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## RCCSP Weekly Bulletin March 17th 2022 Volume Number 67, Issue Number 32

**Welcome to the March 17th 2022 meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Craig Stokke**

St Patrick's Day is a time for Irish to celebrate their pride, culture, and identity. But St Patrick's Day is much more than that. For *me* it's an opportunity to drink green beer! So where did the tradition of green beer come from?

Rumour has it that the world's first introduction to green beer happened in 1914. In preparation for a St. Patrick's Day dinner at a New York City club, Dr. Thomas Hayes Curtin decided the best way to make his event more festive would be to make absolutely *everything* green - including the beer!

But the physician's secret ingredient was just as shocking to partygoers as the colour of the beer - a laundry whitener called "Wash Blue." While many guests were concerned about the potential health risks of this concoction, Curtin assured them that because the solution was added to the beer in a small enough amounts, the blue dye it contained would successfully tint the beer green without causing his guests any illness.

Ironically, "green beer" had been used to describe "young" beer that had not been fully fermented and could make consumers sick. But despite the addition of a potentially poisonous dye, Curtin's guests were able to enjoy the festive drink completely unharmed. What gave Curtin the inspiration to dye beer? Rumour has it he received the idea from a mysterious article written in the *Spokane Press* on March 17, 1910. The article mentioned a bar on First Avenue in Spokane that was serving green beer; though the bartender wouldn't share how he made his concoction.



I would ask that you join me for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.



**HEAD TABLE:** Hugh Delaney, Maureen and Jim Hutchens, Don Taylor, Joe Connelly

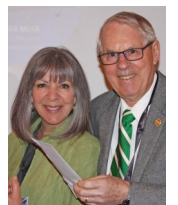
**GUESTS:** Ernie Yaskowich introduced our many guests. **President Craig:** I would like to extend a huge welcome to everyone in person and on Zoom! Let's sing the "**Welcome Song**"



**RCCSP CLUB FUNDING: President Stokke:** The other day I sent out an email outlining a proposal for Club funding. Your Board wants to hear your comments and feedback. I would ask and encourage all members to send Secretary Luanne a quick email no later than Monday March 21st to provide your comments - whether you are in favour or not. This will give the Board time to consider your comments (and seek additional information if required) prior to the March 24th Board meeting and vote.



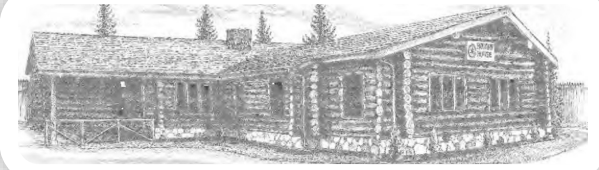
**Michel Zacharki:** awarded \$115 to potential incoming new member **Marietta Maier**



**This is Deb Sands' Mother in Law, June Wall**  
**June is 93 years old**

**Deb tells us she wanted to attend today because "she loves a good party"**





## MEETING REQUIREMENTS AT ROTARY HOUSE: President Stokke:

I'm happy to announce another change (for the better) to meal registrations. As you're aware, we used to cut off all online food and coffee registrations at 9:00 am on Friday prior to our Rotary meeting. This wasn't always convenient for members. So, here is how it will work moving forward. If you want a regular meal, you still need to order before 9:00 am on Friday. Sorry, but the caterer needs that time to order groceries and plan our meals.

Now, if you would like a sandwich, you may have a bit more time. We will be ordering 10 extra sandwiches each week and they will be available to purchase online (though the same system) on a first come - first served basis until they are gone. When you log in, the system will let you know how many sandwiches are still available, and when they are sold out, the system will show them as "sold out". Coffee will continue to be available online right up until Wednesday night before the meeting. Registering online for coffee will do two things. 1) it will speed up the registration desk significantly when you arrive at the meeting, and 2) the Stampede will know how many tables and chairs to set up so they aren't rolling them out minutes before the meeting starts. So, we encourage you to book online whenever possible. Thank you

## REGISTRATION AND ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: Luanne Whitmarsh

Today I stand at the podium to speak about registrations for meetings, connecting with our Office Administrator and general thoughts!

