

# ROTARY NEWS

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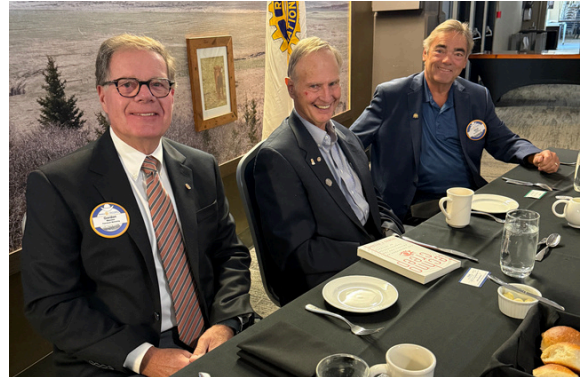
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**Welcome to the September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park. My name is Gordon Weicker, and I am honoured to be the President of this Club for Rotary year 2025-26:**

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

Head Table (L-R) : Spencer Tonkinson, Ernie Yaskowich, Lisa Van Hemert, President Gordon, Thomas Keenan, Steve Austin



<b>Presentation: Thomas Keenan</b>	<b>October 2<sup>nd</sup> Kids at Heart Charity Presentation</b>	<b>Next Week September 25<sup>th</sup> Manon Mitchell</b>
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Click [HERE](#) to register for the October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**The meeting video will be coming out in next weeks bulletin.  
Thank you for your patience**

# Today's Meeting:

**David Field** introduced our guests followed by the welcome song...



**Michael Zacharki** brought up the 50/50, **Michael** had **Kathy Demorest** draw the lucky ticket. The pot was \$180 and won by **Brad Brewster**.

**John Shield** and **Stacey Johnson** announced that we have received our first \$100,000 from Stampede Lotteries following our dream home ticket sales!

**Spencer Tonkinson** our Sgt@Arms for this meeting started off by asking **Brad Brewster** how much of his winnings he will add to the pot. **Brad** added \$20 to the pot! **Spencer** then had us play a game! If you have done or still do one of the things **Spencer** lists off raise your hand. If you raised your hand at any point you add \$2 to the pot. Next **Spencer** asked some questions and let our guest speaker Thomas Keenan decide if the answer is good or bad. If Thomas liked your answer you get to choose another table to pay \$2, but if he does not like your answer then you and your table pay \$2.

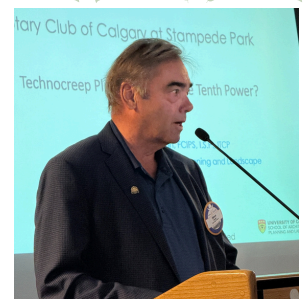


**Greg Martin** was first up, his answer was good! **Greg** chose **Kevin MacLeod's** table to pay the fine. Next up is **Len Hamm** and his answer was good! He chose **Kathy Demorest's** table to pay the fine. **David Field** was next and his answer was not approved so his table pays \$2. **Sjoert Zuidhof** was next and his answer was not approved so his table pays \$2.



**Lisa Van Hemert** gave us an update on community grants applications. The application is open until September 30. If you know of any registered charities out there, please make them aware that they have till September 30 to get their applications into us. It's a really important process for our club, so we'd like to have as many projects as possible to choose from.

**Steve Austin** introduced our guest speaker Dr Thomas Keenan. Dr Keenan is both a seasoned IT professional and a popular professor at the University of Calgary. He taught Canada's first computer security course in 1977 and was involved in the creation of the country's first computer crime laws. He has spoken on five continents and is the author of over 2000 academic and professional publications. He is Vice Chair of the information and communications technology council and a fellow of the Canadian information processing society and the Canada Global Affairs Institute. His 2000 book *techno creep*, the surrender of privacy and the capitalization of intimacy, introduced ideas like image fakery, identity theft and creepy surveillance technologies that are now in the news almost every day.



Dr. Tom Keenan, a renowned IT professional and professor at the University of Calgary, discussed the evolving landscape of privacy and surveillance. He highlighted his book "Techno Creep," which predicted the exponential growth of privacy invasions. Keenan shared examples like AI-generated emails and facial recognition in retail settings. He emphasized the potential for phones to eavesdrop and the dangers of malware. Keenan also touched on the implications of smart homes and the use of biometric data for surveillance. He concluded by stressing the importance of being aware of technological advancements and their impact on privacy. I encourage everyone to flip through his presentation which is linked [HERE](#)



**Lisa Van Hemert** thanked our speaker today for the wonderful presentation he gave!!

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



Click [HERE](#) for the photo gallery



# Announcements

## Terry Fox Run Pictures



## 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.

## Made by Momma Team Cooking Event





**Closing:**

Next week: **September 25<sup>th</sup> - Manon Mitchell**

The week following: **October 2<sup>nd</sup> - Kids at Heart  
Charity Presentation**

**Closing words:**

We sit alone  
yet we are not lonely.  
For the sounds of fellow Rotarians  
talking  
fuels our strength,  
fellowship sharpens our vision.

As Rotarians we rise,  
whole, unbroken,  
ready for the world.

Please think about that as we

**"Unite for Good"**



# Calendar

## SEPTEMBER

**September 4<sup>th</sup>** - Dr Mustata

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

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

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



SEPTEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1 X	2 X	3 X	4	5 X	6 X
7 X	8 X	9 X	10 X	11	12 X	13 X
14 X	15 X	16 X	17 X	18	19 X	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

## OCTOBER

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

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

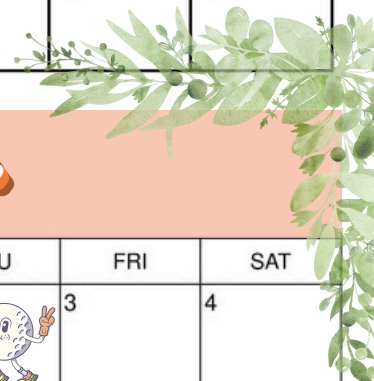
**October 16<sup>th</sup>** - Jennie McDonald (exchange student)

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

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

## October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Columbus Day	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	



## DATES TO REMEMBER - SAVE THESE!!

**October 1<sup>st</sup>** - 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