



Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park



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Welcome to the June 15th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Jim Fitzowich.

Head Table: Tom Naested, Yvonne Mortdam (Vecova), **Jim Hutchens, President Jim Fitzowich**, Drew Gaszak (Sonshine), and **Greg Martin**.



President Jim Fitzowich

This week's program is our annual Charities Day event. Today is also a special recognition for a CRCF gift paid on behalf of a former club member. Some comments interesting things that happened on June 15th:

1846 – The Oregon Treaty moves the Canada U.S. board from everything north of the Columbia River (i.e. British Columbia) to the 49th parallel. The Hudsons Bay moves its post from Vancouver Washington to Victoria Vancouver island, new home for the British Pacific fleet.

1859 – start of the “pig war”, a U.S. and Canadian settlers dispute over the same border location.

1902 – Canada's Atlantic provinces switch from Easter to Atlantic time Zones.

1944 – Tommy Douglas becomes 1st CCF Premier of Saskatchewan.

Please join **Glenn Potter** and me for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.





Announcements

Visitors and Guests: Marietta Maier did a wonderful job of introducing our MANY guests and we sang a loud and enthusiastic rendition of our Welcome Song.

Health and Wellness: Health and Wellness contact is; **Dorothea Schaab** reported that all is well amongst our Members!

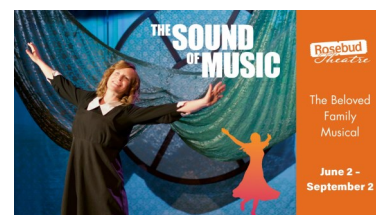
50/50 : Michael Zacharki asked one of the Guest Speakers, Drew, to pull a winning ticket and it was **Spencer Tonkinson** who won the pot of \$155 to put towards the new baby! Congrats Spencer!!



Sergeant at Arms: There was no Sgt of Arms today but **Bill LeClair** almost got fined for a call that interrupted the Meeting (for next week's Sgt haha) even if it was only a butt dial!

Social Committee Upcoming Event

The Social Committee has reserved 24 seats for the Sound of Music, August 18, the 1:30 matinee show at Rosebud theatre. You are responsible for your own transportation. Call your friends, carpool and have some fun. We will meet for lunch first and then the show starts at 1:30. Cost of the tickets are \$77 if we can get over 20 people going. (under 20 \$95 each)



This does not include tip at the restaurant. Deadline to let **Brenda McKinley** know if you are wanting to go and payment is July 31st. Brenda 403-870-4292, b-mckinley@hotmail.com

Cheque Presentations

On Monday, **Bill LeClair** had the pleasure of presenting a cheque to Vecova for their new sensory room for their clients. It was great to hear about their organization and the great things they do in our community today. We can't wait to see the sensory room when it is completed!



Dana Hunter also presented a cheque to the Calgary Pregnancy Center today as they were a guest at our Meeting.

We want to send a BIG congrats to Pat and Harold on their wedding this weekend! You both looked lovely!





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Announcements Continued: Events

It's time to say **THANK YOU!!!!**

Don't miss the finale to our year!!

Enjoy a fantastic Ukrainian dinner, wonderful program and dance the night away to live music!

It's President Jim's Thank You Party!

Friday, June 23

**Polish Canadian Cultural Center (Combatants Hall)
3015 15th Street NE.**

Our **MC Joe Connelly** will guide us through the fun packed evening:

5:30 to 6:30 pm - cocktails

6:30 pm - Ukrainian Dinner

7:45 pm - Program with Special Entertainment

8:30 to 11 - Dancing to Royaltone Music (the band we had at the Potluck!)

\$60 pp

Drinks (wine/beer) will be \$5 or bottle of wine \$20 and non alcoholic drinks \$2.

Dress is cocktail.

Get your tickets now through rotarystampedepark.com **Final registration is June 19...**



"Kids at Heart" Golf Classic: Trash, or Cash?

The proverb 'One man's trash is another man's treasure' was never intended to be taken literally. It simply means there is no standard for taste, and something which is not valued by one person may be highly valued by another.

That proverb has proven to be true over the millennia and it has given rise to a multi-billion-dollar industry worldwide that is manifested in classified "For Sale" ads, online marketplaces such as E-Bay, Craig's List and hundreds of others, and – yes -- online auction sites.

Each year our "Kids at Heart" Golf Classic earns a substantial amount of money from our online and live auction sites – often in the tens of thousands of dollars, but we cannot do that without the purchase or donation of auction items, particularly items to be used in the online auction.