Kathyann is required to work a 25 to 30 hour work week. Her hours are Monday to Thursday and Friday morning only to meet reporting requirements. It's important for all members to know this and respect her time off. This means that if you have a request of her, it will be answered only during Monday to Thursday unless it is an emergency. She has many competing projects and requests so please honor this. I will support Kathyann to be comfortable only answering calls and emails during this time. We are all businesspeople, and we all understand that treating our employees well is a priority!

Secondly, registrations for meetings and lunch:

We have new registration software, and we are pleased that you can register for the full meal, a sandwich or coffee **in advance** of the meeting. We have many members not registering and just coming in. We want to have all of you at the meetings - **BUT** we need to know you are coming in advance and what food level you are paying for. For those who still have challenges with registration - we understand. We are happy to provide anyone who needs one a tutorial on how to register. However, from now, if you still have trouble, please find a Rotary buddy to help you register and pay and do not ask Kathyann to do it for you.

For those members that register online but do not pay and then don't show up, please know that this club has to cover your cost if you did not pay. Last week we circulated how the extra meals would be counted so please take this into consideration.

I know that change can be a challenge. This is a change that will assist our Club meet the operational needs from our employee and have a real and wholesome report for catering and attendance recording. We must respect the Stampede Catering by abiding by their regulations.

Kathyann is going on vacation from April 1<sup>st</sup> to April 17<sup>th</sup> and I will be answering only urgent matters while she is resting. I would really prefer an email - but calling is ok too! Thanks for your kind attention to this.

**From Pres. Stokke: Thank you Luanne.** And so you know, the above did **NOT** come from Kathyann. But we need to recognize that she often goes over and beyond when receiving calls, texts and facetime calls at all hours, which isn't fair to her and does not meet our four way test.





## UKRAINE DONATIONS: Don Taylor:

If you are looking for a good way to support Ukraine in its humanitarian needs, the World Service Committee has identified what it believes to be an excellent way to do so. Approximately 2 weeks ago the Rotary Club of Lviv in Ukraine formed an alliance with the Rotary Club in Warsaw and 2 in Germany to supply medical supplies and equipment to the hospitals in Lviv.



The Lviv Rotarians receive lists of what is growing critically short in the hospitals which they forward to the partner clubs. In Germany, a Rotarian medical doctor in Germany is using the collected funds to purchase the medical supplies and medicines required. A member of the Warsaw club is handling the deliveries of aid from Germany and Poland to her warehouse in Przemyśl, Poland near the border. Their partner, a Ukrainian NGO is handling customs and delivery from the border to Lviv.

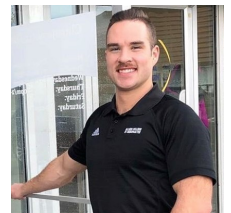
Inside Lviv, the Rotarians there are handling the receipt, sorting and delivery to the donations. The bank accounts are in the Warsaw Rotary accounts to avoid any administrative work in the Ukraine. This is just an excellent way to give. It is local from the get-go so no administration fee or delays once the money is donated. All run by Rotarians. The WCS committee of our club will be putting in \$10,000 of its budget toward this. If you would like to contribute, no amount is too small (or large) to add to our \$10,000.

If so inclined, **please make your cheque out to Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park and write a note at bottom – Charity Account for Ukraine Aid.** A Tax Receipt will be issued. This will be held open for approximately the next 2 weeks and we will have a spot at our next meeting or 2 to answer questions. You may give a cheque to **myself, Brenda McKinley, Ted Stack or Bob Wiens.** Thank you to **Bob Wiens** for finding this opportunity through Rotary Action Groups.

**President Craig:** Thank you Don. It is so terribly sad what is happening in Ukraine. Next week we will be announcing some exciting news regarding a Club initiative led by one of our amazing members.

