

THANKS FOR ATTENDING MY VIRTUAL POOL PARTY
AND HELPING ME GO OUT WITH A SPLASH!!!

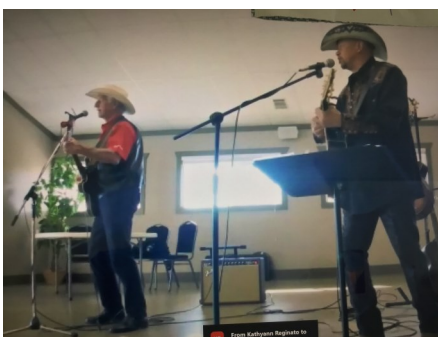
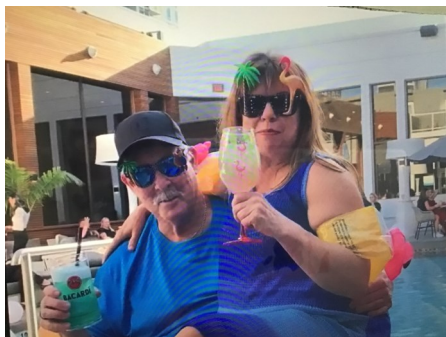


As I ride off into the sunset
with my guy we wish you happy
trails until we see you again at the
Calgary Stampede



President
Penny Leckie





Good afternoon Rotarians and Guests: Welcome to the June 24th 2021 meeting of The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President for 2020/2021 – **Penny Leckie**.

The pool party began with a pool video and Bailey and the Boys playing "Peaceful Easy Feeling".

Please check out the meeting link for this great moment.

Olay, Olay, feeling Hot, Hot, Hot. Come on in, Let's Flamingle!!!! I know you won't believe it, but that video in the pool only took one take... Wait until you see the one at the end... You won't believe that one took three takes, and still looks as bad as it does...

I have a great big pink flamingo pool floatie that I wanted to have with me, but I forgot to take it home and fill it up at a gas/air pressure station. In the old days, I would have called the team at work into the boardroom, and we would have had some fun passing the floatie around, taking turns blowing air into it. I guess those days are over. Tough to do that with masks.

As stated in the video, I was with my partner, Darren, our daughter Hailey, and our daughter Kristle. For those of you who might be wondering I came into Kristle's life when she was 13. Her father and I didn't stay together, but Kristle and I did and we are family. Kristle is 38 and works with me in our office. Some of you have met Kristle and her husband, Italian Chef, Manuel. When they got married, a couple of years ago, Kristle's grandmother and I joined them on their honeymoon in Italy. Manuel's family made a huge fuss over us and made us feel like family.

Family is fluid. You don't have to be related to be family. Family is a circle of people who support one another, who laugh together, who cry together, but in the end, they are together. Today, I am having a pool party with my Rotary family, and we are celebrating, together, my final meeting as head of the family, or if we are talking flamingo, the flock... So let's get this party started.

Please rise for O Canada

I want to recognize some special guests attending today. My partner, Darren, is here with our daughter, Hailey. Darren and Hailey, please say hello.

When Darren and I first reconnected after 30 years, at the Rock'em Sock'em event in 2019, I told Darren the timing wasn't great to start a relationship because I was going to be President of our Rotary Club and would be very busy. Darren replied he thought it would be fun to share the experience with me, and didn't I need some arm candy to go to all the events with.

It turned out a little different than we thought it would, but Darren has been my rock and best friend ever since that conversation. I can't imagine the last year and a half without him in my life. It has been fun getting to know Hailey. She has been a good sport about everything and just rolls with us. As things open up, I hope you all get to meet my flock. Darren and Hailey, thank you for your love and support.

My executive assistant, **Eve** is attending today. Eve, please say hello. Some of you know Eve very well, and some of you have never met Eve, but have benefitted from her willingness to assist anyone. I am truly blessed to have someone like Eve work with me, and to be my friend. How many people do you know who are able to say to someone, "you know, it would be great if we could make this happen", and voila, Eve makes it happen. I remember when I was asked if I would let my name stand to be President of Rotary. Somehow Eve found out and told me I should do it. My response was, "Well, I am not going to do it, unless you agree to go through it with me." She agreed, and here we are. Like Darren, I think Eve thought there would be a lot more social events, and she would be able to attend them with me, as she has always enjoyed visiting with my fellow Rotarians, but it didn't quite turn out that way. I wanted Eve to join the meeting today, so all of us could thank her for the assistance she has provided to so many of us this past year. Please thank your co-President, Eve.



