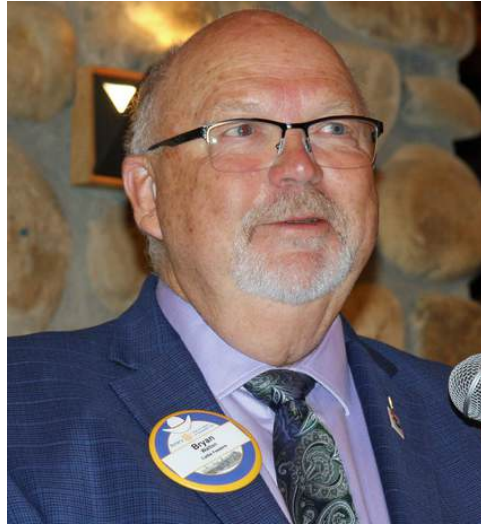




ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the June 20th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park here at the Rotary House
My name is Bryan Walton, and I'm honoured to be the President of this Club for 2023-24.

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

Head Table (L-R): Jim Hutchens, Diana Festejo, Steve Austin, President Bryan Walton, John Shield, Kathy Christensen, Hermann Logsend, Bob Wiens



Presentation: Community Grants	July 4th Dream Home Kick off	Next week: Changing of the Guard in The Blue Room
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Click [HERE](#) to register for next week's meeting and [HERE](#) for this week's meeting link

Today's Meeting:

Sharyl Madigan introduced our guests today. Followed by our Welcome song

Micheal Zacharki asked one of our guest speakers to draw the 50/50. The pot was \$160. **Katherine Springall** one of our guests won the pot. Congratulations!



Bryan Walton gives special thanks to **Pat Neuman, Neill Magee, Micheal Zacharki,** and **Murray Flegel** for their part in making the June 13th president party such a fun event.



A word from our Dream Home Committee Chair **John Shield**. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for this year! We have 294 volunteers, 74 are new! We have 740 shifts to cover! There will be a sales manager video being sent out to everyone. Thank you to the Dream Home Committee for their hard work and determination!! Thank you to everyone who volunteered this year, we could not do this without you!

Steve Austin Classification Talk

Steve was a member of the downtown club for 30 years before coming here. **Steve** grew up in Roxboro. He was the class president in grade 12. He then attended the University of Calgary and obtained a business degree and finance and marketing, then took some post-grade courses at the University of Alberta to obtain an Accounting Major. He wasn't ready to settle into his business career so he went traveling! He started in Hawaii for 4 months, then he moved on to Western Samoa where he had a great time chasing sharks and drinking beer. He traveled to many more amazing places over the following few years!

He worked for a CA firm for a few months when he arrived home, then he went off to work for a large trucking company.

He had a few different positions with this company.

He wanted to be in the oil patch, He was involved in a small group in Kansas and Oklahoma and they had some success in wildcatting and made a couple of small oil discoveries and this got him hooked. He got into the oil and gas business full-time. He went on to do many different things in the industry.

To hear more about **Steve's** story please go watch the meeting video linked on page 1. **Steve** thanked his sponsors **Bob Brawn** and **George Deegan** for submitting his name for membership. His partner **Sherry** has been an inspiration to him. He feels very lucky to have such a wonderful partner and golf coach! Thank you for welcoming **Steve** to this wonderful club everyone!



Catherine Brownlee Introduces our new Member **Hermann Longsend**

Hermann is an Oil and Gas Energy and Mineral Financing Executive with over 20 years of experience in raising funds for various impactful projects. He is known for his exceptional ability to plan complex business structures and implement global corporate expansions.

Hermann has constantly demonstrated his commitment to serving others through his profession and philanthropic endeavors. Before joining the Rotary Club of Stampede Park, **Hermann** was an active member of the Rotary Club in Slovenia. **Hermann** was born in Cameroon Africa where he earned his first master's degree in business, he was then selected by the Department of State and received the predigest United States Full Bright Scholarship to study Natural Resources, lead clean energy efforts, and advance mutual understanding among nations. He graduated from the Colorado School of Minds where he earned a master of Science Degree in Mineral Economics with a Specialization in Petroleum Financing. Following his heart and the love of his life he came to Canada and became a Calgarian in 2005. To hear more about **Hermann** and his amazing story please watch the meeting video linked on page 1.