We are very much in need of items for our online auction this year and we are appealing to all Rotarians to consider what they might be able to donate. We ask that the value be at least \$100, and that items be new, not used. Successful items in past have included a dinner for two at a restaurant, use of a cottage for a few days, a car rental for a weekend, a crock pot, or almost anything else that comes to mind. It could even be a couple of folks with strong backs to do a yard clean-up for you or detailing your car.

Please consider getting involved to help us raise money for our three very worthwhile charities. And also resolve to go into the auction site (you can access it through our club website) to see what treasures you may be able to find that you simply cannot live without.

Click here for the Auction page of our Kids at Heart Website; <https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart/auction/>



Announcements Continued: All Things Dream Home

Dream Home Update: Update on the Dream Home ticket sales campaign. There are only 7 shifts left to fill!!!! Please sign up on Homebase or email the shifts email below. If you registered for shifts before midnight on May 18th, you will be eligible for a Stampede 2023 buckle prize draw. **There will be no training sessions anymore, if you are new or need training on the ipad a crash course will be delivered in the Dream Home office prior to your first shift. Please arrive early if you need training.** If you have any other questions you can direct them to **Jim Bladon** at shifts@rotarycs.org.

Correction from last week, Volunteers will not be available to walk to cars after shifts, please arrange with a fellow worker to come together or park in the same lot if you are worried or nervous about walking at night off the grounds. Many Rotarians and volunteers park at the St. Mary's School lot, which you can Volunteer to work shifts there as well by emailing **Bonar Irving** at bonar@shaw.ca but that lot is close, helps our Club and usually has someone walking there after every shift, so you can walk together.



Stampede Lotteries Off-Park Sales: Dana Hunter provided an update on the new off - park sales initiative this year.

How to sign up - Contact Dana Hunter, dana@hunterstaffing.ca or 403-477-2340 Shifts will be assigned first come, first served.

Dream Home Kick-Off

We need you to register now!!

Dream Home Kickoff is Thursday July 6 - 10 am to 12:30 pm
at Boss Lubricants 6303 30St. SE.

We have a load of fun planned for you.. it starts at 10 am.. lots of free parking!

Get branded by the Stampede Promotion Committee, have your picture taken at the photo booth, get roped, meet the Stampede Royalty, enjoy Stampede Spirit fare...BBQ lunch of smoked brisket, salads and beans, pop and water, plus be entertained by the best!!

Beer and wine compliments of Murray Flegel. Our MC John Fitzsimons. starts the program at 11 followed by lunch and entertainment. We need to get numbers in order, so please get registered now!

Check it out on rotarystampedepark.com under Upcoming Events. List your volunteer when you register.

Cost is \$50

Final date to register is June 28th but we are capping at 275!! See you there!





Main Presentation: Special Guests - LeSourd Family

We had the privilege of welcoming the LeSourd family; Rob LeSourd, Judy LeSourd, Jean LeSourd and Chris Boardman to the Meeting today to honour their Father, Bill Lesourd. As today was Charities day at the Club it was fitting that we honoured Bill LeSourd, as he was passionate about Charities and giving. He loved our Club and he showed that when he left 2.5 Million dollars to Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park, with very little guidance, knowing we would make good use of his endowment in giving back to the community. Thank you Bill LeSourd! Thank you to his family for attending today, there wasn't a dry eye in the room after **Jim Smith's** speech in remembering Bill.

Please watch the recording for the touching speech. [Click here to watch](#)



Click here to see more photos from today's Meeting

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1K4tGWMIL3yEF6qnQ8N1ldzT4H2NX06C-?usp=sharing>

Main Presentation: Annual Charity Day

Today was the day that we got to celebrate the amazing Charities that we supported this year in a record breaking year of giving through our Community Grants. This year we gave out over \$400,000!!! **Jim Hutchens** and **Greg Martin** introduced the Charities and we welcomed them with all. See the below chart to see which Charities were selected and the Club Member who worked with them to make it happen. It was great to hear from Vecova and Sonshine today and we hope to hear more from each deserving Charity as their projects progress. Thanks to the Grants Committee for all their hard work!

Please watch the recording of the Meeting to see the entire presentation from today.

