

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the March 28 meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Bryan Walton, and it's my honour to be Club President for 2023-24.

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

Head Table (L-R) : Craig Stokke, Jerry Ohlsson, Penny Leckie, President Bryan Walton, Arlene Adamson, Max Feldman



IMPORTANT

New meal procedures and news.

Welcome to our club, Jerry Ohlsson!

Speaker: Arlene Adamson

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



Today's Meeting:

Michael Zacharki and our guest, **Arlene Adamson** drew for the 50/50. One of our newer members, **Amarjeet Grewal** won the prize of \$140, graciously donating it back to Rotary International. Great Donation!

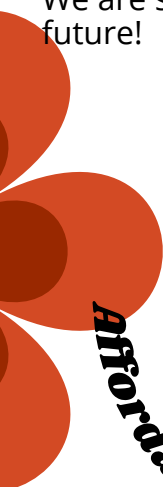
Carol Rosdobutko pulled out some Rotary trivia. Calling on **Stacey Johnson** for the first question, who hid from the Sargent of Arms. Then, when **Dana Hunter** was called on, Stacey claimed Carol was picking on the tall people. Finally, Carol imposed a \$20 fine on fellow Sargent at Arms, **Keith Davis**, for his unjust fining of **Norm Rose** last week.

Rotary friendships are amazing, as seen by **Don Taylor** and **Benno Nigg**. These gentlemen met in our club many years ago and went on together to donate \$20 Million to the University of Calgary Kinesiology lab.

Luanne Whitmarsh gave important information regarding our past food issues & meal changes. Make sure to read about this under "From the Secretary's Desk"

Corrine Wilkinson spoke about the Mel Cunningham Award

Craig Stokke introduced **Jerry Ohlsson**. They met through **Teresa Stokke** who saw Jerry's philanthropy spirit while selling his house. Craig said "xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx" and we all laughed (and the bulliten editor got to keep her car). **Penny Leckie** inducted Jerry to our club. We are so happy for you to be a 'fellow Rotarian.' We cant wait to hear more from you in the future!



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery



Introducing Speaker: **Max Feldman**

Arlene Adamson is the CEO of Silvera for Seniors – a role she has had for almost 13 years. She holds the ICD.D designation from the Institute of Corporate Directors and is a Chartered Housing Professional with the Chartered Institute of Housing Canada. Her leadership in various non-profit organizations (Alberta Children’s Hospital Foundation , Canadian Cancer Society, and the YWCA) spans more than 25 years. She is a passionate champion for the essential needs of seniors and the strength of the senior-serving sector. Arlene is committed to ensuring Silvera remains innovative, and residents have the secure housing and support they need to live their best lives. Arlene has a proven track record in business and finance. She ensures the prudent stewardship of investment in Silvera and fosters bold, strategic planning to meet the rising demand for seniors’ communities in Calgary. Under her leadership, has increased the housing options for seniors that Silvera offers in both Market and Affordable Subsidized housing, expanded the services for residents and strengthened relationships with the Government of Alberta, The City of Calgary and many community partners. Arlene is also the president of ASCHA (Alberta Seniors and Community Housing Association), Co-Chair of the Government of Alberta’s Lodge Review committee and champion for advocating for housing and service needs for all Albertans.

Thanking Speaker: **Alan Tennant**

To watch the full presentation click [HERE](#)

Arlene, in recognition of your time with us today we will be making a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation which supports local initiatives

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feed the Hungry

Feed the hungry was a success! Thanks to all the Rotarians, Partners & friends who volunteered on Sunday, March 24th. Our inbound exchange student, Marino even came to help the cause! Thank you, **Ken Farn** for your diligent work for a smooth sailing event.



Health & Wellness

GR is recovering from gull bladder surgery (one less thing to declare at Customs on his return). Speedy recovery to you!

New Member Passport Night

When? **April 18, 2024, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

Where? **Ranchmen's Club-Bennett Room, 710-13 Avenue S.W.**

Pack your bags for an unforgettable evening of fun and fellowship at the New Member Passport Night! This is the perfect opportunity to meet new faces in the Rotary community and celebrate our love for travel and adventure. Come in your favorite vacation-themed attire! Think Hawaiian shirts, comfy shorts, and flip-flops.

Don't miss the boat! **Register by April 12th** to secure your spot by clicking [HERE](#). Tickets are \$30 and online payment is required. See you there in your vacation best!

