



Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park



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Welcome to the January 26th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park.

Head Table: (L to R) **Todd Richardson** (on behalf of **Glen Richardson**), **Norman Devitt**, **Hugh Delaney**, **President Jim Fitzowich**, District Governor **Steve Leavitt** and RCMP Corporal **Marlies Dick** (Hugh's Daughter).



President Jim Fitzowich:

Today we are going to recognize 3 of our own as recipients of the Queens Platinum Jubilee medal. Some important facts on Royal medals:

1887 – was the first Royal medal for Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee, following by the Diamond Jubilee medal in 1897.

1902 – Additional Royal medals were issued for Edward VII's coronation, followed by George V in 1911, his Jubilee in 1935, George VI coronation in 1937 and Queen Elizabeth's in 1953.

1967 – is when Canada started to issue medals on the Crown's behalf, starting with the Centennial medal, Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977, Golden Jubilee in 2002, and Diamond Jubilee in 2012. Today is the Platinum Jubilee or 70th Anniversary.

Please join **Glen Potter** for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.





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Announcements:

Visitors and Guests: Greg Smyth introduced over 30 guests today, many of whom were family and friends of **Norm Devitt**, **Glen Richardson** and **Hugh Delaney**. It was heartwarming to see such support for these special individuals!



Health and Wellness:

Hugh Delaney will be the contact for Health and Wellness for the balance of January and February. For updates please reach out to Hugh at; 403-255-0422 or hughdelaney02@gmail.com

It is with sadness that we announce that **Sharyl Madigan's** husband, Larry Madigan passed away Tuesday, January 24th. Sharyl has been on a leave of absence to care for Larry during his illness.

A Celebration of Larry's life will be held later this spring (Larry's favourite time of year). Sharyl is surrounded by family at this time. She welcomes us reaching out to her in a week or two once her family have returned to their daily routines.

Bill Sumner – as you know, Bill passed last Tuesday. His service will be this Sunday at 1 pm at Lakeview United Church. On behalf of those unable to attend, and for all of us, I would like for us to stand as you are able to note a minute of silence for Bill.

Bill's obituary can be viewed [here](#)

Announcements: District 5360 Conference: District Governor Steve Leavitt reminded everyone about the upcoming District 5360 Conference (DisCon 2023 – Dreaming our Future), being held in Lethbridge May 5-6, 2023. Early bird registration ends January 31st, go to DisCon 2023 (discon5360.ca) for registration. Steve shared experiences from previous District Conferences where the seeds for humanitarian efforts providing education and dental care in Uganda were sown. Our theme this year is "planting seeds of vibrancy", so Steve challenges everyone to come to this District Conference and learn where you can get some seeds planted! - If you plan on attending please let me (admin@rotarycs.org) know so I can add your name to our Website. <https://rotarycs.org/page/who-s-going-to-the-convention/>



Announcements: Pat Neuman reminded everyone about the Larry Kwong Memorial Chinese New Year Dinner on Friday January 27 at the Regency Palace Restaurant, 335 Centre Street South. Cocktails at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00pm. For those of you going, when you go through the entry door, the register to purchase drink tickets is on the left before you go into the dining room.

The Valentine's Luncheon is on February 9th, featuring a special guest soloist, Vitaliia Vash, performing love songs from various countries. There is a Japanese Dinner at OMO on Tuesday February 21st at 6:30 and there are still tickets available. The Legends Show (tribute to Connie Francis, Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Motown) is being held March 31st at the Grey Eagle Casino. There are also plans to get a group together to go to the St. Mary's High School concert at the end of February.





Main Presentation - Queen's Jubilee Medal Ceremony

Speaker: President **Jim Fitzowich** acted as MC for the ceremony.



On behalf of His Majesty the King and the province of Alberta, **Hugh Delaney, Norm Devitt** and **Glen Richardson** have each been awarded the Queen's Jubilee medal in recognition of their many years of public service to Calgary and the province of Alberta. There is an amazing 109 years of combined club service between these three special individuals, congratulations!

