





# RCCSP Weekly Bulletin September 22nd, 2022

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Welcome to the September 22nd 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; **Neil Fraser, Pat Neuman, Melanie Todd, President Jim Fitzowich,** Guest Speaker Kurt Kinnear, and **President Elect Bryan Walton**.



**Announcements:** President Jim Fitzowich

Our speaker today will be talking about agricultural education, 4H in particular. Some quick facts about agricultural education in Alberta:

1911 – Was the Olds demonstration farm was created by the Province, followed by the creation of the Olds College of Agriculture and Home Economics in 1913.

1915 – The Faculty of Agriculture at the University of Alberta was established. It was renamed the "ALES" "super" faculty (Agriculture, Life & Environmental Sciences) in 2008. My daughter Sophie convocated in 2020 in Agrology.

1970 – I was old enough to help (hang around) my grandfather James Mollison on the farm, starting yours truly's agricultural education.

**President Jim** asked **Bryan Walton** to come up and he explained that **Bryan** had had a "very difficult summer" and consequently **President Jim** had not been able to pass on the "President Elect" pin to him. He proceeded to do so indicating that the pin was possibly VERY old and encouraged Bryan not to loose it!

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







#### **Announcements Continued:**

**50/50**: **Neil Magee** handled the draw today and presented the winner **Ernie Yaskowich** \$150.00! Congratulations Ernie! Ernie donated his winnings to the Ribbons for Peace Fundraiser!



**Guests: Lynn Top** Announced the Guests in the audience; Kirk Kinnear; Joe Fraz; Myles Hamilton, Corey Williams, Catherine Brownlee, and Shon Sagard and we sang our beloved Welcome Song

**Red Stripe Removal: President Jim** introduced **Melanie Todd** who is already a Rotarian and a Past President. He welcomed Melanie to our club, indicating that she had been more than willing to go through our new member "hoops" but unfortunately there was no RED STRIPE in evidence for removal!! Our badges were back a Rotary House and so everyone had to use their imaginations about Melanie having her red stripe removed. Congrats Melanie!





**Sergeant at Arms**: **Chas Filipski**: Chas wanted to make a significant amount of money for the club purse and indicated that in keeping with the 4H theme all his questions would have a 4 theme or answer. Naturally the first person he asked- John Fitzsimmons didn't get it!!!! Kathy Demorest; Jim Hutchens; Wendy Giuffre; Steve Mason and Greg Martin all "aced" their questions and their tables had to pay so Chas achieved his goal.

### **Minute Speakers:**

**Announcement: Neil Fraser** on CRCF 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Neil indicated that as "Director of Communications" he struggled with how to announce that the CRCF was celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, another PIN was definitely not needed! We receive \$300,000 annually from the fund and he needed to find something that was useful; politically correct; and environmentally friendly to commemorate this fact. His idea – we all get a "new blue grocery bag" with the Rotary Logo and the CRCF 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary stenciled on the bag. President Jim thanked our "new BAG MAN" for his creativity!

**Announcement: Pat Neuman** from the Social Committee (see page 7)



**Announcement:** Past President **Len Hamm** informed us about the upcoming "Ribbons for Peace" evening. (see page 6)

**Announcement**: **John Fitzsimmons** came to the mic and requested more young helpers to assist in the "lifting" of items for the Ukraine Relief program. He requested that member ask their sons and friend to help our with this a both he, GR and Chas are really developing "sore backs" from all the lifting required. Manhandling mattresses and furniture are wearing them out! If you can help give John a call. (see page 7)







#### **Speaker Introduction: Bryan Walton**

As CEO of 4-H Alberta, Kurt Kinnear is responsible for managing all facets of the operations. He has a proven track record with 16 years of senior leadership experience driving growth in community and youth programming.



After moving off the family farm, Kurt earned a diploma in Leadership and a degree in Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership and later a graduate certificate in Leadership. Kurt's passion for leadership, business efficiency, and innovation brought him to the University of Calgary's Outdoor Centre where he became a senior leader, implementing many new initiatives, such as the Outdoor Council of Canada, which now trains thousands of leaders across Canada to take youth safely into the backcountry. His commitment to impacting communities and turning around organizations earned him Calgary Avenue Magazine's "Top 40 Under 40.

