

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As noted from the podium today, Kathyann's mother, **Nora Jean Quon**, has health challenges and has declined further treatment. Please keep Nora Jean in your thoughts and prayers. I know each of you will also join me in supporting Kathyann while she supports her mother and focuses on her family.

It was so nice to see many of our Club Members in person today. I appreciate the support shown by those who were able to attend in person. I am truly grateful for the strength and efforts of the technical team who made it possible to have just as many members participate in the meeting via ZOOM. I appreciate the support shown by those who attended our meeting in that form. For those who are interested in numbers, there were 40 Members in the room, and 40 participants on ZOOM.

The representatives from the Calgary Stampede made us feel very special by having their management team serve us. I can't say enough about how wonderful they have been to work with as we all figure things out.

Chief Tom Sampson of Calgary's Emergency Management Agency provided us with an honest message about the solution for COVID being our responsibility. I was also very pleased to hear him use the word "balance" during his presentation. We need to balance the physical health risks with mental health risks and with economic risks. The challenges will not end, in the short term. Wearing masks will be a reality for some time to come.

I have been giving some thought to masks, how I don't really like them tight against my face, how I struggle to keep my lipstick on my face and not on the mask, and how I dislike breathing through them. I have been thinking about reconstructing bras into masks. I think I could cut one in half and put both straps on one half. Then with the other half, I would make some new straps to attach to the two sides of it. When I talk to people about this, they get quite excited, and after listening to Chief Sampson tell us today that we will need to wear masks for some time, I am thinking I might start manufacturing them. I think "COVID CUPS" will take the world by storm... Don't worry, I won't include any pictures...



A big shout out to Mel and Wilma Gibson for the Kentucky Derby picture of Wilma. It's the only picture Kathyann received, except for the one I sent. If you are wondering about my hat, it is the colours of California Chrome's racing silks. I wore this hat on the day California Chrome was racing in the third leg of the Triple Crown. Some friends and I were in LA. I thought it would be incredible to be at California Chrome's home track, Santa Anita, when California Chrome won the Triple Crown. I reserved us a special table in the Crystal Room at Santa Anita to watch the race. Can you believe the girls I was with, who have travelled the world,

by the way, did not realize the race would not actually be at Santa Anita, but that we would be watching The Belmont on TV from New York. Unfortunately, California Chrome did not win the Belmont that day, and in spite of my friends harassing me about the race not being live, it was a fabulous day. We had tickets to see James Taylor at the Hollywood Bowl that evening, and they wanted to know if he would be on TV, as well, or if he would be appearing live. And they call themselves my friends...



I continue to be blessed with friends, many of them Rotarians, and it was great to see so many friends during today's meeting, either in the ROOM, or on ZOOM. I have always loved the expression, "My Friends are the Story of My Life". Thank you for sharing the story, dear Friends.

Penny Leckie, President

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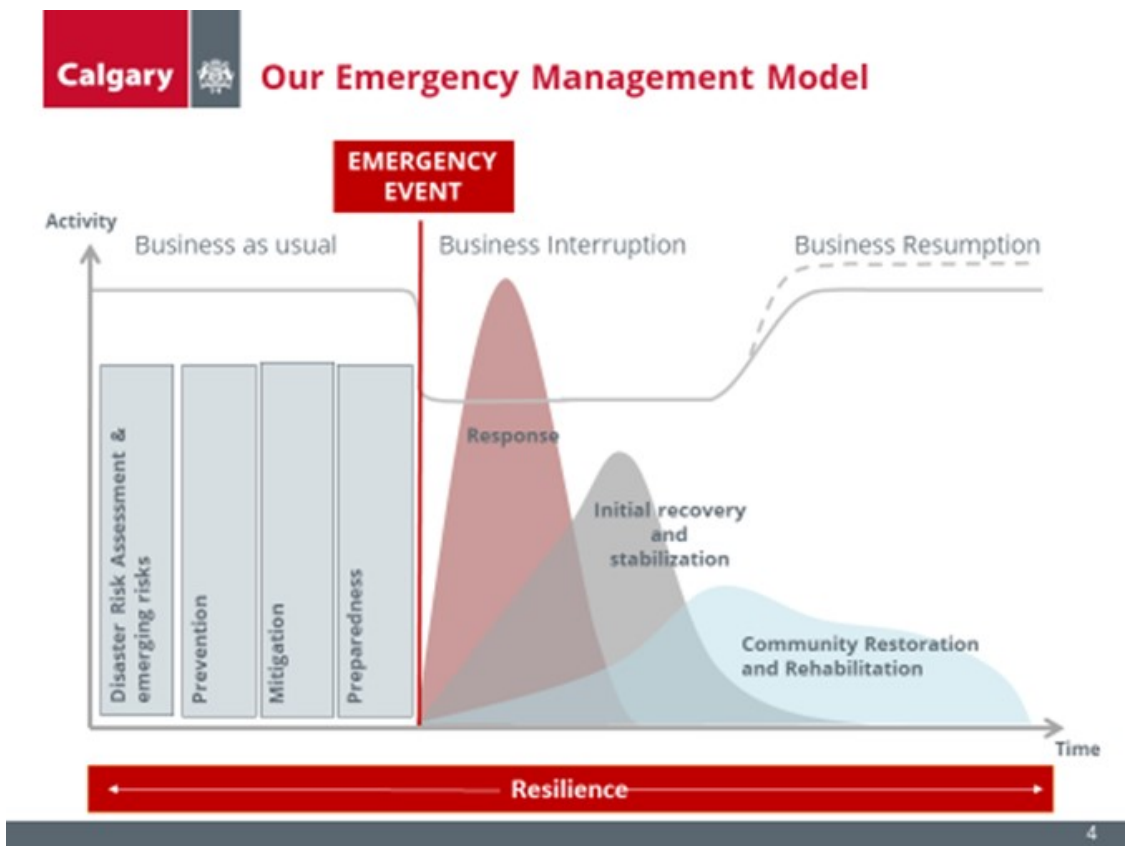
Keith Davis introduced our guest speaker, **Chief Tom Sampson**. Tom Sampson has been Chief of the Calgary Emergency Management Agency (CEMA) since 2015. He has worked for the City of Calgary for 35 years, including the Calgary Fire Department, Calgary EMS, where he spent 11 years as Chief. Chief Sampson has provided leadership through several large disasters including the 2011 Slave Lake wildfire, the June 2013 Calgary floods, and the 2016 Fort MacMurray wildfire. Most recently, he led – and continues to lead – CEMA’s response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Chief Sampson spoke to Calgary’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(The following notes are excerpted from his PP presentation, but to get the full impact of his talk, readers are urged to go to the meeting link in the Bulletin and watch. The information he presented is current, informative and important.)