Good afternoon, honoured medal recipients, D.G. Steve Leavitt, guests, ladies and gentlemen. As the President of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park, I will be your Master of Ceremonies. I'd like to welcome all of you to this investiture ceremony for the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medal.

Thank you for joining us to help celebrate Her late Majesty's Platinum Jubilee – and to recognize some exceptional Albertans. Today, we are gathered to pay tribute to those who have given of their time and talents in service to their communities, our province and our country.

As you know, Alberta's Platinum Jubilee Medal commemorates the 70th anniversary of Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the Throne as Queen of Canada upon the death of her father, King George VI, on February 6, 1952. Her late Majesty was crowned on June 2, 1953 during Her Coronation ceremony which was held at Westminster Abbey, as Coronations have been for 900 years. Steeped in this rich history, Her late Majesty's Coronation made history as the first ever to be televised and was watched by 27 million people in the UK alone and millions more around the world. And so, with Her late Majesty representing both the storied past of Britain, as well as the modern day world, she dedicated more than 70 remarkable years of continuous service to Canada, the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth. This extraordinary achievement made her Britain's longest-reigning and longest-lived monarch.

Her late Majesty expressed her wish that Jubilee events be an occasion for enjoying a sense of togetherness and optimism about the future which makes today the perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of people who make our community better. It also serves as a tribute to the example set by Her late Majesty throughout her extraordinary lifetime. Today's medal recipients lead rather than wait to be led. They tackle challenges head-on. They see problems as opportunities instead of obstacles. Congratulations to everyone receiving this special distinction. I now invite District Governor Steve Leavitt to deliver remarks and make medal presentations on behalf of his Majesty the King, in right of the Province of Alberta, and Rotary International.

D.G. Steve Leavitt's Remarks are delivered.

Before I begin, "In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge that we live, work and play on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani) and the Tsuut'ina, the Ivaxe Nakoda Nations, the Metis Nation (Region 3) and all the people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 Region of Southern Alberta"

The committee that gives out these awards approached our Rotary districts and requested that at least 10 participants from Rotary be presented this award. Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park presented three names and we're here to honor them today. I can't imagine the amount of service these three men have given to this community, being people of action with service above self.

Hugh Delaney, Norm Devitt and **Todd Richardson** on behalf of **Glen Richardson** were called up individually by DG Steve Leavitt. They were presented with the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medals by RCMP Corporal Marlies Dick (Hugh Delaney's daughter) and the accompanying certificate was presented by Steve Leavitt, for their outstanding service and citizenship.





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Hugh Delaney said that he hopes everyone can see from the enthusiasm in this room that you realize that Rotary is a very alive community in Calgary and around the world. He had the privilege of having many of his children and friends here today, and thanked everyone.



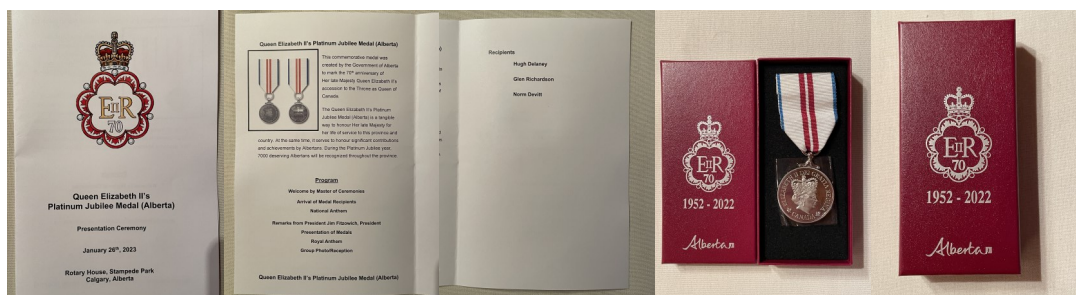
Norm Devitt said this was a great honor, and thanked his family and friends. He said Rotary itself is about friends, that we're all very fortunate, and thanked everyone for all their help.