Health and Wellness: Nothing to report other than **Carol Cairns** recently had surgery and is recovering with the assistance of Jim

Social Committee: Let's give a huge thank you to the Social Committee and everyone involved in making and delivering the June packages acknowledging Indigenous People's Day. Thank you for making a difference this year.

Bulletin Editor: Bev Ostermann **Photographer:** John Shield

CRCF Update: As we have communicated in the past for the last three years an administration fee was charged by the Club organization to the Charity organization at a rate of 7.5%, 7.5% and 10% respectively. The fee is charged on total revenue in the Charity's general account each year. This year an Audit Committee was formed. During the Audit Committee's review of the financial statements they brought forward that the CRCF general disbursements (i.e: not Stella or Snuggs funds) were recorded in the Charity's general account and as such, had been subject to the administration fee.

When the Club's CRCF Committee became aware of this they advised our Club's Executive they weren't pleased with this approach and felt it fell outside of the spirit in which disbursements received from donations made to CRCF should be handled. The Club's Executive didn't disagree with the opinion of the CRCF Committee, but needed to address matters related to the Club's overall financial position before we could address the specific concerns of the CRCF Committee.

During this year, the New Members' Event achieved financial success, an increase in membership dues was approved, some government subsidies were applied for and received, the Perennial Fund was established which should grow and serves as a resource for Club operations for future years, and we have received confirmation there will be a 2021 Calgary Stampede. With this information, in hand, last week some of us met and reviewed the Club's current financial position. We are satisfied that sufficient funds are on hand to cover the Club's operational expenses of the upcoming Rotary year, ie, President Elect Craig's year.

Further, we anticipate receiving net revenue from the Dream Home, against which the Club may recover costs. With Stampede, our Club should receive some revenue from St. Mary's Park-ing. We anticipate having a Club fundraiser this fall, loosely referred to as a Rockem Sockem event, which will generate funds for the Club. Craig has committed to forming a committee to address Club Sustainability matters. With all of this, it is reasonable to conclude there will be sufficient cash flow beyond Craig's year, into President Elect Nominee Jim Fitzowich's year and subsequent years.

The charge of administration fees to CRCF Funds has caused substantial distress and a potentially toxic, energy amongst members of our Club. Concern has been expressed donations to CRCF may be impacted in the future. Taking all of this into consideration, it was determined at last week's meeting to bring two resolutions to the Board meeting on Monday evening.

The first resolution provides that CRCF receipts won't be subject to an administration fee commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

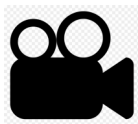
The second resolution confirms the administration fee that was charged for the last 3 years that relate to CRCF receipts will be paid from the Club to the Charity before June 30, 2021.

With the timing of the payment, our Club will need to dip into the \$100,000 rainy day fund set aside in prior years but the Executive and the Board believe the combination of the impacts of the COVID pandemic on Club activities with the potential damage to morale of the club members, if payment is delayed, warrant drawing on the rainy day fund.



The Board approved both motions, and with that, we have a video to show of a presentation of a cheque for \$32,189, representing the return of administration fees charged to CRCF over the past 3 years. **Please review the meeting link to see the video.**

Brown Bagging Video: This week Kathyann received an email which contained a video. We ran it by **Bruce MacDonald**, and he indicated he would be pleased if we share it with the Members. It is in recognition of a donation from the Partners, made in honour of **Lorraine MacDonald**, that is helping to feed Calgary kids.