Good morning. I am so honoured to be here with you today. For those who may not know me, I’m Tom Sampson and I’m currently the Chief of the Calgary Emergency Management Agency, or CEMA for short. For the past six months – and truthfully even longer than that – my attention has been largely focused on COVID-19. So even though you are likely tired of hearing about COVID, I am going to be speaking with you about it today. Specifically, some of the things we’ve learned as a city.

To start, I just wanted to provide a general overview of what CEMA is, for those who may not be familiar with our Agency. Safe, adaptable, and capable communities, families and individuals are at the heart of our city’s ability to withstand any emergency. We pull together the people, knowledge and resources necessary to prepare for any emergency event and lead a team of expert members in a seamless response when an emergency strikes. We have over 60 Agency Members who represent an array of sectors and disciplines. CEMA would not exist or succeed without our incredible Agency Members. Through any adversity, our goal is to maintain essential city services, minimize the impact on the city and quickly return citizens and businesses to a new normal. This community-wide, interdisciplinary approach has been more crucial than ever through the COVID-19 pandemic.



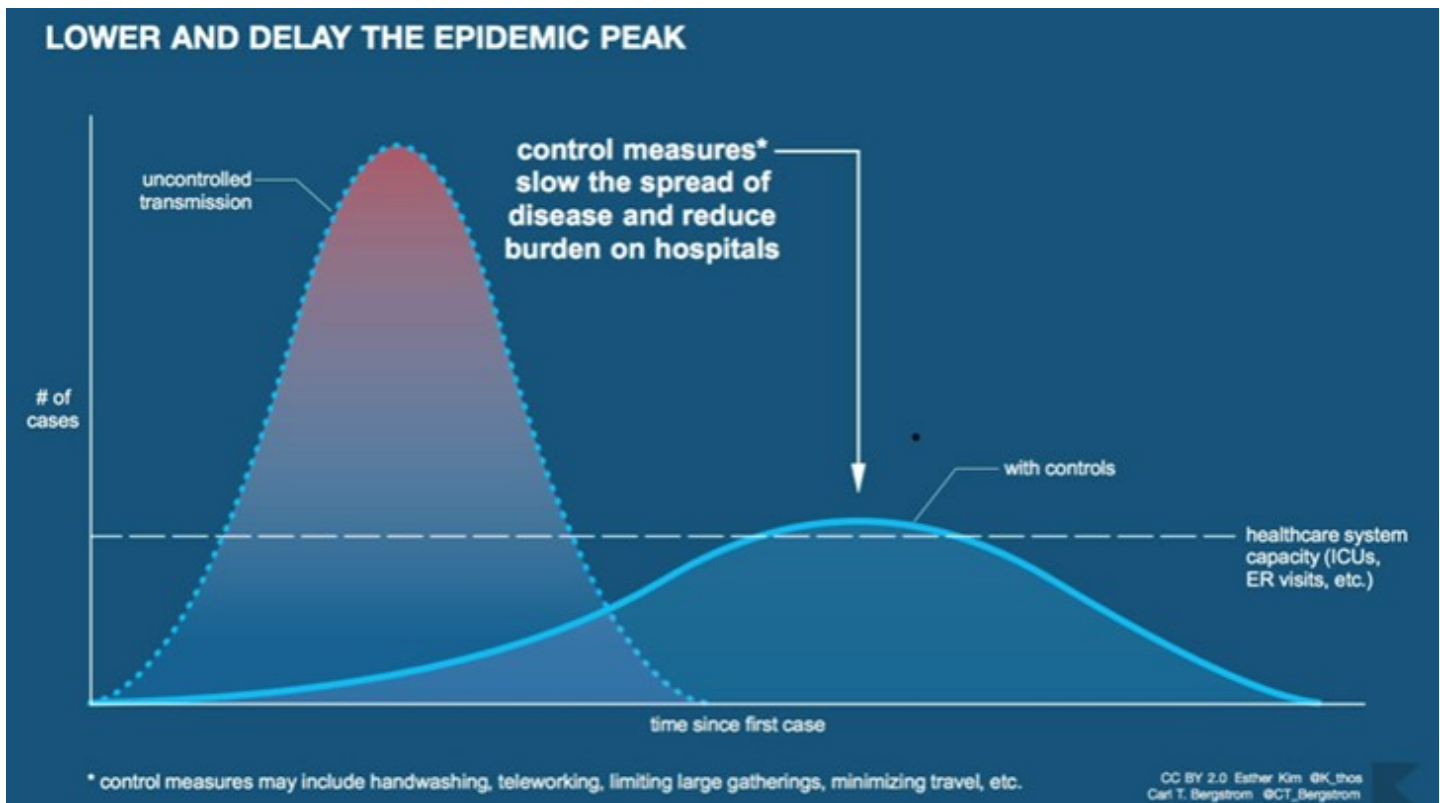
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Our philosophy of Emergency Management goes well beyond just response. We are active in all stages of the disaster cycle, from prevention and mitigation, to preparedness, and through response and recovery. Our ultimate goal is disaster risk reduction and community resilience. Emergency Management is a “whole-of-community” endeavor. This has never been more true than through COVID – we’re all in this together. It has been just over six months since Alberta’s first case of COVID was discovered in Calgary. If I could sum this time period up in one word, it might be “Unprecedented”. We have never seen an emergency with this kind of depth and breadth. No one is unaffected. Every part of our society has felt the impacts.

