



RCCSP Weekly Bulletin November 3rd, 2022 Volume Number 68, Issue Number 15

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Welcome to the November 3rd meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. It is my pleasure and honour to be the Club's President, Jim Fitzowich.

Head Table: from left to right; Greg Smyth, Jamie Moorhouse, Gail McDougall, President Jim Fitzowich, President of Rotary Partners Rhonda Yaskowich, and Mike Ruttan



Announcements: President Jim Fitzowich

You will notice I am wearing my steel poppy, as we now enter our season of Remembrance. My poppy is made from steel as it comes from the Citadel in Quebec, and reminds us that our freedoms were paid for with cold steel and blood. Some shared history:

1690 – The Citadel is the oldest military installation in Canada, founded by French GG Louis de Frontenac.

1872 – The Citadel becomes Canada's Governor Generals Official Residence in their capacity as Commander in Chief of the Armed forces.

1955 – Our Club is founded by 44 Charter members, including 5 WWII veterans. They are joined by another 45 military veterans over the years. All were Canadian Patriots.

1995 – Retired RCAF Captain & Charter Member Don McNeill interviews me for Rotary in the Officers Mess of the Calgary Armoury. His advice to me; "*Do what needs to be done*".



Please join **Glenn Potter** for the singing of O Canada followed by Rotary Grace.





Announcements Continued:

Health and Wellness: Jim Fitzowich announced that **Tommy Low** is back at Bethany North 4th Floor. He continues to fight pneumonia and his condition is deteriorating/ Visitors are welcome ... mornings are best ... and if bringing him any food it should be soft food. **Gui Salazar** remains in Foothills Hospital Unit 58 ... He welcomes visitors ... His Wife Kate says he is improving and getting some excellent attention from the various therapists and medical team. **Bill Sumner** has been in the Foothills Hospital for pain control from his cancer treatments. He says phone calls would be appreciated as he is often out of the room for various treatments.



Guests: Blake Pelham introduced the following Guests; Andrea Ling- Inclusion Alberta, Kat McLaughlin- Inclusion Alberta, Pamela Brazil- Guest of Glen Godlonton, and Rhonda Yaskowich– President of Rotary Partners. We welcomed them with our



Social Committee Update Reminder: 50/50: Jim Hutchens did a very poor job today selling 50/50. He only had \$115.00 compared to \$165.00 last week from **Ben Steblecki**. He suggested "Bring Back Ben" and was serenaded with this chorus by the entire Club! However the winner was **John Fitzsimmons** who was jubilant "First win in 25 years with \$5 every Thursday" which prompted **President Jim** to ask him what the R.O.I on that investment would be!





Sergeant at Arms: Joe Connelly who promptly relieved John of some of the cash particularly to acknowledge a recent addition to the Fitzsimmons clan, charging him \$10/lb of the birth weight resulting in \$70 in the pot!. Joe also tested the Club withComplete this sentence and he got two of the best laughs of the day from a couple of our quick wits! "Haven't slept in 10 days..... because I am a newly wed" from Penny **Leck-ie** and "Where there's a will..... I want to be in it" from **Chad Hason**.

Announcement: Rotary Foundation.

CRCF Pin Presentation (see page 3&4 for more) **Mike Ruttan** presented Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation (CRCF) pins to:

Roselyn Jack presented with a CRCF +1

Penny Leckie presented with a Leader

Ken Farn presented with a CRCF +1





Announcements Continued:

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at Stampede Park



Rotary Remembers Event: **Greg Smyth** reminded everyone about the Rotary Remembers 2022 event with guest speaker Lt. Col. Dr. Jim Hennessy (Ret.). The topic will be "Under-Appreciated: Canada's Role in World Affairs Since 1914". The event will be held at the **Carriage House Inn on November 11th from 10:00-1:30pm** (lunch 12:00-1:30pm). Tickets are \$45 and can be bought online <u>HERE</u>. Greg noted that our Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park has been the biggest supporter of this event since its inception, and this event is in lieu of our normally scheduled meeting on November 10th. **Deadline is November 6th** to confirm luncheon arrangements. If you are having issues registering please email admin@rotarycs.org or call Sarah at 403-244-9788, alternatively you can bring a cheque

on the 11th but we need your confirmation of attendance by the November 6th Deadline, email Sarah or **Greg Smyth** <u>greg@gregsmyth.ca</u> to confirm that you will attend.

