Rockin' the Big Tent, 22 June

Country music fans and people who want to sample Calgary's Western charm will enjoy the honky-tonk beats and twangy guitars. The concert is billed as the night "Rotary rocks the roadhouse" in the Nashville North tent.

New Blood with the Calgary Civic Symphony, 22 June

The dance show features Peter Gabriel's music and explores Blackfoot traditions through the story of a man who survived a government residential school for Indigenous children.

Host hospitality evening, 23 June

For this convention favorite, members invite Rotary visitors to their dinner tables, restaurants, or other venues to "break bread and share in fellowship," Starratt says.

Western Ranch Showcase, 24 June

You may notice you're holding your breath from excitement when you watch bronc riding of the "wildest, orneriest, out-of-line" horses. The organizers advise, "Pull down that hat brim and hold on tight."

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ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help to serve Thee all of our days

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS NORTH



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FUTURE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS

January 3	George Getschow and Kathy Floyd
	from the Larry McMurtry Literary Center ~ Tom Sheriff
January 10	Phil Waggoner
January 17	Board Meeting
January 24	Joe Clement ~ Juan Gutierrz / SGT, Dept. of Public Safety
January 31	Clint Wood ~ Payton Fisher
February 7	Julie Day
February 14	Mike Crocker
February 21	Board Meeting
February 28	Brandy Fields
March 7	Larry Gunnell
March 14	Ajay Kumar
March 21	Board Meeting
March 28	Ann Lucas

NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING HELD AT THE HAMPTON:

President Matt led the club in the Rotary Prayer and the Pledges.

Our special guest was Michael Day, Julie's husband.

The brag bucket was fed by Matt (2), Joe and Troy.

Julie reported that the canned food drive has been cancelled for now.

Tom introduced George Getschow and Kathy Floyd from the Larry McMurtry Literary Center in Archer County. They gave an excellent presentation over the project in it's current state and their proposed completed project.

The raffle raised \$16.00 and Linda was the lucky winner. She drew the queen of diamonds for a \$10.00 prize. If this week's lucky winner draws the ace of spades they will win $$172.00 + \frac{1}{2}$$ of what is raised today.



A perfect picture from Julie Day of George Getschow with Larry McMurtry in the background and the "Rotary North" banner in front!

NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:

UNFORGETTABLE EVENINGS IN CALGARY

Get your cowboy hat. Your Rotary pals in friendly Canada are excited to welcome you to signature convention events, including dinner in their homes, a country music jamboree, and boot-stompin' celebrations of the Western culture in Calgary.

"We're a big small-town city, and so the hospitality we have, the ticketed events, the experiences — they will be fantastic," says Mark Starratt, cochair of the Host Organization Committee for the **Rotary International Convention** 21-25 June. Buy tickets at **rotarycalgary2025.org**.

Grandstand Spectacular, 21 June

This night of showmanship includes Indigenous hoop dancing, toetapping music, and horseback relay races.