



# RCCSP Weekly Bulletin May 19th 2022 Volume Number 67, Issue Number 41

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# Welcome to the May 19th, meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Craig Stokke

Today is a very special day on our Rotary Calendar. We get to recognize some amazing students, amazing families, amazing teachers, and amazing mentors. We are very happy to have you here today.

In case you missed it, the Calgary Flames played the Edmonton Oilers last night in the battle of Alberta. It is hard to believe, but this was the first playoff Battle of Alberta since 1991. Prior to that, it seemed like the Flames and Oilers met in the playoffs every year.

So, what was going on in the world the last time these two teams met in the playoffs:

- Canada was still three months away from implementing it's 7% GST
- Al Duerr was the City's mayor and Brian Mulroney was Canada's Prime Minister.
- Ukraine was still a part of the USSR. Ukraine would not declare its independence until August 1991, and by the end of the year, the USSR would be fully dissolved and the independence of all republics would be recognized.
- The Dow Jones average topped 3,000 for the first time. Today it is over 31,000... but, as of this week, it's looking like its on its way back down to 3000.
- During the last Battle of Alberta, it would still be several months before the world would hear the names Rodney King or Jeffrey Dahmer.
- In Calgary, Ald. Barb Scott had a plan to convert empty downtown office buildings to residential housing in order to serve the city's needy. Sound familiar?
- A litre of gasoline in Calgary cost 42.8 cents per litre.
- Top ticket prices for the Flames was around \$40.00.
- Calgary was five years out from hosting the world at the 1996 Rotary International Convention.
- The population of our city was 755,000.
- A month before the Battle of Alberta, an unknown Seattle band named Nirvana played at the Westward Club (a little bar downtown behind Hotel Arts). Later that year they would go on to world wide fame.

And, if you wanted to read about the Battle of Alberta, you had to wait until the morning paper because Tim Berners-Lee did not announce the World Wide Web project or the world's first website, until August the 8th of that year. BTW - the worlds first website was "info.cern.ch"



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

**HEAD TABLE:** Past President Bryan Targett (1979) and Past Stay In School Chair, Stan Cichon (1988) and Stay in School Selection Committee Chair, Hugh Delaney (1994), Emcee and Luncheon Chair, President Craig Stokke



(2008), Bill Sumner (1997) and Stay in School Steering Committee Chair, Shaheer Tariq (Guest Speaker, Stay in School Graduate 2021 from University of Calgary: Business), and Earl Huson (1998) & Stay In School Mentoring Chair



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**GUESTS: Lynn Topp** introduced our many Guests and the "Welcome Song" tradition remained strong. As well, we welcomed the Members attending on Zoom

> **SONGS AND STUNS: Glenn Potter, Deb Sands, Darlene Whitmore and Jim Hutchens** led us in a historical story about the Royal Family and recognizing our Queen as we prepare to celebrate Victoria Day. We sang some English favourites including God Save our Queen.

**NEXT WEEK'S MEETING:** The offsite meeting will not be recorded nor on Zoom. This is due to logistics. So if you would like to be a part of the event please attend in person. **Registration is open until tomorrow at 9:00 am.** 

### **UofC SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE with Dean Renate Weller**

Location: Clinical Science Building of the Spyhill Campus 11877 85th Street NW Calgary (Not the main Campus of UofC)

COST: \$30.00 DEADLINE: You must register by May 20th at 9:00 am

www.rotarystampedepark.com

GOOGLE MAP LINK: https://mapcarta.com/W27031547

#### **PARKING: FREE**

**BUS:** If you are going by bus it will depart at 11:00 am from the South East corner of the Chinook Centre Parking lot near the Kal Tire Shop

**TIME:** Meeting will start at 12:15 to 1:30 pm and there will be tours after the meeting.

**DREAM HOME SHIFTS:** We have had an incredible uptake of Dream Home shifts, which is great. However, we still have <u>many</u> shifts available and we would like to remind Rotarians of their **obligation to fill eight shifts** by themselves or with the support of family and friends. The sooner we can get these shifts booked the better.



**DISTRICT CONFERENCE:** It was announced that our Club received the Robert Currie Paterson Award Rotary Foundation Contribution award for the highest per capita contribution to the Rotary International Foundation Fund. Thank you everyone who donated.

Our own **Jamie Moorhouse** received the Rotary Foundation District Service Award. Congratulations Jamie.

#### **PRESIDENT STOKKE: FINAL WORDS**

Again, we will **NOT** be at Rotary House next week as we will be offsite, so if you show up here, please ensure you turn out the lights before you leave!! And 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

MEETING LINK: https://youtu.be/OuwOwyCRbtk



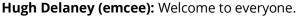












I joined Rotary 70 years ago, and that means a lot of meetings! I am happy to Emcee this meeting today.

