



# ROTARY NEWS

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**Welcome to the January 30th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Jim Bladon, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2024-25:**

**Please join me in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.**

Head Table (L-R) :Spencer Tonkinson, Gail Williams, Jerry Ohlsson,  
President Bladon, Alex Sarian, Hermann Logsend



<b>Presentation: Arts Commons Transformation</b>	<b>February 13th: Valentines Day</b>	<b>Next week: February 6th: Provincial Security Intelligence office</b>
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Click [HERE](#) to register for the February 13th meeting.

Click [HERE](#) to watch the meeting video.

# Today's Meeting:

**David Field** introduced our guests followed by the welcome song..



**Neill Magee** had Alex Sarian draw the 50/50 ticket. The pot was \$145 and it was won by **Terry Allen**.

Our Sgt@Arms today **Spencer Tonkinson** started off by asking **Terry Allen** what he thinks is a fair amount of money from his winnings to add to the pot. **Terry** added \$20. **Spencer** then asked a few members some questions. If they answer incorrectly they have to add \$5 to the pot. If they answer correct then you keep going.

**Lynn Topp** - Answered incorrectly  
**Alan Tennant** - Answered incorrectly  
**Larry Kennedy** - Answered incorrectly  
**Bonar Irving** - Answered Correct  
**John Shield** - Answered Incorrectly



Next **Spencer** asked a question to a member and let our guest speaker decide if the answer is a thumbs up or thumbs down. If you get a thumbs up you get to chose a table and everyone at the table pays \$2. If you get a thumbs down you and everyone at your table pays \$2.

**Chas Filipski** - Thumbs up  
**Murray Flegel** - Thumbs up  
**Jim Hutchens** - Thumbs down  
**Bill LeClair** - Thumbs up

**Jerry Ohlsson** came up to give his classification talk. **Jerry** shared a bit about him self and his career. Please watch the meeting video to hear more about **Jerry Ohlsson**.



**Melanie Todd** came up and shared some information about our next Business Club Meeting. More information on page 3.

**Hermann Logsend** came up and gave a lovely introduction to our guest speaker today Alex Sarian.

Alex Sarian gave us an incredible presentation today about the Art Commons Transformations that will be happening over the next few years. It is truly amazing to see future of the Art's Commons and what it will do for our city. I encourage everyone to watch Alex's presentation!



**Gail Williams** came up today and gave a very lovely thank you to Alex for his amazing presentation.

**President Jim Bladon** finishes off our meeting by announcing that on behalf of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park we will be making a \$100 donation to CRCF in Alex Sarian's name in honour of his time with us.

Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Save the Date

**“70 YEARS OF ROTARY” GALA**  
CELEBRATING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT  
STAMPEDE PARK & ROTARY PARTNERS

MAY  
FRIDAY **9** AT 5 PM  
2025

CALGARY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB  
919 50 AVENUE SW

Invitation & ticket sales to follow

### ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK BUSINESS CLUB MEETING

Family and Business Transition  
Networking & Refreshments to follow

ANDERSEN.

🕒 6:00 to 8:00pm

**18**  
**FEB**

Join us at: Suite 700, 700 2 Street S.W.  
Underground Parking Available



Get your \$20 tickets by Feb 14th at:  
[rotarystampedepark.com](http://rotarystampedepark.com)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CLUB CHAMPION FOR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN CALGARY!!



1. <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>

2. The excitement is bursting! Planning is at a feverous high! Get your registration completed and paid for so you too can be part of the BEST convention!! The above link is where you need to be!
3. The signature event registration is open on the convention site. Get your tickets now!! The above link is also for signature event registration. Get your tickets and bring a friend or 2!
4. Reminder to register to volunteer – be part of the group of amazing people helping to put on the BEST convention!! <https://rotarycalgary2025.org/>
5. And, Host Hospitality is still open for you to register! Host Rotarians from across the Globe! <https://rotarycalgary2025.org/>

## FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

1. Grayce and I are working on the new menu with the Stampede team. Starting in March (we think) there will be an updated selection. Honoring the many, many food sensitivities and allergies our membership has is a challenge, but we think we have it almost ready!
2. We are working with an accounting firm to be the sub-leaser on our office space! When it is finalized, we will announce it! In the meantime, I am looking for 3-4 people to help pack up files into tubs and get stuff out of the way so that Murray Flegel's staff have space to move the file cabinets and cupboards. Do you have time on Monday February 10 th from 11 – 2. If you can help, please let **Luanne** know! Thanks!

## **Closing:**

Next week: **February 6th - Provincial Security  
Intelligence office**



The week following: **February 13th: Valentines Day**



## **Closing words:**

As you go about your business this week remember, that each of you creates the magic of Rotary, unlock the magic, advance the magic, and be the magic of Rotary.

# Calendar

## FEBRUARY

**February 6th:** Provincial Security Intelligence office

**February 13th:** Valentines Day

**February 18th:** Business Club Meeting

**February 20th:** Brenda Christie

**February 27th:** Edward McCauley

# FEBRUARY

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## MARCH

**March 6th -** International Women's Day

**March 13th -** St Patrick's Day

**March 20th -** Les McIntyre

**March 27th -** Rotary Profile

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