VIDEO LINK: please click the image to view the video



Dream Home Update: Jim Bladon

The 2021 Calgary Stampede is in full swing...only 14 sleeps until the kickoff of the Stampede, and most importantly our work volunteering to SELL tickets for the Dream Home/ Kinsmen Prizes and Stampede Millions 50-50. As members of the RCCSP we really only have *2 duties to fulfill when it comes to our largest fundraiser...*

**Fill Selling and Host/Hostess Shifts (min 8 per Rotarian)
Sell Tickets!!**



Normally, we are 100% booked and full. However with COVID we have less than half of our normal selling shifts to fill, *however we currently have only filled less than 40% of those reduced numbers of shifts!*

We now have all or most of our Rotarian's and Volunteers entered into the HOME BASE scheduling system. However those actually in the system *have NOT YET Signed in...*that equates to about 70% of our Rotarian's. *We need to ensure we get signed in...and signed up!*

There are lots of shifts still available...especially in the evenings and weekends. Let's all step up and fill these shifts. It would be incredible to be 100% filled in the next week

Training videos for Sellers and Sales Managers are on their way!! Stay tuned...

As always - any questions, feedback, etc - please send via email to shifts@rotarycs.org

Together we are stronger...and Together we will nail this in 2021 !!!

Thanks again for all your time, patience, positive energy...and most importantly for booking your shifts...and for helping our Club and our very needy charity partners.

PLEASE HELP US GET TO THE FINISH LINE

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These DREAM HOME COMMITTEE MEMBERS are standing by to go through the available shifts and claim them for you and your volunteers!

Reach out to them TODAY !!! THANK YOU

Strategic Planning Committee Update: Len Hamm: The Strategic Planning Committee has had many sessions over the past Rotary year, focusing on 7 key areas:

Membership Recruitment and Retention: The following are recommendations to the Board as to the ways to recruit new members and retain existing members. There is no better way to attract new members than to have a widely held reputation of being a good service club with a stable membership and long-serving members that enjoy serving the community.



Make Rotary House at Stampede Park the place to be on Thursday at noon: Fun meetings, free parking, value meal, inspirational speakers, tight program (starts at 12:15 and ends at 1:30), minimal club business, enthusiastic reception at the door, energy in the room, week after week after week. Of course, all of this will be delayed until we are back in Rotary House on a sustainable basis (hopefully soon).

Make better use of social media platforms: Tell potential members and the public about the multitude of things that we do and do well: local and worldwide community betterment projects, raise money with minimal overhead and maximum leverage to fund these projects and provide enthusiastic manpower for community activities.

Refocus the Bulletin: Bulletin is no longer needed to be a verbatim report of the meeting for the benefit of members unable to attend and interested family members. Use it for team building within the Rotary family, make it more forward looking about future activities, report internal Club business that would previously be covered during regular meetings, each committee to report on their objectives and achievements for the year (50 committees – 50 weekly Bulletins), three-four members write a Classification talk and/or their biographical story each week.

Source of New Members: The Club should return to its roots and focus efforts to attract business people and professionals in the 35-50 year age group as new members. Weekly speakers, programs, tours and internal Club activities should cater to this demographic.

Team Building: Put increased emphasis on attendance of regular meetings and Club sponsored social events, involvement in active committees, participation in work projects, etc. as an important measure of the quality of our Club. Conversely, when we do not see a member for extended periods of time, we should do a better job of reaching out to inquire as to how absentee members are doing in their business and personal lives with an offer of support. Exit Interviews. Development a formal exit interview process to ascertain why Club members are leaving the Club, or why prospective members have declined to join.

Future of Stay in School Golf Tournament: A definitive recommendation has been presented to, and accepted by the Board. **Ernie Yaskowich**, Chair SIS Golf Tournament Committee will make an appropriate announcement during the forthcoming golf tournament on July 22, 2021

Reduction of Document / Memorabilia Storage: A definitive action plan for reduction in document and memorabilia storage will be available in the next week.

Need for a Club Administrator: The Committee has recommended that the Club needs an Administrator working at least part time to incoming President elect Craig Stokke.

President's Fund for Year in Office: The Board is addressing this matter without any recommendation from this Committee.

Long Term Project Proposal: In the hands of the Designated Fund Mental Wellness Vision Committee. At this stage the Strategic Planning Committee doesn't have a role to play in this matter.

Three Year Strategic Plan, 2018-2021: The Strategic Planning Committee's focus during this 2020-21 Rotary year was on the above six issues as requested by **President Penny** at the beginning of the year, thus we did not devote any time and attention on the development of a definitive Three year Strategic Plan. There as a consensus that a Strategic Planning Committee has an important role to play in the operation of our Club going forward, and an effort should be made to develop a formal Strategic Plan during the forthcoming Rotary year.

