



RCCSP Weekly Bulletin November 2nd, 2023
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Welcome to the November 2nd meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Bryan Walton, and I'm honoured to be the President of this Club for 23-24.

Head Table: (L to R) Mike Ruttan, Gail Williams, Jim Bladon, President Bryan Walton, Brad Pierce, and Bill LeClair



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



Cleven Awards: Steve Mason shared; "We're about to enter a one-month nomination period for the most important award in this club, the Cleven Award and the nominations open today.

They will close on the 16th of November.

The committee will select recipients on the 23rd of November and the Cleven Award will be presented at our Christmas social here at Rotary House on December 21st.



The link to the nomination form on our club website will be in the bulletin. And we'll have copies on the tables next week just to remind you. In addition to the nomination form, we require a supporting letter so start thinking about who to nominate now.

Nomination forms and letters can come to me when you see me, by email - steve@talkinglightmedia.com or to Sarah. Thanks!"

For the link to the application in PDF, click [HERE](#) or for the link to the application in Word, click [HERE](#)

To watch the recording of the Meeting click [HERE](#) and to view more photos from today's event click [HERE](#)



Announcements:

Health and Wellness: Health and Wellness contact for November and December is **Brenda McKinley** phone 403 870 4292 email b-mckinley@hotmail.com



Visitors and Guest: **Greg Smyth** did a great job introducing our guests today and we sang our favorite Welcome Song.

50/50: **Michael Zacharki** was back in his role of 50/50 today. The pot was \$190 and went to **Jim Fitzowich** who immediately donated it to the Ukrainian fund.

Poppy Fund:



Len Hamm let us know the details about the Poppy Fund this year. They are having a Meeting with Volunteers for training and information on October 21st, Saturday, at the Horton Legion at 11:00am. **They are looking for as many Volunteers as possible.** Please contact Pat Lotzer at 403-615-3200 if you are able to help.

Social Committee:

Your Social Committee is hosting an evening of Hot Pot. November 18 at 6 pm. Location is 8971 Bonaventure Drive SE. Chine Hot Pot is an authentic Chinese Szechuan style hot pot - a “create your own at table” hot pots with meat, veggies and seafood. Similar to fondue but instead of using oil we use broth to cook our food. This restaurant is highly recommended by members of the club. Cost will be about \$40 per person... it depends on your choices of meat, veggies and seafood. **Please reserve by November 11** by contacting **Imma Dike-Shittu** at 403-614-3224 or Nkemshittu@yahoo.co.uk

Join your fellow members at City and Country Winery for an evening of wine tasting, fondue and wine to Share. Friday, December 1. City and Country Winery is Calgary's only urban Winery and Tasting Room and has amazing wines (made with the best of grapes from around the world) right here in Calgary. It is locally owned and operated by Chris Fodor who has been a longtime supporter of our Annual Golf Tournament. Chris and his team are located at 544 38a Ave. SE Cost is \$62 including taxes.. and we will cap this at 20 people. Contact **Pat Neuman** at pneman647@gmail.com or 416-889-5673 to book your spots. **Book by November 27.**

Donation to the Club

Our Club has been the recipient of an anonymous donor in the amount of \$250,000.00! The funds are directed to education, community purposes, and animal welfare. These funds will be vetted through the CRCF foundation and annual amounts will be available for distribution. We are an extremely valued Club and we are very appreciative of all of our donors! Thanks, Luanne.

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Main Presentation - Silver Lining Foundation—Brad Pierce



Bill LeClair introduced the speaker from his personal experience with Brad and Silver Lining, stating that Penny Leckie had a huge part in Silver Linings life too and if she were there, she would have been the one to introduce him. What the recording of the video to hear more.



Brad then shared a heart warming presentation about how Silver Lining became what it is. This Foundation saved one life already and the need for the facility that they are working on is obviously there and we cannot wait to see all of Silver Linings plans come to fruition! I can't even say more about this presentation other than we highly recommend you watch the video recording of his presentation.



