

ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the May 2nd meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park and it's going to be a good one. My name is Bryan Walton, and I'm honoured to be the President of this Club for 2023-24.

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

Head Table (L-R) : Ruby Ruberto, Tony Dalcin, Michael Vandezande, President Bryan Walton, George Deegan and Don Mintz



Welcome St Mary's Guests!	Multiple Amazing Golf Opportunities	Next week: Rotary Profile
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Click [HERE](#) to register for next week's meeting and [HERE](#) for this week's meeting link

Today's Meeting: Greg Smyth introduced our guests, followed by the Welcome Song

Michael Zacharki pulled the fifty-fifty with help from **George Deegan**. **Rudy Roberto** won the prize of \$175 and donated his winnings to the Ukranian Fund. Great donation!

Dave Read went up and **Bob Wiens** thought he was going to introduce his tomato plants! Dave welcomed **Ian McKenzie** to our club. Ian was the president of his prior club in Yukon. He works hard with the Salvation Army, we cannot wait to hear more about him! **President Bryan Walton** handed Ian his member package, ensuring that there won't be a test in the morning.

Treasurer **Don Mintz** gave a treasurer portfolio, explaining the role which he's been in for the last 7 years. The treasurer controls the fund input and outputs of the club. Don works very hard and we are lucky for his dedication to the role. Thank you, Don!

Brenda McKinley came up to talk on the Dream Home Minute. She reminded us that home base opens May 9th at 1:30PM. Remember to register!



OUR BIG FOUR



We got to hear from **George Deegan** and celebrate his 50 years in Rotary! **Corinne Wilkinson** worked hard to put together a memory box containing messages for George and Pat to open. George acknowledged **Don Bacon, Ken Copithorne** and **Bob Brawn** for alongside to him, being the longest-serving members of the Rotary Club at Stampede Park.

"Our club has changed an awful lot over the last 50 years, but in some ways it almost the same. Were still just a group of Rotarians united in service and having a real good time doing it!" -George Deegan

He made a remark about the changes in the club's level of hands-on service, such as organizing programs like painting the bandstand at Heritage Park, spring cleanup at the Calgary bird sanctuary, the famous annual garage sale, and the Lacombe home shopping center.

Having these four gentlemen in our club is an honor. We appreciate their hard work and dedication, as they embody what it means to be a Rotarian. Thank you, 'Our Big Four,' George, Don, Bob and Ken!

ST MARYS FOUR WAY TEST SPEECH COMPITITION



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery

Introduction of Speech Winners: Michael Vandezande and Tony Dalcin

We got to hear from three talented young students who were the winners of the St Mary's Four Way Test Speech Competition. Michael thanked the Rotarians who gave their time on the committee, **Rudy Ruberto, Stan Cichon, Kathy Demorest, Dorothea Schaab, Evan Strong** and **Chris, Tony and David** from St Marys. We got to hear **Brooklyn** talk about immigrants, **Kiera** on Science vs Religion and **Shekina** talk about burnout. The students did a fantastic job, diving deep into the topics which we all see in our lives.

Thanking Speaker: Rudy Ruberto

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

St Mary's, 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 here in our community.

WE'VE BEEN BUSY

Danish Canadian Club Dinner

A great time was had by all at the Danish Canadian Club last Friday night. We shared an evening of tasteful food that included the unforgettable Danish Frikadeller Meatballs! Great conversation, laughter and fellowship was enjoyed in abundance. Thank you AGAIN to the fabulous Social Committee and special thank you to **George Deegan** for this memorable event.



Pickleball

Pickleball anyone? We have a great time Friday afternoons from 4:00-6:00pm in the St. Mary's gym as beginner Pickleballers. We have extra rackets available for use.

Please come join us in the fun in the gym, and sometimes we find a Pickle Patch after our games. 😊 If you have any questions, please reach out to **Deb Sands** at debbie@priorityleasing.net.



Tomato Plants

Dave Read's tomato plant supply is going quickly! Please contact him in the next few weeks to arrange pick up of 2, 3 or 4 plants.

Call or text 403-271-5856
Email nread@telusplant.net

Health & Wellness

Dilan Perera had his left knee replaced on Tuesday. Speedy recovery, Dilan!

Best of luck recovering, **Jim Cairns** who is healing from a broken femur.