Partners' Presentation:

Rhonda Yaskowich, President of Rotary Partners brought us greetings from the Partners. They are participating in the Bracko Brothers Christmas Tree promotion for the Food Bank again this year. See next week for full details. She also mentioned that any members are welcome to participate in any Partners events such as the Book Club. (see page 11)



Rotary Employment Partnership:



Hans Tiedeman introduced Kat McLaughlin and Andrea Ling from The Rotary Employment Partnership, Inclusion Alberta. Rotary partners with Inclusion Alberta who is a non-profit, voluntary organization of more than 40 member organizations from across Alberta representing the interests of Children and Adults with developmental disabilities and their families, for over half a century, to develop jobs for people with developmental disabilities within the Business Community. Together we explore the possibility of creating genuine and meaningful employment opportunities. Hans mentioned this partnership started 10 years ago in Edmonton and have been able to place some 600 individuals in jobs in the Province. In Calgary alone they have been able to place 6 individuals with development disabilities since July 1st this year. (see page 8 for more info)

TRF-CRCF Presentation :

In the Calgary Rotary world we have the benefit of two great foundations, The Rotary Foundation referred to as (TRF) which is governed by Rotary International and the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation referred to as (CRCF) a local foundation with governance by the 12 Rotary Clubs within Calgary. In the past, these foundations have been presented separately with October being CRCF month and November being TRF month. Since last year we have combined forces, a new joint "Foundations Committee" has been formed to present both these giving opportunities to you during Rotary Foundation Month.



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TRF-CRCF Presentation Continued:

As a committee and a club we acknowledge that each of our members give to Rotary in their own way be it their time, talent or treasure. And we further acknowledge that every member is differs in their ability to give and their charities of choice when it comes to giving. For those who choose to give we believe both the TRF and the CRCF are compelling giving opportunities. Both foundations contribute to the impact our club and we as its members have on our local and international communities.

As chair of the Foundations Committee I want to say Thank-you to our current donors. The support from our members to both foundations has been exceptional. The number of members who are contributors certainly support the phrase we hear around here quite often... the best club in the land. Because of you our club is able to make a lasting impact in our community

and the world. For current and future donors I would ask that you consider donating to our foundations because of the impact they have as well as the stewardship they exhibit.

At times there is confusion about the two foundations and what each of them allows us as a club to accomplish. Today we hope to provide some clarity around the foundations and how they operate. At times it can be complex especially as it relates to TRF. To help with this explanation I will now invite our District Foundation Chair to come up and provide a presentation. For those of you who may not be aware our very own **Jamie Moorhouse** is the District Foundation Chair. (Mike ran out of time and will continue his presentation in weeks to come, stay tuned for more great info for Foundations Month)

TRF-CRCF Presentation Continued:

(Bulletin Editor's comment: Jamie Moorhouse took over. He is so well versed in Rotary Foundation structure and processes that he carried off his presentation from just his slides.)

Thanks Mike. I'll try and be quick but honestly the things this club combined with TRF and CRCF do blows mind.

The Rotary Foundation and the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation both play a large role within our District and our club. We receive funds from both Foundations and we are often asked to contrib-

ute to both them. The impact is felt locally and internationally. I'll try to show you a little of the how, why and what our club has done with them.

Let me start with The Rotary Foundation, or TRF.

In the simplest of terms The Rotary Foundation is the primary provider of funds to further Rotary's mission. This is what it looks like in most districts around the world...maybe even all the other districts but we like to be a little different.

We have the great fortune to have the CRCF. Each year a chunk of the Mayhood's Family's gift to CRCF is put into the Rotary Foundation. Giving us both member contributions and a contribution through CRCF to add to our Districts Foundation giving.









TRF-CRCF Presentation Continued:

TRF takes your contributions and turns them into life changing service projects around the world including here at home. I can personally attest to the fact that the projects not only change the lives of the recipients but also for the Rotarians involved in them as it has certainly done for me.

The foundation has three funds Polio Plus, the Annual Fund and the Endowment fund. In 1985 the PolioPlus Fund was created with a singular purpose: Eradicate polio from planet. All of the contributions to PolioPlus go towards grants providing polio vaccines, mobilizing community resources, and supporting operational costs related to international efforts to immunize children and to detect and track cases of polio worldwide. Last year you, RCCSP donated a little over \$40,000, or almost 28% of the total amount donated in the District to the Fight Against Polio making us the highest giving club in the District in the fight to end polio. A fight we are this close to winning. Donations to Polio Plus are matched by the Gates Foundation 2:1. So our 40,000 is really \$120,000 all in.

