



RCCSP Weekly Bulletin October 5th, 2023
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Welcome to the October 5th 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) Len Hamm, Sheryl Madigan, Lynn Topp, President Bryan Walton, Rob Roach, and David Field.



Please rise and join me, and Vitallia on the piano, in the singing of O'Canada and Rotary Grace.



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 October is **David Read** Tel 403-271-5856 or 403-921-5856 or email nread@telusplanet.net

NORM DEVITT Norm Devitt is bright and alert. He is at Father Lacombe room 401 west wing, the address is 270 Providence Blvd SE, Calgary, AB T2X 0X2. He is happily awaiting visitors!! Update: Doreen Devitt is looking for a facility closer to home. Norm May go home for thanksgiving. He still enjoys visits.

Pickle Ball: Pickleball is ON for tomorrow, October 6th. Courts open at 4:00 at St. Mary's High School. A few paddles are available, but if you have one, please bring it! Water fountains are available for your water bottle. Cost is \$10.00. You can sign up here....<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49A8AC2CA1FDC70-44237972-pickleball>

Visitors and Guest: Greg Smyth did a great job introducing our few guests today including ADG Dave Leslie.

Photographers: The photography Committee would love a few more Members, if you are interested please reach out to **Glen Godlonton** glen@godlonton.com



Sgt. At Arms: Spencer Tonkinson did a wonderful job draining some pockets for Rotary today as Sgt at Arms. Way to go Spencer



50/50: Jim Smith made us all laugh, as usual, at his role in 50/50 today. The pot was \$140 and went to **Bonar Irving!**



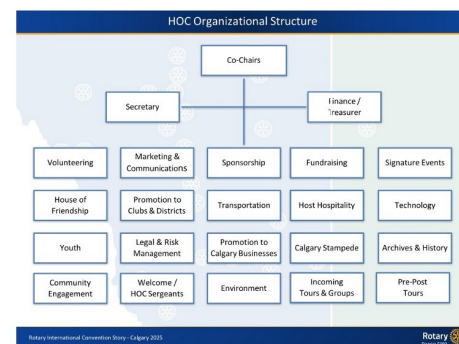
Poppy Fund: Len Hamm let us know the details about the Poppy Fund this year. They are having a Meeting with Volunteers for training and information on October 21st, Saturday, at the Horton Legion at 11:00am. **They are looking for as many Volunteers as possible.** Please contact Pat Lotzer at 403-615-3200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



2025 Convention Volunteers

Craig Stokke, HOC Chair for the 2025 Rotary International Convention is requesting Volunteers in the above mentioned areas. If you are able to volunteer, please email **Luanne Whitmarsh** at l.whitmarsh@shaw.ca

Signing up for "anywhere you need help" is not helpful, please choose an area (or 2) to Volunteer in when submitting your requests to help. Thank you—Convention Committee.



Hull Services Thank You Video: Please find attached the link below for the video about the Better Beds for Mental Health community grant so graciously provided by your Club!!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TV24fPCLkCY>

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Special Presentation— Elections—Jim Fitzowich



President Bryan Walton let us know that it is election time. Past President, **Jim Fitzowich**, is in charge of the Elections this year.

See more on page 4

Special Presentation— Director of Operations —Lynn Topp

Lynn Topp spoke on the 4 Committee's under his Directorship, Kids at Heart Tournament Committee, Kids at Heart Selection Committee, Business and Networking Committee, and Volunteering. He gave a summary of what they are doing



Special Presentation— Business and Networking—Sharyl

Madigan

We were so happy to welcome Sharyl back!!! Sharyl updated us on the next Business Club offerings. The next 2 businesses we will be visiting and learning about are both in the Printing Industry but they vary tremendously . We will be visiting both of our Johnsons', **Allan Johnson** and **Stacey Johnson** at their printing businesses and we can't wait to learn more about them and see how the two differ. Stay tuned for registration details.



Main Presentation— Rob Roach

David Field did a fantastic job of introducing our Speaker, Rob Roach, today. Rob Roach is the Deputy Chief Economist and Managing Director at ATB Financial. He spoke on the Population Boom: Recent and Future Demographic Trends in Alberta.

There were many interesting facts and stats that everyone should see! Rob's Power-Point Presentation is uploaded on our Google Drive.

To see the stats and figures yourself, please click [HERE](#)

To hear Rob's Presentation, watch the recording of the Meeting, the link is posted below.

There were many great questions from the audience that can also be viewed in the recording below.

Len Hamm then Thanked the Speaker and President Bryan let him know that Rob in recognition of your time with us here today we will be making a \$100 donation to the Calgary Rotary Clubs' Foundation in support of our community.





