





#### RCCSP Weekly Bulletin June 9th 2022 Volume Number 67, Issue Number 44

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### Welcome to the June 9th, 2022 meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Craig Stokke

Before we begin today's meeting, I regret to announce the passing of **Charter Member George Adam**. George's son Wayne let us know that George passed away on Monday June 6th after he was admitted to hospital to treat an infection. Wayne says George was doing well until he fell last December and then, while he was in hospital, George got Covid. Wayne says the family was very happy to celebrate George's 95th birthday on May 31.

This truly is the end of an era for our Club. George joined the Rotary Club of Manchester, now the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park in February 1955, as a Charter member, and George and Lois were a very important part of our family. They will both be fondly remembered and missed. Wayne hoped to get George to attend some of our more recent Thursday Rotary meetings but a two-person wheel-chair transfer made it very difficult. Funeral announcements will follow.



I ask that you join me in a moment of silence to remember our friend **George Adam**.



Please join me for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.

**HEAD TABLE:** Jim Smith (1986), Norm Devitt (1986), Past President George Deegan (1974), Past President Greg Martin (1987), Janet Matthews (2009), President Craig Stokke (2008)



**GUESTS: Jim Hutchens** introduced the following guests: Jim and Sharon Gibson, Denise Labchuk and Tracey Orr, all guests of Jim Smith; Pat Deegan (Guest of George Deegan), Allen Rierchuk (Guest of Kevin MacLeod), Bruce Fenwick from the Downtown Rotary Club, Doreen Devitt (Guest of Norm Devitt and Sarah Brown. **President Craig** said that he would like to welcome everyone both in person and on Zoom!

#### **2022 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION: President Craig:**

Last night Teresa and I returned from Houston after attending the Rotary International Convention. It was a great event. There were several highlights for me, and I would like to share just a few. The first one occurred during the flag ceremony in the opening plenary. During the opening ceremony, the flag of each country (that Rotary serves) is introduced on stage one after another as the countries are announced. An interesting fact is that there are more countries represented in Rotary than there are in the United Nations, so that's a lot of flags.



Of course, one of the Rotary countries is Ukraine. When the Ukraine flag was brought on stage the crowd exploded in applause. There was a standing ovation for several minutes. It was very touching for everyone who attended and it was a very clear indication that Rotarians from around the world stood hand in hand with the people of Ukraine.







The 2022 Convention also reminded me of two things;

- 1) what an amazing group of members we have (there were approx. 20 of us from the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park) and we had an amazing time getting to know one another even better
- 2) how many lives are touched by the charitable work we do. Everything from water projects, hospitals, children charities. The reach of Rotary is phenomenal and it is amazing to see how many projects we support world-wide.



RI inducted our first woman **President, Jennifer Jones**; who is a Canadian (and will be visiting Calgary in a few weeks).

And, it is also a reminder we are only three years away from welcoming the World in Calgary for the 2025 RI convention. I had an opportunity meet with representatives of RI as well as the Houston and Melbourne host organizing committees. We have some big ideas so get ready to buckle your seatbelts.

**50/50 DRAW: Michael Zacharki** asked **Jim Smith** to pull the winning ticket worth \$115.00 and the Lucky winner was **Jim Burns**.

**DICK SHAW'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE:** Just a reminder that the memorial for **Dick Shaw** will be held on Friday, June 17, 2022 at 2 pm at the Eden Brook Funeral Home & Cemetery. There is information on your table and the bulletin.

#### **HEALTH AND WELLNESS: Contact for June and July is Dorothea Schaab**

- Dorothea reports that **Larry Stein** is back home on the couch and getting around on crutches following a successful knee surgery last week. Larry expects he will be recovering at home for the next 12 weeks.
- **Hugh Delaney** says he is getting better ... but remains at home as it is painful to walk with a cracked toe and split heel. Family are looking after his needs. We wish both of those gentleman a speedy recovery.
- Sandy Dougall had a successful hip operation last week and is recovering at home.

We wish all of these gentlemen a quick recovery.

**DREAM HOME MINUTE**: Janet Mathews: We have been doing great filling Dream Home shifts (approximately 40 left to fill) but there are still a few members who have not signed up. This is a very important fundraiser for our Club. Just a reminder that **each member** is required to fill eight shifts (either personally or with the support of family and friends).



If you need help registering for shifts please reach out and someone from the Dream Home committee will be happy to help you at email: <a href="mailto:shifts@rotarycs.org">shifts@rotarycs.org</a>. There are many Sales Manager positions to fill but this is a fairly easy task!!! For those who want a refresher in IPAD training there will be two opportunities: June 22<sup>nd</sup> and June 24<sup>th</sup>. Both sessions will start at 6:30 pm in the Trailblazer Building across from the Grandstand. The training will take about 15 minutes."