Todd Richardson and his sister Carrie Meggs accepted the medal on behalf of Glen Richardson, who is in Mexico. Todd said that his dad, being the humble man that he is, couldn't understand how he got this award. They're so proud Glen joined Rotary so many years ago, and said he's so passionate about giving, with service above self. Carrie said their dad Glen was deeply humbled and very appreciative of the honor. She thanked him for his leadership, and she also thanked all the Rotarians in the room, for making our community a better place!



Family and guests came forward to the front of the room to take photos of the recipients after "God Save the King" at the end of the Rotary meeting.



Jamie sent the profiles they did on **Glen**, **Norm** and **Hugh**. A lovely touch to add it in the bulletin so people can learn a little more about our superstars.

Hugh Delaney <https://vimeo.com/513453888>

Norm Devitt <https://vimeo.com/333428365>

Glen Richardson <https://vimeo.com/190153184>

President Jim Fitzowich completed the program by saying "It is my great pleasure to congratulate all of our recipients. Let's give them all a big hand. It has been a great honour to spend this afternoon with all of you." Lastly, On behalf of the Club we make a \$100 donation in your honour to the CRCF, which supports Calgary area Rotary Clubs.



Main Presentation - Queen's Jubilee Medal Ceremony—Photos





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

In Closing:

Next Week's meeting: Is the Club's Annual AGM and Presidents "State of the Union" address. Although invited guests are normally welcome to come to Rotary, **next week's program is intended for members only**. Deadline for online registrations is tomorrow January 27th.

Looking forward in seeing you all on Thursday February 2nd.

Final words: Thought for the coming week is from her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth:

"Good memories are our second chance at happiness."

Please stand for "God Save the King"

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 by 9am tomorrow!!

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NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Max Feldman has been proposed for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Dilan Perera** and Seconded by **Darlene Switzer-Foster** with a proposed Classification of **Oil and Gas Executive**.

If any Member objects to **Max Feldman** 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 9th, 2023.

Are you going to the 2023 Rotary International Convention? This time in Melbourne, Australia! If you are planning to go please let me know so I can update the names on our Website. admin@rotarycs.org

<https://rotarycs.org/page/who-s-going-to-the-convention/> As well as the District Convention in Lethbridge.



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

Volunteers are required to build Good Food Boxes.

March 27th, 2023 - 5-8pm Monday evening shift

April 17th, 2023 - 5-8pm Monday evening shift

June 6th, 2023- 1-3pm Tuesday shift (usually a daytime shift but I could make this an evening shift starting at 5PM)

Email Earl or Ken to sign up for a shift.

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

EARL AND KEN REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!! THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING!!!



Social Club



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**LARRY KWONG
MEMORIAL
CHINESE
NEW YEAR
DINNER**

Friday, January 27, 2023
Regency Palace Restaurant
335 Centre Street South

CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE RABBIT!

Menu:

- Deep Fried Vegetarian Spring Rolls(10)
- Grilled Pork Dumplings
- Won-ton Soup
- Pineapple Sweet & Sour Boneless Pork
- Ginger Beef
- Stir fried Prawns with sugar peas
- Lemon chicken
- Salt & pepper squid
- Chicken fried rice
- Fresh Sliced Oranges

Cocktails: 6:00PM
Entertainment: 6:30PM
Dinner: 7:00PM

\$50 per person. To order and pay for your tickets, go to: www.rotarystampedepark.com and follow the links.

Seating limited to 250, so purchase your tickets ASAP.
Payment required at time of placing ticket order.

The Larry Kwong Memorial, Chinese New Year Dinner is happening on January 27th. Tickets are no longer available.

Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit. Held at the Regency Palace Restaurant at 355 Center Street South.

Cocktails: 6:00pm

Entertainment: 6:30pm

Dinner: 7:00pm

See you there tomorrow night!!

Valentines Lunch with Partners is on February 9.. lots of fun in store. Bring your love!! Valentines Lunch with Partners Feb. 9. There's a Photo Kissing Booth, Open Bar and Entertainment.... our very special Ukrainian friend, Vitallia, our soloist will be singing love songs from various countries... Thank You, **Glenn Potter** for directing this!! **Remember to register by Feb 3rd by 9 am!**

Japanese Dinner at OMO Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 6:30 pm

Cost all inclusive (liquor drinks are extra) Payment must be received prior to event!