We’ve been calling COVID-19 a Disaster Trifecta, or “the Three Headed Monster.” In reality, there are probably far more than three heads, but in general we are working to minimize:

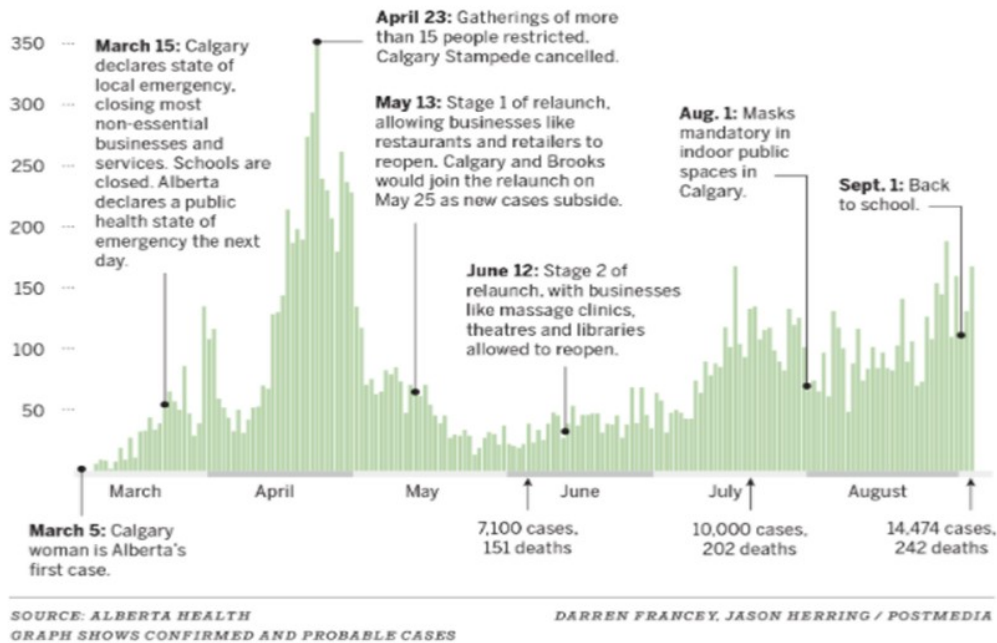
- ◆ The virus and public health impacts
- ◆ The mental health and wellness challenge
- ◆ The impacts to the economy

All three of these aspects have been immense, not just here in Calgary but globally.



Early on, this was the graphic we saw everywhere, and the model that we utilized in our initial efforts. It has been a helpful visual, but where the graphic is somewhat misleading is the bottom right corner. This gives a sense that if we just do the right things, we’ll be rid of the virus. Instead, the reality is that even though Calgarians have done incredible work to keep the curve flat, the curve is still with us. And will still be with us for the foreseeable future.

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This graphic from the Calgary Herald gives a good overview of our COVID journey so far. As you can see, even though we're well into Relaunch and the reopening of society, COVID-19 is still very much a reality we're living with. Our new case numbers are climbing to rates we have not seen since May.

Even though we're no longer in a State of Local Emergency and the Emergency Operations Centre is not activated, CEMA remains very engaged and active. Our ongoing response to COVID-19 in Calgary is a dynamic process of continual evaluation and assessment. As an Agency, we have the ability to escalate and deescalate between operational levels when needed to match the event needs.

Our Key Actions at this stage are:

- ◆ Active Situation Monitoring and reporting to our stakeholders
- ◆ Analysis of research and data to identify trends, issues, and recommendations
- ◆ Maintaining connection to Alberta Health and Alberta Health Services
- ◆ Regular meetings of a COVID-19 Strike Team to address high case areas
- ◆ Sector-specific engagement sessions and exercises

We are constantly monitoring the most up to date data, including:

- ◆ RT or reproductive value
- ◆ Regional Indicator/LGAs
- ◆ Case counts and severe outcomes

We're also trying to reach people in ways that actually connect with their lived experience. In higher case areas, we've translated our messaging to match up with the most common languages spoken in the area. Recently we worked to support AHS by translating messaging for members of the Ethiopian Orthodox church that has been managing an outbreak in their congregation.

An example of one of our most significant and public actions recently has been the implementation of a mandatory mask bylaw in public spaces. Although we've had some very vocal pushback from a small minority, we know that overall there has been widespread support and uptake of mask wearing. While we've had great success with public masking, we also recognize that masks are only one tool in the toolkit.

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So now, over six months in, what have we learned?

COVID-19 has challenged all our assumptions. We've had to be adaptive, flexible, and step into roles we never thought we would. We've had to learn new ways of delivering our services.

The importance of relationships, collaboration, and partnerships. This has been absolutely critical.

Uncertainty is okay. Our understanding of the virus has changed and evolved. Almost certainly, this trend will continue. While challenging, we understand the need to act when knowledge is incomplete or shifting.

Engage the experts. Within the City and amongst our Agency Members, CEMA has been "everything for everyone". However, we very quickly realized we couldn't be subject matter experts in everything. So we got help, and we've been extremely lucky to have some incredible support:

- ◆ U of C's COVID-19 Advisory Group for key epidemiology information
- ◆ Behavioral Psychologist to help us craft resonant messaging.
- ◆ Medical Doctors to provide subject matter expertise when speaking to our community or members of Council.
- ◆ And many others, including our Agency Members.
- ◆ There is no "return to normal", only adapting to a new normal.

Earlier in the presentation, I showed our Emergency Management model. COVID has challenged our approaches and assumptions. The model for COVID looks different than any other incident. Unlike a flood or a fire which have a clear end point to the response phase, COVID is not going away any time soon. There is no "business as usual". We are not dealing with a situation of trying to get back to normal – we need to shift our thinking to understand and adapt to the new normal. But the goal is still resilience, and this informs all of our actions

Finally, I'd like to spend a little bit of time talking about what we're watching and where we might be heading. Our biggest concern is an overall upward trend in COVID as we simultaneously contend with:

The Return to School:

- ◆ Obviously, this is top of mind for many of us, especially parents, teachers, and others.
- ◆ We are already seeing several cases in Calgary's schools. It remains to be seen how schools will play into the overall COVID situation in the province

Seasonal Changes:

- ◆ We've been fortunate to have had a few months of respite over the summer while people have been able to get outdoors and feel somewhat normal again.
- ◆ Things will become much more challenging as the weather cools and people are required to go indoors.
- ◆ "Twindemic" – the return to cold/flu season
- ◆ Tied to the change in weather, we are also heading into our regular cold and flu season.
- ◆ Any sign of a cold or flu would require an individual to isolate for 10-14 days. This will also drive up the demand on testing
- ◆ I anticipate this will have a compounding effect on staffing and service delivery across sectors.

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COVID Fatigue...and outright antagonism:

- ◆ To state things frankly, we know people are just plain done with COVID. People just want to return to normal.
- ◆ We've seen an increase cases amongst in younger populations – specifically 20-40 year-olds. Understandably, these folks want to be with their friends, go out to bars, etc. But this becomes a challenge when these types of gatherings lead to outbreak situations.
- ◆ Most challenging is the increase in intensity of push-back from those who feel that the response to COVID is overblown, or worse, that it is part of some sort of conspiracy to take away individual rights.