Rotary Club of Calgary Connect Comedy Night

Rotary Club of Calgary Connect is hosting a Comedy Night at Yuk Yuks on Wednesday, **April 10th** at 7:30 pm. This is one of their largest fundraising initiatives ever - a pretty big deal for our small club of about 15 members. Tickets are \$30 and you can purchase them at the link below!

<https://www.yukyuks.com/?action=club.comicDetails&comedianID=2674&venueID=2408>

Wine Club

Are you *keen for a cheeky glass*? If so, your in luck *mate*, because Wine Club meets Friday **April 5th** at 7 PM. We will be tasting "Wines from Down Under"... from Australia and New Zealand. The tasting will take place at Beddington CO-OP Wine Spirits Beer Store 8220 Centre St NE.

Please contact and e-transfer \$38.32 to **Pat Neuman** (pneuman647@gmail.com) before April 1st to reserve a spot.

Danish Canadian Club Dinner

Join us on **April 26th** at 7 PM for a true Danish Dinner! This event is held at the one and only, Danish Canadian Club 727 11 Avenue SW.

Hosted by **George Deegan** and **Norm Legare**, the event is \$60. Contact (gdeegan@shaw.ca) or (nlegare@shaw.ca) for more info!

PARTNERS in PRINT

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

From the Secretary's Desk

1. Please provide me of all births in this Rotary year as soon as possible! We honor the births (bring on the proud parents and grandparents) during the District convention. Please provide this to me asap so I can get this information updated.
2. I am also collecting the deaths for the same reason – please advise me of who you know passed to make sure I don't miss anyone. We want to honor all who have passed...
3. The Membership package summarizes what the expectation of new members as:

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERSHIP:

- Attendance – we have a very high standard for attendance. Our Club expects our members to attend 80% of the weekly meetings with at least 60% attendance at RCCSP.
- Service – We have over 30 committees that are waiting for you to join and participate in. It is expected that you will be in at least 2 committees. Our major fundraiser is the Dream Home and you are expected to fill at least 8 shifts (you and your connections).
- Financial – There is an initiation fee and annual fees that must be paid. Additionally, the weekly meetings have lunch at your cost.
- Membership – Every member bears responsibility for keeping our Club growing and healthy by proposing membership of the professionals in your life.

Please review the entire package for information to provide to potential members! It is on the website!!

-LUANNE WHITMARSH



IMPORTANT UPDATES

"We've heard you"- Luanne Whitmarsh

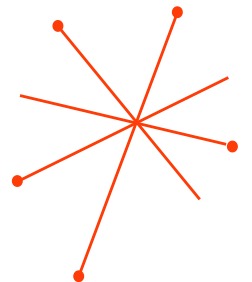
Secretary Luanne updated us with some good news at our Rotary meeting. She addressed the past concerns about the food's quality and assured us about the plans for improvement moving forward.

Whats staying...

- Registration process remains the same
- Cut off is still Friday before 10 AM to order meals

Changes...

- New menu starting April 25th!!!
- No more salad in the middle of the table
- No refunds
- 'Late/ walk-in' table with coffee only
- Weekly email going out Thursday
- Bulletin will go out on Friday mornings
- Coffee & Dessert price will be changed to \$15 (meals and salads will remain at \$30).
- All social and special events will be on the website



This week's meeting link: https://youtu.be/-ER6SsdN4_s

Closing:

Next week's meeting: April 4 we are here in Rotary House to hear about the future of Artificial Intelligence and a talk from our Secretary about her portfolio.

You should be signed up for next week's meeting.

Closing words:

As you go about your business this week remember, as Rotarians our simple acts of kindness go a long way to Creating Hope in the World. Have a great Rotary week.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Krista Rabidoux has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by Catherine Brownlee and Seconded by Shondell Sabad with a proposed Classification of Tax accountant Cross Border.

If any Member objects to **Krista Rabidoux** 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 April 4th.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Ian McKenzie has been proposed as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by David Read and Seconded by Glenn Potter with a proposed Classification of Wholesale Flooring Marketing.

If any Member objects to **Ian McKenzie** 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 April 4th.

Calendar

MARCH

- 3rd: Jubilations 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						
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APRIL

- 1st: Easter Monday
- 4th: What Happening with Artificial Intelligence
- 5th: Wine Club
- 10th: Rotary Connect Comedy Night
- 11th: Rotary Profile
- 18th: New Member Event (in lieu of our meeting)
- 25th: Tom Jackson
- 26th: Dinner at the Danish Canadian Club
- 30th: Partners Spring Event

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