Still some spaces left for OMO Japanese Dinner...come and be entertained while you have a delicious dinner!! \$80 pp

Contact: **Sjoert Zuidhof** 403-471-6275 or zuidhofsjoert@gmail.com

Social Committee is taking you to Grey Eagle Resort Event Centre to see the Legends Show on March 31.

Get your tickets by calling Sjoert Zuidhof.. 403- 471-6275 or email him at zuidhofsjoert@gmail.com

Tickets still available for Legends Show at Grey Eagle Resort...March 31...\$58.

Tickets are going fast so don't delay!!



Partners in Print

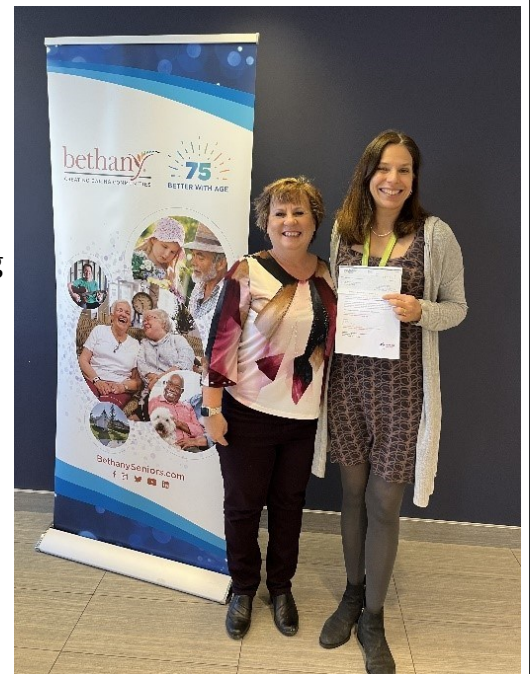


Barb Cichon and I delivered a cheque to Brenda at the Veterans Food Bank for support of their Food Program. If you have not seen their facility, it is a must!

Donations of food and clothing are always needed and much appreciated. You can also volunteer to sort food what has been donated.

I delivered a cheque to Bethany Care Foundation to purchase a medical-grade linen warmer for their residents. Everyone knows how comforting a warm towel or blanket is when you are feeling ill.

Claudine St. Jean welcomed anyone to drop by for a visit and a beverage at any time!



It was a pleasure to visit the Central Library downtown to deliver a cheque to support their "My First Bookshelf" program.

Sade let me know that in conjunction with the Dolly Parton Imagination Foundation, books are being sent to more children this year because of donations like ours. This library is amazing. Sade welcomed our Book Club to hold a meeting there anytime.



Submitted by **Denise MacLeod**, Chair – Community Service Funding Committee



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

Valentine's

Lunch 
with Partners

February **9**
11 am - 1:30pm
\$30

Join us at Rotary House
Photo Booth, Entertainment and Open Bar
+ Surprises!!!

Register at:
rotarystampedepark.com



Hiking Club

Seven healthy hikers started out towards the Green Monster Icefall in the Kananaskis. Five actually climbed up and down a rocky mountain outcrop using chains and a rope and then stood in awe at the foot of the Green Monster Icefall.

Trish and Glenda were 2 of 5 who went behind the ice to see the green shades.

None of our group were brave or agile enough to do any ice climbing but we sure did enjoy the great weather and spectacular scenery on our 12.7 km spike hike.

-Larry Stein



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Tickets now available online at www.rotarystampedepark.com
Deadline is this Monday, January 23rd



February 2nd: AGM and State of Union Address - President Jim Fitzowich



February 9th: Valentines Day Luncheon with Partners



February 16th: Bob Wiens - Biosand Filters and Partnerships in Columbia



February 23rd: Rob Hemstock - The Debacle of the Alberta Carbon Tax



District 5360 Convention in Lethbridge - May 5th and 6th