#### **Program Review: Bill Sumner:**





#### Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the 2022 Stay-In-School

Luncheon. It is my honor to serve as the Chair of the Stay In School Program, taking over from **Bryan Targett** who was instrumental in founding the program in the year 2000. It has been a challenging couple of years for the Committee; having said that we continue to work very hard at maintaining an excellent program. We have an excellent Committee who continue to execute very diligently every day to make this scholarship program a success.

Just a brief update on our program:

- We now have, or have had, 70 students involved in the program since it's inception in the year 2000.
- We currently have 21 students attending Junior and Senior High School, 17 students attending postsecondary schools and 21 have graduated.
- We currently have close to \$5 million in the fund managed now by Mawer Investments.
- Our scholarship has been increased from \$30,000 to \$32,000 (for a four-year period)
- We now interview at the Grade 8 level as opposed to Grade 6.
- Our schools involved are Sherwood and St. John XXIII. ٠

I would like to recognize our steering committee who are very hard working members, and are very keen in making this scholarship program a success.

- **Bryan Targett** our past chair, committee advisor, and is still very passionate about what we do. ٠
- **Terry Allen** our co-chair who is constantly contributing to our success,
- **Stan Cichon** the chair of our selection committee, and I would like to congratulate him on all the hard work that he puts in to our program. You will hear from Stan in a few minutes, as he will introduce the selection team and will commence with the introduction of our new students.
- Earl Huson who puts in countless hours leading our mentorship program,
- Paul Brick, Our Treasurer ٠
- Ted Rowsell, our Committee Secretary ٠
- **Hugh Delaney** our chair for this luncheon today
- Walter Flores our director liaison thanks for being there Walter.

I would like to offer a special thanks today to Ann MacKenna from Supreme Windows, for all her support over the years for our program. Without your financial assistance we would not be in the position we are today – thanks Ann for being there for us, and a special thanks also to the golf committee for all their hard work – Ernie Yaskowich and Ted Stack for their leadership.

#### 2022 Scholarship Recipients from Falconridge and Sherwood: Stan Cichon:



Today our goal as the Stay in School Committee, is that each of you will leave here with a deeper understanding of what has been and what is being achieved over the last 20 years of Calgary Rotarians at Stampede Park working with our youth.

Our thanks go out to the Rotarians who have worked so hard to make todays program a success. Most importantly of all, our thanks go out to you who have won these awards, and to all of you parents and teachers, who have been part of them. Without you this would not have been possible. Permit me to single out our Rotary interview team with many thanks: Bill Sumner, Terry Allen, Brett Albers, Kathy Demorest, Rudy Ruberto, Sharyl Madigan and myself as the Chair. I would absolutely be remiss if we did not recognize the vision and founding force of this Rotary program, **Mr. Bryan Targett**.

Specifically, to our award winners, let me assure each of you, we have found you most deserving of your award. Think of it not as the end of an effort, but rather as one milestone on a long path. Know you have made an excellent beginning.

Now this year we are hosting a very special awards banquet. It is our 20th anniversary. Wow! The endowment funds over this time have come from our annual stay in school golf tournament that took place pre pandemic. During this 20th event all golfers forgave the customary goodies packages and donate the proceeds to create a special one-time scholarship in the amount of \$5000.00. Your committee, after considerable discussion, decided to divide this pot in two and **award one winner at each of our two schools.** 

Speaking to the next two award winners let me say your intelligence, your dedication to your school and community, your tireless efforts to achieve something great did make our selection committee decisions very, very difficult. You both are also real winners ...

her Mentor Carol Rosdobutko. Historically we have partnered with Falconridge Elementary School. After this year's interviews the feedback we received is that we should consider moving the interview process from the sixth grade to the eighth grade. With

#### From Falconridge School:

Currently attending Ian Bazalgette school in the eighth grade we have **Abhav Goyal**. His future goal is to attend MIT to become a computer engineer. Abhav is actively involved in his school's athletic program. He recently finished first in badminton singles at Bazalgette and fourth in city wide competition. During volleyball season he captained the school team and is now involved with the dance team. **Abhav** has also just applied for a work experience program at the Stampede Park. His hobbies include learning new things and coding. He is attending today with his parents Hatinder and Yogita Goyal. Would you please recognize Abhav Goyal and his Rotary mentor Todd Richardson.