To watch the recording [click here](#)



CHARITY	GUEST 1	GUEST 2	CLUB MEMBER
PROVIDENCE HOUSE	Sandi Jarrett	Ryan Carswell	Ted Stack and Rick Jakobic
YOUTH CENTRES CALGARY	Jane Wachowich		Ernie Yaskowich and Lyn Topp
SONSHINE	Drew Gusztak		Don Gass
FRESH START RECOVERY	Rod Garassino	Bruce Holstead	David Young and Steve Mason
MADE BY MOMMA	Joanna Law	Cameo Delisle	Mark Ambrose
VECOVA	Yvone Mortdam	Tom Naested	Bill Leclair and Bob Brawn
ARBI	Norma Molina	Kim Wallace	Greg Smyth
THE ALEX	Ryan Krieg	Lori Humpdrey	Bill Leclair and Gail McDougal
CALGAY PREGNANCY CENTRE	Jutta Wittmeier		Dana Hunter and Ken Copithorn
HULL SERVICES	Tess Oliver-Tieman	John Dumoneaux	Ted Stack and Rick Jakobic
BETHANY CARE SOCIETY	Amatul Sidiqi		Dana Hunter and Ken Copithorn



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THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <https://youtu.be/QOXzfFAA3s>

In Closing:

Next week's Meeting: Will be a year end "Tailgate meeting" for the club to cover off a number of outstanding items on Membership, Rotary Foundation, etc.

Registration deadline is tomorrow June 16th. Looking forward in seeing you all on June 22nd.

Final words: Thoughts for the coming week come from George Eliot:

"It is never too late to be what we may have been."

And with that, our meeting is adjourned.

Thank you for coming. Have a great Rotary week!

Final reminder to register by tomorrow morning around 9am.



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Rotary House Update

Starting July 24th, there will be construction on Rotary House and therefore we are being moved to the Blue Room until September 8th. I will remind you all many more times but **please plan to be in the Blue Room starting on our July 27th Meeting.**

June 29th the parking lot at Rotary House will be closed. We have been instructed to park in Lot 10/11 which is on the other side of the BMO center from Rotary House (near the Cowboy Casino, in the top left corner of the map) More info to come in an email closer to the date. But there will be golf carts shuttling people back and forth from Lot 10/11 to Rotary House from 10-noon, and 12:45-2 after the Meeting.



For more information on the Calgary Stampede please visit:
calgarystampede.com

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10:00 am to 12:30 pm

at
Boss Lubricants
6303 30th St. SE

Join us for BBQ Lunch &
some Western fun..

Calgary Stampede Western Welcome, Line Dancing,
Calgary Fiddlers, Bailey and the Boys,
Special Guests!

It's our President
Jim's Thank you
Party!

Friday, June 23

5:30 pm to 10 pm.

Polish Canadian Cultural Centre
Combatants Hall
3015 15th Street NE

Cocktails at 5:30 pm, plated Ukrainian
dinner at 6:30pm with special program.

Dancing to Banxy and the Royaltones to
follow.

Dress is cocktail/business wear
\$60 pp

Register at rotarystampedepark.com



Calgary
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Where Everyone Can Play

Family Fun Day

Saturday June 17, 2023

10 am – 3 pm at

CALGARY ROTARY CHALLENGER PARK

3688 – 48th Avenue NE

FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING

Hosted by Calgary Rotary Challenger Park, you will not want to be out of town because there is just so much to see and do at **CALGARY ROTARY CHALLENGER PARK**. With acres of park to explore and exciting activities wherever you turn, we guarantee this will be a day to remember.

CALGARY ROTARY CHALLENGER PARK is a unique concept of athletic fields, a playground area and an activity center constructed to ensure that all citizens regardless of age or ability have equal access to recreation, sport and play.

This event is a day of activities brimming with **FREE** programming, amongst the great family fun there will be something for everyone.

In addition, there will be opportunities to increase your understanding of individuals living with disabilities through your participation in individual and team sports and recreational activities!

- Free Barbeque
- Face Painting
- Arts and Crafts
- Bouncy Tents
- Pacific Assistance Dogs
- Jubilations Dinner
- Theatre Entertainers
- Petting Zoo
- Hay Ride (Accessible)
- Wheelchair Basketball / Tennis
- Fencing Demonstrations
- Calgary Stampede Promotions Committee
- 501st Garrison (Star Wars Characters)
- Mascots
- CPKC Rail – Puffer Belly Express Mini-Train
- YYC Princesses
- Mental Health Games
- RCMP
- Musicians
- Indigenous Dancers
- Calgary Police Services
- Calgary EMS Services
- Calgary Fire Department
- Challenger Little League Baseball

Free Parking

For more information contact:

Cal Schuler at 403.830.6466 or cal.schuler@c-a-s-s.org

For instructions on how to get there, please visit www.challengerpark.com

Anar Dharshi at 403.903.7867 or info@challengerpark.com



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Districts 5080 5370
5360 5390



Annual General Meeting & Assembly
Waterton Lakes National Park
Alberta, Canada
21 – 24 September 2023



Register Now!! Join Us For This Exciting Event

Waterton Peace Garden Service Project and Peace Pole Dedication

Golf Tournament (optional \$\$)

Waterton Lake Boat Trip to Goat Haunt (optional \$\$)

Hike the Great Divide Trail – Goat Haunt to Waterton Township (optional \$\$)

Opening Reception

WGIPPA Annual Assembly with International Recognized Speakers

Fran Leggett | Jeff Mow | Cam Stewart | Jenny Feick

WGIPPA Annual General Meeting | All Rotarians are Voting Members

Peace Park Assembly Gala

Craig Davidson from Rick Steves' Europe | Youth Exchange Students | Entertainment

Non-Sectarian Celebration of Peace, Love, and Life

Hands Across the Border Ceremony

Waterton Village Area Hotels are Offering Discounted Rates | CALL EARLY!

