

# ROTARY NEWS

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Welcome to the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Gordon Weicker, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2025-26:

Please join me in the singing of 0 Canada and Rotary Grace.

Head Table (L-R): Hermann Logsend, Penny Leckie, Jim Bladon, President Gordon, Brad Sewall, Janet Matthews





Presentation: Brad Sewall

September 25<sup>th</sup> Manon Mitchell

Next Week September 18<sup>th</sup> Thomas Keenan

Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Click <u>HERE</u> to watch the meeting video.

# **Today's Meeting:**



Sandy Dougall introduced our guests followed by the welcome song...





Jim Hutchens brought up the 50/50, Jim had our guest speaker draw the lucky ticket. The pot was \$150 and won by Allan Johnson. Allan donated the money to CRCF.

Blake Pelham was our Sgt@Arms for this meeting. Blake starts off by telling us about the items that have been left in Sgt@Arms pots that we no longer want to find in the pots. Blake asked Ernie Yaskowich if he may have left a screw in the pot or if one of his table mates from that day had done it. Ernie did not put the screw in the pot but pays \$10 anyway. Blake has us play some trivia. First up is Bill LeClair, he was incorrect and put \$10 in the pot. Next up is Murray Flegel, he was incorrect and paid \$3. Sharyl Madigan was up next, she answered one half correct and the other half incorrect. Lisa van Hemert was up next, she was incorrect and added \$5 to the pot. Next up Kathy Demorest, she answered incorrect. Blake finished off by asking for everyone to add \$1 to the pot.

Courtney Kachur from Inclusion Alberta came up to give us an update on the Rotary Employment Partnership. Courtney shared with us some of the new jobs that have been created. To hear the full update please watch the meeting video linked on page.1.

**Pat Neuman** came up and gave us a social club update. More info below the calendars on page 6.

**Catherine Brownlee** gave us an update on the new members event happening on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, an email was sent out to everyone with information and we ask you to read that email.

**Krista Rabidoux** came up to give her classification talk. **Krista** shared a bit about her upbringing and how it has formed her as a person. **Krista** also shared about her career. She gave a wonderful classification talk and I encourage everyone to watch the meeting video to hear more!

**Janet Matthews** introduced our guest speakers today.

#### Click HERE for the photo gallery

Brad Sewall has been an active member of Rotary District 5360's Indigenous Relations Committee (DIRC), where he currently chairs the Communications Committee. He also contributes to his club's Indigenous Relations Subcommittee. Brad has been a member of the Rotary Club of Calgary Heritage Park since 2012, serving in a variety of leadership roles including President, President-Elect responsible for Membership, President-Nominee responsible for Fundraising, Chair of Community Service, Youth Exchange Lead, and Golf Tournament Chair.

Past President **Jim Bladon** is a member of our club's Indigenous Relations Committee. **Jim** has worked extensively with Indigenous communities across Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, including Treaty 7 Nations, Cold Lake, Enoch, and Paul Band. Today, through his role with the Turning Stone Group, he continues to help First Nations' partners advance self sufficiency, economic sovereignty, and intergenerational wealth.

Past President **Jim Bladon** provided us with some information regarding the presentation to follow before welcoming Brad Sewall to the podium.

Brad Sewall shared some very valuable and important information with us during his presentation regarding the 5360 Indigenous Relations Committee. Brad also shared the stories of other Rotary Clubs and their journey. I encourage everyone to watch the meeting video the hear this amazing presentation.

Past President **Jim Bladon** followed Brad's presentation with sharing our club's journey in relation to the Indigenous Relations Committee.

**Hermann Logsend** gave a very lovely thank you to our speakers on this day.

**President Gordon** finished off the meeting by announcing that we will be making a \$100 donation to the CRCF in Brad Sewall's name in recognition of their time with us during this meeting.







# **Announcements**

# **Bridge Club**

Enjoy the Fun and Fellowship of Our Bridge Club

The Bridge season begins this week for the RCCSP Bridge Club. We have an active group of bridge players who meet every second Friday at a convenient location on Heritage Drive SW.

At present we have approximately 20 active players and would like to add another 8-12 players. Our bridge is very friendly and, while we all try hard, no international records will be broken. It is often referred to as "Kitchen Bridge". We have various levels of skill represented, with most who are there for the fellowship. If you don't play bridge but would like to, we are very willing to teach you and to open a new chapter in your social calendar.

For more information, please contact Peggy Davis at <u>margaretr@shaw.ca</u> or Tony Ng at <u>tng@cirrealty.ca.</u>

# Kids at Heart Charity Application

The 2026 Kids at heart Charity Application is available on our website and is open for charities to access.

Click **HERE** for the application.

# <u>Member Roster Update</u>

The 2026-2027 Rotary Member Roster is in the works. If you have any changes or updates to be made, please email <a href="mailto:kathylynne@shaw.ca">kathylynne@shaw.ca</a>.









Club of Calgary Chinook

Miguel Angel Kanafany has been proposed for active membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as sponsored by **Bob Wiens** and seconded by **Todd Richardson** with a proposed classification of Cyber Security & Technology.

If any Member objects to Miguel Angel Kanafany joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, Gail Williams: secretary@rotarycs.org prior to September 18th.

#### **NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL**

Kim Hickson has been proposed for active membership in the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park as sponsored by Sjoert Zuidhof and seconded by Sharyl Madigan with a proposed classification of Professional Leadership & Strategy.

If any Member objects to **Kim Hickson** joining our Club or to HIS/HER proposed classification an objection must be filed in writing with the Club Secretary, **Gail Williams:** secretary@rotarycs.org prior to **September 18th.** 



### **Closing:**

Next week: September 18th - Thomas Keenan

The week following: September 25th - Manon Mitchell

### **Closing words:**

"If anyone is magically going to appear and suddenly make your life better, just know that person is always going to be you."

Please think about that as we

"Unite for Good"

# Calendar

#### SEPTEMBER

**September 4**th - Dr Mustata

September 11<sup>th</sup> - Brad Sewall

**September 18<sup>th</sup> -** Thomas Keenan

**September 25**<sup>th</sup> - Manon Mitchell

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#### **OCTOBER**

October 2<sup>nd</sup> - Kids at Heart Charity Presentation

October 9<sup>th</sup> - Rotary Profile

October 16<sup>th</sup> - Jennie McDonald (exchange student)

October 23<sup>rd</sup> - New Members Celebration

October 30<sup>th</sup> - Halloween

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#### DATES TO REMEMBER - SAVE THESE!!

October 1st - Cirque Du Soleil (Echo)

October 7<sup>th</sup> - Turkish Dinner

**November 14<sup>th</sup>** - Candlelight Theatre

November 22<sup>nd</sup> - A Winter's Night