Welcome to the club **Hermann!!!**

Hermann says a few lovely words which you can hear in the meeting video



Jim Hutchens Introduces our guest speakers

This is when we recognize all the Charities that do all the great work we work hard to raise the money we work hard to give it away but our charities work even harder to serve the community and we're here to recognize them President **Bryan** fellow Rotarians, guests, and charity Representatives Welcome to our annual Charities meeting where we celebrate what we do best supporting the community and also to celebrate what our charity Partners do in serving Community.

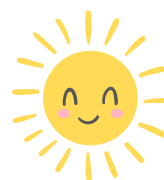
This year applications covered a huge spectrum and scope from supporting prostate cancer screening to assisting children with special needs, women in families in crisis, addiction recovery, and much more.

In addition to our \$546,000 budget for community service grants our club's board initiative led by President **Bryan** in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Calgary downtown and the Calgary Flames Foundation renewed our commitment to support Rotary Flames Park and rotary playground at the expansion of Ronald McDonald House.

Kathy Christensen has 30 years of experience working in addiction fields. She is the Executive Director of the Calgary Alpha House Society. I have attached a copy of an amazing PowerPoint with helpful information about what Kathy Christensen and the Calgary Alpha House Society do for our community. Donations to Alpha House are always appreciated!



Diana Festejo comes from the RCMP and Military family with over 14 years of experience in call talking and crisis intervention within the first responder committee. Diana currently serves as the Executive Director of Legacy Place Society. I have attached a copy of the amazing PowerPoint with helpful information about what Diana Festejo and the Legacy Place Society do for our community.



Thank you to both speakers for sharing more about these incredible charities and for your very moving stories! I Encourage everyone to listen to their speeches the meeting video.

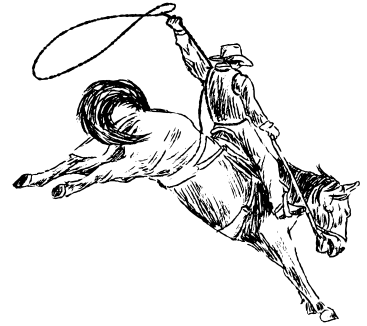
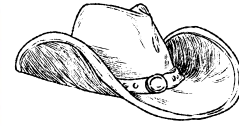
Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery



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Walk With Our Rotary Float in the 2024 Calgary Stampede Parade



Walkers in the 2023 Stampede Parade

To celebrate the Rotary International 2025 Convention coming to Calgary, the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park has, for the second straight year, successfully secured a float in the 2024 Calgary Stampede Parade! Thanks to Joe Connelly for getting ALL the paperwork done. This is one of the largest public and media events organized by RCCSP. Last year our float and significant media attention were recognized with the Mel Cunningham Award.

It's an early morning – walkers are requested to meet at The Confluence (formerly Fort Calgary) by 7 am. The parade route is 4.5 km long, so the ability to walk this distance is necessary. Dress is western, complimented by any Rotary branded clothing you may have. But - you can wear your walking shoes - unless your cowboy boots are well-worn and super comfy. 😊

Sign up by emailing corinne@whitehathospitality.com . You must be registered no later than June 28. Invite family and friends who would like to join in this iconic Calgary celebration.

When signing up we MUST receive the following information in your email for EACH walker. Without this information the Stampede will not allow you to participate. The final list of participants is submitted to the Stampede on June 29.

- Name
- Email Address
- Cell Phone
- Emergency Contact Name
- Emergency Contact's cell phone

Be part of history! Be part of making our big announcement for hundreds of thousands to see, both in person on the parade route, and on television for viewers across Canada.