**NEXT WEEK'S MEETING:** We are back at Rotary House. Our speaker is Dr. J. Alex Fitzowich, son of our esteemed President-Elect. Alex will be telling us about "The Road to the Olympics". This should be yet another great meeting. If you have a friend or Rotarian from another club who may be interested please consider inviting them to our meeting.

**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MARCH 24TH**  
**Dr. J. Alex Fitzowich: The Road to the Olympics**  
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Go to: [www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com) to register—scroll down to upcoming events

**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?**

**And with that, our meeting is adjourned Thank you for coming. Have a great week!**



### PHOTOS LINK:

<https://rotarycs.org/photoalbums/2022-rcsp-st-patrick-s-day/>

### MEETING LINK:

<https://youtu.be/FPULRWxKsRc>



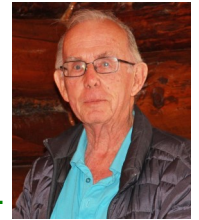


## ST. PATRICK'S DAY



**Welcome:** Joe (O'Connelly welcomed everyone with his usual enthusiasm and a curated selection of Irish humour. He noted that he was advised by **Maureen Hutchens** that it takes brains to keep a fascinator on (implying what, Maureen?). Also, **Deb Sands** wants to know why the Scots and the Irish get a special day, but the English do not? We should celebrate in May with tea and crumpets, and Shakespeare sonnets.

As a child, Joe learned four things from his Irish mother:  
Religion – “You better pray that comes out of the carpet!”  
Irony – “If you don’t stop crying, I’ll give you something to cry about!”  
Time travel – “I’ll knock you onto next week!”  
Choice – “Do you want me to stop this car?”



The celebrations started with birthday wishes to **Dave Read**, who was serenaded by the company.

The history of St Paddy is well known. Born in England to a wealthy family, he was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Ireland as a young man. After 6 years as a shepherd, he escaped back to his home, converted to Christianity, became a priest and eventually returned to Ireland as a bishop to convert the Irish. His legend was established 150 years later in the writings of Muirchú moccu Machtheni, who portrayed Patrick as a martial figure, who contested with druids, overthrew pagan idols, and cursed kings and kingdoms.

In any event, his reported birth date is now used as an excuse for celebrations of Irish heritage and culture (along with many jokes, outrageous stories and green costumes). St. Patrick’s Day has become a marketing dream, with the green theme being used everywhere and for all sorts of product and functions. Over 7.0 million people claim direct Irish descent, more than the population of Ireland.

The contest for best green costume boiled down to three contestants (with honorable mention to **Norm Devitt’s** green jacket from the 70’s). Everybody got a prize.

**Bryan Walton** – camouflage  
**Jim Hutchens** – a wee pint of Guinness  
**Glenn Potter** – a Dollar Store explosion of green



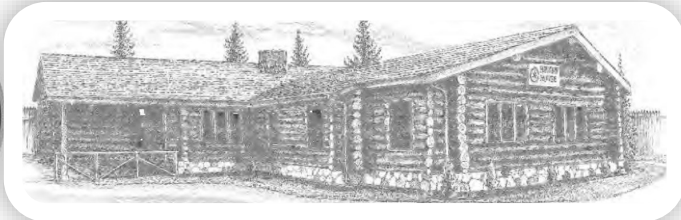
**Sergeant at Arms: John Fitzsimmons** did his usual stellar job of relieving various members of some cash with a bunch of Irish themed questions.

**Pot O’ Gold giveaway:** All 50/50 buyers got a chance to draw the key that unlocked the Pot o’ Gold, with the lucky winner being **Gail Urquhart**

**Hugh Delaney** and **Maureen Hutchens** sent us home with a selection of Irish folk songs. Hugh impressed with his memory for the Irish naming song “Dear Old Donegal”, and Maureen charmed us all with a beautiful medley of traditional ballads sung acapella. We are lucky to have such accomplished vocalists in our Club, and they were given a well-deserved standing ovation.

