

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the March 14 meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Cameron O'Uflage. My friends call me Cam O'Uflage and I'm here on behalf of your President Bryan Walton, who says he's honoured to be the President of this Club for 2023-24.

Please join me, accompanied by Vitaliia Vash, in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table (L-R) : Pat Neuman, Chad Hason, George Deegan, President Bryan Walton, Joe Connelly, Hugh Delaney



Happy St Patrick's Day. Find the Leprechaun on each page!



Big Stay In School News!

Feed the Hungry Registration still open!

Click [HERE](#) to register for next week's meeting and [HERE](#) for this week's meeting link

Today's Meeting:

Special Thank you to Pat Neuman, for organizing today's event!

President **Bryan Walton** couldn't make today's meeting, getting replaced by 'Cam O'Uflage.'

As always, there was a long list of guests. They were announced by **Roselyn Jack**.

Michael Zacharki, with help from **Megan Stokke**, pulled the \$160 fifty-fifty prize won by one of our guests. Michael then announced our Super Bowl Squares winner, where today's lead leprechaun, **Joe Connelly**, won \$500. He donated \$100 into the pot!



Sargent at Arms, **Chad Hason**, started with some happy bucks. With the \$20 earnings from his new business, he 'broke even' by putting it into the pot. He congratulated the fifty-fifty winner and, since she was a guest, got **Joe Connelly** to pay up on her behalf. Those who forgot to wear green or couldn't solve some of Chad's riddles had to pay up!



Mark Ambrose had some preliminary news on Radium Fellowship weekend. The tournament will take place from May 31st- June 2nd at Copper Point Resort. Registration will open on April 1st!

Pat Neuman made an announcement on Rock the Nation which will take place on March 23rd at Studio Bell. We will go to the noon show and then make our way over to the King Eddy. Everybody is welcome.

We then got introduced to the man who is "half Irish and half Scottish, which means he loves to drink but hates to pick up the tab, chief Leprechaun **Joe Connelly**."

Joe Connelly, opened up with a joke, "St Patty's is a lot like Valentine's Day... for people who love beer and Jameson"

Pat Neuman announced prizes for 'best dressed,' where we had a few 'lucky' winners. 'Fair play,' **Blake Pelham**, who went all out this afternoon winning first place! We can't forget our other festive members, **Jim Bladon**, **Shondell Sabad**, **George Deegan**, who showed off his new socks, **Penny Leckie**, **Catherine Brownlee**, **Roselyn Jack** who matched with Pat, and **Craig and Megan Stokke** who matched with each other!

We then enjoyed some St Patty's trivia.

It was an honor to have **Hugh Delaney** finish our meeting off by singing an Irish tune!

"Leave the table Hungry, the bed sleepy and the bar thirsty"



Leprechaun Joe, in recognition of your time with us today we will be making a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation which, as you know supports local initiatives here in our community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

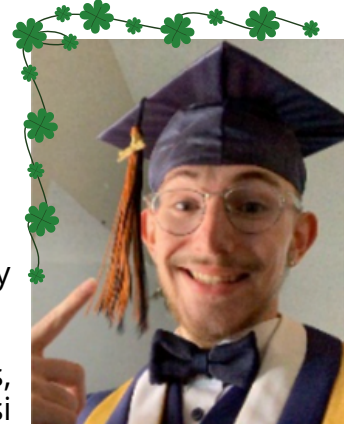
Reminder: register for future meetings in advance.
You can register by clicking [HERE](#)

Stay In School

Recently one of our high school graduates, **Malek Eltassi**, has decided to use his Stay in School Scholarship to take courses at The University of Calgary in Real Estate programs. The Stay in School Committee is pleased to share his thank you to the club for the scholarship.

"I want to thank you once again for making this a possibility for me, I will be sure to keep you updated on my progress along the way. Thanks to the Rotary Club I have a smile touching wall to wall from pure joy, opportunities like this very rarely appear in people's lives, I will be sure not to let this go to waste!!"

-Warmest regards,
Malek Eltassi



Walk Right Back Event

Another fabulous night of music, fellowship and great food. 26 Rotarians and guests attended the Walk Right Back Event with music from The Everly Brothers at Grey Eagle Event Centre on Sunday March 10. We enjoyed the delicious Prime Rib Buffet, then on to the show! We were taken back to the music of the Everly brothers.. again, some great singing along and lots of dancing in our seats!! Super evening hosted by our Social Committee.



St Mary's Big Band Annual Event



March 9 - A Table of 10 Rotarians and guests enjoyed a wonderful evening of food, silent auction, and fabulous music presented by St Mary's High School Music Ensembles. Fellowship, dancing and a great time! Thanks **Deb Sands** for coordinating!

Feed The Hungry

Located in St. Mary's Hall, our Rotary Club will "Sponsor and Serve" the Sunday meal on **March 24th, 2024**.