#### **DREAM HOME KICKOFF PARTY:**

Please register yourself at: <a href="www.rotarystampedepark.com">www.rotarystampedepark.com</a> as a Rotarian for \$45.00. You can then go in and register your volunteers as well by using a promocode "Volunteer" so that there is no cost associated with their registration (see the announcement in this bulletin). There was an email sent out yesterday going through the steps to register.

**ST. MARY'S PARKING:** Just a reminder that **Bonar Irving** is looking for a few bodies to fill some parking shifts at St Mary's High School during the Stampede. This is another very important fundraiser for the Club. Please reach out to Bonar if you can help. <a href="mailto:bonar@shaw.ca">bonar@shaw.ca</a>

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Keith Davis:** noted two volunteer opportunities. The first was the Dream Home. He proceeded to fine those who have not registered for their Dream Home shifts and encouraged them to do so. He also noted that the Kids at Heart Golf Tournament on July 21<sup>st</sup> also needs volunteers.











**CANADA DAY CELEBRATION: Darlene Switzer-Foster, her husband and Stan Cichon** are organizing a Canada Day celebration at her ranch near Bragg Creek.

Please see bulletin for information. Please register at: <a href="www.rotarystampedepark.com">www.rotarystampedepark.com</a> if you would like to attend please confirm as soon as possible.

## Give Something Race

#### **NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 16TH:**

#### Give Something Back Annual Charity Day Presentation

We are back at Rotary House for our annual Charity Day meeting. We will also be recognizing **Bob and Carol Brawn** for their generosity to our Club.

This should be another great meeting. If you have a friend or Rotarian from another club who may be interested please consider inviting them to our meeting.

REGISTER HERE: www.rotarystampedepark.com

#### **FINAL WORDS:**

As always, I finish by encouraging you to ask yourself:

What do you need from our Rotary Club this Week? What does our Club and Community need from you this week?

Our meeting is adjourned—Thank you for coming. Have a great week!

THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <a href="https://youtu.be/tuiJEObgdX8">https://youtu.be/tuiJEObgdX8</a>

#### NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

**DAVID FIELD** has been proposed as a transfer from Rotary Club of Heritage Park for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Gregory Smyth** and Seconded by **Allan Johnson** with a proposed Classification of **Law Banking**.

**DAVID FIELD'S** membership has been approved by the Board of Directors on the basis of the recommendation of the Membership Qualification Committee subject to completion of a formal application, communication of his name and proposed classification to the membership.

If any Member objects to DAVID FIELD joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, Luanne Whitmarsh: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to June 23rd, 2022







#### **ROTARY PROFILE OF JIM SMITH**

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ROTARY PROFILE LINK FOR JIM SMITH: https://youtu.be/6HkHy\_hRTo



#### SPEAKER INTRODUCTION: George Deegan

George Deegan first acknowledged Steve and Jamie for their excellent work preparing the Profile of Jim. The first interesting fact about Jim was he was born in Eunice, New Mexico not Texas as most of us believed.

As a youth, Jim played organized baseball and had a doubleheader at Soledad prison. He wanted George to note he was the visiting team, not the home team! At age 18, he joined the National Guard and a year later, joined the US Navy. His 5 years with the Navy was as an Aviation Electrician or "Flight Deck Trouble-shooter".

After his stint in the navy he worked in Silicon Valley in space technology, married and moved to Calgary. He got into the electrical contracting business and eventually worked for Garth Nichols at McMillan Bloedel.

Over and above work, Jim was involved with a number of service clubs and was introduced to our Club by Garth Nichols. Jim was a guest lecturer at the Haskayne School of Business.

He was also in television doing a commercial for Safeway on hosiery. He wanted me to further tell you he was not the wearer of said hosier, only an onlooker!

Jim has been assigned a number different jobs at Rotary but his most memorable role is as Sergeant at Arms. He has been a favourite for his great sense of humour and extensive

research. He had difficulty getting off this Committee as each incoming President wanted him to continue.



Ellen and Jim were a great Rotary couple as a top selling team for Dream Home and their warm socializing. We are grateful to Ellen's words to Jim to not give up on Rotary. Thank you Ellen.

#### **GUEST OF HONOUR: Jim Smith**

Jim Smith thanked George for his intro although he didn't believe any of it! He also thanked Jamie and Steve for what they have done and continue to do for our Club. They have changed the total currency with what they have added to our Club.