The Endowment Fund, the least talked about of the three , ensures that Rotary will retain its strength in perpetuity. The Endowment fund works a lot like the CRCF fund. The principal of gifts to the Endowment fund are never spent. They are invested and a portion of the earnings are put back into the fund and a portion is used to fund projects in the district now and in the future. So, just like CRCF, year after year your gift grows and continually provides for grants. An also like CRCF, you decide how your legacy will change the world. You specify what you want to support. It can be an area of focus, or specific type of project. It is up to you. We currently have 13 Endowed Funds in our District including The Gardie and Jeanne Shaw Endowment Fund.

Which brings us to the Annual Fund...the one that does a lot of the heavy lifting for the Foundation. In Rotary year 2021/22 the Annual fund supported 467 district grants, 55 disaster response grants and 2066 global grants putting over \$160 million dollars into communities around the world. These grants have transformed communities, fought hunger and poverty, taught 1000's new skills, saved the lives of thousands more with clean water, medical improvements and work towards providing a safe, secure home without threat of violence and war.

How does that trickle down to us? So, all of the funds donated to TRF from our district go to TRF for 3 years where they invest it and use the earnings to cover admin costs which is why an organization as large as Rotary can keep its admin costs at only 8-9%. When the three years is up the donations are split into 2 with half going to the World Fund which is administered by TRF and the other half goes back to the district. The half that comes to the district is used for 5 types of District Projects grants and 2 types of Global Grants. We also support a Global Peace Fellow and Rotary Peace Centres.

So in Rotary Year 2021/22, which was last year not the year we are on, the District received \$461,522 that our clubs used in 24 Community Development Projects, 15 Scholarships, 8 Youth Programs, 10 Global Grants, and the \$40,000 matching donation program for Ukraine. The projects highlighted in Red are from this club. So 2 Community Development Projects, 2 Scholarships, youth programs and a global grant.

A quick reminder of how District grants work. Each club has access to 5 types of District Project Grants with varying degrees of matching. These are the main 3 and each club is able to apply for 2 of each type. For example \$2500 gets you 7500 for a community development grant. These grans are done in CDN \$.







TRF-CRCF Presentation Continued:

On the Global grant side Lead club grants are \$4000USD from the club to get \$15,000 DDF. 3 applications pe club are allowed and there is also a 1:1 match on cash form club over the initial \$4000 to a max of \$15,000. Meaning that is your club can provide \$19,000USD, we are back in USD, then you would receive \$30,000 in DDF. For a Supporting grants club contributes \$2000 and gets \$5000 DDF. This is applicable to any global grant anywhere. It does not have to be a global grant that is being lead by a club in our district and can be pooled. Last year, because of the overwhelming support of TRF, the District was able to increase the applications per club from 1 in previous years to 3. This gives clubs more opportunity to collaborate and to quite frankly allow larger clubs to offer more support to the smaller clubs and let smaller clubs participate in larger projects. With Global grants all the DDF is matched by the World fund at 80 cens on the dollar, which, if you remember, is where the other half of the District's money goes.

To do the math in a lead club in the simplest form \$4,000 for the club results in a \$31,000 project and for a supporting grant \$2,000 results in an \$11,000 bump in funding. So a global grant receives DDF from both sides of the equation it receives the initial grant form the District side and then gets that matched by the World Fund. But none of the incredible leveraging opportunities from TRF happen without club funds to trigger them and that is where CRCF comes in. Without CRCF working in concert with Dream Home earnings the club wouldn't have the money to contribute and take advantage of all the matching. We consistently bump up against TRF's rule of having 10 open global grants in which we are the lead club. So as soon as one grant closes we are ready with another. And this is something we have been doing for years. So there has been 1000's of lives affected by these grants which are only possible because of your generosity to TRF and CRCF.

The war in Ukraine has touched us all. And Rotarians are doing what we can. Clubs from the around world are taking advantage of TRF's Disaster Response Grants. These grants are funded through the SHARE system which is how TRF doles out the funds. There have been 55 grants completed. Actually that number is now 56 as we have just received word that our own district's \$25,000USD, which was \$31750CDN when we received the money, grant was used to support housing needs like rent and damage deposits for Ukrainian evacuees is now closed and we will begin the process of doing another.

