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Club of Calgary at Stampede Park

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Welcome to the May 26th, meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. I am the Club's President, Craig Stokke

I am very happy to be here today, at our first off-site meeting in nearly three years . This gives us even more "normalcy" in our lives and we are very grateful to our hosts. It should be an extremely interesting meeting.

As we are in a vet school, I have come up with a list of why animals are better than people:

- You never have to argue with your pet hamster or pet bird about politics or their views on vac-• cine status.
- Animals do not give non-committal responses about spending time with you. .
- You can serve animals the same meal every day and they are always excited to get it.
- And speaking of food, animals taste better than people... I would assume.
- Unlike small humans, animals can be left on their own while you're away and you won't get arrested.
- Animals are peaceful company; they don't ramble on, offer unwanted advice or even worse; . have a really annoying laugh.
- Animals don't suddenly have to send a text or take a call while you're out together.
- You don't have to go through a lengthy pregnancy to expand your family.
- While people can destroy an animal's habitat, wild animals will generally leave people alone.
- And finally, most animals are Flames fans. Only snakes and weasels cheer for the Oilers.

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

Head Table: PEN Bryan Walton, our guest speaker and Dean of the U of C School of Veterinary Medicine Dr. Renate Weller, and our own Dr Sjoert Zuidhof who is also a veterinarian.

Visitors and Guests:

Followed by the Welcome Song

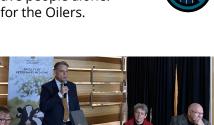
I am going to make just a few guick announcements before we get on with the presentation.

Correction from last week: Last week I made two announcements regarding recognition our Club received at the District Conference. Both announcements I made were completely wrong. First, I said our Club was recognized for having the highest contributions to the CRCF last year. Now, while that may or may not be true, the recognition we *actually* received was the highest contribution to the RI Foundation. So congratulations to everyone for that. Also, I announced that Jamie Moorhouse was recognized for his work with World Community Service at the District Level, when he was actually recognized for Rotary Foundation District Service Award (exemplary service of the Rotary Foundation. Now I personally think Jamie deserves more recognition for whatever it was I said, but apparently it is not up to me.

So congratulations to Jamie.

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You see, I am like a computer. When crappy information comes in to me, crappy information comes out. So I thought I better clarify things because I want to maintain my (so far) impeccable record that every single word that comes out of my mouth this year is 100% accurate!! And now I am back on track....













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Business Club: I also want to thank the **Richardson family and Charlesglen Toyota** for opening their doors for our Business Club meeting last week. It was awesome. The meeting was very well attended and everyone had a great time. *Thanks to Wendy Giuffre, Sharyl Madigan and Melanie Todd* for organizing. I look forward to the next one.



Dream Home: We have been doing great filling Dream Home shifts but there are still a few members who have not signed up. This is a very important fundraiser for our Club. Just a reminder that each member is required to fill eight shifts (either personally or with the support of family and friends). If you need help registering for shifts please reach out and someone from the Dream Home committee will be happy to help you.



Canada Day: Darlene Switzer-Foster, her husband and Stan Cichon are organizing a Canada Day celebration at her ranch near Bragg Creek. **Please see bulletin for information**. Reminder that you will need to register for this event in advance, on a first come-first served basis, so if you would like to attend please confirm as soon as possible. The event will be set up shortly.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS: Contact for June and July is Dorothea Schaab



NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH AT ROTARY HOUSE ON JUNE 2ND Annual Stampede Board Presentation www.rotarystampedepark.com



We are back at Rotary House for our annual Stampede presentation with **Joel Cowley and Steve McDonough**. This should be another great meeting. If you have a friend or Rotarian from another club who may be interested please consider inviting them to our meeting.

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!



RCCSP BADGES

For those that prefer to have a CLIP on their Rotary Name Badge over the existing MAGNET, **Glen Godlonton** has generously donated adhesive clips that can be applied in place of the magnet. Glen has offered to make himself available 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.





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







U of C SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE TOUR MAY 26, 2022 With Dean Renate Weller Location: Clinical Science Building of the Spyhill Campus

Speaker Introduction: Bryan Walton

We started working on this offsite visit since the days of the former Dean, so I'm delighted we could finally get it done and I can tell you it was well worth the wait. U of C's School of Veterinary Medicine really hit the bullseye when they recruited Dr. Renate Weller as the new Dean.





She has impeccable credentials, a real zest for the job and unbridled enthusiasm. Let me tell you more about our guest speaker: After graduating from Munich vet school, Dr. Weller worked as an equine veterinarian in several different countries in ambulatory and referral settings.

She has taken on the role as Dean of the University of Calgary Veterinary Faculty in September 2021 and is really enjoying her new role. Previous-

ly she has been employed as Professor of Imaging and Biomechanics at the Royal Veterinary College where she split her time between clinical work, research and teaching. She is a recognized specialist in Diagnostic Imaging and a diplomat of the European and American Col-

lege of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation. She holds a PhD in Biomechanics and a Masters in Veterinary Education.

