

**Rotary**

Club of Calgary  
at Stampede Park



# ROTARY NEWS

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**Welcome to the January 9th 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) :Kevin MacLeod, Jon Monk, Murray Flegel, President Bladon, Sofia Oseredchuk, Stan Cichon



**Presentation:  
A Student Living  
in War Torn  
Ukraine**

**January 23rd  
Robbie Burns Day**

**Next week:  
January 16th -  
AGM**

Click [HERE](#) to register for the January 23rd meeting.

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

# Today's Meeting:

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



**Neill Magee** had our guest speaker pull the 50/50 ticket. The pot was \$160 won by **George Deegan**. **George** donated the money to the Ukrainian Relief Fund.

**Jim Fitzowich** our St@Arms today started off by asking everyone sitting at the same table as **George Deegan** to put \$2 in the pot.

**Chas Filipski** was fined \$10 by **Jim**.

Next we play a game of trivia. If you answer the question correct you only pay \$2, if you answer Incorrectly you pay \$5.

**Past President Bryan Walton** answered close enough to correct!

**Neil Fraser** answered incorrectly.

**Steve Austin** answered close enough to correct!

**Jim Hutchens** answered correctly!

**Spencer Tonkinson** answered correctly!

**Bob Wiens** answered correctly!



**Kevin MacLeod** came up and introduced our newest member **Jon Monk**. **Kevin** share a little bit about **Jon**. To hear more about **Jon** please watch the meeting video linked on Page 1.

**Past President Murray Flegel** came up and told **Jon** a bit about Rotary before he passed the induction over to president **Jim Bladon**.

**President Jim Bladon** formally welcomed **Jon Monk** to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. Welcome **Jon!!**



**Stan Cichon** came up and introduced our guest speaker. Click [HERE](#) to read **Stan's** lovely introduction of Sophia Oseredchuk.

Sophia came up and have us a wonderful speech about a student's challenges in the middle of a war. I encourage everyone to watch the meeting video to hear Sophia's very moving talk.

**Jim Fitzowich** thanked Sophia for coming to talk to us today and educating us on what its like to be a student in Ukraine right now.

**President Jim Bladon** let Sophia know that in recognition of her time with us to today we will be making a \$100 donation to the CRCF on behalf of the club in Sophia's name.



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## COMMUNITY KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS

Rotarians, Community Kitchens located in NE Calgary is again looking for 3 to 4 volunteers from our club to fill food hampers. Demand for hampers in 2024 had increased by roughly 30% and by all estimates 2025 will show even bigger demand.

The morning and evening shifts are three hours each and require volunteers to be on their feet for this time. Most jobs do not require heavy lifting, but you are standing. I will be away for roughly 2 ½ months and in my absence, **Max Feldman** will be coordinating our volunteers. If you wish to volunteer, please forward your name to **Max Feldman** [imax48@shaw.ca](mailto:imax48@shaw.ca). along with your preferred shifts. To those that have volunteered last year many thanks!!

Cheers, **Rick Jakubec**

The shifts are:

Jan13, Monday 5PM to 8PM  
Feb 11, Tuesday 1PM to 4PM  
March 10, Monday 5PM to 8PM  
April 29, Tuesday 1PM to 4PM  
May 26, Monday 5PM to 8PM  
June 24, Tuesday 1PM to 5PM

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Sharon Allen had a little fall and has broken her arm.

**Norm Legare** is still going through some cancer treatments and would greatly appreciate some phone calls.

**Hugh Delaney** and Justina Penner are in a isolation at the Trinity Lodge as there is a new pneumonia outbreak in there. Phone calls are welcome to both of them.

## FIRST, OFFICIAL SIGNING OF AGREEMENT WITH FLAMES FOR FOUR ARENAS



Murray Flegel, President Jim Bladon, Larry Kennedy, Gordon Weicker, Sherry Austin

## SECOND, OFFICIAL SIGNING OF DREAM HOME AGREEMENT WITH STAMPEDE



Murray Flegel, Pat O'Brien, Sherry Austin, Gordon Weicker, Teresa Howland, Joel Cowley, President Jim Bladon



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## LARRY KWONG MEMORIAL CHINESE NEW YEAR DINNER

**Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Regency Palace Restaurant**  
**335 Centre Street South**

**CELEBRATE THE YEAR  
OF THE SNAKE!**

**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

\$55 per person. To order and pay for your tickets, go to:  
[www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)  
and follow the links.


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





# 2025



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

**Family and Business Transition  
Networking & Refreshments to follow**

 **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)**



## FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

January 9, 2024

1. Please remember to send all parking tickets you get while parking for our meetings to Grayce. She is managing them all for us – thanks Grayce!
2. There has been some interest expressed regarding subleasing of our Club office! Please contact me directly with your questions and if a tour would help, we will arrange it!

Club Champion notes for the Rotary International Convention in CALGARY

1. Our Club is sitting at first place with the number of members that are signed up to volunteer!!! Thanks to those who have registered! My ask is for you to please get registered as soon as you can! We need all hands on deck to make the convention once again 'be the best convention ever'.

2. Here is the website to sign up and to find out lots more information!!  
<https://rotary5360.ca/page/hoc-club-champions-connection>



**Closing:**

Next week: **January 16th – AGM**

The week following: **January 23 – Robbie Burns 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

## JANUARY

- January 2nd - No Meeting
- January 9th - A Student Living in War Torn Ukraine
- January 16th - AGM
- January 23rd - Robbie Burns Day
- January 24th - Chinese New Year Dinner
- January 30th - Arts Commons Transformation

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## FEBRUARY

- February 6th: Provincial Security Intelligence office
- February 13th: Valentines Day
- February 20th: Brenda Christie
- February 27th: Edward McCauley

FEBRUARY						
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23	24	25	26	27	28	1
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