I would be remiss if I also didn't mention the overwhelming support of Rotarians across the District but especially from this club for the matching donation program the District did back in March/April. Of the \$40,000 that was matched \$16,000 came from this club. And that doesn't include the generosity of the **Richardson** family's gift of \$100,000 to the Disaster Response Fund. So we were stepping up even before Ribbons for Peace fundraiser.

To circle back a little, there was a total of 923,044 dollars donated to the Annual back in 2019/19 that was used for programs last year. Of that \$68,235 was donated by this club. That was the 2nd most in the District and 4 times the amount of the third-place club. As you might guess the Downtown club was #1 but if you remove the Mayhood contribution we were Number 1 by a long shot.

Fast forward to last year and the tougher things got the more generous Rotarians were. Last year there was a record \$1,463,000 donated to TRF including Polio Plus in our District and of that Stampede Park contribute \$231,780. Further proving that when the community needs help Rotary steps up and in particular you step up.

Thank you. Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation. Thank you for supporting CRCF. And thank you for making a difference in so many peoples lives! To view Jamie's Slides click <u>here</u>



** please review the recording of the meeting for the complete presentation!** THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <u>https://youtu.be/p3pcukJUYrw</u>

In Closing:

Next Week's meeting: Is the Rotary Remembers event at the Carriage House on Friday November 11th. There is no meeting next week at Rotary House, and the 11th is an attendance meeting. Deadline for online registrations is **November 6th**.

Guests and family members are all welcome at Rotary for lunch on the 11th and it would be a good meeting for you and your guests to learn more about Canada's contributions to the great war's of the 20th century

Looking forward in seeing you all on Friday November 11th.

Final words:

Thought for the coming week of Remembrance is from Quintus Horatius Flaccus:

"Dulce et Decorum est pro patria mori" (Which means; "It is sweet and honourable to die for the Fatherland " for those who don't speak Latin!)

Thank you for coming. Have a great Rotary week!

St Mary's High School will be having parent teacher interviews on November 9 (4pm -7pm) and November 10 (10am -4pm). They said our club could set up a booth and have handouts or something for any parents that are interested in Rotary and what our club offers. For any Members that wish to volunteer and sit at a table during the above times email **Michael Vandezande** <u>Michael@matthewsgroup.ca</u>

Are you going to the 2023 Rotary International Convention? This time in Melbourne, Australia! If you are planning to go please let me know so I can update the names on our Website.

https://rotarycs.org/page/who-s-going-to-the-convention/







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Rotary Employment Coordinator Bio's:

Kat McLaughlin is a coordinator with the Rotary Employment Partnership. Kat is approaching her 4th year in this role and just celebrated her 5th anniversary with Inclusion Alberta in June. Kat has always had a passion for helping people, but her passion for working with individuals and families of people with developmental disabilities started just under 15 years ago when she supported a young lady to attend summer camps, fully included. Outside of her passion for work, she can be found hiking, ice-climbing in the winter, or baking/decorating custom sugar cookies.

Andrea Ling is a coordinator with the Rotary Employment Partnership. She has worked in the non-profit sector supporting families, children, and adults with developmental disabilities for the past 15 years. Andrea is passionate about empowering others by helping to discover their passions, values, skills, and strengths, guiding them to meaningful and purposeful employment. In addition, Andrea has had the opportunity to spend a few summers in Rwanda, Africa partnering with local organizations to support individuals with disabilities and hopes to volunteer again in the near future. Outside of work Andrea enjoys hiking, biking, and family gatherings.



Rotary Employment Partnership Updates:

It's been a busy Rotary year for the Rotary Employment Partnership!

- Since July 2022- Calgary has created 6 new jobs, all while undergoing some structural and staffing changes.
- In September, two classifying (HR) positions with the Canada Energy Regulators and one Library Experience Assistant with the Calgary Public Library Seton, were developed.
- In October, a young lady began her term employment with Storybook Theatre as a teaching assistant. October was Disability Employment Awareness Month and is celebrated with conferences and events throughout the month, ending with an awards ceremony where individuals and organizations can nominate inclusive employers. This year DHL Express- a partner of the Rotary Employment Partnership, won 1 of 6 inclusive employer awards (out of 58 nominations)!

If you missed the hand out on the table today, you can view it here Also see Coordinators contact info.