And obviously the longer this event goes, the more challenging it becomes for impacted individuals, families, businesses, communities, and organizations. We've been saying this is a marathon, not a sprint, but we've all been running at a pretty fast clip for a long time, so sustaining our energy to respond becomes a more and more demanding effort.

As we continue to anticipate and respond to these challenges, our approach is based on these principles:

Our actions and outcomes will be balanced through the lens of:

- ◆ The virus
- ◆ The mental health and wellness challenge
- ◆ The economy

Expect uncertainty. Make the best decisions with the information available. Strategies will be based in coordination, collaboration and the sharing of resources. An increase in risk will result in an increase in response. Flexibility is critical. Alberta Health will continue to be the lead of the response.

As a final note, I want to touch on the most important thing we've learned, which is the absolute necessity of strong relationships and collaboration. Any success we've had has been as the result of a collective and unified effort. One great example of this is the incredible show of support we had from voluntary organizations in repackaging 1.5 million masks from the Provincial Government. Samaritan's Purse repurposed their shoebox packing operations to help us repackage masks for distribution to Calgarians. We could not have done this ourselves, and to hire it out would have cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. This highlights the importance of community organizations like yourselves, who play such a critical role in supporting Calgarians in their deepest need.

Lynn Grant thanked Chief Sampson for a very interesting and informative talk and sharing so many things. You are fighting an invisible enemy and we are grateful. We are sorry to hear that you are leaving CEMA and we wish you well in future endeavours.

President Penny also thanked **Chief Sampson** on behalf of the Club. Thank you for providing the update to our Club today and for joining us in person as we move forward. In appreciation of your participation in our meeting today, our Rotary Club has donated \$100 to the Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation. This gift will be invested in an endowment fund to generate income which our Rotary Club will use in the future to support charities in our community. Thank you. **Chief Sampson**, in return, matched our donation in recognition of all of the good work that Rotary does.

MEETING LINK

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CLUB NEWS

President Penny Leckie welcomed us to the September 10th meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. Good afternoon Rotarians and Guests. I am the Club's President for 2020/2021 – Penny Leckie

We are coming to you live from the beautiful Palomino Ballroom in the BMO Centre on the grounds of the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth, the Calgary Stampede. I want to say, "Amen" or "Hallelujah", but let's go with "Yahoo".

Altogether on the count of 3. 1 – 2 – 3 Yahoooooo.

And, a great big welcome to everyone attending our meeting by ZOOM. We are grateful you are joining us, and we hope to see you soon.

September is National Honey Month. In addition to being a natural sweetener, honey has antiseptic and antibacterial properties. Honey bees fly up to 15 miles per hour and fly the equivalent of once around the world to gather a pound of honey. Canada is the world's sixth largest producer of honey and Alberta provides 43% of Canada's production. So if you want to do something healthy, support all of those hard working bees, and promote economic diversification, buy some honey from a local producer.

We have a full program today, so, please RISE and join Lisa Fernandes with the singing of O Canada.

Your head table today consists of the following:

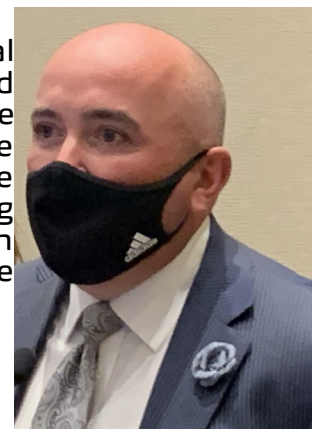
Our guest speaker, **Chief Tom Sampson**, who will be more formally introduced later. **Keith Davis** – Keith is a Past President. This year, Keith is Chairing our Membership Mentoring Committee, and is serving on a number of other committees, including the Program Committee.

Marilyn Balfour – As a reminder, Marilyn is our most recent member, having previously joined via ZOOM, and today is her first meeting in person as a Member of our Rotary Club.

There are too many people to thank in person, but I want to recognize everyone who played any part at all in pulling today's meeting together. Especially the Stampede staff who jumped through hoops to make this meeting possible.

Last week I said it reminded me of my wedding day, being nervous about everything that could go wrong. It turns out it has just been like my wedding day. All I have to do is put on a dress, show up and be pretty. Thanks so much again to everyone.

At this time, I would like to invite **Greg Newton** to the podium. Greg is the General Manager of the BMO Centre, and would like to say a few words. Greg thanked everybody present for being here for the first post-pandemic meeting on the Grounds. The hospitality industry is the first to be affected by a pandemic and the last to recover. Safety of clients within the venue is a first priority, and the Stampede is doing everything it can to ensure patrons' safety. It is pursuing certification as a Bio risk Managed Facility. It will be one of only 2,000 such facilities in the world. A special thank you also goes out to office staff who are acting as non-traditional serving staff today.



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Rotary Pins: DG Mary Turner has provided current Rotary pins for all Members. Those who did not receive theirs today will be get one in the mail.

Kathynn's Mother, Nora Jean Quon: Nora Jean, whom many will know from her attendance at functions and her work in the office, recently suffered a stroke. While in hospital several other issues were discovered. She has now returned home. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and Kathynn, and we will support them in any way we can.

Registration for in person meetings: The Stampede requested our attendance numbers by Wednesday the week before the meeting. I know this is counter intuitive to register for a meeting next week when you haven't even attended this week's meeting. I hate to say you can't teach old dogs new tricks, but that seems to be what it is. We have reached out to the Stampede, and they have agreed to give us until Thursday of the week before the meeting. So, to be fair to all concerned, Kathynn will send out the link to register for the following week's meeting on Mondays. You can register and pay online. Spots not taken online will be available and will be sold at each week's meeting. We will work with the registration committee to handle this task, but for this week, if you want to attend next week's meeting, please see Don Mintz and pay by credit card. At this point, we are still only going with one meal option and you must pay in advance by credit card. We will continue to evolve the process.

Cycling Challenge: Nancy Spence is still collecting kms for the cycling challenge to defeat polio. If you are collecting, please let her know your numbers. I don't know about the rest of you, but I feel like I am peddling as fast as I can, but unfortunately, it isn't on a bike.

Rotary House Sign: Sherry Austin reports when filming for CRCF outside of Rotary House on Friday, it was noticed that our new Rotary House sign was being installed. It looks absolutely amazing. There is also a bright sign with our Club name. These signs have rejuvenated our House. All the credit goes to Murray Flegel. He revitalized the signs and had his crews hang the signs. What a visionary! As we happened to be there at the right time, we also took the old sign that dates I think to the 1950s. Murray is going to revitalize that one, too, and hang it inside our House as a historical monument. What a great Rotarian we have amongst us! Thank you so much, Murray!