Kurt led the new 4-H Alberta through the merger of 3 separate entities in 2020 while finding a way to continue to serve the community during the global pandemic. This team effort has helped 4-H Alberta maintain over 90% community participation rates which are the highest community participation rates in 4-H across Canada as well as most community-based non-profit organizations. Kurt has a passion for working with youth and truly believes that investing in our youth is investing in a better future.

Kurt's pride and joy are his wife Maddy and their three children, Liam, Declan, and Jane.

#### Main Speaker: Kurt Kinnear

Mr. Kinnear began his address indicating that 4H has supported over 300,000 scholarships over the years. Covid 19 has had a very detrimental effect on the organization and the "ripple effect" of the disease has been significant for high school grads, university students and sports teams who have all lost opportunities over the last two years. 4H worked hard to stay open thanks to Alberta Health. His first story was of a parent who expressed to him that if it hadn't been for the support of a 4H Club their child would have been lost. He was pleased that over 90% of the membership was retained during this period and all funding was deployed. Up north a small 35 member club realized just how much everyone had lost in social skills and relationships that they embarked on a "revival" program of encouragement. As a result their membership has almost doubled.

#### Learn to do by doing:

This has become a motto for many of the clubs, they are all having to work at reviving their memberships. One of the important tenants is that "practical experience beats out everything else". Summer clubs and their activities have become increasingly important to the organization.

Due to his background Kirk has been hired to help turn the 4H program around. There are over 5200 members in 285 clubs across the province. They have 2350 leaders and volunteers in seven regions which are divided into districts and then into the various clubs.



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#### **Membership Requirements:**

Club members are required to:

- Take part in community activities
- They must have a 70% participation record
- They must keep an accurate record book of activities and financial expenditures
- Provide community service
- Take part in an Achievement Day

It's important for members to do what interests them:

- Use of computers
- Develop trade skills
- Care of livestock
- Multi Clubs have a variety of activities and interests even "trapping"

An important issue is the need to build the "trades" section of the members. Skills in carpentry, plumbing and welding are proving very important to the 4H experience. Another story that Kirk related, concerned a parent who had a child with developmental difficulties. The child was 18 years old but regretfully his intellectual capacity was closer to being four years of age. This posed a very big social problem for the young man. However, 4H and its focus on animal husbandry provided the boy with a focus and a purpose and the parents saw a major change in his social outlook. He really developed as an individual and the parents were very appreciative.

#### The Road Ahead:

There is a massive need for 4H in the province

Our children need to be provided with skills to manage the road ahead.

There are many opportunities out there.

New in 2022:

There is a need for financial assistance

4H is looking to be more school based.

Provide more indigenous school based clubs.

#### In Calgary:

We have two major programs in our area that showcase the 4H program. The "4H on Parade" program shows what clubs in Calgary are doing. The Prairie Winds Club is our local club.

#### **Looking Ahead:**

There is a big need to seek investment into trades education and developing multi-faceted programs. It's necessary to seek funding to establish new clubs.

#### Q&A:

What funds are needed to establish a new club. - Between \$400-\$1000 is necessary. Bryan pointed out that there is a Summer Camp located near Pigeon Lake that provides numerous activities.

#### Thanks:

**Gail McDougal** indicated that her husband grew up in 4H and her granddaughter is involved. She felt that 4H provides kids with opportunities to learn and live life. Thanks for your work!

**President Jim**: On behalf the of Club we make a \$100 donation in your honour to the CRCF, which supports Calgary area Rotary Clubs do their good works.

Kurt's Contact info: ceo@4hab.com

587-429-8811







\*\* please review the recording of the meeting for the complete presentation!\*\*

#### THIS WEEK'S MEETING LINK:

https://youtu.be/OhEdyGg4Avk

#### In Closing:

**Next Week's meeting:** Will be St. Mary's University President Dr. Vanderpool.

Guests and prospective members are always welcome at Rotary for lunch and the 29<sup>th</sup> would be a good meeting for you and your guests to learn more about higher education in Calgary..