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Cleven Award

This special internal award of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park was established in 2006 to recognize the outstanding contribution of club members who take on significant responsibilities and commitments in furthering the work of our club.

The award is named the "Cleven Award" in honour of and recognition of Harry Cleven, first president of the Manchester Rotary Club 1955 now known as The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. Cleven was a very active Calgary community leader and a well-known and respected businessman. He was one of 62 people who were killed in the crash of a TransCanada Airline flight which crashed on Mt. Slesse near Chilliwack on December 9^{tth,} 1956. He made many positive contributions to the start-up and laid a strong foundation for our club.

Members are nominated by Club Members with a review by a Committee, followed by our Club Board of Directors' support. Club Cleven Award nominations may be submitted by any member of the Club."

Nominations with supporting letters will be accepted from **October 13 – November 17**. Award will be presented at the Club Xmas Social on **December 22** at Rotary House.

The Nomination Forms are on our Website under 'Organization' and then 'Documents' in the Member Area, or found <u>here</u> and will also be on the table of meetings for the next couple weeks.

No nominations have been made at this time so PLEASE get your forms into Bryan asap!

Any questions please email President Elect Bryan Walton president-elect@rotatycs.org

In September, Amanda Smith and Siân Matthews spoke to us about the Honens International Piano Competition. The Competition was held last week, ending with the Finals on Oct. 28th. When I learned that one of the 10 semi-finalists, Illia Ovcharenko, was Ukrainian, I invited Vika (Viktoria) who is a new Ukrainian arrival, being hosted by Kathy Demorest, if she would like to join Rick and I. A resounding YES!! And then when he was one of 3 selected finalists, Vika and Kathy both came to see Illia's amazing talent. But best of all, he was the final winner of the whole competition, and Vika was so happy to have met him, got a couple of photos with him, and got his signature in her program. We were rooting for this 21 year old Ukrainian! Archived video recordings, of the entire 2022 Honens International Piano Competition, including the Finals, can be viewed at honens.com/livestream-2022

-Janet Matthews









Social Club

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DINNER AND LIVE BAND FEATURING THE MUSICAL STYLINGS OF DANNY ROY AND ROYALTONE MUSIC FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25,2022 FROM 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM MILLICAN OGDEN COMMUNITY HALL 2110 - 69TH AVENUE SE, CALGARY

In true potluck fashion, please bring: An appetizer, Entre, Vegetable Dish, Salad, or Desert Your Own Cutlery, Dishes, Glassware and Beverage^{*} for statistic beverage please bring purchase receipt. Potluck Dinner and Dance being held on Friday November 25th at the Millican Ogden Community Association. Live music will be provided by Danny Roy and Royal Tone Music. As a potluck, please bring an appetizer, entree, vegetable dish, salad or dessert to serve 8-10 people. Email your food selection to **Brenda McKinley** at; b-mckinley@hotmail.com or text 403-870-4292.

Bring your own cutlery, dishes, glass wear and beverages. If your beverage is alcoholic please bring the receipt for AGLC compliance. There will be a donation box at the door, suggested donation is \$20 to cover the cost of hall rental, insurance and entertainment.



There is a second "Driving Miss Daisy" Stage West performance and buffet Sunday November 13th at 10:30am. **Only 6 Tickets left** please contact Brenda at (b-mckinley@hotmail.com) if you are interested in attending. **Please see page 10 for Potluck dinner Social Event.**

Remember; there are opportunities to sell Remembrance Day poppies at 4 locations, contact Pat Lotzer at (403)615-3200 or Pat.lotzer@shaw.ca if you would like to volunteer.









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Rotary Partners' Book Club November 21, 2022

Our next Book Club is on November 21 st at the Calgary Golf and Country Club. Please come at 9:30.

The cost is \$20 for a lovely breakfast of muffins, scones, cheeses and fruit along with coffee and tea.

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

Maureen and I are looking forward to sharing books and conversations with you.— **Jane Topp**





November 11: Rotary Remembers - Remembrance Day Event

November 17: Rotary Profile – Neil Fraser

November 24: David Mann – Foreign Funding of Anti-Oilsands Campaigns

December 1: To Be Announced

December 8: Annual Christmas Luncheon with Partners

December 15: Hanukkah Celebration – Rabbi Illana Krygier

December 22: Cleven Awards & Christmas Social

Christmas Break December 23rd-January 5th See you in 2023!