President Penny: Songs and Stunts: When I first joined Rotary, we used to have a Songs and Stunts Committee. For whatever reason, someone thought I would be a good person to put on that committee. I was mortified. I can't sing, and what did I know about stunts. I remember Constance Jackson coached me through a couple of sessions, and other members of the committee sang with me. Do you remember we used to have those song books?

Having the pool party today made me think of the time I was responsible for Songs and Stunts in August. The Chair of the Committee at the time is no longer in the Club so I can say this without offending anyone. He asked me to lead the Club in a version of In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree...

Anne Rooney sponsored me into Rotary, and we used to be in the same office. I remember walking down to her office and saying, "they want me to sing In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree. Can't they come up with something better than that?" She said, "what are you thinking?" I said, "I don't know. I hate singing, and I don't want to sing, but I think it should be something lively. I am thinking Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini., feels more like summer, and should get everyone going, but I don't want to sing it." Anne loved to sing, and she said "I'll sing it," and then between the two of us, we figured out what I would do.

We were playing golf after Rotary that day, so I was in my golf skort. I wrapped a blanket around my shoulders and upper body, to my thighs, and I walked around the front of Rotary House while Anne sang. If your remember the song, one part says the girl was afraid to come out of the blanket, because she wore an itsy bitsy teenie weenie yellow polka dot bikini. No one knew what I had on under the blanket, and no one knew whether I would drop the blanket or not. I kept walking around with the blanket and Anne kept singing the song. We had a lot of laughs with that song and stunt, and that's when I learned about the value of songs and stunts in helping to build fellowship.

We were supposed to have a presentation from the songs and stunts committee today, but Committee Chair, Deb Sands mailed out the material and Canada Post played a stunt on her. No one received their material. We received a note from Deb late yesterday that Deb would like to defer the songs and stunts presentation to July 8th. It crossed my mind that as penance for the late cancellation notice, we could have **Deb Sands** wear an itsy bitsy teeny weenie yellow polka dot bikini, or at least sing the song, but I am trying to be nice at my last meeting, and the Sergeant at Arms committee stepped up, so Deb dodged a bullet and we have Sergeant at Arms.



Sergeant at Arms: Jim Fitzowich decided that the 9 members of the Songs and Stunts Committee should pay some penance for dropping the ball and was considering whether he could ask them to make up the Club's deficit of \$32,189 with a fine of about \$3,500 each.

There is precedent for this level of fine – in 1995, then Member **Don C Taylor** fined **Roger Jarvis** \$5,000 for some transgression, and Roger paid



up on the spot with a cheque, with the proviso that Don match it, which Don immediately did.

However, since **President Penny** has already come up with a cheque for the \$32,189 today, he graciously reduced the fine to \$5 each.

Penny's Farewell Comments

Now it is time for me to express gratitude to those who have helped me through my year as President. I believe "thank you's" should be personal, and with that, I have written a note to each of the people I am going to mention. With that, I will be intentionally brief with my comments here.

I introduced Darren, Hailey, and referred to the rest of my family earlier. I will express gratitude to them and the universe every day of my life, for their presence in my life.

I introduced my executive assistant, Eve, earlier. I know I owe her big time for all she has done for me and for our Rotary Club this year.

I couldn't have all the team from my office on the meeting today, but I want to give a shout out for all they have done to keep the fires burning and the wheels turning at the office. It always amazes me how much they are able to do without me. Thank goodness for that. Also, they support me in Rotary by taking on volunteer shifts and stepping up that way. They are more than coworkers, they have my back and are another part of my extended family.

At the Board meeting on Monday, I thanked the Members of the Board who are through their terms. I want to recognize these individuals:

Past President Chas Filipski

Secretary Larry Stein

Director Ted Stack

Director Jamie Moorhouse

Director Michael Ruttan

Each of these individuals has made and continues to make substantial contributions to Rotary and to our Club. They lead by example. Gentlemen, thank you so very much for your service, but more importantly for your friendship.

Director Gena Rotstein has completed her term on the Board and she has also resigned from our Rotary Club effective June 30th. Gena, thank you for the service you have provided to our Rotary Club over the years, and all the service you continue to provide in our community. Please know you are always welcome at Rotary.

