and now; philanderer & womanizer; failed farmer & debtor; tax collector; self-promoter and political agitator.

So why was Burns enshrined as a National Hero instead of some of the other prominent figures of the time – David Hume, James Watt, Adam Smith, James Maxwell and others? He matched the egalitarian desire for a “lad of the pair’ts”. A common man and poet, risen to fame by his own merits. It is Burns, the common man, farmer, rascal and rogue that brings the best ideals of the enlightenment to all of us. He was able to do so as the best minds of Scotland saw that it “needed to be done”, and only a “lad of the pair’ts” could reach the “people of the pair’ts”, thru poetry. So I think it fitting we leave today's Immortal Memory with the last stanza of Burns poem “A Man's a man, for a'that”.

*“Then let us pray that come it may,  
as come it will for a'that.  
That sense & worth, o'er a' the earth,  
shall bear the gree, an a'that.  
For a'that and a'that,  
that man to man, the world o'er,  
Shall brothers be for a'that.”*



**SONGS: MAUREEN AND JIM HUTCHENS**

Maureen and Jim entertained with a couple of traditional Burns' songs. Jim noted that Burns' love songs were dedicated to his many partners as equals, not as his conquests. They finished with an “Ode to John Barleycorn”, with the help of a number of the ladies in audience.

**In Closing:** Jim, thank you for a very entertaining meeting. Of course Jim put his heart and soul into the meeting today, so it is no surprise how devastated he was when he was told the haggis wouldn't arrive in time. Desperate, Jim threw his fist in the air and said “God, if you can get me some haggis in time for the meeting today I promise to quit the drink, and I will attend church every Sunday of the rest of my life”. Within minutes his phone rang. Great news the haggis will be at Rotary House by noon. So Jim immediately looked up at the sky and said “God, please ignore what I said before. I don't need your help. I got my haggis”

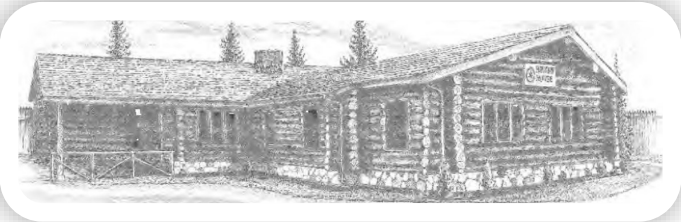




## ROBBIE BURNS DAY







## Rotary Valentine's Day Luncheon With Partners, Family and Friends: February 10th

Charles M. Schulz



Charles M. Schulz (creator of *Peanuts*) said....  
***"All you need is love ...  
but a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt."***

Just ask Lucille and Ethel



**MAKE A DATE WITH YOUR PARTNER, FAMILY OR FRIENDS ...**



Tickets are \$50 per person. Reserve in advance with the Registration link:

**<https://rotarycs.org/event/rccsp-feb-10th-valentines-day-lunch/>**

There will be a drop-in coffee (no sandwiches). Limited capacity and custom menu. Reserve early

### MENU

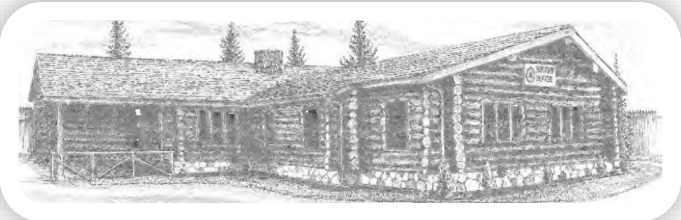
**SOUP:** Local "vertically grown" mushrooms and bacon

**MAIN:** Beef Wagyu Salisbury steak, "Cold smoked" potatoes, seasonal vegetables, demi jus

**DESSERT:** Warm Molten Chocolate Cake with fresh in-season berries







## DISTRICT NEWS

To register for the District Conference go to: [www.discon5360.ca](http://www.discon5360.ca)

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### District 5360 Indigenous Relations Committee

The District Chair of the Indigenous Relations Committee, Cam Stewart, has sent an invitation to all District clubs to participate in a learning community consisting of the Indigenous action teams of the clubs. Mr. Stewart says this community of practice will focus on learning together and mutually supporting one another to get better and better, more and more effective in the work of indigenous engagement.

They are planning the first meeting of the learning community for the morning of Saturday, Feb 5, 2022 (in-person and virtual). If anyone in our club is interested in joining this group, please let Don Taylor know by January 20 and you will be contacted with the details of the meeting by Cam Stewart.

