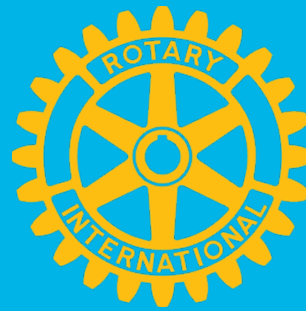


Rotary

Club of Cranbrook Sunrise



Sunday, March
16, 2025

Meeting Notes for March 11th, 2025

Events

March 18th

[Cranbrook
Sunrise Weekly
Meeting](#)

Speaker: Rocky
Mountain
Students
Association

March 25th

[Cranbrook
Sunrise Weekly
Meeting](#)

Speaker:
Cranbrook Girls
Hockey - Bobby
Jo Hekob

March 26th

[Rockies Film
Series](#)

Speaker: Bob
Trevino Likes It

April 1st

[Cranbrook
Sunrise Weekly
Meeting](#)

Speaker: Rick
Jensen -
Motivational

April 8th

[Cranbrook
Sunrise Weekly
Meeting](#)

Speaker:
Cranbrook
Chamber of
Commerce -
Stacey Brensrud

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, March 16, 2025

Guests: Naye Kim (Youth Ambassador)

Inspiration: Ken Wellington

We pray for the people of Palestine and the people of Isreal, for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia, for their lands and for their leaders.

We pray for all those who have lost much in these conflicts, whose lives will never be the same, who everyday live in fear.

We pray for those who have the power to make decisions over life and death; that they may choose life: life for all people, and life in its fullness and with dignity.

We also pray for those who choose at this time to make war; that they will remember the words, examples, and teachings of all the faith traditions that have stood the test of time who call us to find new ways to live together in peace and harmony.

We pray for leaders on the world stage, especially the members of NATO, and those with much power and influence; that they may be inspired by the wisdom and courage of the peacemakers and those who work with justice.

Above all, today we pray for peace, shalom, peace in its fullness: peace in our hearts and minds, peace in our families, in our community, our province, our nation and peace on earth.

Club Reports:

Helen & Darcy: they were approached by the hotel manager about catching up on the pricing of meals. The manager is very supportive of our club. However, the price per meal is rising by \$5.00 (to \$27.00), plus the club will pay \$50 per meeting for the room.

Also, there has been a bench placed at Moir Field to commemorate Sunrise Rotarian and charter member, Alec Rogers. The plaque on the bench says, "A man devoted to family and to the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self".

Darryl: showed a trailer from the next film, "Bob Trevino Likes it". The Key City Theatre is changing its ticketing system so it will be down March 23/24.

Steve: spoke on behalf of Mel saying that we have to get ourselves prepped for We Bike. If anyone was available at 1:00 pm to help them sort bikes at the seacan to get

Birthdays

No Birthdays
Found

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding
Anniversaries
Found

Years of Service

Janice
Sommerfeld
02-28-2006
19 Years

Ursula Brigl
02-05-2008
17 Years

Melanie
McFarlane
02-23-2010
15 Years

Jason Tichauer
02-12-2013
12 Years

Linda S.
Hastings
02-10-2014
11 Years

Arlene Schroh
02-11-2014
11 Years

Roger Brown
02-17-2015
10 Years

Alfred Dyck
02-24-2015
10 Years

Lynnette Wray
03-07-2018
7 Years

Trina Bradshaw
01-31-2023
2 Years

Iris Wawryshyn
03-14-2023

ready for We Bike. They will be replacing old bikes with new.

Rotarian Steve Mercandelli Bio.



By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, March 16, 2025

Our newest Rotarian, Steve Mercandelli introduced himself today as our weekly presenter. He is happily married with 3 children and is a member of the Eagles Boxing Club as well as the Wildhorse Cycling Club.

Steve was born at Stoke on Trent, England. The family moved away from there when he was 3. His family consisted of twin sisters and twin brothers.

He left school at age 16 and moved to Northwich, England where he worked for a news agency. He learned a lot of good and bad lessons. All of his friends went to work for Rolls Royce. His Dad worked for Rolls Royce as well on the engine side of production. To build confidence, he took some boxing lessons.

He joined the British Army in 1991 and completed 16 weeks of basic training. He would get up at 2:30 a.m. to clean the barracks as they were going to be inspected at 5:00 a.m. He was at dress parade one time and was inspected by a superior officer that rubbed their glove under Steve's chin where they felt stubble therefore he was given 28 days in jail for not shaving properly. He did physical training every day during his jail time and that was his last time in jail.

His first posting was in Germany where he joined the army boxing and the rugby team. In 1995, he was posted to Suffield near Medicine Hat, Alberta. It was considered a luxury posting. Medicine Hat was the wild west back then.