As a Type A, compulsive, obsessive, Chartered Professional Accountant who is a control freak, it is not easy for me to not be hands on with the finances. **Don Mintz's** strength in this area gave me the confidence to stand back. Thank you for sharing your expertise and knowledge, Don, and for continuing as our Club's Treasurer.

Three individuals joined the Board during my year, and I am so incredibly grateful they were willing to share this journey with me:

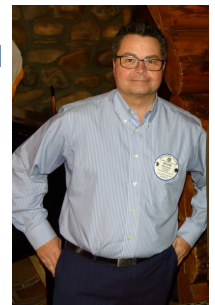
Tony Fisher Mark Ambrose Wendy Giuffre

Each of these individuals brought a particular strength to the Board, and I know they will provide incredible bench strength to President Craig's Board. Thank you for your dedication and commitment.



Partners' President Denise Macleod has had an extended run. She has become a good friend, and I want to thank Denise and all the Partners for all they do for our Club, and for all they have done for me.

Kevin MacLeod also contacted me this week to advise me that in lieu of gifts his company will be making a donation to our Mental Wellness Fund Thank you Kevin.



Penny's farewell comments

I used to work for the father of our **Club Administrator, Kathyann**. I knew her family years ago. This gave me incredible insight into the person I would be working with. Eve and I had lunch with Kathyann and her mother in early 2020. I have hardly seen or talked to Kathyann since, and I hardly have any idea what she did for me, because she did it all. If she knew of a problem I should know about, she let me know, otherwise she just handled it. She really was the secret ingredient for the recipe this year. Kathyann, thank you for all you have done for me, and for all the Members of our Rotary Club this year.



There are so many people in this Club that I owe a huge debt of gratitude to. Again, I am going to try and express my gratitude personally to each of these individuals. I do want to share that I have received a number of emails from a number of members asking me to express gratitude to particular individuals or committees who they feel have gone above and beyond this year. There has been so much going on behind the scenes this year, and so many people involved in ensuring our Club continues to be a thriving Club that I don't want to risk offending anyone by recognizing anyone in particular, and perhaps missing someone. If you think a Member or a Committee made a particular difference, please send them a personal email or call them and tell them. They will love to hear from you.

We all know the expression, "it takes a village", and this year, the village of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park really leaned in to stay connected and stay strong all while staying safe and having some fun along the way. If I have been successful, it is because of you.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as the Club's President, and for the support each of you, as my Rotary family, has given me. From my perspective, the overall highlight of this year was the great conversations I was able to have with fellow Rotarians. I wasn't able to visit with everyone, but I visited with many, and learned much. I know I have grown personally, and I have a greater understanding of the incredible people who have built the legacy of our Rotary Club.

Now, I want to talk about optimism. It is truly an incredible feeling to have worked hard at something, and to be able to pass the torch on to individuals who you know will not only carry the torch, but who will raise it higher. I have that incredible feeling with transitioning to **President Elect Craig Stokke**, who will transition to **President Elect Nominee Jim Fitzowich**. I have had the pleasure of working on the transition with these two gentlemen, and I am thrilled with the level of leadership our Rotary Club will benefit from over the next two years.

I know incoming **Directors Myrna Dube-Thompson, Stan Cichon, Don Taylor and Walter Flores** will give Craig the support he needs and provide the bench strength Jim will require going into his year. Incoming **Secretary Luanne Whitmarsh** will be a strong replacement for **Secretary Larry Stein**.

Thank you to each of these individuals for your passion for Rotary and your willingness to serve.

I am excited about serving on next year's Board as Past President. Our Club is in the hands of excellent caretakers and has an extremely bright future ahead of it. I know it will continue to be a privilege to be a member of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park.

It's my understanding a surprise has been prepared for me. We are going to play that now, and I have retained the right to respond before passing the gavel. So with great trepidation, please play the video. Jamie Moorhouse introduced the video

Tech Crew Surprise Video: <https://vimeo.com/567184460>

Penny's response was one of relief as the video was much better than anticipated

Closing pool video is available in the meeting link



CRCF Cheque Presentation: CRCF Chair, Jim Fitzowich presented the Club with this year's distribution from the Member donations portion of the fund - \$162,192, which will be used by our Small Grant and Large Grants Committees. **CRCF Board Member Neil Fraser** presented the distribution from the Mario Stella bequest - \$89,457, which will be used for transportation for the disabled, as per Mario's wishes. These funds are doubly important this year as the only



funds earned for charitable projects in this COVID year.