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Social Media Administrator: The RCCSP Marketing and Communications Committee is looking for an individual to serve as our Social Media Administrator for 2020/21. The administrator would be responsible for managing the day-to-day Social media of RCCSP, including our Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn pages. The administrator would post to these sites on a regular basis, with material provided to them by the Marketing and Communications team and would also monitor any incoming messages and responses and report these to the Committee. *Member's kids or grandkids might be interested. Volunteering for Rotary would look good on resumes.*

Special Welcome: PP Chas Filipski overcame some audio problems and welcomed everybody to our first in person meeting of the year. He gave a special welcome to potential new Member, **Joseph Matloob**, whose application papers are in hand, and to **Marilyn Balfour**, our newest Member. Both are attending their first in person meeting. **Hugh Delaney** led us in the RCCSP welcome song for the first time in 6 months.

President Penny then was able to finally present Chas with the banner from his year, and recognized the great work he did last year. Particularly his leadership in adjusting to the new COVID normal and instituting the virtual meetings that have been so successful.

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Health and Wellness Report: Bonar Irving. Please contact Bonar Irving for updates on Health and Wellness at 403 254 8476 or email bonar@shaw.ca

Jack Black: Jack was doing just fine when we talked. He was on his way out to play pool with his friend, so didn't have time to gab. Must be some money in that!

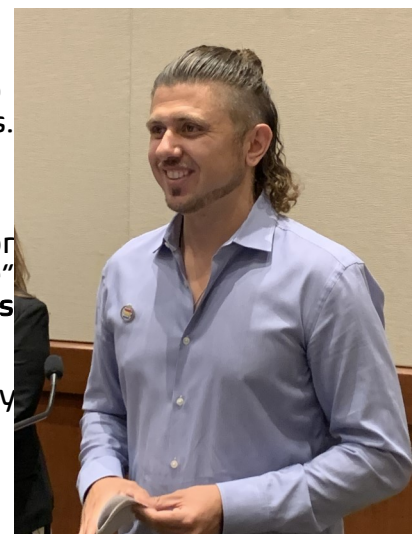
George Adam: George was just having lunch and was feeling great. He finds the time lonely, and sure enjoys the regular calls from Bryan Targett. I think he would enjoy a few more calls - just to keep in touch!

Roger Jarvis: Roger is coming along, but bored! Medical caregivers are trying to get his medications in balance. The only visitors he is allowed right now are Marie and his daughter.

Rod Bower: Sadly I have to report that Rod is now in hospice care. His two sons are his only visitors. He is not responding to phone calls or messages. Please remember Rod in your thoughts and prayers.

Sergeant-At-Arms: Rudy Ruberto did a fantastic job live today but for those of us on Zoom it was difficult to hear the crowd. He collected "live" money today and lightened the pockets of **Norm Legare** and **Keith Davis** as well as a few other.

Please remember to start emptying your cans if you have the opportunity to attend a live meeting



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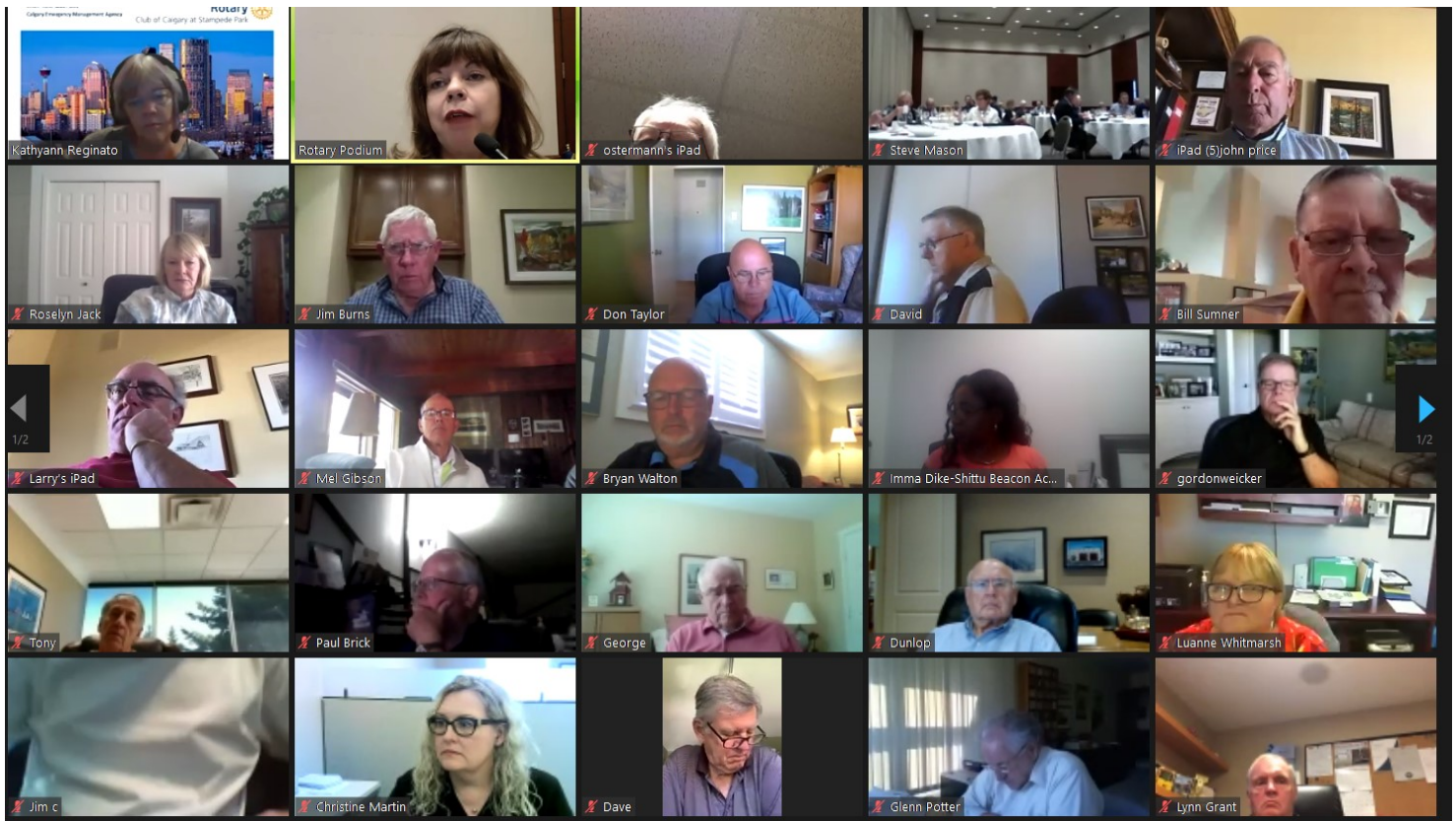
Next week, our guest speaker will be **DG Mary Turner**. I hope you will support Mary by participating in the meeting, either in person or via ZOOM.

