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The Weekly Westerner

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Mondays 12.10 pm - 1.30 pm

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This meeting, club service was provided by:

Bernie Ward on cash.

David Impey photos.

Robyn Braley and his boys led us in *O Canada*, and **Duncan Stanners** provided the invocation.

Guests

David Townsend from the Sarcee club, guest of **Chris Davis**

Jayce and Alex Roy, young grandsons and guests of Robyn

Cheryl Ganong, **Garfield's** wife

Ruth Minions, **Linda Haynes'** daughter

Laurie Thurston, Duncan's fiancée

Announcements

* **President Tim Anderson** reminded us of the evening meeting, Wednesday, September 5, 6 pm at Brewsters.

* President Tim related that there will be a golf tournament for Ernie Carrier.

* The "Sneak a Peek" for the Atrium will happen Friday, September 7, from 5 to 7 pm. Please register on EventBrite so they know the number of people attending. There is no charge.

* President Tim noted that the event to honour **Clarence Buckley** on Friday, August 24, was an outstanding success, and a good time was had by all.

* **Joe Klassen** announced that **Sa'adat Keshavjee** is heading an African safari trip to Kenya. He already has 10 people coming, and needs an additional 2-8 people to sign up. Please let him know by September 1, as at that time he will open the invitation to other clubs. The trip is scheduled for 12 February, 2019.

* Please note that a **valuable hat** was picked up on Friday.- a Smithbilt Signature Series, size 7 1/2. If you know to whom this hat belongs, please contact Duncan Stanners.

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My Passion, My Moments, Our Rotary

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Today's meeting was a trip to Fort Calgary.

After a nice soup and sandwich lunch, **Bill Tapuska** introduced our tour guide for the day, **Ruth Manning**. Ruth is a native Calgarian, with previous experience at the school program at Heritage Park.

We were all led to a theatre and treated to a history lesson on Calgary. The confluence of the Bow and Elbow rivers was well known to the First Nations tribes of Treaty 7. They have been using the site for over 11,000 years. In Blackfoot, they named it Mohkínstsis, which means "elbow". There are three buffalo jump sites close by: around the Centre Street bridge, Canada Olympic Park and Beaver Dam Flats. It takes 15 bison hides to make a teepee. Each year they would smoke the meat to make jerky and mix it with fat and Saskatoon berries to make pemmican which saw them through the winter.

Whiskey traders from the United States came north to hook the natives on alcohol, which was 25% ethanol. It was frequently mixed with cayenne pepper, shoe polish or varnish to give it a bigger kick.

In 1874, the Northwest Mounted Police was formed. It arrived in Calgary late August, 1875, to build the fort to combat the whiskey trade. It was originally called Fort Brisebois by officer Éphrem-A. Brisebois. Colonel James Macleod re-named it Fort Calgary after his favourite spot in Scotland. And, by the way, if you would like to own Calgary Castle on the Isle of Mull in Scotland, it's on sale for \$1 million.

We were treated to two short movies about the First Nations origin and early Calgary history.

The meeting ended 10 minutes late, with Ruth available to conduct a tour of the site.

If you haven't been to Fort Calgary in a while, this reporter highly recommends it.



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Coming Events

July: Stampede and Okanagan Cherries Month	
2	No Meeting. Canada Day Holiday
9	Stampede Yahoo. Country Music and Dancing
16	Team Meeting
23	Gwyn Lewis: Professional Boxer
30	Calgary Fire Chief: Steve Dongworth
August: Membership and New Club Development Month	
6	No Meeting: Family Day
13	Jeff Collins: Gun Collecting and Appraisal
20	Local Community Service (LCS) Presentation
27	Field Trip to Fort Calgary
September: Basic Education and Literacy Month	
3	No Meeting: Labour Day
5	Evening "Make-up" meeting - tentative
10	Sandip Lalli, President and CEO, Calgary Chamber of Commerce
17	Rod McCarroll: Friends Who Care International
24	District Governor Dan Doherty's Visit
October: Economic and Community Development Month	
1	Calgary Civic Symphony - Music Ensemble
8	No Meeting: Thanksgiving Day
10	Evening Assembly Meeting
15	International Community Service Programme
22	No meeting in favour of All-Clubs meeting, October 24
24	All-Clubs "Polio-Plus" meeting
29	Hallowe'en: Magic, Costumes and Goblins
November: Foundation Month	
5	RI Foundation and Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation
12	No Meeting: Remembrance Day
19	Grey Cup Programme
26	Lorelei Higgins: Indigenous Relations, Rotary Peace Fellowship
December: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month	
3	Team Meeting
10	TBA
17	Children's Choir TBA
24	No Meeting. CHRISTMAS EVE!
31	Special Meeting: New Year's Eve Party - Tentative
January	
7	Motivational Speaker
14	Keith Blake, Chief of Police, Tsuut'ina Nation
21	Special Programme: Robbie Burns' Day - Tentative
28	TBA



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	February
4	TBA
11	St Valentine's Day Programme
18	TBA
25	TBA