Aspen Village | Waterton Lakes Lodge | Crandell Mountain

403-859-2255 403-859-2150 403-859-2288

Call the Hotel Directly for a 15% Discount Code PCEPRK

Bear Mountain Hotel

403-859-2366

Call the Hotel Directly for a 15% Discount Code WGIPPA

Northland Lodge

403-859-2353

Offering a 12% Discount for Upstairs Accommodations

Registration is Now Available at

<https://Registrations.DACdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77619583>



Partners in Print

Book Club Luncheon on June 19th 2023 at Calgary Golf and Country Club.

Please let us know (janetopp@shaw.ca) by June 15th if you plan to attend so we can order your lunch. The cost for lunch is \$35 inclusive.

We will meet at 10:00 for a coffee and a brief chat about books we've read.

Our guest speaker is the manager of the Owl's Nest Book Store. This local book store has been in business for 40 years and we will find out all about it and why they have been so successful.

Following the speaker, we will have a plated lunch.

Bread and butter on the table

Quiche Lorraine with a side salad

Lemon Posset for dessert

Coffee and tea will be served.

I ♥
Book Club

If you wish you may order a drink to go with your lunch. That will be an extra charge for you.

Our group has had such a lovely year full of conversation, book talk, sharing and learning so we hope to see your pretty faces at our wind-up.

Jane and Maureen.

INVITATION - INFORMATION

Hello everyone

As you can see we are making a road trip to Bragg Creek for our June Event!

It is going to be a POTLUCK DINNER!

The cost is \$25.00 per person plus one item for the dinner.

It is important the you RSVP your attendance to Karen by June 16th so that Kerry Stack can be in touch with you and let you know what items we will need for the potluck.

The Executive will provide the hot food items.

You can reach Karen @ 403-239-8987

or email partners@rotary.org

We are suggesting that you car pool with one another but if you need a ride please be in touch with anyone of us on the Executive.

I am sure it is going to be a very FUN-FILLED night with lots going on.

Bring a guest to enjoy this beautiful log cabin setting.

Hoping you can join us as I pass the gavel to your new Partners President, Teresa Stokke!

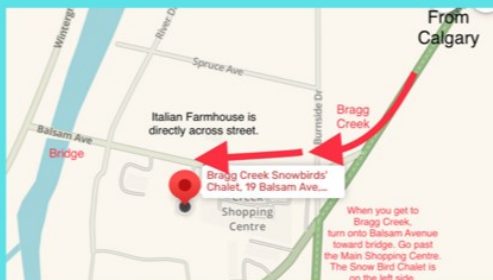
Until then - I remain

Rhonda Yaskowich, President

Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park

PS We are enclosing a map of where the Snowbirds' Chalet is located in Bragg Creek.

Map to Bragg Creek Snowbirds' Chalet 19 Balsam Avenue



You're Invited to:

Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park

"President Rhonda's

Farewell Potluck Dinner"

Date: June 26, 2023 from 5-8pm

Registration Starts 4:30pm

Location: The Snow birds' Chalet

19 Balsam Ave, Bragg Creek

Cost \$ 25.00 per person /plus potluck item.

Bring a Guest

Door
Prizes

50/50
Draw

Jewelry
Raffle

Confirm Attendance to Karen Grant

NO LATER THAN June 16

partners@rotarycs.org or 403 239 8987

Payment via e-transfer to:

Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park

partners@rotarycs.org

Payment by cheque. Made out to:

Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park

Mail cheque to: 3927 Vancouver Crescent NW, Calgary, AB T3A 0M2

Attention Karen Grant

or pay CASH at the Door

Any Food Allergies contact Kerry Stack at kerryystack@gmail.com

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June 22nd: TBA

June 23rd: President's Party

June 29th: Changing of the Guard. WCS and Mario Stella Awards

July 6th: Dream Home Kick-Off Party - No Meeting

July 13th: Dream Home Sales - No Meeting
YAAHHHOOOO

July 20th : Kids at Heart Gold Classic