On a more sober note, the World Health Organization recognizes September 10th as World Suicide Prevention Day. This day was created to provide the opportunity for people, across the globe, to raise awareness of suicide and suicide prevention. There is an incredible amount of information available on the internet regarding this day, and I encourage you to read it. To show your support, light a candle near a window at 8 pm to show your support for suicide prevention, to remember a lost loved one and to show support for survivors of suicide.

More importantly, call a friend or two. Your connection and your friendship might just be the support that person needs to get through today and see the sun come up tomorrow. So, we have talked about honey and we have talked about friendship. To wrap up today, I want to share a couple of quotes from someone who is an expert on both those topics, that cuddly little bear, Winnie the Pooh.

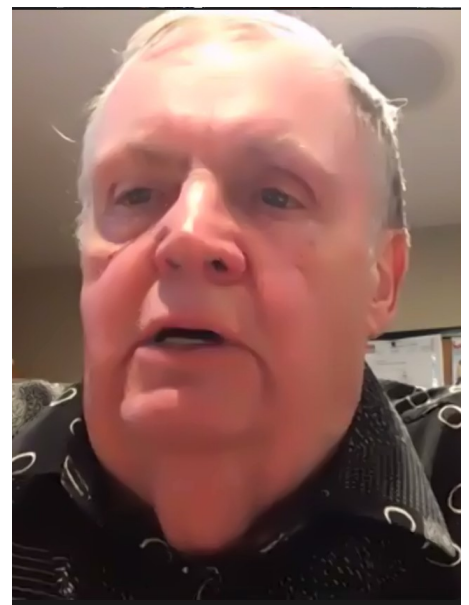
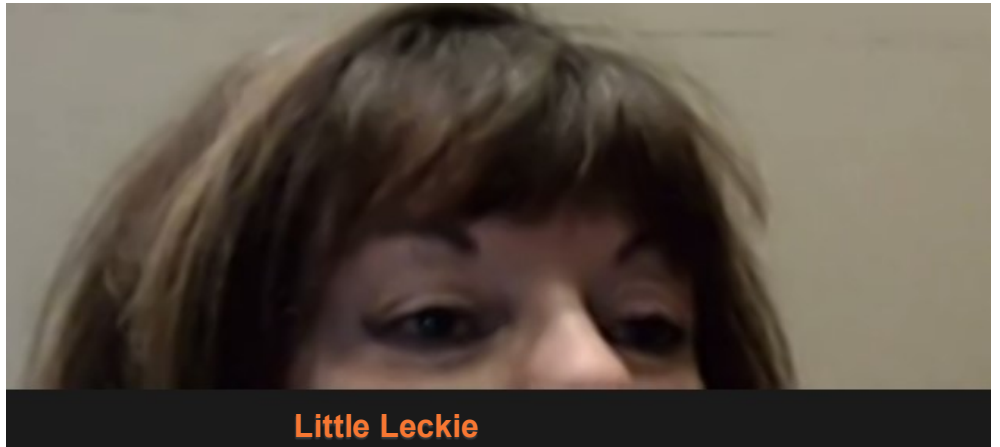
- ◆ *Pooh said, "A day without a friend is like a pot without a single drop of honey left."*
- ◆ *He said, "A friend is one of the best things can have and one of the best things you can be."*
- ◆ *And finally, "A good friend knows all your stories, but a best friend has lived them with you."*

So, this week, I hope you go and live some stories with a best friend, and for those of you lucky enough to have someone special in your life, remember to hug your honey.



Have a great week everyone.

PICTURES FROM THE LIVE & ZOOM MEETING



CLASSIFICATION TALK: SHARYL MADIGAN



Wendy Giuffre introduced Sharyl Madigan:

I'm happy to introduce a very good friend of mine and someone who became a friend very quickly all because I had the privilege of walking into Rotary with her a few months ago.

She is an accomplished professional and an already accomplished Rotarian. She is passionate and compassionate. President Penny and fellow Rotarians, I give you Sharyl Madigan.

Good afternoon fellow Rotarians, Madam President and guests. As you know I am **Sharyl Madigan** and my Classification is Business Coach.

I am married to Larry and we will be celebrating our 30th wedding anniversary this December. I will give you some of my history to help you understand where I am today and why I became a coach.

My very first job was working in the banking IT business. I worked for the man that created the ABS. That was the first time I truly understood entrepreneurship, innovation and sales. From there I moved on to the Alberta Cattle Commission and learned all about politics and agriculture. Politicians are some of the best salespeople I have ever met.

I was hired as a salesperson for Calgary Stationers where I stayed for 16 years. I was trained and coached each year by some of the best in the industry. I then landed the Calgary Regional Health Authority and built the account to excess of \$8,000,000. What I spent the majority of my time doing through this was coaching the various independent groups to work more collaboratively for the bigger picture.

From Corporate Express I went to Lyreco Office products and secured H&R Block as a client. I worked with them to solve their warehousing problem but soon realized this didn't fit the Lyreco business methodologies and I was asked by H&R Block to set up my own business and run the program for them.

The start of my entrepreneur career. I owned and operated an off-site storage business that I sold 8 years later. I then transitioned into the Information Management arena and built my consulting business providing electronic solutions to many corporations.

I was headhunted to take full time role with a prominent Oil and Gas business to set up their IM department and move them into a fully electronic solution. I soon realized that my main role was to coach the various departments into an electronic mindset and provide the individual solution for each of them that integrated smoothly into the overall business vision.



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When I was laid off in 2016, I realized two things. What I loved most. Coaching and Sales.

But I also released that I had a lot of business knowledge. And I wanted to help people reach their full potential. I had gone back to school during my time at Calgary Stationers and got diplomas in business, marketing and purchasing so I could understand my clients better and speak their language. Now I went back to school and took my coaching certification through an online University program.