Looking forward in seeing you all on September 29<sup>th</sup>, back at Rotary House

Final words:

Thought for the week: "In every walk in nature, one receives far more than one seeks." -John Muir

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

www.rotarystampedepark.com



### September 29th Meeting will be back at Rotary House



# COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY !!!

Volunteers are required to build Good Food Boxes. Click on Sign Up to view available slots and book yourself directly online

**Tuesday October 18th:** 

Monday November 21st: Tuesday December 6th: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Earl Huson (403) 686-0828/ <a href="mailto:ehuslink@telusplanet.net">ehuslink@telusplanet.net</a> Ken Farn: (403) 560-6770/ <a href="mailto:kgfarn@telusplant.net">kgfarn@telusplant.net</a>

EARL AND KEN REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!!

THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING!!!







#### **ROTARY RIBBONS FOR PEACE FUNDRAISER**

#### **SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES**

#### **SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN EVACUEES TO ALBERTA!**

Join the **ROTARY CLUB OF CALGARY AT STAMPEDE PARK** in raising funds to assist Ukrainian evacuees relocating to Alberta.

### OCTOBER 12, 2022, 6 PM - 10 PM

POLISH CANADIAN CULTURAL CENTRE, 3015 15<sup>™</sup> STREET NE

Master of Ceremonies/Auctioneer: Danny Hooper, Danny Hooper Productions

Guests of Honour: Hon Ed and Marie Stelmach

**Remarks:** Oleksandr Danyleiko, Consul General of Ukraine, Edmonton

**Special Entertainment** by Vykrutas Ukrainian Dance Society, followed by live Auction.

**Tickets for the Evening are ONLY \$175** and include dinner, entertainment, live auction and special guests.

To show your further support, custom designed **Blue and Yellow Ribbons for Peace** will be available for a donation of \$100.00.

All donations tax deductible according to CRA guidelines.

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#### Slava Ukraini





#### \$10,000+ Blue Sponsor

- Centre Front table for 10
- \*Program front page advertisement
- \*Showcased on monitor with video message from sponsor
- Advertising on social media platforms, posters and website
- Advertising with media sponsors, eg. newspapers, TV, radio

#### \$5000 Yellow Sponsors

- Table at front for 10
- Advertising space in program (1/2 page)
- Advertising on social media platforms, posters and website
- Advertising with media sponsors, eg. newspapers, TV, radio

#### \$1000 Friends of Ukraine Sponsors

- Program listing
- Listing on social media
- Listing in media eg. newspapers, TV, radio

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#### Sponsorship contacts:

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len@thomasjeffrey.ca mjf@bosslubricants.com lkennedy@ceadvisors.com



Several of us will be at the Meetings early and staying afterwards to help people register for Tickets, Tables, Ribbons and Sponsorship, if you need help registering please catch us before or after the Meetings.

Alternatively please go to,

https://rotarystampedepark.com/ribbons-for-peace/

Sponsors to date: Thanks to **Todd Richardson** and Lexus of Royal Oak for the \$10,000 sponsorship, **Gail and Alec McDougal** from Ecco, **Murray and Arlene Flegel** from Boss Lubricants and **Penny Leckie** who each sponsored a \$5000 sponsorship and "Friends of Ukraine" sponsorship of \$1000 by **Lynn and Jane Topp**.

"We have approximately 280 seats sold, \$65,000.00 in donations and/or sponsors. We have \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00 in items up for auction. We anticipate approximately another \$30,000.00 to come int before the event. Our program is filling up nicely so it should be lots of fun with great fellowship". **Len** 

Lastly, we are updating the website above to include an open donations link which will be on the website tonight, meaning you can donate any dollar amount instead of the minimum \$1,000 sponsorship.







# **Kerby Center Thank You**

https://www.kerbycentre.com/bb-donation-rotary-stampedepark-june2022/

Kerby Center has expressed their appreciation for our Donation by way of showcasing us on their website as well as on the TVs in the Center. We love getting to see our contribution to such a great cause meaning so much to those involved.

# **Ukrainian Donation Center Needs Help**

John (Fitz) Fitzsimmons is requesting some muscle to be able to help with moving furniture donations. He has trucks available but needs some strong backs to help with the heavy lifting. Please recruit your children or friends if they are able to help. We have furniture donations set up, waiting for pickup, that we may lose if we are not able to grab them soon!! Please contact Fitz johnfitzsimmons9@gmail.com if you are able to help or know of someone you can volunteer.