Passing of the Gavel: Past President Chas Filipski presented his PP pin to Penny Leckie.

Penny passed on her President's pin and the gavel (figuratively) to incoming President Craig Stokke.

Craig presented his PE pin to new President Elect Jim Fitzowich.



And the transition is completed. Thank you, PP Penny for an interesting and great Rotary Year.

President (Elect) Craig's comments:



President Penny has been very gracious with her thank-you's today, and of course I echo all of her comments and sentiments.

I have no doubt, when Penny was first contemplating whether or not to accept our Club's nomination for President, she stayed up many a night trying to imagine what her presidency might look like. She formulated big plans, set ambitious goals, and looked forward to an amazing year of personal growth, community building, and giving back.

Last spring, as I'm sure most of us will remember, as we edged closer to Penny's Rotary year, Penny's enthusiasm was infectious and many of us were looking forward to joining her at the RI Convention in Honolulu (tacky green shirts and

all) ready to show our support, drink some mai tai's, and help Penny kick off her amazing year of adventure.

And then "it" happened. Covid-19.

There was no Honolulu convention. We were no longer meeting in person. People were wearing masks and there was this new thing called "social distancing". President Chas did an amazing job navigating the final months of his term (and he should be, and was greatly commended) but by the time Penny's inauguration came around, there was no Stampede. No golf tournament. No casino. And, as I mentioned in the video, the only funds our Club had were from the CRCF. And of course, when our Club is used to making big money, and we're used to spending big money, it becomes a seismic shift when you don't have the money we're used to. So, longstanding committees had to be shuttered (or reorganized) and as a Club we had to find a new direction for the year. Looking back, I have no doubt Penny faced challenges that no other President in the history of our Club had to face - which is not exactly the dream scenario that she would have envisioned back when she agreed to be President, and was making those big plans.

But extraordinary times call for extraordinary leadership, and that is exactly what President Penny brought to our Club. Penny had to make tough decisions this year, but through it all she made the meetings fun, she kept people connected, and she got a lot of things done.

Penny also initiated a mental health initiative (her BHAG - Big Harry Audacious Goal) that made us all think outside the box. It also reminded us the value and respect the Rotary name has in our community. As many of you know, I LOVE it when people think big. And Penny, when you came to me and said "we need to initiate a \$10 million dollar project for the 2025 RI Convention in Calgary" I said "I'm in". And then you said "but... we don't have any money... so, we need to get creative and investigate whether Rotary can play a "catalyst" role in the project instead of an "investor" role" I thought, that's a very interesting and intriguing concept. As we know, big ideas take time and I'm personally very excited to see where this idea (and equally important) this thought process can go. Good on you.

I'm sure we can all agree that Penny brought a certain "style" to the job and, like I said, even in these uncertain times, Penny stepped up. In many ways, we have an even stronger Club today than the Club she inherited - which is pretty remarkable when you consider how many other Clubs paused their meetings completely during the pandemic, or only met once a month. And, from where I was standing, in her shadows, it was very inspiring to watch. As situations would arise, I was constantly trying to put myself in Penny's shoes and I would often wonder "how would I have dealt with this situation or that situation"? Well, I can tell you I learnt two things... 1) you can't walk in Penny's shoes... because they're too small... and she takes her shoe collection VERY seriously, and 2) she made a lot of right decisions. Decisions that were right for our Club, right for our membership, and right for Rotary.

Penny, in closing, I am very grateful for your leadership this year and even more grateful for your friendship. And I want you to remember this; If I am successful as President I'll owe much of my success to your mentorship this past year. But with that, of course, if for some reason I am not successful, I trust that you will do the right thing and fall on my sword with me. And I mean that in the most endearing way.

And with that, we carry on to a new year. I would like to remind the Club that next week is July 1 so we will not be meeting. I hope everyone enjoys Canada Day and the freedoms that come with the beginning of Phase 3. Our next meeting will be July 8th on Zoom when we will have our virtual Dream Home kickoff celebration.

Thank you very much and I look forward to the challenge.