Our second recipient from Falconridge Elementary is **Sikha Gadtoula**. She is currently in grade eight at the Calgary Girls School. Sikha's current career goal is to pursue a degree in Jurisprudence and practice law. She thinks she will make an exceptional lawyer because she is good at debating and has logical reasoning skills. As a backup she will become a teacher or a doctor. Her hobbies include reading, drawing cooking and baking. She is an excellent cook and helps around her house by cleaning and cooking for herself and her family. Her immediate goal is to take a babysitting course and become more involved in the youth club. She is joined her today with her mother and father Tulasa and Chabilal Gadtoula. A special shout out to Rotarian Rudy Ruberto who will also serve as Sikha's mentor. Thank you Rudy, for your commitment to this program and our youth. Ladies and gentlemen please acknowledge our final recipient for this year's SIS program **Sikha Gadtoula**.

From Sherwood School:

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Let me introduce a young man currently attending Sherwood School in the eighth grade. He is a young entrepreneur working very hard at spring yard cleanup work in his neighborhood. **Colby** is active, playing Bulldogs football, training in martial arts, skiing and his favorite, dirt biking! Dirt biking is a consuming passion. Skiing and Camping are also two of his favorite outdoor activities. He is living with grandmother Linda Clarke and her partner Terry Leonhardt. Let me quote Ms. Clarke "this award will change Colby's life and ours forever". After high school Colby is going to be a role model in the community by becoming a police officer. Will you please recognize **Colby McRae** with

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his Rotary mentor Rudy Ruberto. The second recipient from Sherwood School is **Cherifa Gale Gaddah**. She is very involved in her school's sports program with basketball and volley ball being at the top of her list with track and field coming soon. She is contemplating a career in business and is involved in school council and leadership. Cherifa is also a budding artist. Cherifa lives with her mom, Tanya Valliers and her Grandfather John Valliers who are with her today. Cherifa would love to do some volunteer work this summer and is exploring some options. Rotarian Carol Rosdobutko is thrilled to be Cherifa's mentor and she looks forward to the experience. Would you now please recognize Cherifa Gaddah and

this taking place this fall allow me to introduce the finalists from Falconridge Elementary.





















**Sherwood School: Gherman Cicati** is in Grade eight at Sherwood School in SE Calgary. He lives with his parents Elena and Victor with 2 siblings ages 11 and 5. He is very involved in both the community and at school.

His favourite hobby is Judo, and he enjoys swimming and basketball as well. Gherman has received excellent reference letters from friends and individuals in the community. He performs well at school – his principal at Sherwood stated he was an outstanding citizen of Sherwood. He is consistently involved in the community through sports and volunteering. He works very hard at keeping his grades up, and is a positive influence in the classroom. He is well respected by his teachers and his peers. Rotarians and guests let us recognize Gherman Cicati.

**Falconridge School:** Our second special scholarship award of \$2500 is **Alyssa Kathleen Schock**. Alyssa is in grade eight at Terry Fox Junior High in Falconridge. Unfortunately she is unable to be with us today. However, I will share a bit of information. She lives with her parents Robyn and Kevin Schock and her two sisters aged 7 and 11. Her hobbies are drawing, journalism and video games. She helps at home taking care of her siblings, performs various chores and loves to cook. Her ambition is to obtain a degree in art. She shared her art portfolio with the team and she enjoys an amazing talent. Alyssa consistently performs well at



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school and has a positive attitude. She received excellent reference letters from neighbors and friends, and her teachers at school think very highly of her. We are pleased to recognize Alyssa Schock.

As my segment of today's program comes to an end let me add my personal congratulations to each and every one of our award winners. Parents you have every reason to be proud. To all present, thank you for caring. I know as each of us leaves today there will be hope within us. Thank you

**Mentoring: Earl Huson:** It is great to be back as I have not made many meetings recently. It is my pleasure to update you all on Mentorship.



We are very appreciative of our fellow mentors and for our teachers, thank you for being partners in our Stay in School program. Our Club mentorship for SIS is academic. Webster's Dictionary defines mentor as 'a loyal friend, wise adviser, teacher, guardian' so it is a lofty responsibility.

I would like to draw your attention to 3 of the many responsibilities of a mentor; to establish a rapport with the student and their family, to monitor scholastic programs of the student with copies of report cards and attendance records and to encourage the student to maintain a satisfactory level of achievement. The commitment of a mentor is for 8 years (4 years of school and 4 years of post secondary). We have had over 40 members as mentors.

#### We are grateful for our mentors and thank you to all of our partners!



#### Introduction of Graduate Student Shaheer Tariq by Earl Huson

I now get to introduce our speaker. He is one of our graduates from our SIS program, **Shaheer Tariq**. This is a very special privilege for me as I got to mentor Shaheer along with **Tommy Low**. Shaheer was easy to mentor and always good at what he did. Shaheer graduated last year with a Degree in Finance from the U of C Haskayne Business School. Please help me welcome Shaheer to the podium.