Jim Hutchens thanked the Speaker as the Grants Committee has been working with Silver Lining as well, Jim had a great Thank You to add!



President Bryan then closed the speaker portion of the program by stating; "Brad 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."

Special Presentation - Jim Bladon—President Elect and Fundraising Director

Jim Bladon started his presentation by saying; President Bryan, Fellow Rotarians, and Honored Guests - Greetings all – on behalf of the *Ministry of Revenue* - I bring greetings to you all.

He then went on to present some very important information about the revenue that our Club brings in. We highly recommend you watch the video to hear all the great things the Minister of Revenue has been up to.

To see his presentation in writing, click [here](#)



Special Presentation—Mike Ruttan—Foundations Presentation

Mike Ruttan filled us in on all things Foundation. He explained the 2 foundations and showed us where the money is going. To see more of his presentation, please watch the recording of the Meeting.



Special Presentation—Gail Williams—Classification Talk

Gail Williams introduced herself to the Club and everyone was blown away by the great work she has done in her life and the many accomplishments she has achieve. We are so lucky to have this wonderful woman in our Club! Everyone's question at the end was how does she have time to sleep with all she is doing! Please watch the recording for her full presentation.





Rotary Remembers 2023—Speaker Dr. Stéphane Guevremont

Rotary Remembers 2023 is scheduled for Saturday, November 11th, at 10:30 at the Carriage House Inn. Tickets are \$50 and include an address by speaker Dr. Stéphane Guevremont, the reading of Club Honor Rolls, the Moment of Silence, a Rotary Family War Story, and lunch.

Tickets are available online. Click [HERE](#) for Tickets. Doors will open at 10:00 with rush seating.

Dr. Stéphane Guevremont is a professional and independent military historian. In the past he has been a military history professor at Mount Royal University and taught in the Faculty of Continuing Education at the University of Calgary. He is also a speaker and media commentator.

His talk is titled, **“UKRAINE AND THE WORLD: The International War”**

Dr. Guevremont will talk about the international ramifications of the Ukraine-Russia war. He will begin by laying out the background of Western involvement with Ukraine from 1991 to 2022.

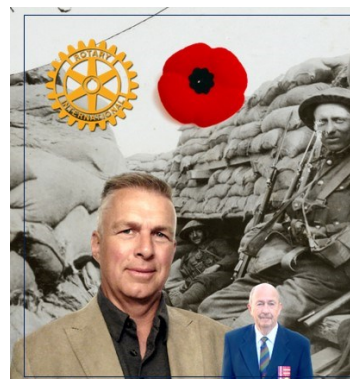
Dr. Guevremont will describe conflicts of interest emerging between various nations since the war began. He will discuss political intrigues, corruption, and other forces at play regarding energy, food supplies, and other impacts on world economies.

As for the conflict itself, he will explain the unique organizational structure of the Ukrainian army, which differs from that of Canada, the USA, and Britain. Of particular interest, he will provide an overview of the International Brigades made up of volunteers from neutral nations and various anti-Russian countries in the region.

Stéphane Guevremont also organizes tours of Canadian battlefields in Europe. In his spare time, he plays several sports and does volunteer work with seniors and high school students.

The M.C. will be last year's keynote speaker, Jim Hennessy. The event will be produced by Robyn Braley and the Rotary Remembers Committee, which includes representatives of most Calgary Rotary Clubs.