# **Clubrunner Update**

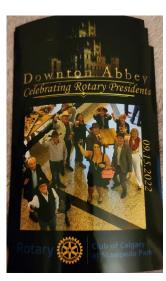
Some of you may have noticed that the Member Directory was down over the last week.... Clubrunner made some changes to Directories for privacy reasons and went under Maintenance today to reset the changes they have made. Good news is that Members have access to the Club Directory again, only that it is slightly changed. I have added a big yellow button on the main (public site) <a href="www.rotarycs.org">www.rotarycs.org</a> that says Member Directory. You can click that button and you will be redirected to login and then brought to the Member Area, where they have moved Directories under the 'My Clubrunner' tab. There is a List option (default) as well as Card option (with photos) that you can toggle between on the far right hand side. Should you have any questions or problems please don't hesitate to reach out to me, or check this link for a step-by-step instructions.

### **President's Party**

The Past President's Party was a great success! Thanks to **Corinne** and her Committee for organizing such an amazing event! Everyone looked great in their Downton Abbey meets Calgary Stampede attire and we enjoyed lovely music by Mary Boyes and her guitarist, Dave, and enjoyed the BEAUTIFUL Blue Flame Kitchen's food and venue. Thanks to all who attended and came to celebrate **Penny, Craig and Chas.** Please enjoy the photos taken by Corinne at the link below.

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ui9g6fxy66sb5u9/AABO3I750SncZVRs6LJNX1rSa?dl=0

I wanted to send a special thank you to Ashley from Charlesglen Toyota for bringing the Photo Booth, we had so much fun taking photos and getting to print them off with our logo and Downton Abbey filter was such a treat! See one of the printed photos I got of a group of us. I thanked Ashley personally and she wrote this; "Happy to come, you are so welcome! You all do so much for this City that I love when we get to celebrate you!" Thanks Ashley! - **Sarah Brown** 









# **Waterton-Peace Park Assembly**

**Bryan Walton** attended the Waterton-Peace Park Assembly this year and was able to fundraise for our Ribbons of Peace!! Way to go Bryan! He said; "This was taken just after our Hands Across the Border ceremony in the beautiful setting of the Meadowlark County Club in Great Falls. Dr Susan Wolff purchased a ribbon and we took this photo. Lovely gesture from a member of the

local club!" - Bryan Walton



# **Terry Fox**

This past weekend we had the privilege of running the Registration desk at the 42nd Terry Fox Run at Fort Calgary. Ken Farn was unfortunately under the weather and unable to attend but all of the hard work he did was evident day of ! Glen Godlonton took lead for Ken and did an amazing job. Thanks to everyone who Volunteered!

To see the other photos from the day please click here











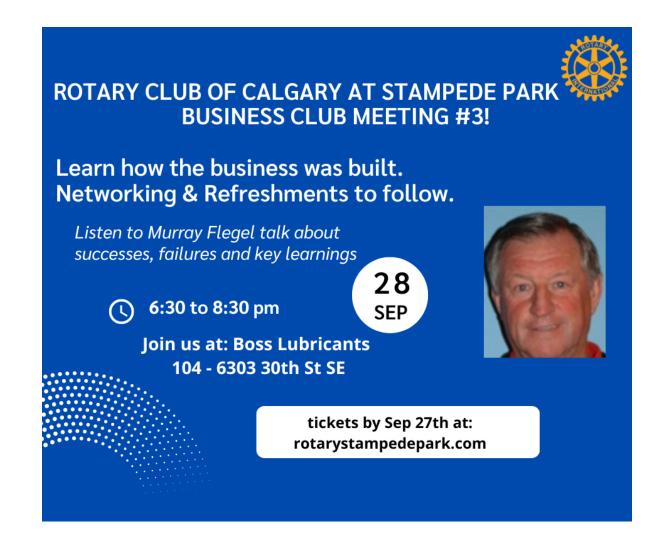


### **Business Club Meeting #3**

September 28th

This time at Boss Lubricants with **Murray Flegel** and Sons. We hope you are ready for another business success story! Tickets are \$20 and include appetizers and refreshments. Come and hear a story of business success, how Murray is transferring the Business to his Sons, as well as networking and fellowship. The first 2 Business Club Meetings were so much fun, we hope to see you there!

Register at <u>www.rotarystampedepark.com</u> before September 27th.









# **Social Committee**

### RCCSP Dinner Club 2022-2023

Are you interested in sharing food and fellowship with your fellow Rotarians? Then this is the social event for you and your spouse/partner.. and singles always included!!!