**Shaheer Tariq:** Thank you for inviting me. I am delighted to tell you about my experience through the SIS program. My mentors helped me believe in myself and helped me believe I was capable. With the scholarship I got peace of mind – I came from a family with 3 siblings and did not think it was going to allow me to further educate. The scholarship was such a gift.

SIS did what it was meant to do – and I did my job and studied hard. SIS gave me licence to dream as I did not have the additional burden of financial struggles. I aimed higher and knew that this opportunity was a gift that I did not think I would ever have.

In Grade 11 I was able to intern in Toronto on Bay Street! The encouragement from my mentors helped me grow and take this opportunity. I was always thinking 'how can I enrich my experience'. Also, I had the amazing opportunity to work in China in the Hedge fund area.

To all the new students – fear is good! Chase your opportunities! Build your momentum and not just long term – but what about today? Coming back to the Club to speak was scary –



but I became comfortable as I pushed myself and you can to. I am proud of you and look forward to seeing how great you all become.

#### Emcee Hugh Delaney thanked all of the teachers, mentors and students for joining us today

### **CLOSING REMARKS FROM PRESIDENT STOKKE**

Congratulations to the students and their families. We are very proud of you and your accomplishments.

We have no doubt that you will do amazing things in your lives and we hope you will keep us posted of your successes.

I want to acknowledge out entire Stay In School Committee Members and all the mentors and teachering staff here today.

This program is one of the programs that make me most proud of this Club.



Thank you all.





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# ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK **DREAM HOME NEWS**

Thank you Past Volunteers!

More than 50% of the available Rotary Dream Home Volunteer shifts claimed in the first week! Don't worry if you have not claimed your shift(s) there are still a few hundred to choose from. Shifts are still available for every day of the Stampede.

# NEW VOLUNTEERS!!!!!!

# Yes!! We still need new volunteers. Many hands make light work.

Have fun doing good. Since 2009, over \$28 million dollars from Stampede Lotteries proceeds has gone back to the community, providing help, hope and happiness to those who need it the most. <u>CLICK HERE for Rotary Dream Home Volunteer Information</u>

Each volunteer will need to provide their individual email and cell number information. Email <u>Shifts@rotarycs.org</u> if you share contact info with another volunteer.

## Need to Cancel, Swap or Switch Shifts?

We are here to help. Please email <u>shifts@rotarycs.org</u> and remember to leave your name and number Need help or have questions?

We want you to have a wonderful volunteer experience. Let us know if you need help or have other questions about being a Rotary Dream Home volunteer. Please email <u>shifts@rotarycs.org</u> and remember to leave your name and number



If you have ANY concerns or questions the best response you will receive will be to:

# shifts@rotarycs.org

The Dream Home Team and specifically Troy Fredeen have been responding as quickly as possible to any questions, problems or concerns

# DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR 2022 ROTARY MEMBER STAMPEDE SHIRTS FINAL DEADLINE IS MIDNIGHT ON MAY 24TH, 2022

Stand out as a "Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park" member by wearing a Rotary Plaid Shirt!

- Select your shirt colour
- Select your shirt size
- Indicate quantity needed



Email Your Shirt Order to: Stacey Johnson at Print Three: sjohnson@printthree.ab.ca







Thanks to Mel & Wilma Gibson for making arrangements with hosts at CopperPoint.

ALL are welcome: Members, Partners, friends & family (Adults only please).

Event registration is first come first served basis

# FRIDAY JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> SOCIAL: COPPERPOINT CLUBHOUSE–PRIVATE LOWER INDOOR PATIO 5:30 pm with a No Host Bar. / Cost: \$25.00 Dinner Options: Beef burger and fries or Salad OR Chicken Burger and Fries or Salad

# SATURDAY JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> GOLF: 18 HOLES OF GOLF ON THE RIDGE COURSE

tee times starting at 10:00 am Cost: \$82.00 Rotary/Senior rate with cart and driving range included OR

SATURDAY JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> AFTERNOON WALKABOUT HOSTED BY PAT BURNS If you don't golf .... this will be a highlight.

# SATURDAY JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> EVENING DINNER SOCIAL: COPPERPOINT CLUBHOUSE-PRIVATE LOW-ER INDOOR PATIO

5:30 pm and Dinner @ 6:30 pm with a No Host Bar.

