



# The Weekly Westerner

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## Head Table:

**Sa'adat Keshavjee, Marie Rickard, Norma Jarvis, Carolyn Christison, Grant Ritchie, Helena Lake.**

The national anthem, through lack of leadership, was a terrible exercise in disharmony (somebody pick a key....please!), painful to the ear.

**Mike Carlin** provided the invocation.

## Visitors and guests: introduced by **David Williams:**

- Norma Jarvis and Helena Lake from CNIB
- **Soraya Saliba** from Accessible Housing, guest of Duncan Stanners
- **Fah Tintukasiri**, our inbound exchange student
- **Judith Shearer**, guest of **Bill Lawless**
- **Alice Christison**, guest of Carolyn Christison
- **Lawrence King**, guest of **Helen King**
- Rotarian **Terry McDonough** from Calgary South
- Out-of-town Rotarian (and past member of CWRC) **David Elson** from Saanich, Victoria, BC
- Out-of-town Rotarian **John Fazel** from Lamorinda Sunrise, California
- **Joe Connelly**, mayor candidate from Ward 6
- **Corinne Wilkinson**, Joe's assistant

## Announcements:

1. **Marg Henschel** announced the last chance for the **Lobster Dinner**. Orders will be placed Tuesday morning.



2. **Bill Quinney** thanked those who attended the club excursion to **Olds Agricultural College**. The club thanked Bill for arranging a great tour.
3. **Orlin McMillan** announced the **casinos** for our club will be Oct 16 & 17 at Casino Calgary, Barlow and 16<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. Please sign up as this is the major fund raiser for Calgary West. Expect a note to follow.
4. **Ted Valentine** wished happy birthday to all of the folks with a birthday in September. He also gave away tickets to Spruce Meadows and to the Labour Day CFL classic, with the condition that the people who accept them take Fah along. Carolyn Christison took the football tickets (and watched the Stamps crush the Eskimos) as a birthday present.
5. **Fah** brought us up to date on what she's been doing and is looking forward to the start of school.
6. **Ron Jones** thanked those who participated and sponsored the **Rotary Challenger Park Golf Tournament** at McKenzie Meadows. They raised \$60K – outstanding!
7. **John Fazel** from the Rotary Club of Lamarinda Sunrise wanted to exchange banners, but neglected to bring any. Sa'adat gave him one of ours and he promised to send us one from his club when he gets back to California.

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**Grant Ritchie** won \$40. [Editor's note: Grant gifted his winnings to the club funds.]

**Sergeant-at-arms – Garfield Ganong**

Garfield was not scheduled to be on duty, but he picked up the gauntlet. He must have been having a bad day, as he proceeded to fine everyone for everything!

**Keynote Speakers**

Carolyn Christison introduced her sister, Norma Jarvis, and Helena Lake from the Canadian Institute for the Blind (CNIB). Norma raises \$50K for the CNIB in the Yukon annually – well done! She and Carolyn also did the Smothers Brothers banter (Mom always liked you best), and Norma was pleased to point out that she is the younger sister.

Norma described the causes of blindness. Helena then took over and described the services that CNIB provides to its clients:

- Low vision services for those not completely blind
- Independent living
- Orientation and mobility
- Career services
- Assistive technology and consumer products
- Public education
- Volunteer services



Rotarians who would like to volunteer for CNIB should check out [www.cnib.ca/en/alberta/volunteer/calgary.aspx](http://www.cnib.ca/en/alberta/volunteer/calgary.aspx)

Norma put forward an opportunity for Calgary West to partner with CNIB for fundraising through the sale of 20” Christmas wreaths. The “Set Your Sights on Christmas” campaign ([www.cnib.ca/en/alberta/events/christmas-fundraiser/Default.aspx](http://www.cnib.ca/en/alberta/events/christmas-fundraiser/Default.aspx)) sells fresh balsam wreaths from Delong Farms (<http://delongfarms.com/>) in Nova Scotia.

This is under consideration.

Marie Rickard thanked our speaker.

For upcoming club events, go to our website [www.calgarywestrotaryclub.org/Events.htm](http://www.calgarywestrotaryclub.org/Events.htm). Or see our event calendar [www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/events.asp?cid=953](http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/events.asp?cid=953)

Or, see below.

September 10	Calgarian Jamie Clarke – Two-time Mount Everest Summiteer
September 17	Rotary Youth Leadership
September 24	Diane Reid – Boys and Girls Club
October 1	Exchange Students – Outbound and Inbound
October 8	District Governor Al Bergsma
October 15	<i>Municipal Election - Tentative Booking</i>
October 22	Christie Johnson – Head Mistress, Malawi Girls on the Move
October 29	A Hallowe’en Surprise
November 5	Rotary Assembly and Election – No Speaker
November 12	Special Remembrance Day Program – TBA
November 19	
November 19	Christmas Formal Ball – Earl Grey Golf Club
November 26	Grey Cup Weekend Special Program TBA
December 3	
December 10	
December 17	Children’s Christmas Choir
December 19	Rotary Family Christmas Brunch
December 24	<b>Meeting Cancelled</b>
December 31	Special Program – “Happy New Year”