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Dear District 5360's Family of Rotary,

Do you know that Feb 23rd is the 117th birthday of Rotary?

Come together with members of Rotary's family from across Zone's 28 and 32 on Rotary's birthday for the second annual Gala Celebration of The Rotary Foundation.

This 90-minute, fast-paced, online event celebrates the work by every Rotarian to support and raise funds for The Rotary Foundation.

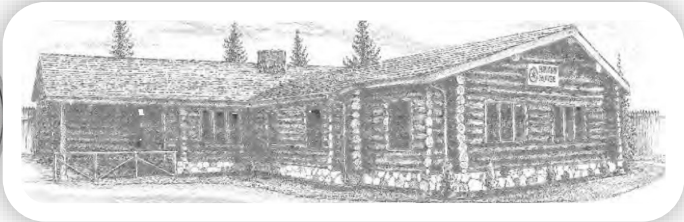
Last year was a fantastic event raising over \$200,000 for The Rotary Foundation!

Your hosts for the Gala Celebration are Trustee Dean Rohrs, Director Valarie Wafer, with Past Director Jeffrey Cadorette as MC. Special guests include Drew Kessler, incoming RI Director **AND** RI President Elect, Jennifer Jones!

Entertainers include the One Voice Children's Choir, BYU Vocal Point, internationally renowned Violinist, Francisco Fullana and Alex Lifeson of RUSH, with a featured video-performance and interview.

For details and registration [CLICK HERE!](#)

Hope to see you there in support of The Rotary Foundation!



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

**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.

**REGISTER NOW!**

### ARE YOU GOING TO HOUSTON?

Several members of our club have registered. Please let **Don Taylor or Murray Flegel** and let Kathyann Reginato know.

Club Members have frequently come together for social activities. Don or Murray will ensure that you are kept up to date on such activities. **Kathyann is listing names on website and creating an ad-hoc Committee List to keep everyone "in the know".**

Houston: "the city with no limits," reflects the limitless impact of our work in Rotary. Create change within yourself, your community and the world.

Join family, friends and Rotary members and explore what's possible at the Rotary International Convention.

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. 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.



Houston, Texas, USA  
4-8 June 2022





**Rotary**  
Club of Calgary at Stampede Park



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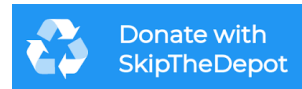
Share your sign-up link with friends, family, and potential donors

Follow the recommendations in the app - promote on social media, share with your donor lists, friends, family - everyone!

That's it! Redeem your donated funds via e-Transfer or cheque!

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<https://skipthedepot.com/locations/calgary-recycling>



## WHY IT'S AWESOME

**SkipTheDepot** aims to provide an easy and convenient recycling service for all fundraisers

## CONTINUOUS MICRO DONATIONS

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## TAX RECEIPTS

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## GROWTH PLAN

The Growth Tools make it easy for your charity to get its name out there and in front of **SkipTheDepot's** growing customer base! Follow the tasks and our social team will return the favour and don't forget to tag us at [@SkipTheDepot!](#)

**Kathynn: "I donated 4 bottles of recyclables this week. If you have an iPad or iPhone this works well. I donated to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park and it was easy". I can assist you once you download the app if you want me to.**



## COMMUNITY KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

Submitted by: Earl Huson

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

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

### NOTE:

*Thank you for your volunteer efforts to Community Kitchens in 2021.*

*Rotary Clubs in Calgary represented 31% of the entire shifts that Community Kitchens organised during the year to run the Good Food Box program. This is a major impact. 2021 was a year of uncertainty and they really needed our help and as Rotary does always, we met the challenge.*

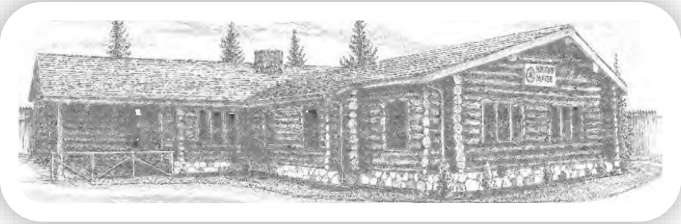
*Many thanks to all the coordinators from each club for your cooperation during the year. Kind regards—Bill Lawless*