2024 Invermere Golf & Social Weekend

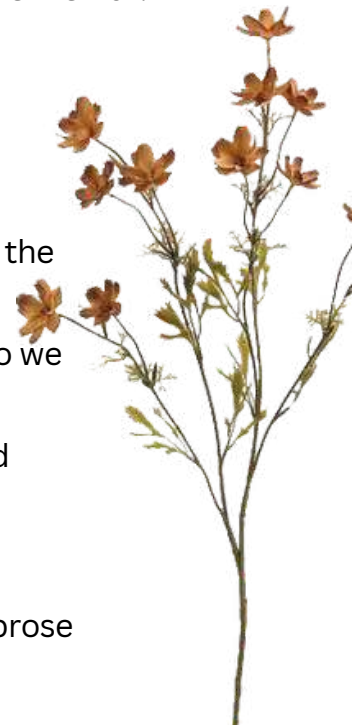
May 31st, June 2nd & 3rd 2024

We are looking forward to another fantastic weekend of fun, golf and fellowship in the beautiful Lake Windermere Valley hosted at CopperPoint. Please return your [registration sheet](#) along with your payment of the total of your choices for these events to Mark Ambrose (markambrose@shaw.ca), At your earliest convenience so we may plan for a successful weekend.

I'd like to thank Mel & Wilma Gibson for their dealings with CopperPoint, Sherri and Steve Austin for their blessing once again this year in hosting Sunday brunch and Stacey Johnson at Print Three, for their production of the registration form.

We can't wait to see you there for another terrific weekend!

-Mark Ambrose

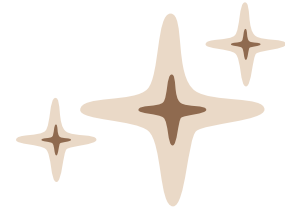


2024 KIDS AT HEART GOLF CLASSIC

Join us on **July 29th** at **Cottonwood Golf & Country Club** to sponsor, golf, support or donate auction items by visiting <https://rotarystampedepark.com/kids-at-heart/>. Online Registration is now open and our Million Dollar Hole-in-One is back!! Every player has a chance to qualify for a chance to win & support Kidsport, YouthLink Calgary Police Interpretive Centre and Kids up Front!

For more information click [HERE](#). More information to come!

Partners in Print



Book Club



Our next Book Club is on Monday, May 13th (a week earlier because of the long weekend). It is at 9:30 at The Calgary Golf and Country Club. The cost is \$20. (pay when you come). You'll need to email janetopp@shaw.ca to confirm your booking. A delightful brunch of muffins, scones, fruit and cheese with coffee and tea is included. We will be discussing "A New Season" by author Terry Fallis. We will have time to review one book per person too. We like to think of our book club as a place to enjoy "book talk" and visit with our dear Rotary friends. We welcome new members. **Jane Topp** and **Maureen Hutchens**.

🌸 Rotary Partners Spring Event Recap 🌸

What a day it was at the Willow Park Golf and Country Club for our Rotary Partners Spring Event on Tuesday, April 30! With 61 lovely ladies in attendance, it was a day filled with laughter, friendship, and giving back.

Highlights included:

- 🍴 A sumptuous lunch that set the perfect tone for the day.
- 👗 An unforgettable fashion show presented by "A Special Place Boutique."
- 🏆 Special recognition was bestowed upon Candy Struthers (42 years) and Lorna Hamm (41 years) for their dedication to Rotary Partners. Their commitment is truly remarkable!
- 💍 A stunning jewelry raffle featuring 19 exquisite pieces generously donated by Pat Burns. Thanks to Pat's generosity, we raised an impressive \$585.00 for charity!
- 🎉 Congratulations to Donna Mintz, the lucky winner of our 50/50 draw!
- 💰 Together, we raised an outstanding \$945.00 for charity, making a meaningful difference in our community!

A heartfelt thank you to all who attended, contributed and made this day a tremendous success. Your support is invaluable!



Lorna Hamm and Candy Struthers receiving their recognition awards, presented by President Teresa Stokke

Greetings from your friends at District 4760 in Minas Gerais, Brazil!