Thanks, from your Stampede Parade organizers,

Joe Connelly and Corinne Wilkinson





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Farewell to Marino Farella ... another Youth Exchange Year closes



Dear Marino
 I'm very sorry to hear that you are under the weather and cannot make the party tonight (June 13) so I'm sending you this in the hopes it will lift your spirits. Knowing that that my nickname for you is *Alberta Slim*, I thought I would introduce you to a couple of other "Slims" - the original *Alberta Slim* and *Montana Slim* giving their renditions of the Calgary Roundup. They are both old time country singers who happen to be Canadian.
 Hope you enjoy these oldies and have a safe trip home.
 Send us your final presentation on your year so we have it as a reminder of your time here.
 Cheers and best wishes from the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park
 President Bryan Walton



Hi Bryan
First of all, I wanted to apologize if I won't be present today, but I haven't been well for a couple of days.
 Secondly, I wanted to thank you and the whole Rotary club for hosting me and making me feel at home throughout this year and for always being very helpful to me.
 I will never thank you enough for this year, which I will never forget, and I am so sorry that I cannot come today.

Marino Farella

Fellowship Weeknd



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2024 Stay-in-School Scholarship Awards

Jim Bladon, Stan Cichon, and Kathy Demorest were honored to present our 2024 Stay-in-School Scholarship Awards to the recipients at St John XXIII School on June 18th. Grade 8 Students Mikaela Hildebrand and Alfred Torion were the Scholarship Award recipients, and the remaining 6 students that were interviewed but not selected were gifted \$100.00 each for their hard work and time. The leadership of the SISS Program by school principal Shannon Cormier is outstanding!!



Health and Wellness

Jim Cairns was released from the hospital on June 11th and is happy to be home. He and Carol are following physiotherapy regimes. He welcomes phone calls and visits.

Prayers and thoughts go out to **Lynn Grant** who undergoes brain surgery today (June 20).

Justina Penner has been admitted into a Reno, NV hospital for the second time following a fall last week in the Walmart parking lot and a second fall at home. She has a broken arm. It is expected that she will be released from the hospital within two days and is still scheduled to fly back to Calgary on Tuesday (June 25) via Reno-Seattle-Calgary. We wish her safe travels and a full recovery.

The Stay in School program is still in need of additional mentors.

Please consider this a great opportunity to be a mentor to a young student. For more information please contact **Evan Strong**

Strong
evanjstrong@shaw.ca



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2024 Kids at Heart
Golf Classic
July 29, 2024

Cottonwood Golf & Country Club
to sponsor, golf, support or donate auction items
these three children's charities please visit
RotaryKidsatHeart.ca

Online Registration is now open!



Million Dollar Hole-in-One is back!!
Every player has a chance
to qualify for a chance to win &
support these amazing Charities



Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park

The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park
Cordially invites you to
Dream Home Kick Off
Thursday, July 4, 2024
9:30 am to 1pm
at
Boss Lubricants
6303- 30th Street SE

Join us for BBQ Lunch & Western fun...

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

\$50 per person
Register at rotarystampedepark.com



June 30th

1 pm arrival game starts at 2:05 pm.

We have a patio that holds about 45 people

\$45 a ticket which includes food such as a Hot dog, burger, chips, and a drink.

pneuman647@gmail.com



Baseball

***Thank you for everyone's patience
well we worked very hard to fix our
website.***

***Everything has been fixed and you
can go ahead and register for the
coming events.***



This week's meeting link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=la2ltDsUQKA>

Closing:

Next week's meeting: June 27th, 2024 **Changing of The Guard**
Event in The Blue Room



The week following **July 4th**, Dream Home Kick-Off at **BOSS Lubricants (6303 30 St SE)**



Closing words:

As you go about your business this week remember, as Rotarians our simple acts of kindness go a long way to Creating Hope in the World. Have a great Rotary week.



Calendar

JUNE

- 1st: Invermere Golf & Social Weekend
- 2nd: Invermere Golf & Social Weekend
- 5th: Jame Wheeler Davidson
- 6th: No Meeting
- 13th: President's Social
- 18th: Business Club
- 19th: Board Meeting
- 20th: Community Grants Meeting
- 27th: Changing of the Guard

June						
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JULY

- 4th: Dream Home Kick Off
- 11th: No Meeting
- 18th: Calgary Surge
- 25th: To be determined
- 29th: Kids at Heart Golf Tournament

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