**In Closing:** Joe, Hugh, Fitz, & Maureen, thank you for another amazing St Patty’s Day celebration.





### NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

**SJOERT ZUIDHOFF** has been proposed for active membership as a transferring Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Calgary at Fish Creek Park to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as sponsored by Luanne Whitmarsh and Seconded by Jamie Moorhouse with a proposed Classification of **DAIRY VETERINARIAN / CONSULTANT**

**SJOERT ZUIDHOFF'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 **SJOERT ZUIDHOFF** joining our Club or to his proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, **Luanne Whitmarsh** by email to: [secretary@rotarycs.org](mailto:secretary@rotarycs.org) prior to March 31st, 2022

### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: JUNE 4TH TO 8TH 2022

[convention.rotary.org](http://convention.rotary.org)

**REGISTRATION:** Our convenient online system makes registering easy for all attendees. [REGISTER >](#)

**CONVENTION HOTELS:** [Find and reserve your hotel room in Houston.](#)

#### HOST ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE EVENTS

[Discover what events the Host Organization Committee has planned and more](#)



### ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK GRANTS

**REMINDER to our Committees: there are GRANTS AVAILABLE**

A limited number of small grants supporting youth programs, scholarships and Community Development projects are available from our District.

Deadline for applications is **May 1st**. Connect with Bob Wiens for details or help accessing the forms @ [rwwiens@gmail.com](mailto:rwwiens@gmail.com) 403-922-9723



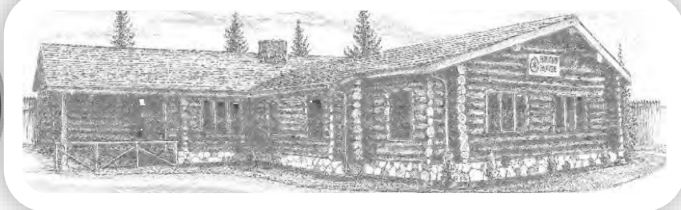
### STAY IN SCHOOL REPORT CARDS NEEDED

We need you to **CONTACT** your STAY IN SCHOOL PROGRAM STUDENT to get Report Cards for Semester One which ended in December / January. This also includes post-Secondary Students. We still need last June Report Cards for some Students.

Please send to me and let me know if I can assist:

**Earl Huson (403) 686-0828 / [ehuslink@telusplanet.net](mailto:ehuslink@telusplanet.net)**





## DISTRICT 5360 CONFERENCE: MAY 14TH, 2022

**May 14, 2022 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM @ Alliance Church**  
**902 Glenbow Drive**  
**Cochrane AB T4C 1J2**

Click here to see what's going on and register at [www.discon5360.ca](http://www.discon5360.ca)

**REGISTER**

### DISCON 2022 AT A GLANCE

COCHRANE, ALBERTA



### Saturday, May 14, 2022

Sign In	08:00 – 09:00	Registration	
Morning	09:00 – 09:15	Take "A Seat"	
	09:15 – 09:40	Welcome to DisCon 2022	
	09:40 – 10:10	Speaker #1 – Stephanie Christensen, ShelterBox Canada	<i>Climate Change and the Changing Humanitarian Landscape</i>
	10:10 – 10:40	Speaker #2 – Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Academy	<i>CO2 Easy Project</i>
	10:40 – 11:00	Break	
	11:00 – 11:30	Speaker #3 – David Savage, ESRAG District 5080	<i>Our Future: Environmental Sustainability in Rotary</i>
	11:30 – 12:00	Speaker #4 – Jade Janzen, Lives With Less Plastic	<i>School Project Evolves into a Passion</i>
Lunch	12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break & Tents of Friendship	
Afternoon	13:00 – 13:30	Special Rotary Guest – Stephen Lay	<i>ENV-OCATION Related to Rotary</i>
	13:30 – 13:45	Energizer Activity & Beginning of Youth Activities	
	13:45 – 14:15	Speaker #5 – Daryl Kootney	<i>Mintoyadebi - All my Relations</i>
	14:15 – 14:45	Speaker #6 – Sari Oshada	<i>Just Transition from Thermal Coal in Alberta</i>
	14:45 – 15:05	Break	
	15:05 – 15:35	Speaker #7 – Ben Campbell	<i>Preserving Native Grasslands through Regenerative Agriculture</i>
	15:35 – 16:05	Speaker #8 – Bob Sanford	<i>A Transformational Moment: Global Reset &amp; The Future of Hope</i>
	16:05 – 16:25	Awards   DisCon 2023 Intro	
	16:25 – 16:30	Closing Remarks	
Social Event	16:30 – 17:30	McKay's Ice Cream Social & Tents of Friendship	





