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Birds in Calgary Andrew Hart, Ornithologist

Bart introduced our guest speaker, Andrew Hart. Andrew was born in London, England and graduated from Imperial College for Science and Technology, London University, with a first class honours degree in chemical engineering in 1970. After graduation he moved to the northwest of England and spent 11 years working for a large chemical company in the research, design and operating divisions.

In 1981 he immigrated to Canada and has lived in Calgary ever since.

Here he has worked in the EPC industry, holding positions that include Chief Process Engineer, Manager of Engineering, Project Manager, Manager of Projects, and Business Manager. He is a registered professional engineer in Alberta and a Fellow of both the UK Institution of Chemical Engineers and the Canadian Society for Chemical Engineering. He is a Past President of the Canadian Society for Engineering.

Since 2012 Andrew has been President of Nature Calgary and Chairman of the Calgary Bird Studies Group. Over the last several years he has been easing into retirement to give him more time for family life and hobbies.

Andrew's talk today is about Birding in Calgary. He had a visual presentation accompanied by comments. Calgary has about 340 species of birds, while Alberta has nearly 400, Canada about 650, and the USA about 1,100. Alberta's terrain includes both forests and plains with various bird species. Different birds have different migration routes to arrive in their preferred areas in spring or fall. There are counts of birds in certain areas and times each year, and the annual Calgary Area May Bird Species Count will be held May 30 and 31 this year. The



count area is Olds to Nanton, and Exshaw to Standard. Last year there were 220 species counted. Migratory birds can arrive any time between February and June. Some Alberta birds can migrate here at any time of year depending on migratory route, but most arrive in April and May. This is a big month for the songbirds we see in our yards and trees.

Andrew discussed several specific birds and their proclivities, with obvious competence.

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May 12th, 2015

Scribe: Ed McLean

President Stephen called us to order and with Ruth at the piano, we sang O Canada and the Rotary grace.

Before lunch arrived Past President George K. informed us the usual spring dinner at Spruce Meadows will be Wednesday, June 3rd at Canada House. This year the cost will be \$10 per head.

Dave Saunders introduced visiting Rotarian Hugh Delaney from the South Club, Guest Speaker Andrew Hart, and Graham McDonald, who were greeted with our usual gusto.

Sunshine Harry had nothing to report which is good.

Guest Graham McDonald, son of member Bruce, presented a report on his step-mother's recent illness and disappearance, along with her location and required medical attention. We are all thankful she is now in good hands.

It was mentioned the District is having a 'Rotary Doorway' May 28th meeting to discuss identifying and attracting prospective new members. Pres. Stephen can explain.

There was a good turnout of club members at the recent District Conference. Next year it will be held in Canmore on May 13, 14, 15.

PP Paul G. presented a cheque for \$3,500 from Spruce Meadows representing payment for our work during the recent Horticultural Show. He mentioned the National equestrian event is scheduled for June 2nd to 7th.

Fran informed us that last year's Exchange Student who was from Brazil, has enquired as to which members from this club

will be attending the Rotary International convention in Sao Paulo next month.

Exchange student Gregor has been busy recently. He changed host families, experienced some food poisoning, etc. Next week he is off to Toronto.

David reminded us of the President's Dinner on Saturday evening starting at 5:30 at McKenzie Meadows Golf Course. David and Terry have the tickets.

John provided the monthly Birthdays and Anniversaries report. Members with birthdays in May are: Keith Hansen, George Kimura, Jack Leuw, Al Holt, Bill Churchward, Rosemary Crawford, Garth Sabirsh, Steve McAuley and Gregor Sprenger. Spouse birthdays are: Bev Pettigrew, Beti Gaudet, Mary Billings and Lise May. Wedding Anniversaries include the: Pettigrews, Boones, Thompsons and Langereis. Rotary Anniversaries are: Paul Hussey, Tom McKee, Bev Tonkinson, Ernie Hawrylyshen, and Peter Bickham.

SAA Ed McLean did his usual great job on fleecing the membership in his own inimitable style. This was his last 'at bat' before his move to Winnipeg. We will miss you, Ed!

Bart introduced guest speaker Andrew Hart, ornithologist.



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May 8 - 10th, 2015

It was a great and informative District Convention in Medicine Hat. This year it was attended by the Picks, Popoffs, Bickhams, Greens, Anne Dale, Heide Kramer, Sydney Richmond, David Wartman, Dale Perret and our incoming YEX student Gregor.