What does a business Coach do? First, I understand that as business owners and executives, you are faced with many challenges and different challenges every day. No one day looks the same and no one challenge looks the same for you or your business. But what we all need is someone to talk to about this. And it needs to be someone that does not have a vested interest in the outcome, such as your peers, your board or your spouse. I

am not someone that is going to tell you what to do but leads you to the right decision for you and your business. Throughout my career I found that people will talk to me and tell me things they won't tell anyone else. I like to listen without judgment, I try not to tell people what to do but by asking a many questions I lead people to their own decisions and insights. That is what coaching is all about. I can be a cheerleader today and tomorrow have to exercise tough love to help you execute on your plan. But I have realized we all need someone to talk to, to talk us off the ledge, take a deep breath and to think clearly again and that is a coach's role. Its to set goals, build the roadmap to achievement and then execute. But to hold you accountable.

As we move out of COVID I believe that leaders are going to have to change how they lead and I believe that means engaging the ability to coach those within their team. Coaching has been designed to help bring out the best in the individual and leaders will need to be better at this.

I love coaching sales people to help them become their very best and not through the best pitch but through developing the ability to develop solid relationships.

I became an active member of the Junior league of Calgary in 2000 working on fundraising projects and eventually becoming the Fundraising Chair.

In that capacity, I formed an alliance with Rotary Centennial to deliver a fundraising event called Santa Calls. JLC sold the tickets and the men from the Rotary Club performed the calls as Santa. So much fun. Once my tenure was done I became an active member of Rotary Centennial.

I also became an active member of the Calgary Chamber of Commerce and sat on the Health Committee and was chairwoman for 2 years.

Thank you for the opportunity to help you get to know me better today

We really need Report Cards for the last school year that ended June 2020. I only have 5 report cards for over 40 students in our program.

Covid 19 has certainly had an impact these numbers and we would appreciate your help in getting to your students for these reports. Please remind our students that the contract they signed at the beginning indicated they should get the reports to us **within 15 days**. This report card requirement includes our Post Secondary Institute Students as well



We also need an update on the schools your students are attending for this school year, You grade 9 student will be attending a new school for grade 10.

With Covid our job as Mentors gets more difficult and we want to extend a very special thank you to all our mentors, your many efforts are much appreciated.

Please let me know where I can assist and again thank you for all. / Earl Huson

**All Rotarians are invited to join us for the
Annual Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Assembly and Pledge of Peace**

***It began as a bold idea:
Where no boundary could be seen,
no boundary should be.***



The **Waterton Glacier International Peace Park** is the first transboundary Peace Park in the world, envisioned by Rotarians from Canada and the USA and approved by both governments in 1932.

Today it stands as a testament to the Rotary International focus on peace and the cooperation necessary to coexist as parks, nations or individuals. It combines the 203-square-mile

Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada with the 1,600-square-mile Glacier National Park in the United States. The arrangement allows both national parks to operate as separate entities under the peace park mantle.

Each September, the **Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association (WGIPPA)** hosts a gathering at the peace park to learn about the park efforts, peace-building ideas and to pledge our continued work for peace. Click link for more ...

<http://www.watertonglacierpeacepark.org>

This year, we are unable to host an in-person gathering. But this gives us the opportunity to instead invite a wider audience to experience this inspiring and unique part of Rotary history.

You are invited to join us on **Saturday, September 19 from 2-4 pm (Mountain Time)** to hear a bit of the history of the peace park, the state of conservation in the area, speakers on peace, take the peace pledge with us meet Rotarians from around the area in fellowship and peace.

There is no cost for the event but we ask you to visit <https://wgippa2020.eventbrite.com> to find the agenda, more information and register.

Hello my fellow Rotarians who I am missing dearly, I am pleased to provide an update on our club's long-standing relationship with the Calgary Food Bank. Did I say I miss you?

First, I am SO PROUD to announce that this week I dropped off a cheque in the amount of \$15,400 which was a result of YOUR personal contributions to the Food Bank in our "20 Days in 2020" club campaign this summer. As the Food Bank has the amazing ability to leverage their financial donations 1:5 by working with their partners, that means all of **you turned \$15,400 into \$77,000** to feed our community's most vulnerable and in-need people. Just imagine the thousands of people who have human's most basic need, food, on the table because of the generosity of you - our individual members of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park.



Please, take a brief and silent moment after you read this and just think of the difference you made. It is astounding.

Second, I know we have many volunteers who eagerly await and sign up for our traditional three days of volunteering as a Rotary group at the Calgary Food Bank every December.

I have recently been advised that groups will not be able to volunteer until at least later (hopefully) in 2021. Volunteer groups due to COVID-19, and the need for contact tracing, cannot be accepted by the Food Bank yet as their staff team continues to monitor very closely and comply with all AHS and COVID-19 protocols.

If as an individual, or in a maximum group of 3 family/friends, you would be interested in volunteering on a regular weekly shift, this **can** now be accommodated providing you meet all the health protocols. I have been volunteering every Monday morning on the distribution shift since the end of March and will share that it is a very rewarding experience. There are other shifts also available such as the baby room, the warehouse sorting, distribution, ID scanner, and call centre.

If volunteering for an extended time for a dedicated shift each week is of interest, please contact Angela Irwin at airwin@calgaryfoodbank.com, advise that you are with the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park, and that you received a message from Corinne Wilkinson to sign up. Angela has been my contact for the years I have been working with the Food Bank to get our club organized.

I will definitely keep in touch with the Food Bank to determine when our club can get back to its two or three days of volunteering as a large group and I'll keep you posted via our Rotary bulletin.

Thanks to all of you who donated to "20 Days in 2020", who have helped in the past with our Christmas volunteering, who were looking so forward to this December's volunteering, and who now may be looking forward to 2021 opportunities. The Calgary Food Bank still is in great need of our club's assistance but can only accept our group's helping hands when they are given the green light to do so.

In the meantime, don't forget my all-time favourite food assembly line scene – found here in case you need a little chuckle: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkQ58I53mjk>

Thanks everyone, I look forward to seeing you either when we gather at BMO or on Zoom. Thank you so much for your continued support of the Calgary Food Bank. Putting food on the table for those families who cannot.

Corinne Wilkinson
Food Bank Club Co-ordinator for RCCSP





I am sending this message out on behalf of **Judy MacLachlan** who is the Chair of Lunch Bunch this year. She isn't sure when Lunch Bunch might start (in small groups) but she does want to get a list of who is interested in being part of the group.

