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CANADA DAY

THURSDAY, JULY 1ST

Parade to start at 11:00am

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Please line up along the road facing the far entrance.

Open to families and community members

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Resident of the Month: Andrew Wilson

Written by: Brent Connelly and Andrew Wilson

These two residents arrived at Orchard View on October 16, 2020. They now occupy a main floor suite, where they have converted the second bedroom into a den to house, among other things, their computer equipment and some of their books.

Drew was born on May 30, 1928, at Penicuik in Scotland, some nine miles south of the capital, Edinburgh. He was christened, traditionally, Andrew Hastie Wilson - paternal grandfather's Christian name and mother's maiden name. But when he was born, that paternal grandfather was alive, well and living in Penicuik. He made it clear that he was to be the only *Andrew* in the family. His new grandson should be called something else. So a suitable diminutive was found. Since his mother disliked *Andy*, he became *Drew*.

Drew attended high school at George Watson's College in Edinburgh during World War II, travelling daily by bus. He recalls the War as a time of blackouts, casualties, shortages, air raids and, in the beginning, bad news. While Penicuik had German bombers fly overhead occasionally, no high explosive bombs fell. But for a time in 1940 and 1941 there was the threat of an airborne invasion. Drew's mother remarked around this time that she should brush up her German in case she should come face-to-face with a Nazi parachutist in her back yard!

A few weeks after the end of World War II, Drew enrolled in engineering at the University of Glasgow. His four-year mechanical course was 'cooperative,' which allowed him to undertake a partial apprenticeship in marine engineering in the Clydeside engine shops of Harland & Wolff Ltd. Graduating from the University in April 1949 and finishing his apprenticeship six months later, he joined McTaggart, Scott & Company, a manufacturer of hydraulic machinery in a town near Penicuik. In April 1950, he reported for National Service with the Royal Air Force, was awarded a commission in its Technical Branch in June, and was assigned to the technical staff at the headquarters of Coastal Command.

Drew left the RAF in October 1951, returning to the University of Glasgow to take a liberal arts degree that included economics and history. His longer-term objective was to find work that combined engineering with these two disciplines. But after graduating in June 1954, he stayed with engineering, joining the SKF Ball Bearing Company and serving in two of its branches in England.

Meanwhile, he sought employment in the 'three disciplines' - unsuccessfully. An alternative source of employment, North America, was attractive. Three earlier Wilson family members had settled there successfully, one in the United States and two in Canada. As well, Glasgow engineering graduates were moving to Canada, especially, in relatively large numbers. And contemporaries from Penicuik were already in Toronto. So in mid-September, 1957, he boarded a Lockheed *Constellation* at Prestwick and flew across the Atlantic. An old friend from Penicuik met him in Toronto and was his guide, philosopher and friend until an engineering job was found with Atomic Energy of Canada (AECL) at Chalk River, in the Upper Ottawa Valley.

Drew stayed with AECL for six years, working as a senior mechanical engineer for the first two, and then as the Administrative Officer for the Physics Division, where he became involved in the management of scientific research and the organization of international conferences.

He married, in August 1959, and became a home-owner in Deep River, the dormitory town for the AECL plant, where his first two children, a daughter and a son, were born. His wife was Shirley Mary McGinn. Professionally, she was a school teacher, who graduated from the Ottawa Normal School in 1947, and had experience at Woodstock, Ontario, before coming to teach in the Deep River school system in 1948. In accordance with the practice then in place, she retired from teaching on her marriage and turned her attention domestically, and to the game of bridge. Rugby having been Drew's principal sport, he was a founding member and the first captain of the Deep River Rugger Club. He also began a long period of activity in support of the engineering profession in Canada, and the Engineering Institute (EIC) in particular.

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JoJo's Did You Know?

A shark is the only fish who can blink with both eyes

A snail can sleep for three years

Al Capone's business cards said he was a used furniture dealer

All 50 States are listed across the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill

Almonds are a member of the peach family

An Ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain!

Employee of the Month - Kim

Congratulations to Kim on being our July Employee of the Month! Kim works in the Dining Room and boy oh boy is she loved! Not only by her fellow staff members but the residents as well. If it's not her big personality it's her willingness to help and go above and beyond. Kim now looks after the OVM Kitchen Garden with Shannon. Kim has a wonderful welcoming personality and runs a very tight ship. If Kim is there you know it's going to be a good day! Congratulations and thank you Kim for all your hard work and dedication to the OVM family!

Testimonial - Kaitland Comerford

Orchard view by the Mississippi has been a part of my life for almost 5 years now. I have worn many hats while working here; Reception, dietary, housekeeping and now recreation. Orchard View isn't only a job to me, it is an opportunity to grow in work and life. Many residents don't see me as just an employee, but a person that has been on the journey with them. I enjoy coming to work because not only am I doing something I love but the people I do it for are so appreciative. They might not all be able to tell me but the smile on their face does. I'm so lucky to have had the opportunity to grow here at Orchard View.

Laugh out Loud with Orchard View

Knock, knock. Who's there? Harry. Harry who? Harry up and answer the door!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Cash. Cash who? No thanks, but I'll take a peanut if you have one!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Mikey. Mikey who? Mikey doesn't fit in the key hole!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Stopwatch. Stopwatch who? Stopwatch you're doing and let me in!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Nana. Nana who? Nana your business!

