

honoured to welcome more than 15,000 members back to our city. Since hosting the convention over two decades ago, Calgary has grown and evolved in remarkable ways," said Mayor Jyoti Gondek. "Now one of Canada's most diverse cities, with 240 ethnic communities and 165 languages, Rotary members from more than 120 countries will feel at home in our big city with smalltown appeal."

Organized by Rotary International in conjunction with local Rotary members, the event presents an opportunity to showcase Calgary's growing tech and creative sectors, diverse cultural representation and the gateway to the majestic Canadian Rockies. The Rotary International Convention in Calgary is supported by Tourism Calgary, The City of Calgary, the Calgary Hotel Association, Calgary Stampede, BMO Centre, Scotiabank Saddledome, and Rotary members in Calgary and from Alberta, across Canada, and around the world.

Quote attributable to Tourism Calgary CEO, Alisha Reynolds
"We are thrilled to be welcoming the Rotary International Convention to our vibrant 'Blue Sky City' in June," said Tourism Calgary President and CEO, Alisha Reynolds. "Bringing conventions like Rotary to our city has many positive impacts for our local tourism industry, economy, and community – we are excited to showcase all our city has to offer and to welcoming delegates with our world-renowned friendly hospitality, creating lasting connections and impacts for years to come."

Quote attributable to Calgary Hotel Association Executive Director, Sol Zia

"Hotels across the Calgary region are very excited to welcome the more than 15,000 international Rotary members as we kick off summer in Calgary. The opportunity to host major conventions like this is critical to the economic success of our city and region, supporting the growth of our entire hospitality industry," said Sol Zia, executive director of Calgary Hotel Association. "The Calgary Hotel Association and our member hotels will be ready to welcome our guests and to showcase the friendly hospitality our Blue Sky City is known for."

Quote attributable to Rotary Host Organizing Committee Co-Chair, Mark Starratt

"Rotary in Calgary is thrilled to provide a 'white hat' welcome to all Rotary members visiting from around the world for this year's international convention, which will provide an outstanding combination of inspiration, entertainment, and fellowship for our participants," said Rotary Host Organizing Committee Co-Chair, Mark Starratt. "I'm excited to bring the convention back to Calgary to highlight the positive and lasting change we bring globally and locally."

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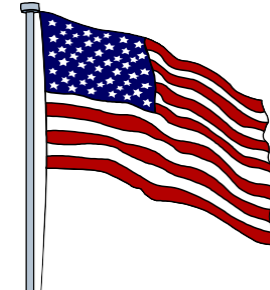
THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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

April 25-----Erica Mundt, Ex. Dir., Camp Fire ~ Rob Noble
May 2---Dewayne Jackson, Wichita Theater, Performing Arts Center ~ Oku Okeke
May 9----Bill Smith, The Day the Music Died, Buddy Holly ~ Jeani Secord
May 13------(Tuesday) Club Social, Downtown Winery
May 16-----**Board Meeting**
May 23-----Troy Secord
May 30-----Linda Sheriff
May 30-----Pizza for ARC summer camp
June 6-----Tom Sheriff
June 6-----Pizza for ARC summer camp
June 7-----Cook for Faith Mission
June 13-----Phil Waggoner
June 20-----Board Meeting
June 26-----Club Social, ½ Pint, DownTown
June 27-----Clint Wood
July 4-----Meeting Cancelled ~ Independence Day

NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING HELD AT THE HAMPTON INN:

(The following minutes were provided by Jeani. Many thanks!)

The Prayer & Pledge were lead by President Matt.

Brag bucket was filled by Troy, Clint and Ajay.

Ajay's birthday had been this last Monday, March 31.

Once again, members were told that if they plan to attend the Assembly (Saturday April 26), tell Jeani so she can register them. The club pays the fee, and we usually carpool.

Bill Neale had the program, "Bug Juice". It is a recipe for a drink that will give you lots of energy and is healthy. Bill told us the benefits of eating healthy. He also reported that if you stick your pinkie finger about ½ of the way up your nose, you'll breathe easier!

\$13.00 was raised in the last raffle and Ajay was the lucky winner. He drew the 7 of hearts for a \$5.00 prize. If this week's winner draws the ace of spades they will win \$234.00 + ½ of what is raised today.

NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:

THOUSANDS SET TO GATHER IN CALGARY FOR ROTARY'S INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, ONE OF THE 'BLUE SKY CITY'S' MOST MULTICULTURAL EVENTS TO DATE

Rotary members from 120 countries will be welcomed to Canada's third most diverse city for the second time since Calgary hosted the event in 1996.

CALGARY (10 April 2025) - More than 15,000 Rotary members and participants from over 120 countries will gather in Calgary from June 21 to 25, 2025, for the membership service organization's annual international convention.

"I am thrilled to welcome my fellow Rotary members from around the world to Calgary and Alberta," said Alberta Premier, Danielle Smith. "As changemakers who recognize the needs of their communities and then take action to address them, Rotary members are fostering positive and lasting impact – and much needed inspiration at this moment in time."

As the largest event yet to be held at the newly expanded BMO Centre, the convention is expected to account for more than 30,000 hotel room nights, inject \$81 million CAD to the local economy, and drive significant business for Calgary's hotels, restaurants, retailers, and tourism attractions.

Held in a different city each year, Rotary's international conventions serve as a hub for members and participants to connect and learn from each other and a range of experts on how to take action to address issues in their communities. They're encouraged to promote health, peace, and prosperity in communities across the globe.

Often described by attendees as a "mini United Nations", the convention will transform the BMO Centre and Scotiabank Saddledome at Stampede Park into an energized hub and cultural mosaic as the global network of volunteers gain inspiration from more than 100 humanitarian projects on [exhibit](#) and from [world class speakers](#).

"Rotary conventions are about bringing people together to create meaningful connections and to inspire each other to help create a healthier and more peaceful world," said Rotary International President, Stephanie Urchick. "We are delighted to be hosting the convention this year in Calgary, whose 'Blue Sky City' brand is a symbol of belonging and unity under the same sky – something that resonates with our global network of volunteers, and our common values rooted in service. I'm excited to reconnect with so many friends from across the globe in Calgary to celebrate in the joy we bring through our work, and to learn how we can continue to help people and communities thrive in the future."

"Rotary has long been an integral part of Calgary's culture, and we are truly