Thank you to our Rotarians, their families and friends for volunteering... However we still have ten **(10) shifts available** out of an ask of 62.

Available Shifts:

- 10:30 AM -12:30 PM.... Four (4) shifts
- 12:30 - 4:30 PM ... Six (6) shifts

2023 Dream Home Turnover

The Dream Home 2023 winners were officially awarded their new home on March 6th.

Homes by Avi also had a production team in attendance, it was the full story of welcoming the family to the home, meeting Lotteries Exec for congratulations and presentation of Sobey's and Seller Direct add on items from sponsors. Meet and greet with Avi Amir and the ribbon cutting with Stampede Princess delivering a land acknowledgement.

After Sunday, March 17th sign up link is open to the public to help. If you are unable to find a position on the link, let me know if you still want to volunteer as a "backup list" will be created in case there are cancellations.

Please take a moment to log on to the volunteer sign-up link to help our Rotary Club support this community outreach program!

<https://feedthehungry.flocknote.com/signup/156374>

-Many Thanks to all our volunteers, Ken Farn.
kgfarn@telus.net

Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery



Business Club

Thank you so much, **Allen Johnson**, for hosting the business club on Wednesday. It was a wonderful evening and amazing to hear about the label printing industry!



Singapore

The Singapore conference is **May 25 – 29, 2024** and is our first opportunity to market and sell the 2025 Conference in Calgary. We will have a very large and popular Calgary booth with loads of digital images and videos, a Calgary Host Committee website ready to take bookings for experiences like Calgary's Host Hospitality Night, Calgary Signature Events, and Pre/Post Trips such as the Rockies, Hoodoos, Cowboy Trail, and the 2025 Calgary Stampede.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Singapore booth to promote Calgary, there are many opportunities to do so. Email **Farid Bedwany** at bedwany@yahoo.com.

Partners in Print

Partners Food and Entertainment Club had a great lunch on Friday March 8th at Annabelle's Kitchen. Great Fun visiting and Wonderful Food. Thank you all who attended.



Rotary Partners
of Calgary at Stampede Park
SPRING EVENT

SAVE THE DATE
Tuesday April 30, 2024

Location: Willow Park
Golf and Country Club
639 Willow Park Dr SE
Registration: 10:30
Lunch: 12:00
Cost: \$40.00 per person
Please feel free to bring a guest
Invitation to follow



1. We are still looking for 1 or 2 office chairs. If you have one or two to donate, please contact Luanne. The chairs we currently have are very hard on our backs.
2. This week's policy review:

9.h.

Etiquette

- i. **Social Media:** Members are to hold themselves as professional on all social media platforms. We are reminded that we represent ourselves, our Club and the RI principles.
- ii. **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion:** Our Club values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity.
- iii. **Code of Conduct** (i.e., Bullying and Harassment)

As noted in the Handbook:

The following Code of Conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians: As a Rotarian, I will:

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
- Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world.
- Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

As spring has arrived, let's all take the time to clear out old resentments and limiting beliefs and let's replace them with gratitude and service!

*-YOURS IN ROTARY,
LUANNE WHITMARSH*



This week's meeting link: <https://youtu.be/YWcMsfBXeTo>

Closing:

Next week's meeting: March 21 in Rotary House to hear from Olympic Gold Medalist **Chandra Crawford**. We will also have a short presentation on a water project we have supported in Ecuador.

Please remember to register for the luncheon by tomorrow at 10 am!

Closing words:

May you be in Heaven half an hour before the Devil knows you're dead – but before you get there remember simple acts of kindness go a long way to creating hope in the world. Have a great Rotary week.

Final reminder to register for next week's meeting:
www.rotarystampedepark.com



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Jerry Ohlsson has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by Craig Stokke and Seconded by John Fitzsimmons with a proposed Classification of Wholesale Flooring Marketing.

If any Member objects to **Jerry Ohlsson** 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 21st.



Calendar

MARCH

- 3rd: Jubilation's Dinner Theatre
- 7th: International Women's Day
- 9th: St. Mary's High School Band Annual Dinner
- 10th: Social Committee - Everly Brothers
- 13th: Business Club
- 14th: St. Patty's Meeting
- 17th: Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- 21st: Olympic Cross Country Skier
- 23rd: "Rock the Nation" at Studio Bell
- 24th: Feed The Hungry at St Mary's
- 28th: Affordable Housing For Seniors
- 31st: Happy Easter

MARCH						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
HAPPY EASTER 31	1	2	3	4	5	6

APRIL

- 1st: Easter Monday
- 4th: What Happening with Artificial Intelligence
- 11th: Rotary Profile
- 18th: New Member Event (in lieu of our meeting)
- 25th: Tom Jackson
- 30th: Partners Spring Event

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28	29	30	1	2	3	4



HELPFUL INFORMATION

"Rock the Nation" at Studio Bell (National Music Centre) 12 noon show, followed by lunch at King Eddy.