Dr. Weller has been inducted in the International Hall of Fame of Equine Veterinarians, is an Honorary Fellow of the Worshipful Company of Farriers and has been awarded a National Teaching Fellowship for her contribution to teaching and learning.

She has gained experience in the corporate world working at CVS Corporation as the inaugural director of education where she has put her skills as an educator to good use to facilitate professional development of the whole veterinary team.

In her spare time, she likes to admire her horse, take her dog for a walk, bake and eat cakes, and go to the gym and play table tennis, to offset the aforementioned cakes.

Ladies and gentlemen – it gives me great pleasure to introduce you to Dean Renate Weller.









U of C SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE TOUR-With Dean Renate Weller

Dr. Weller began her address by asking the club members to indicate what we think is the number one skill required to be a vet. After several answers from club members she indicated that when interviewing possible candidates to the school they look for people who had good com-

munication skills. In their selection process they place a great deal of emphasis on both the clinical and professional approaches.

She thanked the Club for coming and pointed that she had a connection to Rotary. Her journey into Veterinary Medicine was in large part due to the financial support she received from a Rotary Club in her hometown area of Germany.

U. of C wanted to pursue new ways of training future vets and are one of the only ones taking this approach. The school is heartened by the buy-in from the community. The big question is, "what can the school do to help address the world-wide issue of the shortage of Vets?" U. of C was one of the first to address this challenge and through governmental connections they moved to convince the government to assist. Six initiatives were provided for the government to respond to. As a consequence, they have received 68.5 million dollars to expand the facility and they are hoping to enrol 50 new students a year within three years. The expansion will also lead to a need to receive more on-going funding for this expanded program.

Over the next three years, the expansion will lead to the development of a new curriculum, allow for better streaming of the rural and urban veterinary needs and enabling students to more effectively individualize their programs.

As part of the expansion of the program Dr. Weller is advocating that we look to Spain and Portugal as a source for vets for Alberta. Unfortunately, these people can no longer go to the UK so let's bring them here. One of the hurdles is that these vets do not have feed-lot experiences as these do not exist in their countries. The Alberta admission requirements need to focus on resilience more applicants with less stereo typical backgrounds.

In addition, Dr. Weller would like to implement a larger school outreach program. It's important to reach more young people in schools. She wants to touch 500 communities in the next three years. As part of this program, it will be important to have exhibition trailers – can the club help? As international vets come to Alberta it will be important to find communities and homes for them.

She realizes that they will be busy but they hope to be able to welcome us back in the future.







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Question & Answer Period:

She was asked to comment on the large vs small animal care.

Vets serving rural communities need to be generalists with a wide scope of animal care. Many large animal vets live in Calgary due to their feed-lot patients. Vet school training is expensive and training is to look after ALL animals.

Please comment more on the rural vs. urban.

In this case it's hard to define urban due to the definitions provided by standard sources. There are several major "blockers" to young people entering the profession – there is a greater need to "role models", more scholarships and better sources for financial assistance. Small animal husbandry pays more and this means it's difficult to encourage students into the areas of large animal care.

In addition, settling a Vet in a community means they examine schools, human medical care facilities and sources for accounting, banking and legal needs. We need to look at the UK standards and see if we can't develop an Alberta "home grown" product.

What connections are there between the Vet School and the Calgary Zoo:

Answered by one of the staff - there is a great deal of co-operation. Areas of conservation and research provide many practitioners with the opportunity for community service as well as private practise depending on qualifications.

Please comment on the Anderson-Chisholm Ranch:

The Vet School received a 19,000 acre ranch to utilize in it's programs. Dr. Weller would like to make it into a "smart ranch" to study a wide variety of animal behaviour and movement and to provide more information in the area of genetic research.

She encourages all young people interested in becoming a vet to go and spend time with one and not just one, but several. It's not enough to simply "love animals"! Try to get to see "diseased animals" as much as possible, they behave much differently. Learn about the "business." It's also important that vets not leave the profession, they need to be encouraged to find a "different" niche in the workplace. There are 81 members on the faculty. Many spend time in research studies and one of the major research projects is in the field of "stem cell research" for burn victims. Reindeer apparently do not scar as badly and research is being carried out in this area for people with burn scars.

Speaker Thanks: Dr. Sjoert Zuidhof thanked Dr. Weller for a most informative and interesting talk. He felt it was a quality presentation and the school will be well served under her leadership. Thankyou for allowing us to visit this facility.

In Closing: President Stokke: Dr Weller, thank you for opening your doors to us. This has been amazing meeting and we look forward to touring your outstanding facility. In recognition of your time today, our Club will make a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. This gift will help support our community. Thank you.





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Richard Frank Shaw, Jr. (June 18, 1928 – September 27, 2021)





The family of Richard Frank Shaw, Jr. invite you to a Celebration of His Life on Friday, June 17, 2022 at 2 pm

> Eden Brook Funeral Home & Cemetery 24223 Township Rd 242, Calgary, AB (403) 240-4032

We would love to have you join us to toast the well-lived life of a well-loved gentleman, to commemorate what would have been his 94th birthday.

In accordance with pandemic guidelines, please refrain from attending if you are feeling unwell, or if you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.