NEXT WEEK: NO MEETING

MEETING LINK:





Chief Crowfoot (1830 - 1890), also known as Isapo-Muxika was a chief of the Siksika First Nation. His parents, Istowun-eh'pata (Packs a Knife) and Axxahp-say-pi (Attacked Towards Home), were Kainai. Crowfoot was a warrior who fought in as many as 19 battles and sustained many injuries. Despite this, he tried to obtain peace instead of tribal warfare. Crowfoot is well known for his involvement in Treaty Number 7 and did much negotiating for his people. Across Canada there are a variety of different museums and historical sites like Head Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park which commemorate both the Blackfoot nation and specifically Chief Crowfoot.



WHAT IS LIFE? IT IS A FLASH OF FIREFLY IN THE NIGHT. IT IS THE BREATH OF A BUFFALO IN THE WINTERTIME. IT IS AS THE LITTLE SHADOW THAT RUNS ACROSS THE GRASS AND LOSES ITSELF IN THE SUNSET - CHIEF CROWFOOT

Solstice comes from the Latin word "sol" meaning Sun and sistere (to come to a stop or stand still). On the day of the June solstice the Sun reaches its northernmost position, as seen from the Earth. At that moment its zenith does not move north or south as during most other days of the year, but it stands still at the Tropic of Cancer. It then reverses its direction and starts moving south again.



Traditional Bannock Recipe

6 cups (1.5 L) flour
6 Tbsp (90 mL) baking powder
3 ½ cups (875 mL) milk, warmed
¼ cup (60 mL) vegetable oil

DIRECTIONS

In large bowl, mix together flour, baking powder, milk and oil. Stir until dough comes together in a ball; do not overmix. Shape into rough oval; place on baking sheet or oven-safe casserole dish. Bake in 400°F (200°C) oven "until a beautiful golden brown," about 30 minutes. Serve warm or cooled. Excellent with Blackberry jam.



YOW: The Social Events Team had a lot of fun with yow- June Fellowship gift pack! The Totem Spirit Animal Rocks were hand-picked and painted by yow; "very own Social Team"! We hope you enjoy the treats of summer included in yow- gift pack!



Click the sun to see all of the photos of Rotarians and Friends receiving their gifts !

<https://rotarycs.org/photoalbums/2021-summer-solstice-giving/>



THANK YOU to all of our June contributors: Glen Richardson, Jim Burns, Carol Fitzsimmons, George Deegan, and our incredible delivery team!





On June 15th I held a small gathering for my outgoing Executive and Club Chairs for the "Passing of the Gavel". It was great to those who were able to attend. We enjoyed a lovely lunch and it was wonderful to catch up. I was able to thank all those who supported me through this difficult year.

Karen Grant presented me with the Past President's pin for 2019-2020, flowers and the PREP (Pride, Respect, Empowerment and Progress) picture. This picture has been given to the Past President since the year 1994-95 when Joanne Martin was President. It is a tremendous tradition and I am honored to have it hanging in my office at home.

In September, when we are all able to gather for an event, we will have a more formal presentation to introduce the incoming Board and the Past President's pin for my 2nd year 2020-2021.

I am thankful for all the support and friendship I have received from the Partners. I appreciate your assistance with the fundraising we did throughout the year. You are all wonderful and generous. It is unfortunate that during my 2 years, I was only able to hold two events! I am looking forward to seeing all of you in September at our first event.

I am pleased that Rhonda Yaskowich is the next President. She has some great ideas for events as well as some volunteering opportunities for the Partners to get more involved in the community. She will bring great energy and creativity to her year.

I would like to thank President Penny Leckie for your support and friendship through this year. You have done a tremendous job in this difficult year and I personally think you went above and beyond to keep everyone feeling connected and involved. You were definitely the right person for this difficult year.

I know Craig Stokke will do a fantastic job taking over as President. I have enjoyed working with Craig on Dream Home and appreciate his humor, generosity and positivity. I look forward to assisting in some small way if called upon.

Thank you all for everything. Big hugs and love to you all — Denise MacLeod

As the newly appointed President of the RCCSP Partners I would also like to say thank you to our outgoing Rotary President Penny Leckie as well as our Partners President Denise MacLeod for a job well done in a very difficult year. Hopefully zoom meetings will go the way of the dodo bird and we will get back to our regular meetings and functions.