Social Club Outing—John Scott Movie Lot Tour in Longview

This is a shot of all who attended, wet and freezing, at the outstanding tour of film locations south of Longview. Only **Keith Davis** (photographer) is missing from this photo.



The people in the photo are from left, **Ken Copithorne**, **Don Mintz**, John Scott (our host) and Marino Farella



Elections

As **President Jim** mentioned, it is election time. As immediate Past-President of the Club I have been tasked with chairing the Nomination Committee this year. According to the bylaws of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park, the election process for President-Elect Nominee, Treasurer and 3 Directors is declared **open today, October 5, 2023**.

For the newer members, on the first day of an election, the Chair of the Nomination Committee must inform the Club of the nomination process. So here we go: The nomination process will be open for candidates from the club membership for a three (3) week period, closing at 12:00 pm on October 26, 2023. At that time, acceptance of additional nominations will cease. Nominations from Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park members can be submitted for each of the following positions: President-Elect Nominee, Treasurer, and three (3) Director positions.

Nomination forms for all positions are on Clubrunner. Members are requested to prepare a nomination form for each nominated candidate, and the form must be signed by the nominee showing their willingness to serve, if elected. Again, these forms must be dated and submitted to the Club Secretary, **Luanne Whitmarsh no later than 12:00 pm on October 26, 2023**. In the event we have more nominations submitted than there are positions to fill, we will then have an election. Ballots will be electronically mailed to Club Members with a response requested within two (2) days. Ballots must be sent to the attention of myself. All candidates involved in the election process will have a short profile published in the bulletin prior to the election.



Here are the qualifications for the open positions:

The President-Elect Nominee must meet all of the following criteria:

- (a) Has been a Member of the Club for at least five (5) years and a Rotarian for at least eight (8) years,
- (b) Has served on the Board of Directors for at least one term,
- (c) Has demonstrated a strong commitment to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the Club,
- (d) Is a Member in good standing of the Club having maintained 70% attendance in the previous two (2) years prior to his nomination and,
- (e) Has demonstrated a strong commitment to all Club expectations for involvement in Club activities such as committee work and fund raising activities and in particular, completion of Dream Home shifts as required by the Club.

A Director Nominee must meet all of the following criteria:

- (a) Has been a Member of the Club for at least three (3) years,
- (b) May not have served on the Board in the previous three (3) years in any position,
- (c) Must have demonstrated a strong commitment to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the Club,
- (d) Is a Member in good standing in the Club having maintained seventy (70) % attendance in the previous two (2) years prior to his nomination and,
- (e) Has demonstrated a strong commitment to all Club expectations for involvement in Club activities such as committee work and fund raising activities and in particular, completion of Dream Home shifts as required by the Club.

A Club Treasurer Nominee must meet all of the following criteria:

- (a) Must be a Chartered Accountant or have similar designation,
- (b) Has been a Member of this Club for at least five (5) years,
- (c) Must have demonstrated a strong commitment to the objects of Rotary throughout their tenure in the Club,
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The current Club Vacancies are as follows: President-Elect Nominee, Three (3) Directors, Club Treasurer.

The Club Treasurer and three (3) Directors will serve for a two year term commencing on July 1, 2024 until June 30, 2026. The President-Elect Nominee will serve in that capacity until July 1, 2024. At that time; they will assume the role of President-Elect and serve for one year from July 1st 2024 to June 30, 2025. On July 1, 2025 until June 30, 2026 they will serve their term as President of our club.

Following our Club's bylaws, the President-Elect is entitled to nominate from the Membership, their candidates who meet the stated criteria for the positions of Secretary and Director. Our current **President-Elect Jim Bladon** will submit his nominees for the vacancies of Club Treasurer and Directors by the deadline. The Past Presidents of our Club met and they present **Gordon Wiecker** as President Elect Nominee.

As a reminder, any announced nominees are not intended to exclude any nominations from the general membership. Our Club bylaws provide for an open election wherever there are more nominations than vacancies to fill. Each week until October 26, I will announce the names of any additional nominees that are put forward from the general membership. So, I know this is a lot to take in and I thank you for your attention today. All this information is outlined in our Bylaws and of course you can reference them again if you wish.

Now lastly, I offer a sincere thank you to any members who are willing to allow their name to stand for any position. Thank you. **-Past President Jim Fitzowich**



THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK: <https://youtu.be/574eKkPRo18>

In Closing:

Next week's Meeting: We are back here at Rotary House on October 12 to hear from our YEX Inbound student, Marino Farella. Should be a good one.

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 next week's Meeting by tomorrow morning

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NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Lisa Van Hemert has been **proposed** as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Greg Martin** and Seconded by **Allan Johnson** with a proposed Classification of **Mapping Services**.