Please let me know if you want to go on the list by September 8th. Judy will send out some information as she is looking for some feedback. Thank you



Theme: Partnering to Make a Difference

Wednesday, December 9, 2020: Christmas Dinner 4:30pm to be held at the Canyon Meadows Golf & Country Club, 12501 - 14th Street SW.

Wednesday, April 21, 2021: Spring Luncheon 11:30am to be held at the Willow Park Golf and Country Club, 639 Willow Park Drive SE.

Tuesday, June 15, 2021: Annual June Dinner 5:00pm to be held at the Willow Park Golf and Country Club, 639 Willow Park Drive SE.
Passing of the Gavel.



***Denise MacLeod, President
Rotary Partners of Calgary at Stampede Park***



Happy Birthday Rotarians!

Norm Legare	Sept 2
Myrna Dube-Thompson	Sept 3
Linda Tattersall	Sept 3
Don Mintz	Sept 14
John Price	Sept 17
Luanne Whitmarsh	Sept 23
Bob Brawn	Sept 24
Janet Matthews	Sept 24
Bryan Target	Sept 27

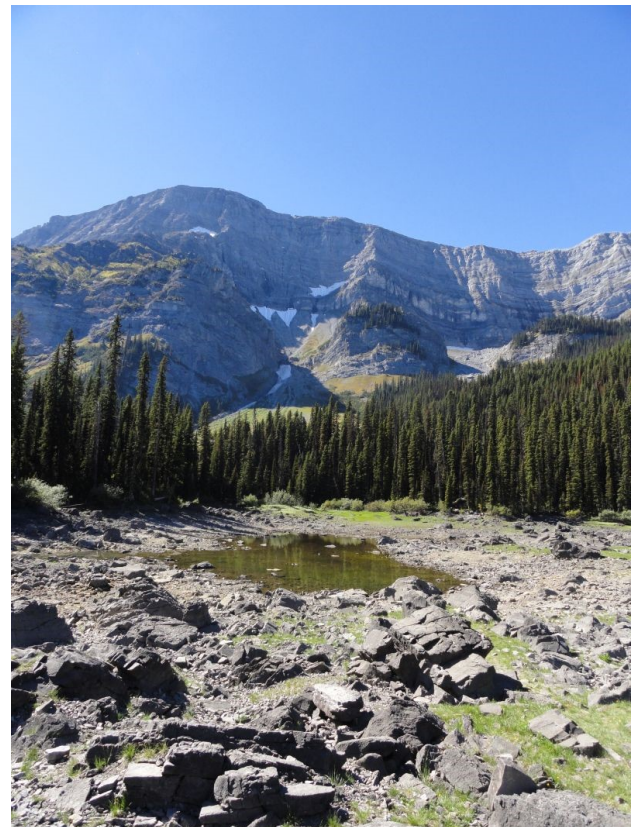
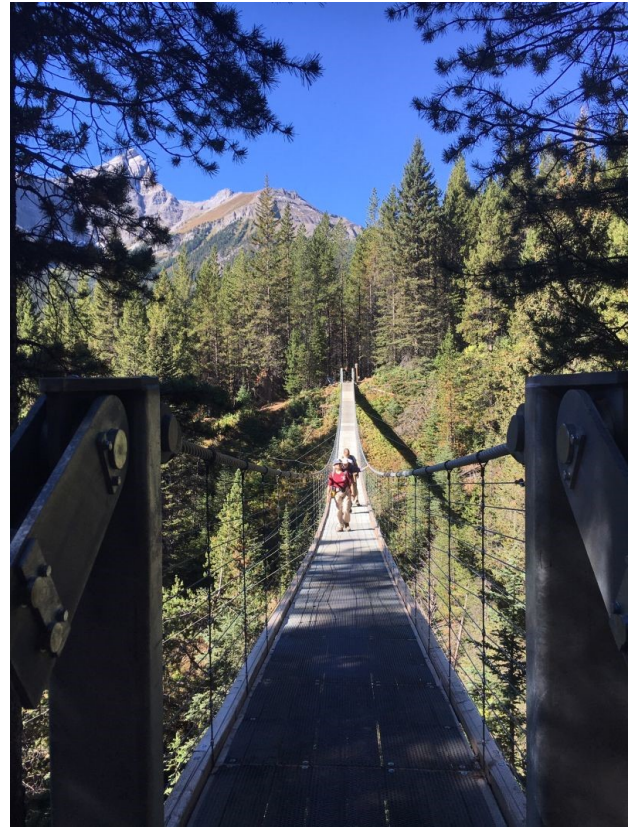
*Alberta Skies and Prairies - look where we live!
Photo taken by Corinne*



Happy September Birthdays!

September 9th was a perfect day for the ten hikers to do the High Rockies trail to the Blackshale Suspension Bridge captured by Brent Rusk's camera. The bridge really bounces despite the support wires anchored to the valley below. After this short hike we stopped for lunch at this peaceful creek. Five of us decided to push on to climb to Warspite Lake which shrinks as the summer ends. Here it is dwarfed by Black Prince mountain with its glaciers. While we were climbing on the rocks left by the glacier, I spotted a delicate alpine flower that I can't identify. It is one of the few flowers that are left at this time of year. The other is the Faithful Smooth Aster which lasts into October. We missed Sophie and Hazel who are now in school but the cookies magically were distributed thanks to Larry.

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- Sept 17th District Governor Mary Turner's Visit**
This meeting is Live and on Zoom
- Sept 21st Board Meeting: Via Zoom: 5:30 to 8:30 pm**
- Sept 24th CRCF Campaign Kick off**
- Oct 1st Jesse Breffle: Rasha Ascent**
- Oct 8th Catherine Russell, GM: Amica: COVID 19 Response**
- Oct 15th Gary Mar, CEO: Canada West**
- Oct 16th Past President Party: Stampede Park Lazy S Building**
- Oct 22nd Tom Leppard: 75th Anniversary of WWII**
- Oct 29th Rotary Foundation Campaign Kick off**
- Nov 5th Chief Neufeld: CPS Presentation**
- Nov 11th Rotary Remembers**
- Nov 13th Sadie Hawkins Dance: Tentatively at Stampede Park**
- Nov 18th Judge John Reilly: "Bad Law"**
- Nov 26th Jack Thompson: Rotary Profile**
- Dec 3rd Hanukah Celebration**
- Dec 10th Annual Christmas Luncheon with Partners**
- Dec 17th Cleven Awards**
- Dec 24th Christmas Social?**

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