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Jan Damery*

Mary Axworthy MCIP, Director of Land Use Planning & Policy (LUPP) with the City of Calgary was our guest speaker. She began her talk by commenting on her

introduction by her long time companion and husband Trevor Axworthy. She noted that it was better to be a committed public servant than a public servant who needs to be committed! Mary has been with The City of Calgary for over 25 years and has worked on significant urban planning, annexation, land-use and transportation planning issues. Mary and colleague Don Mulligan, Director of Transportation, led the Plan- It Calgary project that resulted in the City's new Municipal Development and Transportation plan. Mary has a Masters Degree in Environmental Design (Urbanism) from the University of Calgary and a BA in Urban Studies from the University of Winnipeg. To add to her pedigree, she is Saskatchewan born and raised.

Mary's focus is the long-term which she acknowledged is really difficult to get people thinking about. She took us on a journey 60 years out and noted that Calgary's population is expected to double in that time frame – an additional 1.3 million. Also noteworthy is the change in demographics projected. We will be an older city with us baby boomers aging. The 85-plus age group is projected to increase 1300% and the 75-84 bracket to increase 500%. These figures are not

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typos. Further, new migrants to the city will be younger, less educated and earning lower incomes. These two factors combined will place new demands on our city infrastructure and design. Mobility, service accessibility



Speaker, Mary Axworthy...

and housing affordability will become paramount. There will be increasing demand for communities that are "complete" in services, denser, more affordable and designed with walking distances and easy access to transit in mind. Rising energy prices and growing pressures on our environmental footprint will challenge these shifts.

Mary touched briefly on the sustainability of the City's finances; a timely topic given the upcoming municipal election. Our massive growth and large urban footprint means that we now have \$54

billion in infrastructure assets to manage. Going forward our urban development needs to be more compact to lower capital and operating costs. Currently, almost 100% of the growth in the City's budget is related to new suburban growth. Plan-It Calgary has a goal to reduce this to 50% by re-investing in already developed parts of the city. This should also result in reduced land-use by the size of "4 Red Deers" over the next 60 years. Key strategies to make this happen going forward include "growing up" instead of "growing out", linking locations and communities to public transit and making communities more walkable. Plan-It Calgary also envisions an urban landscape that is beautiful and memorable, that supports a vibrant downtown core, that encourages a prosperous economy, that promotes safe communities and that conserves our

natural environment. In her view, one of the most significant achievements of Plan-it Calgary is the better connection going forward between development plans, infrastructure and the City's budget. Tom Tait thanked Mary for her presentation and for helping us to think about the changing urban landscape of Calgary over the next 60 years.



Mark Stiles greets visiting Rotarian from St. Catharines, Ontario, Dave Feasby.

The Meeting

Bill Keech opened the meeting by extending a hearty thank you to the crew of Gord Walker, Bill Avery and George Brookman who organized a very special and meaningful tribute to Mary Tynan last meeting. Tim Heaton with



Gord Walker looking for volunteers...

special guest artist Scott Tizzard led the room in a spirited rendition of “King of the Road” by Roger Miller. A get-well card was circulated for Lorne Suitor. Chuck Simpson is at the Rocky View Hospital and is welcoming phone calls but not visitors at this time. Mark Stiles stood in for Club Secretary Carol Rosdobutko who is roving the UK this

week. Mark welcomed visitors and guests paying a special welcome to 16 University of Calgary students representing the China Petroleum Pipeline Bureau. He also introduced a visiting Rotarian from St. Catharines, Ontario who was presented with a club pin. Mark went on to explain that he had strict instructions from Roving Reporter Rosdobutko to read only what was prepared. Of course he had to deviate a little from the prepared text to highlight that on the first day of the pre-game season the Flames are undefeated and tied for first! Back to the prepared script, Mark noted that in times of recession and unemployment, starting a new business can be a great strategy. Key to this is seeking out fellow Rotarians for their advice and support. Being passionate about your business choice is also critical.

The agenda shifted to announcements, events and updates. Bill Keech thanked Tony Howard and Bob Merrett for working the ticket sales table. He also encouraged members to sign up on the website for both the Feed the Hungry Dinner on September 26th at St. Mary’s and the Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up project on September 25th. Volunteers are still needed for both events.

John Lindenbach noted that one more couple is needed to complete the Dinner Club roster. If you are interested, please contact Gary and Carol Murray via the web site.

Maxine Morrison promoted the Murder Mystery Night at Deane House on October 28th. Tickets are \$75/person. Wing Kee Chan reminded all those

members who work with children’s programs such as the Stay in School program that they must complete their police check forms. To help with this, two police officers will be at the Sept. 28th meeting to help facilitate this.

Bill Clapham encouraged members to support the Chinook Club’s “Putting on the Ritz” event on October 23rd. It is at Spruce Meadows and all proceeds go to Scouts Canada.

Gord Walker updated the club on one of the projects of the small donations committee. The project supports kids in East Calgary by providing breakfast and clothing. The committee is looking to apply for a district grant (\$5000) in support of the project and needs 2 volunteers to champion and put their names on the application. Bjorn Ljungberg, the club’s Youth Exchange



Exchange student Bjorn Ljungberg provides an update on his activities...