- For tickets go to Click [HERE](#) for Tickets
- For further information contact Doug Hood, Chair, at hoodfinancial@shaw.ca
- Friends, family, and former Rotarians are welcome!
- Registration deadline: Sunday, November 5th, 10:00 PM



Rotary Remembers November 11th, 2023

**UKRAINE AND THE WORLD
The International War**

Date: November 11th
Speaker: Dr. Stéphane Guevremont
M.C.: Jim Hennessy
Place: Carriage House Inn
Time: 10:00 am-12:00 pm
Cost: \$50.00 - Buy on District Website
Registration Deadline - November 5, 10:00 pm



THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <https://youtu.be/WGlcd1cNnVE>

In Closing:

Next week's Meeting: No meeting on November 9 as we will be convening for Rotary Remembers at the Carriage House on November 11. (see page 5 for more details. **Deadline is Sunday night!**)

Closing Words: As you go about your business this week remember simple acts of kindness go a long way to *Creating Hope in the World.*

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



Final reminder to register for ROTARY REMEMBERS by Sunday



2023 Kettle Campaign

The Salvation Army has been busy preparing for the 2023 Kettle Campaign. The money we raise from the Kettle Campaign in Calgary is used to support our shelters and community programs. These funds help our residents, clients and the community. The Kettle Campaign would not be a success without the help of our wonderful Behind the Shield volunteer community.



As our city grows and Kettle locations are added, it has become more difficult to fill each of our Kettle volunteer shifts. As we know, a Kettle without a volunteer or employee does not generate money for our programs. This year, we will have three Kettle volunteer locations. In addition to these three volunteer locations, we have partnered with a recruitment firm to fill the remaining Kettle location shifts. The combined volunteer and employee model will help ensure every single Kettle shift is full, allowing us to help even more people in our community!

Please watch your email as the volunteer locations and shifts will be released in the coming weeks.

If you are interested in joining our year-round volunteer database, please email cscalgary.volunteerservices@salvationarmy.ca. Volunteer requests for both regular volunteer positions and special events, such as coat drives, kitchen opportunities, Stampede breakfasts, and more, are sent through this database.

We are excited to share more information about the Kettle Campaign as we get closer Christmas.

Thanks again for everything you do Behind the Shield, **The Volunteer Services Team** The Salvation Army Community Services (Calgary) 420 - 9th Ave SE Calgary, AB T2G 0R9 P: 403 410-1109



Partners in Print



Rotary Partners Book Club November 20, 2023

Our next Book Club is on November 20 at The Calgary Golf and Country Club. We meet at 9:30.

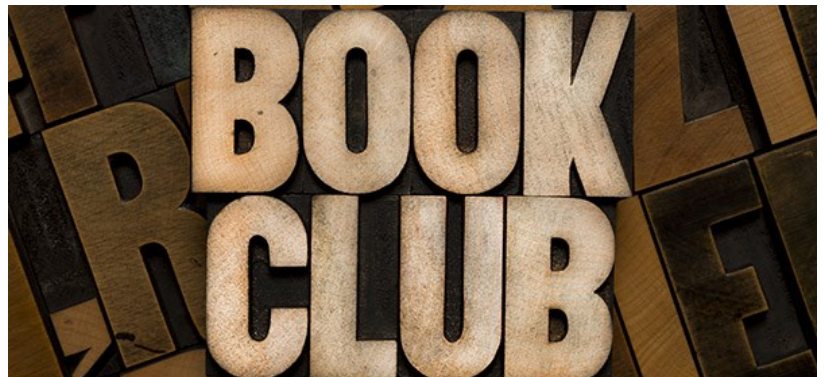
Please email janetopp@shaw.ca by November 17th if you plan to attend.

We will be having our usual lovely buffet of muffins, scones, cheeses and fruit with coffee and tea.

Please remember to return books that you have borrowed.

Maureen and I look forward to hearing about books that you have read or just to chat.

Jane Topp





November 9th:

No Meeting—In lieu of Rotary Remembers on the 11th

November 11th:

**Rotary Remembers—
Remembrance Day Celebration -
Carriage House**



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November 16th:

Lanny McDonald



November 23:

Lorne Motley—Regional Editor in Chief Calgary



November 30:

Dr. Ed Pajor PhD Professor at UofC—Animal Welfare