The break out sessions and the key note speakers were all informative, and the fellowship with Rotarians from all over District 5360 was also fun.

Next year's convention will be in Canmore, and they have a number of new events envisaged to increase the fun and fellowship portion of the event.



Photos courtesy Heide Kramer

May 16th, 2015

It was a cool and wet Saturday night, but inside the McKenzie Meadows cart barn, a friendly and warm group of Chinook Rotarians and their partners gathered to do a send-off roast of President Stephen Pick.

After a great meal, Bart Dailey acted as MC and he did get in quite a few zingers, but he had a large and easy target. Immediate Past President Terry Green took the stand and gave a good overview of Stephen's career and how he became a Chinook Rotarian. Anne Pick was presented with a basket of herbs and a gift certificate for garden supplies. Stephen was presented with a weed "picker".

Following Terry's presentation, Stephen said a few words of thanks, and then presented Anne with a Paul Harris +1 pin to thank her in a small way for her support of his efforts as Club President.

Following that, it was time for the 4th Annual Chinook Rotary Club Distinguished Rotarian of the Year Award. The award recipient is selected by the awards committee based on a member's activities over their Rotary career to this point. Stephen read off the list of achievements of this member, and then presented the award to Bob Montgomery. Bob took to the mike, but for once had very few words to say, except his thanks for the honour.

A great time was had by all.



Photos courtesy Ian Burgess and Heide Kramer

President's Dinner 2015

McKenzie Meadows Golf and Country Club



Fairview School Mentoring



Fun and games at the May 22nd session



Distinguished Rotarian of the Year Winner

Bob Montgomery



Award Inscription

Distinguished Rotarian of the Year

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May 23rd, 2015

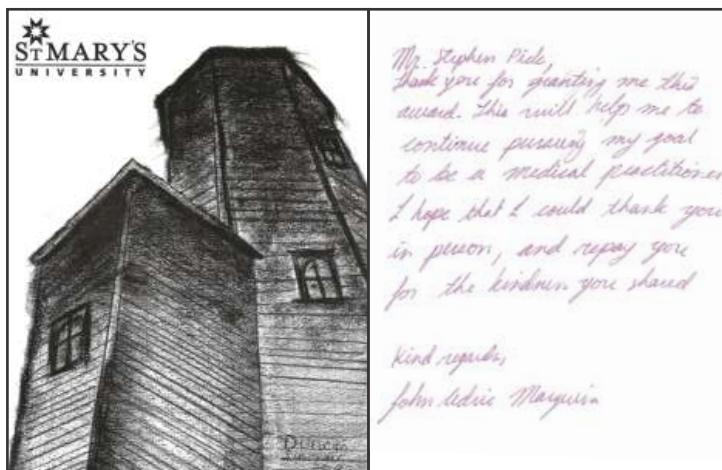
The first Grillin' and Servin' event of the 2015 season was a great success. Under the able direction of Grill Chef (?) Hank Popoff, an able group of Chinookers and a couple of spouses hit the ground running, and served up a heck of a pile of Johnsonville sausages, Reesors macaroni salad and coleslaw, and little potatoes to the runners and hangers-on at the Brain Sprint event.

Special thanks to Neil Beatty who got up early to get the trailer and supplies to the event, and to Peter Bickham and John Barratt who arrived early to do the set-up.

Take the food service course, and come on out for these fun Fellowship and Fund Raising events. The next one is on June 13th.



A Note of Thanks



A Note of Thanks

From the students at Fairview School



Promote RI Convention Month

May 26th

Presentation by Sydney Richmond

Rotary Fellowship Month

June 2nd

Ina Bechthold, Ferret Rescue / Education Services (DG Garth Toombs club visit)

June 3rd

Spruce Meadows Dinner and Show Jumping Event

June 6th - 9th

RI Convention, Sao Paulo, Brazil

June 9th

Classification Talks

June 13th

Grillin' and Servin' — Superstore, Country Hills, 3-7pm

June 16th

Gregor Sprenger, Exchange Student 2014-15 — Gregor's Wrap-up

June 23rd

Alex Neve, Amnesty International

June 27th

Grillin' and Servin' — Superstore, Signal Hill, 3-7pm

June 30th

No meeting - moved to July 2nd



SPRUGE MEADOWS



New Rotary Year Begins

July 2nd

Rotary Friendship Exchange — Presentation on Australia

July 7th

Annual Carriage House Stampede Pancake Breakfast

July 14th

Club Assembly — Changing of the Guard & introduction of the new Board

July 21st

Katherine van Kooy, Calgary Chamber of Voluntary Organizations

July 26th

Grillin' and Servin' — Iron Man, Glenmore, 11am-4pm

July 28th

Brian Burke, Calgary Flames President of Hockey Operations



Birds in Calgary cont'd from page 1

For those interested in a more complete presentation of birds in our area, we suggest you visit:

www.naturecalgary.com/birding

A personal study in the country suggests the need for binoculars, a field guide, notepad and walking boots, as well as a camera and maps.

