



ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the March 13th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Jim Bladon, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2024-25:

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

Head Table (L-R) : Brenda McKinley, Evan Strong, Hugh Delaney, Jim Hutchens, President Bladon, Maureen Hutchens



**Presentation:
St Patrick's Day**

**March 27th :
Kids at Heart Charities
presentation**

**Next week:
March 20th - Grants
& Endowments**

Click [HERE](#) to register for the March 27th meeting.

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



Today's Meeting:

Greg Smyth introduced our guests followed by the welcome song...



Neill Magee brought up the 50/50. **Neill** had Maureen Hutchens draw the lucky ticket. The pot was \$155 and it was won by **Neil Fraser!**

Jack Thompson our Sgt@Arms came up and started off by asking anyone not wearing green to stand up. Next he asked each table to pick a member wearing green at your table to be your leader and stand up.

Next **Jack** asked some trivia questions.

Tony Ng - his table paid \$2 each.

Neill Magee - put \$5 in the pot.

Len Hamm - everyone at the table paid \$2.

Anyone who does not have Irish relatives or Irish in your blood add \$2 to the pot.

Bill LeClair - put \$5 in the pot.



Thank you to **Penny Leckie** for organizing the amazing International women's day celebration last week!!

**WE'RE ALL
A LITTLE
IRISH
TODAY**

Brenda McKinley came up to start off our St Patricks day celebration. She starts off the program with some good jokes before inviting **Evan Strong** up to the podium.

Evan Strong came up and shared some story's and read a letter from an Irish mother to her son. **Evan** shared some funny jokes that had us all laughing pretty hard.

Brenda introduced Maureen Hutchens and shared a bit about her before inviting her to come up and sing for us.

Maureen Hutchens came up and sang some Irish songs for us. Please watch the meeting video to hear Maureens very beautiful voice!



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

Next we had a best dressed contest. **Brenda** asked **Dorothea Schaab, Hermann Logsend, David Field, George Deegan,** and **Imma Dike-Shittu** to come up to the front. **Brenda** put her hand over each persons head individually and whoever got the loudest cheer wins. The winner was **Imma Dike-Shittu** and she won a pot of gold!!!

Next up we had **Hugh Delaney** come up and sing us a song called Dear Old Donegal. Please watch the meeting video to hear **Hugh** sing this lovely song!!!

President Jim Bladon announces that on behalf of the club we will be making a \$100 donation to CRCF in the name of the Social Committee and everyone who was apart of today's program!

Announcements

Health and Wellness

Susan Brick is still battling some illness. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

COMMUNITY ADVOCATE-ORGANIZATION APPLICATION

This application was developed by **Carol Graham** and **Norm Rose** with support from **Luanne Whitmarsh, Corinne Wilkinson, Janet Mathews, Toby Oswald-Felker, Grayce Glassford** and **Dilan Perera** and submitted for the City of Calgary Best Not-For-Profit Of The Year Award. We expect to know the decision of the City's selection committee by the end of April and will update the members at that time. I strongly encourage everyone to read this application and to read the testimonials from the charities which you can find linked inside the application.

Click [HERE](#) to read the application

Western Rotary Shirts

We have decided to support Riley McCormick this year for new western Shirts. Brian Guichon as some of you may know is a member of the DT Club and owns Riley McCormick and with the help our own Lisa van Hemert has found us a very nice looking western shirt. Please see the photo and the sizing and pricing. We shall be putting our Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park logo on the left side of the shirt. I would like to order these in bulk and have the complete order to Brian by April 1st (no joke). I am trying to get some sample shirts that can be displayed at a few of our meetings over the next few months.

Please send **Stacey Johnson** an email to sjohnson@printthree.ab.ca with sizes and quantities. Thanks everyone

Navy/Royal blue print shirt MPL4519

Embroidered one location

regular sizes XS to 2XL are \$65.90+ \$8

\$73.90 plus GST

big and tall (3XL and Lt to 5XLT) are \$72.90+\$8

\$80.90 plus GST



payment for the shirts can be made by e-transfer to deposits@rotarycs.org.

Please ensure to add a detailed description on the e-transfer. (We need individual names, and if there are multiple shirts, along with what the transfer is for.)

Chest Freezer in the office

We have an extra chest freezer in the office that we are looking for information on. If you know who brought this freezer to the office and what we need it for please contact Grayce.