This is how it works:

You will host a group of 4/6/8 ( your choice) for dinner/lunch/brunch once (1) in the year.

Then, you will be invited to other members' homes two (2) times in the year...

Food does not have to be gourmet.. it can be whatever you choose.

The whole idea is to get members together to enjoy fellowship and food and get to know each other better.

In my estimation, this is one of the best ways to enjoy friendship!!

Come and join us!!

Contact

#### **Pat Neuman**

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416-889-5673 (cell) or 403-663-0020 (home)

I will send out specifics once you indicate your interest...fall/winter/spring

President Jim, Rotarians and Guests,

My report is on Social Committee and Social Clubs...

On request from President Jim to have more fellowship events, your Social Committee is brimming with ideas!! Actually, I think we need to rename this committee to Let's Get Social!!! So, let me explain...These new events will be a one-time type of event, pay as you go, and will not take the place of our usual events, already in the calendar...those being Christmas Party, Chinese New Year Dinner, Valentine's lunch, and on and on the list goes.

Our First extra Social is **Friday, November 25**... This will be a Black Friday Potluck Dinner and Dance to be held at the Ogden- Millican Community Centre. Simply put, everyone brings a potluck dish, BYOB and we share dinner.. then to cap off the evening, there will be dancing to Danny Roy and his band, Royal Tone Music. Cost will be about \$20 per person. We will get an invitation out shortly.

So now let me share some of the other ideas brought forth from our members of the committee... Wine tasting at Willow Park/ Kensington Wines, Chinook Honey tour, Stage West, Japanese Dinner, Intimate small groups for dinners at local restaurants, Brunch at Saskatoon Berry farm, Dinner followed by Calgary Zoo lights, Christmas City Light tour, Movie Studio Tour in Longview, Tasting at Eau Claire Distillery followed by lunch/dinner and music, theatre/symphony/ballet, tour of Calgary Stampede Ranch, Cooking classes at Blue Flame Kitchen or other kitchens, tour of Indigenous facilities.

These are just some ideas. Each of the events will have a maximum capacity so you must sign up when the invites go out. Members of the committee are working hard on getting details for these events and we will slot them in among our meetings and other events. And, not all of these will come to fruition but...we will do our best to bring you some great fellowship events...Stay tuned!!

Do you have an idea? let me know. Your committee is excited to start some new trends. The bottom line is fellowship!!

#### SECONDLY:

Social Clubs: Dinner Club Registration will close on **September 30**. We have a large group already registered but still room for more.. the fillable form has been sent out. Please send back to me pneuman647@gmail.com. Asap!

Other clubs.... Bridge is getting started contact **Tony Ng** tng@cirrealty.ca Wild Wings Bird Watching contact **Keith Davis** daviscomm@shaw.ca Wine Tasting Club contact **Brett Albers** brett.albers@nbpcd.com

We have some new ideas for other clubs.. let me know if you want to start something new.... Thank you!! Pat Neuman







### **PARTNERS in PRINT**



September is now here and we are ramping up for a great year! Please find enclosed your invitation to our 'BREAKFAST AND BOOK SALE'.

Our theme for this year is "SHARE, CARING AND GIVING".

Submitted by Rhonda Yaskowich, President







### HIKING CLUB

A stalwart five hikers experienced several creek crossings on a challenging hike to Arethusa Cirque. The climb was not for sissies. We were rewarded with awesome mountain sights and an incredible blue sky. Donna J., the birthday girl, lugged wine and cookies up the trail for our lunch time treats. Most larches had not turned but we found this golden one. At the top we were surprised to find a family of ptarmigans. We watched enthralled for several minutes as they came ever nearer to us. This hike ranks 10 out of10.

### **Submitted by Pat Farn**



















September 28: Business Club Meeting #3—Boss Lubricants with Murray Flegel and Sons

Register at www.rotarystampedepark.com

September 29: President Dr Vanderpool - St. Mary's University

October 6: David Wartman - Calgary Civic Symphony

October 12: Ribbons for Peace Fundraiser

October 13: Oleksandr Danyleiko Consul General of Ukraine - War in Ukraine

October 20: Nicholas Bell - Glenbow Museum



October 27: Ted Stack - Kid's at Heart Golf Recap