### Contacts:

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

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





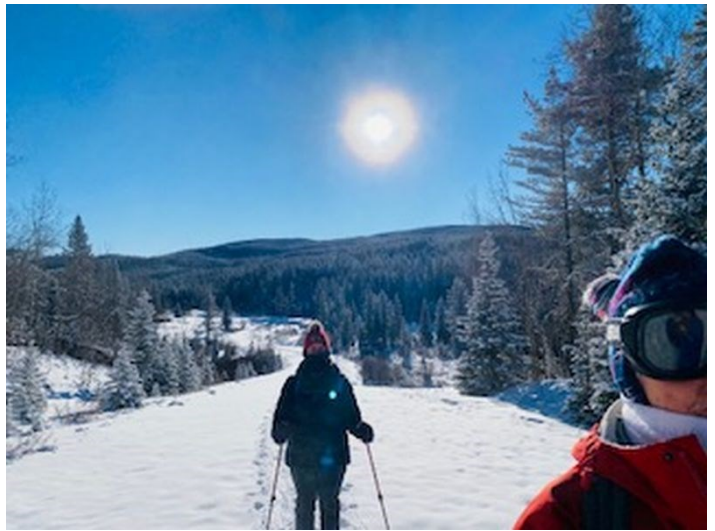
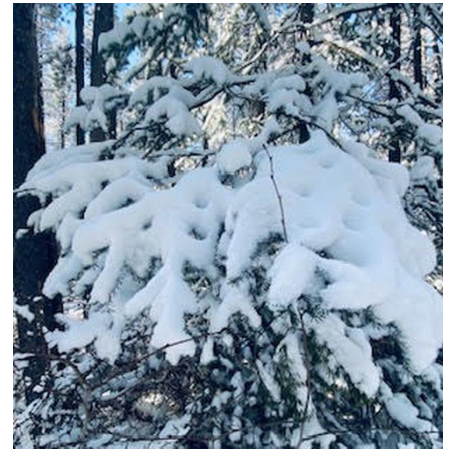
## SNOWSHOEING IN JANUARY

The forecast was for -16 in the morning. It was more like -25 as eight of us headed toward "Braggin Rights" Trail.

The day presented blue sky and sunshine. After an hour, steam was coming off the snowshoers heads.

There is such beauty on a crisp white trail and when it warmed up, it was heavenly. The trees were so pretty, laden with snow. We were all glad to be there and glad to enjoy lunch outside the Trail Centre and munch on Donna's treat of POWER BALLS!

Thanks to Donna Kennedy for "Blue Sky Sunshine", "The Trail" and "Snow Covered Tree" photo. - Submitted by Pat Farn







## PARTNERS in PRINT



### **Rotary Partners Book Club News**

Our next meeting is the Calgary Golf and Country Club on February 14th. We meet at 9:30 am for breakfast and sharing books. The cost is now \$20. We need to give the number of attendees to the Calgary Golf and Country Club so please email [janetopp@shaw.ca](mailto:janetopp@shaw.ca) by Feb.10<sup>th</sup> if you will be attending.

The CG&C Club follows all Covid safety rules so you will need to wear a mask until seated and show proof of vaccination. We hope to see you on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Submitted by Jane Topp and Maureen Hutchens



It was Past President TERRY MCCOLL's birthday on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Terry just turned 100 years old.

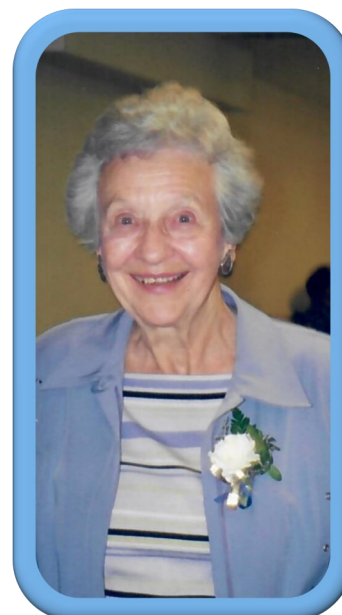
Terry was President of our Rotary Partners or Rotary Ann's of South Calgary from 1975/1976.

Terry's family held a small birthday celebration for her at her Care Home on Sunday January 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Partners sent a bouquet of flowers, a card and our heartfelt Congratulations!

If you would like her address to send along greetings of your own please contact me for the address.

Rhonda Yaskowich, President  
Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park





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# Calendar of Events

## JANUARY 27th: ROTARY HOUSE

Jim Fitzowich: Club Investment Policy Presentation

Registration Link:

Registration Link: <https://rotarycs.org/event/rccsp-jan-27-21-meeting/>



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## 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



International Women's Day

## MARCH 10th: ROTARY HOUSE

To Be Announced



## 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



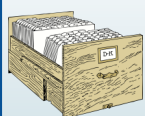




The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park is active on FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM and TWITTER

This can be accessed through 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)



## 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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