If any Member objects to **Lisa Van Hemert** joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, Luanne Whitmarsh: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to August 17th, 2023.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Jerry Ohlsson has been **proposed** as for active membership to the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as Sponsored by **Craig Stokke** and Seconded by **John Fitzsimmons** with a proposed Classification of **Wholesale Flooring Marketing**.

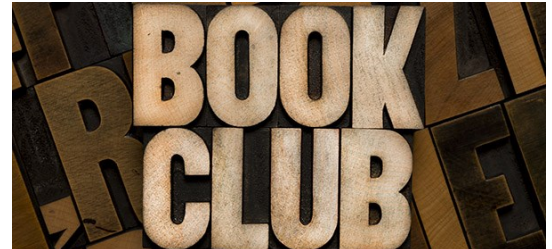
If any Member objects to **Jerry Ohlsson** joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, Luanne Whitmarsh: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to August 17th, 2023.



Partners in Print

Partners Book Club Meeting October 16th ,2023

Our next meeting is on October 16th at 9:30 at The Calgary Golf and Country Club.



We are looking forward to having **Joe Connelly** as our guest speaker. He will give us a brief overview of his new book, "RESULTS MATTER" at 9:30- 10:00.

Our regular book discussion will begin at 10:00. Please email janetopp@shaw.ca by October 13 to let us know if you plan to attend. The cost is \$20 for a yummy breakfast buffet of coffee, fruit, muffins, cheeses and scones.

Come to discuss, trade and hear about BOOKS.

Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving and plan to attend. **Jane T and Maureen H**

"Sounds of the Caribbean Islands" get ready for that winter vacation.

Caribbean Themed Potluck Dinner and Dance. Get your shorts, flowered shirts and dancing flip flops on and come out to the party October 28, 2023 Riverbend Community Association at 19 Rivervalley Drive SE. Doors open at 5:30, dinner 6:30 Entertainment by the one and only "Calysto Steelband". Liquor sales of wine and beer \$5 each \$20 per person, please email, text or call **Brenda McKinley** with confirmation of attendance, dish and payment at 403-870-7292 or b-mckinley@hotmail.com



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Hiking Club

Most of the hikers were on a three day trip to Field BC, but those who stayed behind were able to enjoy a wonderful day going to Cat Creek trail to the waterfalls, which are 6 meters high. The contrast of the snow on the mountain tops with the fall colours of the trees is so beautiful. When you are in the valley floor and look up, you see how small we are. The only wild life we saw was the deer in the fields and the cattle crossing the road. We finished with a great lunch and prolonged conversation at Little New York Bistro in Longview and that ended the hiking season. Pat got to be in the group picture because June was behind the camera for that one. **Pat Farn**



Host Families are still needed for our incoming exchange student, Marino. Contact Gail Williams if you or someone you know may be able to help. gailwi45@telus.net



Host Families Needed
The Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park
requires host families
(September, 2023 through July, 2024)

Meet our 2023-2024 Inbound Student, 16-year-old Marino Farella from Italy

- Lives in the historical town of Rutigliano, Bari in the south of Italy
- Is close to his parents and older sister who is attending university
- Loves soccer; super fan of INTER, the famous football (soccer) club of Italy.
- Enjoys watching TV series with family, cooking and has a passion for travel and beautiful places.
- Will attend Grade 11 at Crescent Heights High School


Who Can Be A Host Family?


- Any caring and responsible family with an interest in hosting a young person from another land.
- Families with small children make great host families. Young children experience having a Big Brother or Sister; Exchange students may share a new language for the young children.
- "Empty Nesters" or retired couples often have more time than younger families to spend with the exchange student and they enjoy having a young person to host.
- Families with high school age children help the exchange student integrate into the school activities.
- Single parent families or single adults make good hosts.
- Families do not need to be affiliated with Rotary to host Rotary Youth Exchange Students.

How Long Will I Host a Rotary Youth Exchange Student?


The typical length of stay is about two to four months. This provides the student with an opportunity to experience different cultures and family traditions. The student is in Calgary from late August 2023 to July 2024.

Rotary Youth Exchange Changes Lives
Whether you're a student or a host family, Rotary Youth Exchange opens doors, opportunities and minds.





For more information on the Host Family program
or for an application to host
Contact Gail Williams
or email gailwi45@telus.net
Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park





Welcome Back to Rotary House

October 12th:

Marino Farella—Incoming Exchange Student Presentation



October 19th:

GEM MUNRO—Amarok Society



October 26th:

Yuliya Gorbach - Update Ukrainian Project



November 2nd:

RCCSP Silver Linings—Youth Mental Health