## This information has been received from The Rotary Foundation



In response to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, **The Rotary Foundation** has made available the Disaster Response Fund as the main avenue for contributions.



All donations made online at [Disaster Response Fund | My Rotary](#), including the use of available district designated funds (DDF), need to be received by **April 30, 2022**. Grant applications to take advantage of the funds will be available now to **June 30, 2022**. This will be the main avenue for Rotary Foundation support, but Rotary and Rotaract clubs are also encouraged to create their own responses to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.

In addition to the support provided through the Disaster Response Fund, the Foundation is coordinating with partners and regional leaders, exploring effective solutions to the increased humanitarian needs.

You will find a comprehensive list of projects [at this link](#), with the contact details and websites that you can share with your club presidents, leadership team, and district and club Rotary Foundation chairs.



***Thank you for all that you do to promote peace***



If you have any questions please contact:

**Jamie Moorhouse, District Foundation Chair**  
[rotaryjamie@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryjamie@gmail.com)

Yours in Rotary





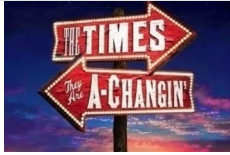
**HIKING CLUB:** The hiking adventure this week was to be Sawmill Creek, and wow, there was fresh snow overnight, this will be perfect! They say "The early bird gets the worm" OR in the mountains **"the first one in gets stuck!"** Sorry Ted!! Alas, Millie Huson and Pat Farn carpooled with Ted, they'll push and shovel him out!! Well, they were incredibly helpful when the rest of us showed up to shovel and push as well! We learned we're not all getting in there! Next stop, we saw that Black Prince Cirque had been plowed, we can get in there ... NOPE, little black car got stuck and we decided it wasn't worth the risk! (not plowed all the way in, we learned )



SO, all 9 hikers headed to Ribbon Creek! We were gifted with a beautiful clear sky, sunshine **and** a clear road to parking lot to get in! We shoveled off the picnic tables at lunch and enjoyed some banter along with wonderful goodie bags packed with power balls and treats from Donna Kennedy! THANKS DONNA!! After lunch some of the group headed back, and some of us finished the loop and, "a sledding we did go"! Another hike filled with memories, laughter and fellowship!







## PARTNERS in PRINT



### ROTARY PARTNERS BOOK CLUB NEWS



**NEXT MEETING: Calgary Golf and Country Club: March 21st, 2022 at 9.30am with a beautiful buffet breakfast. COST: \$20.00**

If you plan to attend contact Maureen Hutchens March 17th, 2022  
[mo\\_hutch@hotmail.com](mailto:mo_hutch@hotmail.com).

PLEASE NOTE: We've been asked to move our Book Sale to the September Rotary Partners meeting (date to be confirmed). Please continue to save books.

**Submitted by Maureen Hutchens and Jane Topp**



**WINGS OF HOPE AND  
JEANNETTE KING**

### PARTNERS PROJECT RESEARCH

The funds are being allocated and enjoyed by the charities and organizations that the Partners chose to support this year

Thank you to everyone for your efforts and time.  
**Submitted by: Denise MacLeod**

**CALGARY ACADEMY  
AND  
DONNA KENNEDY**

#### Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park Donates \$5,000 to CALGARY ACADEMY

For 40 years, Calgary Academy has been fortunate to have many generous donors. These individuals and organizations have helped provide funds to further innovation, helping give students the best chance at thriving in their learning.