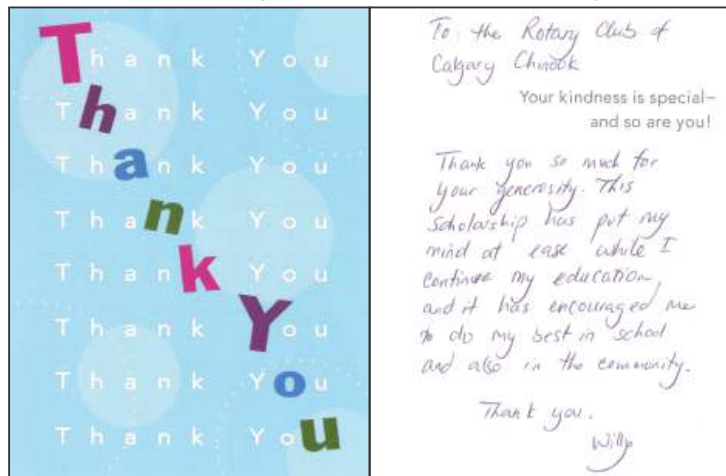


President Stephen thanked Andrew and presented him with our usual Polio Plus certificate.

Photos courtesy Ian Burgess

A Note of Thanks

From the Winner of the 2014 Rotary Club of Calgary Chinook Father Greg McLellan Memorial Bursary



Spruce Meadows Booklet Ad

This is the ad that we have placed in the Spruce Meadows event booklet, thanks to the generosity of Spruce Meadows and Kurby Court.

The ad was put together on very short notice, and we would very much like to receive comments and suggestions from members, as we would like to use ads like this to promote Rotary Chinook when opportunities present themselves. There may be a few versions of this ad highlighting various aspects of Club activities.

Send feedback to Stephen Pick at stephen.rotary@ontheridge.ca

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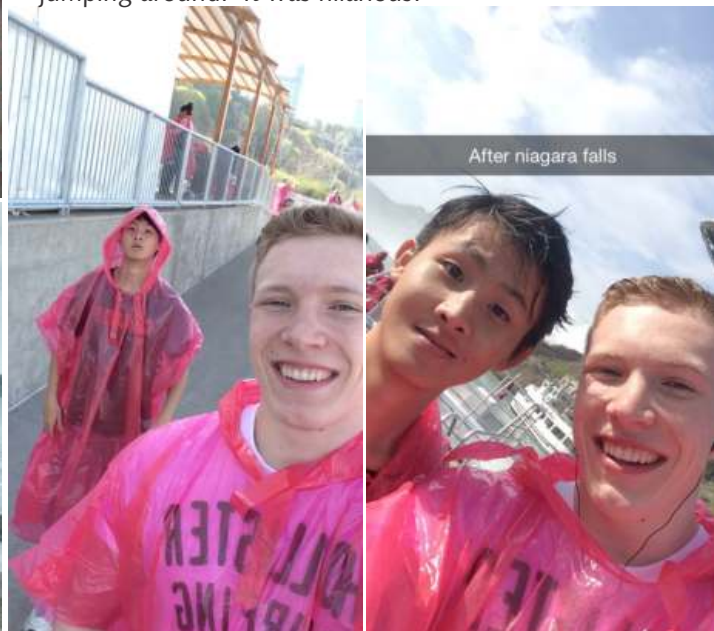
May 18th — The adventure begins! A very early morning start to the day. Off to the airport at 6:15. Then sit around and wait for the flight.



Arrived in Niagara Falls. I asked the boys if they would like to go on the boat to see the falls. Gregor was concerned that he might get wet. No way, I said! He thought the falls were much bigger, he said!

What a surprise on the boat! The falls were HUGE, and Gregor got a "little bit" wet. Similar to a hurricane in Florida!

Wish I could have taken a video with all the laughter and jumping around. It was hilarious!



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