Congratulations to Craig Stokke as the incoming RCCSP president. We haven't met as yet but please know that the Partners, as a team, and myself especially are here to help where we can.

I am looking forward to the Dream Home sales as our first challenge. Take good care and I will see you at the Stampede! - Rhonda Yaskowich



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Puerta Vallarta Condo For 10 Days
Rainbow Children's Playground (24'x 12')
Green Fees and Carts for 48 players (12 Foursomes)
Two Premium Tickets to 10 Calgary Flames' Games
Bronze Hockey Statue "Just Checking" by Vilem Zach
CTV Advertising valued at \$5,000
Calgary Herald 1 Full Colour Page Advertising

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5 Star - 4 Course Dinner for 6 by renowned chef Tammara Behl paired with wines from Richmond Wines
Overnight stay for 2 at Azuridge Estate Hotel with Dinner and Breakfast in the Opal Restaurant along with Valet and Butler Service
Catered Dinner for 6 by Gather Catering (or Cocktail Party if you prefer) at winner's home – with wine pairings by City and Country Urban Winery

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YOU WILL BE ABLE TO START BIDDING JULY 12, 11:00 AM!

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Twelve hikers were treated to a beautiful day and a plethora of flowers on our hike to Quaite Valley. There were at least 21 flower varieties that I took pictures of (also an excuse to rest the formerly fractured leg). Hikers, the pretty blue bunches of flowers that we saw were Showy Jacob's Ladders.

This Round-leaved Orchid has not been common on our hikes nor has the Yellow Lady Slipper orchid. We have seen the Wood Lily frequently but it is always beautiful. Our challenge today was crossing the creek on rocks and logs.

The hikers' picture was taken by Donna Jakubec so there are eleven in the picture. Where is Constance's tripod hiking pole when you need it?

Submitted by: Pat Farn



JULY 1st	NO MEETING: CANADA DAY	
JULY 8th	DREAM HOME KICKOFF (VIRTUAL)	
JULY 15th	NO MEETING: DREAM HOME OPERATIONS	
JULY 22nd	NO MEETING: STAY IN SCHOOL GOLF	
JULY 29th	DG MARTIN PARNELL VISITS	
AUGUST 5th	PRESIDENT STOKKE: INAUGURAL ADDRESS	
AUGUST 12th	PANDEMIC: LOOKING BACK & AHEAD	
AUGUST 19th	CRAFT BREWING INDUSTRY	
AUGUST 26th	PEACE PARK PRESENTATION	
SEPTEMBER 2nd	TO BE DETERMINED	
SEPTEMBER 9th	ROTARY PROFILE: GREG MARTIN	
SEPTEMBER 16th	TO BE DETERMINED	
SEPTEMBER 23rd	ALI VESHI: NBC ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS CORRESPONDENT	
SEPTEMBER 30th	PATRICK LOHR: HIGH TECH IN ALBERTA	



Happy June Birthdays Rotarians & Partners !

Larry Koper	June 4
Earl Huson	June 6
Sandy Dougall	June 10
Joanne Scott	June 11
Dick Shaw	June 18
Carol Rosdobutko	June 21
Jamie Moorhouse	June 25
Glen Richardson	June 26
Luke daSilva Curiel	June 30
Kathy Demorest	June 30

"Spring is Sprung"
Photo taken by Corinne in Pat Burns Garden



Happy June Birthdays

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Club Service Membership and Social	Tony Fisher
Club Service Ways & Means	Ted Stack
Community Service Local	Jamie Moorhouse
Community Service: Ways and Means	Mark Ambrose
International and Vocational Service	Mike Ruttan

WEEKLY ZOOM MEETINGS

- ♦ link is sent out every week. There is a reminder an hour before the meeting and 10 minutes before meeting
- ♦ You can share the link with friends and Partners.
- ♦ Meeting is at Noon. You can sign in at 11:30 am to visit
- ♦ Meeting is recorded



ZOOM UPDATE: We highly encourage users to update to Zoom Version 5.6.3 or later to ensure you're using the latest technology to access Google contacts.

Using an older version of the Zoom client will result in suboptimal performance for users starting June 15th, as API calls to Google's previous API will begin returning errors at a steadily increasing rate, until the error rate reaches 100% on December 15, 2021.