

# **ROTARY NEWS**

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Welcome to the September
25th 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): Sjoert Zuidhof, Kim Hickson, Bob Wiens, President Gordon Weicker, Manon Mitchell, Miguel Angel Kanafany





Presentation: Manon Mitchell

October 9<sup>th</sup> -Rotary Profile Next Week October 2<sup>nd</sup>
Kids at Heart Charity
Presentation

Click **HERE** to register for the October 9th meeting.

Click **HERE** to watch the meeting video.

### **Today's Meeting:**

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





Jim Hutchens brought up the 50/50, Jim had Manon Mitchell draw the lucky ticket. The pot was \$155 and won by Terry Allen!

Jim Fitzowich was our Sgt@Arms for this meeting. Jim starts off by asking Terry Allen how much of his winnings he would like to donate. Terry donated \$20. Jim had all the new members to stand and play a game of yes or bs. Jim will ask one of the new members a question and they have to tell us if it is yes or bs. If you get it correct your table mates add \$2 to the pot and if you are incorrect you pay \$5. Lisa Maragh was first up, she was correct! Next was Doug Hood even though he is not a new member, he was incorrect. David Bissky was next, he was correct! Jill Conroy was next, she was correct! Next up was Peter Lafontaine, he was correct!





**Cathie Saroka** came up to remind us of the new members event happening on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Inn on Officers Garden at 5pm!! This event counts for attendance so please be sure to get registered and pay before attending the event!!! you can get involved for this event in a few different ways, one is sponsorship and the other is giving auction items. These action items can also be services you provide!

Vitaliia Vash came up to tell us about an opera concert happening **September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (TONIGHT)** All the donations are going to support Ukrainians and the concert its self is dedicated to the famous Ukrainian opera singers who lost their lives in the battle in Ukraine. More information is on page 4! **Glen Richardson** started a pot of money to support Vitalia!



**Bob Wiens** came up to introduced **Miguel Kanafany**. **Bob** shared a bit about **Miguel**, he shared about his family and his career. To hear more about our new member please watch the meeting video linked on page 1.

**Sjoert Zuidhof** came up next to introduce **Kim Hickson. Sjoert** shared how he met **Kim** and shared about her, her family and her career. To hear more about our new member please watch the meeting video linked on page 1.

**President Gordon** invited Manon Mitchell our District Governor do do the induction of our two newest members. Manon shared with **Kim** and **Miguel** a bit about Rotary and the impact it has on the world.

**President Gordon** gave both **Kim** and **Miguel** there new member packages and there name badges! Welcome to the club!



Click HERE for the photo gallery





**President Gordon** introduced our guest speaker today, 5360 District Governor Manon Mitchell

Manon Mitchell shared a bit about her self before sharing with us the Rotary Action Plan! This plan starts with our impact then moves onto our reach, followed by engage and finally adapt. Manon goes into each individual part of the Rotary action plan with us. She shared some stories related to part or had us get hands on. I encourage everyone to watch the full presentation linked on page 1.



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

### A note from Manon Mitchell

Thanks for your kind hospitality yesterday at your club meeting. Getting to know Rotarians in the district and sharing my Rotary story is a lot of fun and re-connecting with many Rotary friends was wonderful.

Having attended your board meeting before the club meeting, it was great to see your leaders share the wide range of activities, projects and programs that make up your vibrant club! Your club is in great hands and when the time comes to ask for volunteers please consider saying "YES"!

Meeting in a new space sounds exciting and will only amplify the great vibe I witnessed. What a pleasure it was to see just shy of 90 Rotarians and guests in the room. Thanks for inviting Valentin, our shared exchange student; Kurt and I look forward to welcoming him in our house in December.

Let's meet again on November 1st at the "Twin the Win for Polio" event . It's being held at the Alexandra Centre Society Dance Hall in Inglewood on 9th avenue. <u>Click here to purchase tickets (\$19.55 each).</u> World class speaker Ramesh Ferris will take us on his incredible Polio journey (you've got to hear this), Mike McGovern will bring us up to speed on the current activities and push to get this done and Rotarian William Freidson will entertain us with his jazz quintet. All in all, it will be a great evening of fellowship and purpose.

You can also register as a Polio Plus Society member by clicking here. Thank you for considering saying "YES" to this request.

Have an awesome year folks; keep me informed of your events as I'm in town and please do mark May 1, 2, 3, 2026 in your calendar for an exciting District Conference in Red Deer.

Stay positive, stay well Yours in Rotary, Manon

PS If you say "YES" to something new, please do share with me what it was and how your life expanded as a result!

# <u>Announcements</u>

### **Health and Wellness**

Marlene Wiens had a accident over the weekend and is in the hospital recovering.

**Paul Brick** is back!!! Happy to have you back.

# <u>Announcements</u>

Glencoe Golf & Country Club. Members Of the Rotary Golf League from our Rotary club are myself, Steve Austin, Sherry Austin, Ken Copithorne, Ken Farn & Sandy Dougall.





## **Notes From the Office**

- Please remember to register for meetings every week to ensure you get a meal! If you are organizing a guest speaker please remember to register them as well or send their full name and the menu option that they would like to Grayce at <u>Admin@rotarycs.org</u>
- 2. If I (Grayce) do not respond to your email, I may not have received it so please double check the email you are sending it to. All emails must go to <a href="mailto:Admin@rotarycs.org">Admin@rotarycs.org</a>. My clubrunner email is an outgoing email only!! I will not receive any emails you send to it.





### Closing:

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

The week following: October 9th - Rotary Profile

#### **Closing words:**

"Cognitive Flexibility"

Is being able to think "outside the box", see things from different perspectives, and adjusting

behavior to changing environmental

circumstances.

I believe that this is what we do as

Rotarians!

Please think about that as we

"Unite for Good"

# Calendar

#### 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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#### **NOVEMBER**

November  $\mathbf{6}^{\text{th}}$  - Cheryl Bedard

**November 11<sup>th</sup> -** Rotary Remembers

November 13<sup>th</sup> - No Meeting

 $\textbf{November 20}^{\text{th}} \text{ - Kyle Burks}$ 

November 27<sup>th</sup> - TBD

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### 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