While in Medicine Hat he dated a young lady and in 1996 he gave his notice to the military that he was moving to Canada. His wife is from Cranbrook so in 1997 he moved to Cranbrook. While getting settled in Cranbrook and looking for furniture, he went into Bridge's Furniture and met Ken Bridge. They told Ken that they were looking for a new bed and Ken replied that it looked like the old bed was working just fine (his wife was pregnant).

Ken hired Steve to manage his warehouse, which lasted until 2001. He moved on at that time as he either worked for Ken Bridge or killed Ken Bridge.

In 2001 he worked for South Country Chrysler, in car sales and also did a short stint with Terry Parsons at Toyota. He went back to Chrysler and now he is the General Manager.



In 2013 he was approached by the Eagles boxing club as they wanted him to enter the community boxing challenge. He could pick his opponent, so he chose Ken Bridge. So many people offered him money to beat Ken. Steve said that he was a boxer and Ken just a goon.

They started the boxing challenge in 2013, then he went in an event called Wax Legs

2 Years
Steven
Mercandelli
01-28-2025
0 Years

for the Friends of Children, Walk a Mile in Her Shoes. (he didn't know that they made size 13 high heels)

He has been arrested again, but that time for the Cops for Kids fundraiser. He has also been involved with The Miracle on Baker Street, where the participants were out in their underwear in very cold weather. He and Ken have also ridden bulls at the rodeo for charity. He also did a figure skating routine with Ken at the Cranbrook Figure Skating Club. It was scary as Ken is a strong skater.

Steve loves cycling and he is involved with the Cops For Kids 1000km fundraising ride over a 10 day period. It was a very emotional ride.

Paul Harris Recognition

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, March 16, 2025

PDG Allan Davis presented Sunrise Rotarians Lynnette Wray and Percy Davis with their Paul Harris +1 recognition.



(L-R Lynnette, Percy, Allan Davis)

Rockies Film Series

By Darryl Bishop on Sunday, March 16, 2025



Wednesday March 26/25 - Key City Theatre 7:00 pm:

Bob Trevino Likes It

Rotten Tomatoes: 94%

Trailer:

https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/bob_trevino_likes_it/videos/gX1LVkUSn_qP

Synopsis:

BOB TREVINO LIKES IT is inspired by the true friendship that writer/director Tracie Laymon found with a stranger when looking for her father online. Often playing the role of caretaker to people like her father who should be caring for her, Lily Trevino longs for a familial connection, having been abandoned by her mother as a child and then suddenly by her father in her twenties. Bob Trevino works long hours alone at a construction company to support his wife Jeanie's scrapbooking habit. The couple has endured a lot in the past decade, and Bob has sought to put his wife first, to the point of ignoring his own feelings and need for friendship, meaning, and connection-- that is, until he gets an unexpected Facebook message from a stranger. Lily and Bob's blossoming friendship becomes a vital source of connection and healing in both their lives. Bob's small acts of fatherly kindness fill a familial void in Lily's life and hold the power to change her direction forever. In their own ways, these two must both learn they are worthy of extraordinary love exemplified through small acts of kindness

Tickets available @ <https://tickets.keycitytheatre.com/TheatreManager/1/login?event=1395> or call 250-426-7006

Note - Key City Theatre Box Office will be unavailable March 24 and 25th as new ticketing system is installed

Happy Bucks & Sgt. at Arms

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, March 16, 2025

Happy Bucks! Percy Davis - is happy to be back in Canada and a stable government, clean water, etc. Darcy is amazing to work with and Helen thanks for doing a great job.

Ken Wellington - was away in Puerto Rico for a disaster group, where they repaired damaged rooves from hurricanes. They also framed a tiny 12X14 house.

Bruce Seitz - his daughter Railee couldn't attend our meeting this morning. She wanted us to know that tomorrow night she is figure skating with a group at the Bucks game during the 1st intermission. During the 2nd intermission she will be doing a solo. Saturday at 1pm she is taking part in an ice show.

Helen Boon - gave Happy Bucks for being part of this Rotary club.



Our Sgt. at arms was Rotarian Harley Lee.
The following fines were given out:

The Sgt. fined himself for being late for the meeting.

President Ursula - was fined for starting a video on You Tube and the first thing we saw was a real estate commercial for Bruce Seitz.

Percy Davis - for referring to Uncle Al Davis and Grandpa Dennis.

Steve Mercandelli - was fined for a great presentation but especially for the image where he was dressed like a lady.

Closing Comments

By Dennis Parsons on Sunday, March 9, 2025

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.
Winston Churchill