Student, updated members on his activities including a road trip to Montana, a rafting adventure on the Bow River and mountain climbing. His pin collection is expanding and he is enjoying meeting members of the club – though the size of the club makes this challenging.

A special thanks goes to Thalia Kingsford & BMO Nesbitt Burns for sponsoring this week’s COG.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

September 28 - Laura Lochman
US Consul General
"U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities
and U.S.-Canada Cooperation"

October 5 - Jean Grandmaitre
Alberta Ballet
"Successfully Directing a
Dynamic Arts Institution Today"

October 12 - Celebration of
Women in The Rotary Club
of Calgary

October 19 - Laura Haynes
President, Appetite

October 26 - District Governor
Al Bergsma

November 2 - TBA

November 9 - Remembrance Day

November 16 - TBA

November 23 - Richard Trustcott
Director Povincial Affairs -CFIB

November 30 - Dr. Reed Ferber
Asst. Prof. Faculty of Kinesiology,
U of C

TRAVELLERS

Joe Schnitzer - Penticton

Andy Crooks - Cochrane

Paul Gagnon - (2)Invermere BC

Alan Stuart - Rocky Mountain
House
- Coquitlam BC

FURNISHED HOME/CONDO REQ'D FOR 3 MONTHS

PDG Bernie Carriere will be in Calgary in the New Year for cancer treatments at The Tom Baker Centre. If anyone has a furnished home/condo for rent from early January to early April, please contact Steve Allan directly with details. Thank you.

ROTARY MIXED BRIDGE



Mixed Bridge will be running again this year starting in October and ending with a wind-up party in April. Picture is of the group taken last year at the wind-up party. If you are interested in participating in the Bridge Club, please contact Ken Teare directly at 403 242 3681 or by email at: k_teare@shaw.ca.

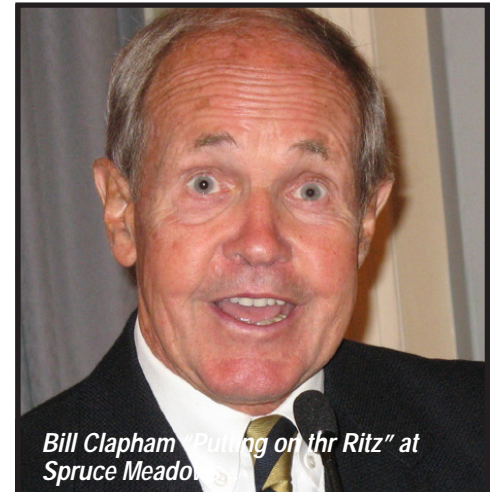
Highway Clean-up Crew



Folks, here's a pic of the crew after completing the clean-up on Saturday morning. Missing from the shot are Dave & Diane MacDonald (our team leaders.....as they were still out working) & me (picture taker). Beautiful day & great fellowship! Thanks
John Lindenbach



Maxine Morrison promotes Murder Mystery Night at the Deane House...



Bill Clapham "Putting on the Ritz" at Spruce Meadows

PRIVATE MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE

Just in time for Halloween! Presented by Fort Calgary with Pegasus Performances, comic Murder Mysteries are fun, unique, intimate dinner theatre. Guests play the role of detective, trying to deduce “who dunnit”.



Date: Thursday, October 28th, 2010

6:00 pm - Doors open

7:00 pm - Act I commences

7:05 pm - Dinner service begins

10:30 pm - Murder Mystery is completed

Location: Deane House 806 - 9 Avenue SE

RSVP by Tuesday, October 19th, 2010 via email: admin@rotaryclubofcalgary.ca

Family and Friends are welcome!

\$75.00 per person (Please pay at Rotary meeting or call office with credit card number – 403 398 9969). This includes a four course dinner, entertainment and gratuity on the food.

Note: Please advise of any special dietary requirements at time of RSVP.

Menu:

Roasted Red Pepper and Tomato Bisque with Crème Fraiche & Smoked Sea Salt
Composition of Watercress, Frisee, Pear and Gorgonzola dressed with Classic Vinaigrette

Petite Filet of Beef Tenderloin and Free Range Chicken Breast Duo, Zinfandel Scented Jus

Chocolate, Raspberry Port Mousse Round, garnished with Cream and Fresh Fruit
Maximum number of tickets – 80

Cash Bar



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Every day, thousands of Calgary students and researchers explore our outstanding research and special collections, either in person or online. Online resources offer free access to thousands of images, records, interviews, letters, diaries and rare materials celebrating our proud western heritage. Here are just a few highlights:

- H.G. Wells Collection of speculative fiction
- Mackie Family History of Neuroscience Collection
- Architect Jeremy Sturgess Collection donation to Canadian Architectural Archives
- Brian Mazza Mountain Studies Collection
- Senator Dan Hays papers donation to University Archives
- The Margaret P. Hess Collection (including Dene Crafts Collection)



Tom Hickerson

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