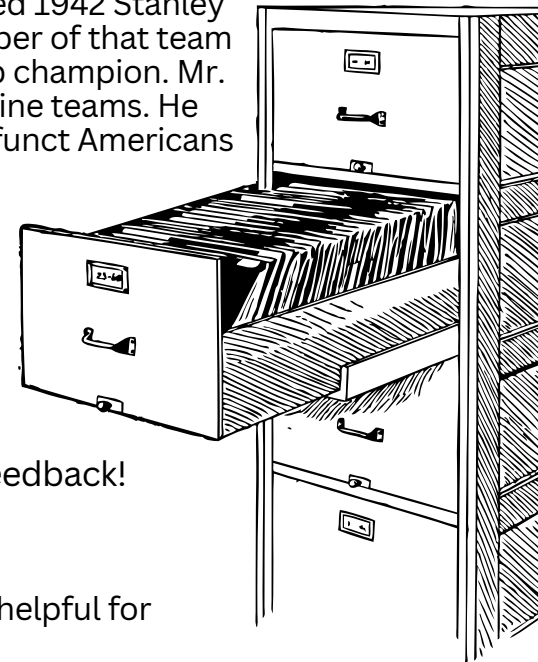
We are thrilled to invite you to participate in a Rotary Friendship Exchange between our two districts. The dates for this exchange are November 9 - 24 for the Canadian group visiting Brazil, and June 29 to July 14 for the incoming group. We kindly request that interested Rotarians submit their applications by May 6th. We'll have representatives at the House of Friendship in Drumheller, offering an opportunity for you to learn more about the program firsthand. **Click HERE for the application form** and return it to my email address as soon as possible. We look forward to welcoming you to Minas Gerais, where you'll discover the beauty of our region, engage in meaningful cultural exchanges, and forge lasting connections with fellow Rotarians. Besides the invitation above, if you'd like to take part in hosting our incoming guests, please send me a message. With warm regards,

Felipe Guerra
Rotary Friendship Exchange Chair
District 5360



Club members, as the hockey season is moving into the playoffs, I thought you might enjoy the article on LORNE CARR, who joined the Rotary club of Calgary South in 1962. I am sure you will find the article interesting. —**Terry Allan**

CALGARY -- Lorne Carr was the last man standing. Part of the renowned 1942 Stanley Cup-winning Toronto Maple Leafs, he was not only the last living member of that team but the oldest former Maple Leaf and the oldest surviving Stanley Cup champion. Mr. Carr's 13-year career began when the National Hockey League had nine teams. He spent eight years in New York with the Rangers and the soon-to-be-defunct Americans before being traded to Toronto.... [READ MORE HERE](#)



From the desk of the Secretary.

1. The new menu is happening and I would love to hear your feedback!
secretary@rotarycs.org
2. PLEASE pay for your food order when you register. This is VERY helpful for streamlining the registration desk and reconciliation.
3. Thank you to all of the members who are continuing to bring in prospective and new members! You are awesome! Please remember that there is a Membership Package developed just for this! Pages 1 - 6 are for you to give the PROSPECTIVE member. It has the summary of our Club and the expectations fully explained. When they become a NEW member, please give them pages 7 - 8. And finally, page 9 reminds the SPONSOR of their responsibility. A significant amount of time went into this package and I encourage you to use it so prospective and new members have the best information possible! Please ALWAYS let me know if edits are needed. To view the New Member package click [HERE](#)



-Luanne Whitmarsh



This week's meeting link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zN165GMXpdU&t=1s>

Closing:

Next week's meeting: May 9 we back here in Rotary House to hear from Marino Farella and a Profile on Bill LeClair.

Closing words:

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

Calendar

MAY

- 2nd: St Marys Partnership
- 9th: Rotary Profile/ Kids At Heart Info
- 16th: Annual Stay in School luncheon
- 23rd: Telus Feedlot Health Management ([Blue Room](#))
- 25th: Glow Bowling
- 30th: PPCLI Officers Club
- 31st: Invermere Golf & Social Weekend

May						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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JUNE

- 1st: Invermere Golf & Social Weekend
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- 6th: Annual Charity Day Presentation
- 13th: President's Social
- 18th: Business Club
- 19th: Board Meeting
- 20th: Community Grants Meeting
- 27th: Changing of the Guard

June						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
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HELPFUL INFORMATION

Sign up for meetings [HERE](#)

May 25th Glow Bowling: Location: Splitsville 3919 Richmond Rd. SW
 Food and refreshments: Lennox Irish Pub 5909 Signal Hill Centre SW.
 Join us by contacting: **Sjoert Zuidhof** (zudhofsjoert@gmail.com) or
 403-471-6275. Payment can be made by cash, check or etransfer.

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June 18th Business Club \$20, sign up by clicking [HERE](#)