Choice of 3 Course (BBQ beef NY striploin ) or (roasted chicken supreme) red wine Demi glacé, roasted potatoes, mixed greens & Bailey's cheesecake w/fresh berry compote. \$40.00 + taxes & 20% gratuities

# SUNDAY JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> MORNING BRUNCH (at 10:0 am)

Thank you to Hosts: Sherry & Steve Austin who once again have offered their cabin & hospitality in Invermere. Brunch with ALL fixings hosted by grade Triple A Albertans (Austin's, Ambrose's & Alber's) & of course Roselyn Jack with her Champagne & OJ station.

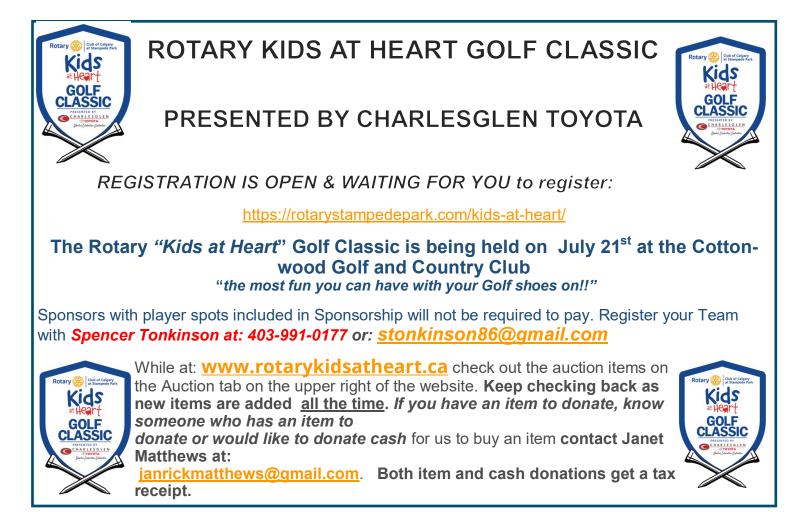
# Total package pricing incl. all taxes, fees and gratuities: \$175.00/person

# Dinner packages only (no golf):\$85.00/person

EMAIL <u>markambrose@shaw.ca</u> to attend and for golf partners & early/late tee time preferences.

EVENT HOSTED AND PLANNED BY: Invermere Golf Committee: Mark Ambrose, Mel Gibson and Brett Albers





# KITCHIEN VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

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

# Monday June 13th:

Tuesday July 12th: Monday September 12th: Tuesday October 18th: Monday November 21st: Tuesday December 6th: **5:00 pm to 8:00 pm** 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ ehuslink@telusplanet.net Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ kgfarn@telusplant.net

# THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING !!!











**Our Rotary Partners Book Club** visited "The Little Red Reading House" run by the organization "Calgary Reads" on May 20th. It was a delightful visit to a charming place. Our Book Club has been donating to this charity who support literacy in the children of Calgary early years. **Submitted by Jane Topp** 







# **OFFSITE ROTARY MEETING:**

U OF C SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE with Dean Renate Weller www.rotarystampedepark.com See bulletin for more details

#### LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 2ND Annual Stampede Board Presentation

www.rotarystampedepark.com

JUNE 3RD TO 5TH: INVERMERE GOLF AND FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND email <u>markambrose@shaw.ca</u> with your registrations or questions

LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 9TH Jim Smith: Rotary Profile

www.rotarystampedepark.com

LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 16TH Annual Charity Day Presentation www.rotarystampedepark.com

LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 23RD Shereen Dillon: Shen Yun www.rotarystampedepark.com

LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 30TH Changing of the Guard, WCS and Large Grants Presentation www.rotarystampedepark.com

JULY 7TH: DREAM HOME KICKOFF At Heritage Park Celebration Tent—details will be sent shortly

JULY 14TH: DREAM HOME ON PARK TICKET SALES No Meeting

JULY 21ST: ROTARY KIDS AT HEART GOLF TOURNAMENT At Cottonwood: No Meeting REGISTER HERE: <u>https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart/</u>

JULY 28TH: TO BE DETERMINED





Please send your 2022 / 2023 Committee preferences as soon as possible to: kathyann@rotarycs.org

**President-Elect Jim Fitzowich is excited to set up a strong base of committee** members and chairs as soon as possible.

Please take a moment to submit your preferences so that we can continue the great work that comes together with strong committees ! Thank you



#### **RCCSP BADGES**

For those that prefer to have a CLIP on their Rotary Name Badge over the ex-isting MAGNET, **Glen Godlonton** has generously donated adhesive clips that can be applied in place of the magnet. Glen has offered to make himself avail-able to change out your magnet for the clip. He has already changed his badge over if you would like to see it, seek him out.



# 2021/2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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