CANADA DAY: FRIDAY JULY 1ST: SAVE THE DATE!!!

Darlene Switzer-Foster, Bill Foster and Stan Cichon are co-hosting a CANADA DAY BBQ at Darlene and Bill's homestead 146102 Hwy 762, Bragg Creek

WHO: This is for our Rotary Club members and families... there will be good fun for all ages

WHEN: Friday July 1st at: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Gates open at 12:30 and close at 3 pm

MENU: Hot dogs, hamburgers, Vegetarian Chili, chips, popcorn, cotton candy, Canada Day Cake and lots of ice cold soft drinks and bottled water, coffee and tea.

GAMES, PHOTOGRAPHER, BULLS (MAYBE) BAILEY & THE BOYS (Murray Flegel) will provide live music PUT YOUR DANCIN' BOOTS ON SPECIAL GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE PRIZES FOR BEST CANADA DAY OUTFITS

YAHOO

PARKING: near front gate, with shuttle service via hay ride, for seniors to get to the main event area

BYOBorL: Bring your own BLANKET or LAWN CHAIR.

NO CHARGE!!! - any donations made will go to upcoming "President" Jim's choice of Charity: "Ukrainian War Relief".....more to come on this..

Let's usher in the new Rotary year and our new President Jim, in fine style..it's **Canada Day 2022 with a Western theme..**..expect great fun and fellowship... The event goes on rain or shine..

Numbers are limited to 160, so you must RSVP by June 16, with names and number of family members. But it is **first come, first served...we cannot take more than 160!! RSVP: dswitzerfoster@sil-org.com**

cichon@telus.net pneuman647@gmail.com







ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK DREAM HOME NEWS

Thank you Past Volunteers!



SHIFTS ARE AVAILABLE

WE 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.

CLICK HERE for Rotary Dream Home Volunteer Information



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

Need to Cancel, Swap or Switch Shifts? We are here to help. Please email shifts@rotarycs.org 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

If you have ANY concerns or questions the best response you will receive will be to: <u>shifts@rotarycs.org</u> The Dream Home Team and specifically Troy Fredeen have been responding as quickly as possible to any questions, problems or concerns

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

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MIDNIGHT MAY 24TH, 2022 FOR 2022 ROTARY MEMBER STAMPEDE SHIRTS

- 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





ROTARY KIDS AT HEART GOLF CLASSIC

PRESENTED BY CHARLESGLEN TOYOTA



REGISTRATION IS OPEN

https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart/



The Rotary *"Kids at Heart"* Golf Classic is being held on July 21st at the Cottonwood Golf and Country Club

"the most fun you can have with your Golf shoes on!!"

Sponsors with player spots included in Sponsorship will not be required to pay

Register your Team with Spencer Tonkinson

403-991-0177 or: stonkinson86@gmail.com

While at: **www.rotarykidsatheart.ca** check out the auction items on the Auction tab on the upper right of the website.



Keep checking back as new items are added <u>all the time</u>. If you have an item to donate, know someone who has an item to donate or would like to donate cash for us to buy an item contact Janet Matthews at: janrickmatthews@gmail.com.



Both item and cash donations get a tax receipt.





GOLF CLASSIC AUCTION ITEMS



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ALL AUCTION ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE TO VIEW AT: rotarykidsatheart.ca

"SAMPLE LIVE AUCTION ITEMS" – BID AT THE EVENT OR WITH A PROXY BID

Puerta Vallarta Condo For 10 Days

Cottonwood Golf & Country Club – Annual Membership for 1 golfer Two Premium Tickets to 10 Calgary Flames' Games

Bronze Statue "Proving Ground" by Sculptor Rick Taylor Wine Tasting and Passed Gourmet Dinner for 20 people at your home

Royalty Weekend – 2 night stay at Post Hotel & Spa, VIP Car Detail, Lexus Loaner for 3 days and a Manicure

"SAMPLE ONLINE ITEMS" - BID ONLINE

Golf for 4 at Sirocco Golf Club

Golf for 4 with carts, plus Gift Card for \$400 for a meal, Glencoe Golf & Country Club

4 Tickets to the Calgary Phil, plus gift card to Teatro for \$300

Panorama Condo for 3 nights with 4 Tee Times at Copper Pointe Golf Course Gift Card for \$140 at Nick's Restaurant Plus 4 tickets to a Stamps/Argo Game

\$500 Safeway Gift Card with Smoker

"ONLINE AUCTION" - LIVE BIDDING IS JULY 11, 11 AM - July 23, 6 PM

If you have something that you or someone you know, can offer for our auctions, please let us know. We need more items!! – preferably worth a minimum of \$200.



Please contact Janet, Corinne or Sharyl



SAVE THE DATE Cocktail hour, dinner, special guests, live auction and more! Event will be at the Polish Canadian Cultural Centre starting at 6 pm. Stay tuned for more info Chair, Len Hamm







Any Bulletin submissions must be received by Wednesday afternoon to be included in the weekly bulletin

KITCHEN 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 4:00 pm

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

THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING !!!

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