CA was presented with a \$5,000 donation from the [Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park](#) that will purchase 150 individual whiteboards and markers. This purchase will support students to brainstorm, draw out ideas, and collaborate more effectively with their classmates.

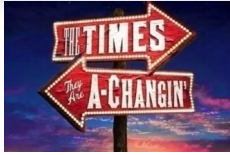
Donna Kennedy, Project Research committee member of Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park, presented the cheque to Tim Carlson, Principal from CA. While the chosen organizations go through a careful selection process, Donna also has a personal connection to the school. Her grandson is a current Grade 4 student at CA, and she has seen first-hand the positive impact CA has had on his life.



*"We go out, and we look for organizations that we think would be a good fit for us, and this year, Calgary Academy's name came up as an option. I've seen how my grandson has started to thrive since coming to CA, so this donation to the school was a natural fit. Seeing the hopes that he has now because of Calgary Academy has been incredible."* – Donna Kennedy

*"We see firsthand every day the resilience of our students. Children adapt and find creative ways to learn no matter what. Calgary Academy is one of those schools that continuously provides flexible and dynamic environments for students to learn in their own ways, and we are excited to be able to continue that thanks to this incredible donation."* – Patricia Lisevich, Director of Philanthropy at CA.

**Rotary**  
Club of Calgary at Stampede Park



**PARTNERS in PRINT**



**Rotary Partners  
Spring Luncheon**

**Save the Date**

**Friday, April 22, 2022**  
**Location: The Glencoe Club**  
**636 - 29 Avenue SW**  
**Time: 11:30am**  
**Cost: \$ 45.00 per person**

**INVITATION AND FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE  
SENT OUT APRIL 1, 2022**





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

## Calendar of Events

**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MARCH 24TH**  
**Dr. J. Alex Fitzowich: The Road to the Olympics**  
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**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MARCH 31ST**  
Scott Rennie, CEO Vault 4401: Alberta Carbon Capture Industry  
[www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON APRIL 7TH**  
Rollie Cyr: Calgary Flames  
[www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON APRIL 14TH**  
Neil Edwards, CEO: Honens International Piano Competition  
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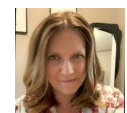
**LUNCH AT THE "BLUE ROOM" AT STAMPEDE PARK ON APRIL 21ST**  
Don Bacon: Rotary Profile  
[www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)



**ROTARY PARTNERS SPRING LUNCHEON ON APRIL 22ND**  
**The Glencoe Club**  
**See Bulletin for more information**



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON APRIL 28TH**  
Janelle Wakaruk: OWNcancer  
[www.rotarystampedepark.com](http://www.rotarystampedepark.com)



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MAY 5TH**  
St Mary's School Annual 4 Way Test Contest



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MAY 12TH**  
Annual Dream Home Kickoff



**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MAY 19TH**  
To be Determined

**LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON MAY 26TH**  
To be Determined



## SKIPTHEDEPOT FUNDRAISING: Download the SkipTheDepot App



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Follow recommendations in the app - promote on social media, share with your donor lists, friends, family. That's it!

you book a pickup time and the depot will come to your home / office and pickup your recyclables (including old electronics and clothing). <https://skipthedepot.com/locations/calgary-recycling>

## VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY



Volunteers are required. Click on [Sign Up](#) to view available slots and book yourself directly online.

Monday April 4th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday May 17th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday June 13th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday July 12th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday September 12th:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday October 18th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday November 21st:	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday December 6th:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Contacts: Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ [ehuslink@telusplanet.net](mailto:ehuslink@telusplanet.net)  
Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ [kgefarn@telusplant.net](mailto:kgefarn@telusplant.net)

**THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING !!!**

## 2021/2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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