Invitation to the

“70 YEARS OF ROTARY” GALA

CELEBRATING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK
& ROTARY PARTNERS

\$100.00 PER PERSON

MAY

FRIDAY

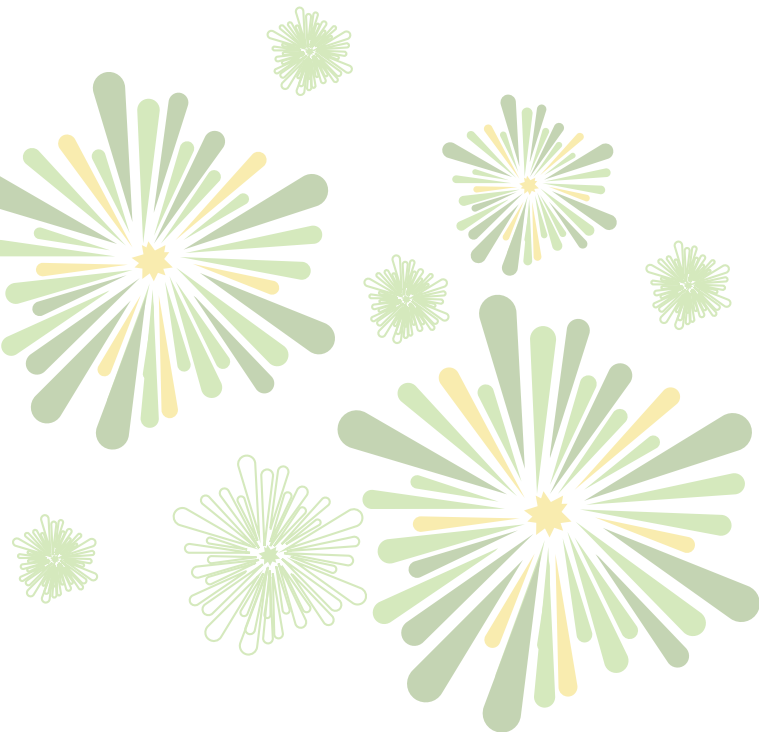
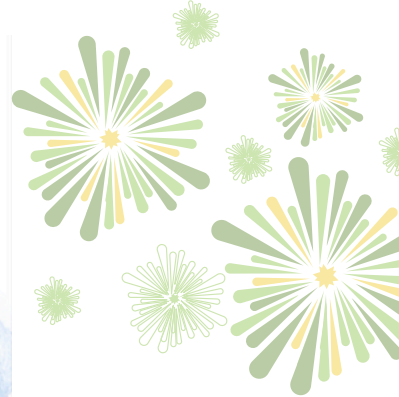
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2025

CALGARY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
919 50 AVENUE SW

Ticket Sales Begin March 1, 2025
Visit: Rotarycs.org



Rotary Partners Save The Date

Tuesday, April 22,
2025

Spring Lunch and Jewellery Sale

Willow Park Golf and Country Club
639 Willow Park Dr SE, Calgary

BRING A FRIEND

Invitation and Menu to Follow



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

David Bissky has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Allan Johnson** and Seconded by **John Shield** with a proposed Classification of financial Planner (Retired)

If any Member objects to **David Bissky** 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 **March 28th**.

Rotary

Club of Calgary
at Stampede Park



Closing:

Next week: **March 20th : Grants & Endowments**

The week following: **March 27th : Kids at Heart Charities presentation**

Closing words:

As you go about your business this week remember, that each of you creates the magic of Rotary, unlock the magic, advance the magic, and be the magic of Rotary.

Calendar

MARCH

March 6th - International Women's Day
March 13th - St Patrick's Day
March 20th - Grants & Endowments
March 27th - Kids at Heart Charities presentation

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30	31	1	2	3	4	5

APRIL

April 3rd - St Marys High School (4- way speeches)
April 10th - 70th Anniversary of Club (Not the big celebration)
April 17th - Trini Araneda Alcalde (Exchange Student)
April 24th - Minister Mickey Amery

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20	21	22	23	24 	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3

DATES TO REMEMBER – SAVE THESE!!

March 5 - South Indian Int'l Dinner
March 13 - St. Paddy's Day Fun at Lunch.
March 22 - 5 pin bowling
Mar 28 - Thai Int'l Dinner
April 6 - Jubilations Dinner theatre

April 23 - Mexico Int'l Dinner
May 9 - Club Anniversary
May 23 - Japan Int'l Dinner
June 5 - Jerseys and Jeans (Pres Jim's party)
June 21- 25 RI Convention Calgary
July 3 - Kick off for Dream Home