Jim said he was changing his speech as a result of the sad news about George Adam. He knew him for 35 years. He talked about friendship, family and gratitude. He thanked his familydaughters, son-in-law and dear friend for coming and considered the Rotarians as "the rest of the family".

He went on to thank Bruce Fenwick, Bill Sumner, Norm and Doreen Devitt, George and Pat Deegan and Jack and Myrna Dube Thompson. He also noted with pleasure being able to work with offspring of former Rotarians, such as Neil Magee.









#### **ROTARY PROFILE OF JIM SMITH**

This past year put a focus on who you are: good people doing good things.

Every job he has done as a Rotarian for the past 35 years has meant companionship and partnership with all of you.

Jim concluded with the following: "I am what you made me.

With the passing of George Adam you begin to realize certain things. Bottom line-thank you for all you have done and for just being there."





In Closing: President Craig:

Jim, thank you so much for everything you do for our Club and community. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know you. I was just thinking; one final benefit of me spending this past week in Houston is that I am now in a position to interpret for you. So if anyone struggled understanding Jim's Texas drawl, come and see me after the meeting and I can let you know what he said.

In recognition of all you do, our Club will make a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. This gift will help support our community. Thank you.

Let me finish with this quote:

"If you see someone falling,
walk beside them,
If you see someone being ignored,
include them,

Find a way to show them their worth"









# DIM SUM

The Rotary Dim Sum club met this week for one of its regular luncheons.

Present were (L-R): Bruce Williams, Dan Dunlop Tony Ng, Amy Giang, Keith Davis, Bill Sumner, Dave Read and Paul Brick.

Keith formed the club more than 10 years ago and it has met every 4-6 weeks since, with the exception of Covid, at the Central Grand Restaurant. Approximately 6 other members were not at this luncheon.









#### 2022 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION: HOUSTON

President Craig spoke to the members today about the 2022 Rotary International Convention in Houston and what it meant to him. Here are just a few photos of the attendees from the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. Thank you to Pat Neumann and Corinne Wilkinson for providing a small snapshot of the comradery at the Convention

We are all ready and set to cheer on the first female Rotary International President, Jennifer Jones from Canada



A group of RCCSP Convention Attendees at one of the many 2022 Rotary International events



We were treated to a Host Hospitality Night hosted by the Rotary Club of Katy. It was a fantastic Night of Western fun !!!



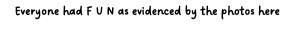








#### INVERMERE GOLF FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND













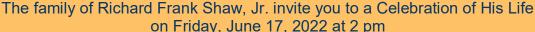








## Richard Frank Shaw, Jr. (June 18, 1928 – September 27, 2021)



on Friday, June 17, 2022 at 2 pm Eden Brook Funeral Home & Cemetery

24223 Township Rd 242, Calgary, AB (403) 240-4032

We would love to have you join us to toast the well-lived life of a well-loved gentleman, to commemorate what would have been his 94<sup>th</sup> birthday.

In accordance with pandemic guidelines, please refrain from attending if you are feeling unwell, or if you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.



# ROTARY KIDS AT HEART GOLF CLASSIC PRESENTED BY CHARLESGLEN TOYOTA REGISTRATION IS OPEN - www.rotarykidsatheart.ca



The Rotary "Kids at Heart" Golf Classic is being held on July 21<sup>st</sup> at Cottonwood Golf & Country Club.

"the most fun you can have with your Golf shoes on!!"

- Sponsors with player spots included in Sponsorship will not be required to pay
- ♦ Register your Team with Spencer Tonkinson: 403-991-0177 or: stonkinson86@gmail.com



"ROTARY KIDS AT HEART GOLF CLASSIC" LIVE AND ONLINE AUCTIONS NOW OPEN FOR VIEWING!

www.rotarykidsatheart.ca

TAKE A LOOK AT THIS YEAR'S AMAZING ITEMS! BIDDING OPENS, MONDAY, JULY 11, 11:00 A.M

#### KITCHEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

Volunteers are required. Click on Sign Up to view available slots and book yourself directly online

Monday June 13th:5:00 pm to 8:00 pmTuesday July 12th:1:00 pm to 4:00 pmMonday September 12th:5:00 pm to 8:00 pmTuesday October 18th:1:00 pm to 4:00 pmMonday November 21st:5:00 pm to 8:00 pmTuesday December 6th:1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ <a href="mailto:ehuslink@telusplanet.net">ehuslink@telusplanet.net</a> Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ <a href="mailto:kgfarn@telusplanet.net">kgfarn@telusplanet.net</a>

THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING!!!













#### **CANADA DAY BARBECUE: FRIDAY JULY 1ST**

Darlene Switzer-Foster, Bill Foster and Stan Cichon are co-hosting a CANADA DAY BBQ at Darlene and Bill's homestead

146102 Hwy 762, Bragg Creek

PLEASE GO TO: www.rotarystampedepark.com to register

WHO: This is for our Rotary Club members and families... there will be good fun for all ages

WHEN: Friday July 1st at: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
Gates open at 12:30 and close at 3 pm

MENU: Hot dogs, hamburgers, Vegetarian Chili, chips, popcorn, cotton candy, Canada Day Cake and lots of ice cold soft drinks and bottled water, coffee and tea.

GAMES, PHOTOGRAPHER, BULLS (MAYBE)
BAILEY & THE BOYS (Murray Flegel) will provide live music
PUT YOUR DANCIN' BOOTS ON
SPECIAL GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE
PRIZES FOR BEST CANADA DAY OUTFITS

#### **YAHOO**

PARKING: near front gate, with shuttle service via hay ride, for seniors to get to the main event area

**BYOBorL:** Bring your own BLANKET or LAWN CHAIR.

NO CHARGE!!! - any donations made will go to upcoming "President" Jim's choice of Charity: "Ukrainian War Relief".....more to come on this..

Let's usher in the new Rotary year and our new President Jim, in fine style. It's **Canada Day 2022 with a Western theme...** expect great fun and fellowship... The event goes on rain or shine..

Numbers are limited to 160, so you must RSVP by June 16, with names and number of family members. But it is **first come**, **first served...we cannot take more than 160!!** 









## Club of Calgary at Stampede Park



### WELCOME TO THE DREAM HOME KICKOFF 2022







#### LOCATION:

Heritage Park Historical Village, Celebration Tent

WHEN: Thursday, July 7th at 10:30am-1:00 pm

ENTERTAINMENT: The Calgary Fiddlers, Stampede Royalty and Harry the Horse

There will be a scrumptious brunch and cash bar which includes Mimosas and Caesars

KICK OFF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE and the best Dream Home Sales Ever!!

PARKING: Free Parking (car pool if you can)

COST: Rotarians \$45. Volunteers: Be our Guest

Please register at: www.rotarystampedepark.com

VOLUNTEERS ARE GUESTS-Please register and use promo code "Volunteer"









#### PARTNERS in PRINT







## Rotary Partners Book Club: June 20th At The Calgary Golf and Country Club

Meeting of Sharing Books starts at 10:30 am and Luncheon at 11:30 am **COST:** \$30 all in **MENU:** Roasted Chicken Salad and Lemon Tart for dessert Please email: janetopp@shaw.ca before June 16th if you are coming

Submitted by: Maureen Hutchens and Jane Topp









#### HIKING CLUB

We had ten hikers participate on a lovely 8.6 km hike around the Cross Conservation Area South of the city. The city was visible in the distant skyline. The flowers were again lovely to see and included lots of Star-Flowered False Solomon's Seal, Old Man's Whiskers, Arnica, Blue Clematis, Goldenbean, Sticky Purple Ge-

ranium and Shooting Stars. Throughout the trail were signs describing the wildlife. At lunch we were treated to this view and "vin blanc et rouge" thanks to Brent. We could see the white dome of the Rothney Observatory down below. Now I would share all the pictures if only my camera card would download to my computer ## argh!

"I finally got it to work! The Anise Swallowtail butterfly followed us down the trail."

#### Submitted by Pat Farn

















JUNE 17TH AT 2:00 PM: CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR DICK SHAW —see details in bulletin



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 23RD** 

Shereen Dillon: Shen Yun

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Partners "SUMMER SHARING LUNCH": MONDAY JUNE 27TH CALGARY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB—Details in Bulletin



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 30TH** Changing of the Guard, WCS and Large Grants Presentation

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**JULY 1ST: CANADA DAY BARBECUE** 

SEE BULLETIN FOR DETAILS www.rotarvstampedepark.com



**JULY 14TH: NO MEETING** 

DREAM HOME ON PARK TICKET SALES

**JULY 21ST: NO MEETING** 

ROTARY KIDS AT HEART GOLF TOURNAMENT At Cottonwood **REGISTER HERE:** https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-

heart/

JULY 28TH: MY R.I. EXPERIENCE IN HOUSTON

www.rotarystampedepark.com









WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12TH 2022: "Rotary Ribbons for Peace- Slava Ukraini"

Cocktail hour, dinner, special quests, live auction and more! Event will be at the Polish Canadian Cultural Centre starting at 6 pm. Stay tuned for more info