Knock, knock. Who's there? Kanga. Kanga who? No, it's kangaroo!

Open Activities

- ~ Bistro ~ Puzzle Tables
- ~ Wellness Centre Bike and Walking Bars
- ~ Joe on the Piano ~ Adult Colouring
- ~ Social Distanced Bingo with Joanna and Friends
- ~ Massage Chairs (Wellness Centre/ 3rd Floor Lounge)
- ~ Docking Station for phone calls or Video Calls on the computer
- ~ Library ~ Tuck Shop
- ~ Church Services / Rosary Prayer
- ~ Fitness classes on Main, 3rd and 4th Floor from Almonte Physio

The opportunity to move to a 'three disciplines' job came early in 1964 when Drew joined the research staff of the newly-established Economic Council of Canada and became secretary and chief research officer of the Council's industry advisory committee. And so began his interest in the policy implications for science, technology, engineering and innovation. His first major report was published in book form by the Council in 1968.

In that year, also, he moved to the Science Council of Canada, where - as a program manager - he expanded his policy-related research work on innovation and industry...and continued his support for the engineering profession, especially in regard to human resources and scientific and technical information transfer.

Drew became actively interested in the history of engineering on his appointment in 1975 to chair the first History Committee of the recently established Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering (CSME). He interrupted his tenure of this position to serve as president of the Society in 1979-80, and followed this with service on the Council of the Engineering Institute, and the presidency of EIC in 1982-83, coincident with the chairmanship of the Canadian Engineering Manpower Council (1981-83), then associated with the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers.

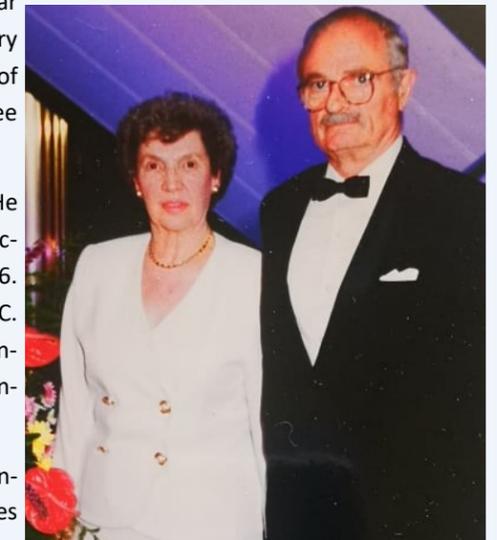
By 1978, however, Drew had moved again, to the Division of Building Research of the National Research Council (NRC). His initial interests were in technology transfer and the economics of the industry. As well, he developed strong ties to U.S. and European committees active in these areas. He was appointed Head the Division's Building Performance Section in 1980 and held this appointment until he was seconded by NRC to the secretariat of the Task Force on Federal Policies and Programs for Technology Development (the Wright Task Force). On his return to NRC, he served in a variety of capacities, including chairman and organizer of an International Symposium on Building Economics. He retired early from the Public Service, in May 1986.

The Wilson family added two daughters, born in Ottawa. While the four children grew up and Drew worked for federal agencies, travelling a great deal, the family home was on Wavell Avenue in McKellar Park in West Ottawa. The four children attended area public schools and Nepean High School, to which they could walk from home. Shirley managed the home, and drove the young ones to their many *extra curricular* activities. She often said that the days (our only) car was in for service were her happiest. She could stay home!

Since then, all four offspring have been to university and married. There are now seven grandchildren, all of them young adults. With Drew's retirement and the departures of the children, the family home downsized and moved westward in 1987 to a bungalow on Cedargrove Court in Briargreen. And late last year came another downsizing, with the move to Orchard View. Nowadays, Mary is living in Almonte, Hugh in Kanata and Anne in Perth. Ellen is in the Isle of Man, in the middle of the Irish Sea, from whose highest point you can see Scotland, England, Wales and Ireland.

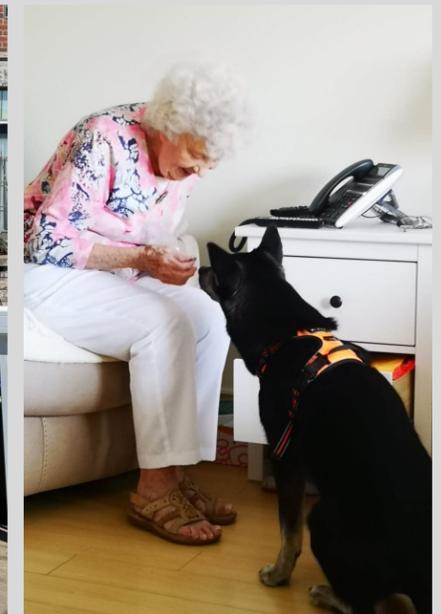
One of Drew's early retirement activities was consulting, in policy studies. He also joined the Canadian Association for the Club of Rome, served as a director for several years, and was national chairman from 1994 to 1996. Throughout the 1990s, he chaired the History Committees of CSME and EIC. Until 1992, he was a member of the Committee of Parliamentarians, Scientists and Engineers. And he lectured to a variety of audiences, mostly on engineering's history, and wrote research papers.

While Shirley's activities have changed in the last few months, Drew has continued, at a much slower pace, to research and write within the boundaries of the 'three disciplines.'



Keep on Smiling

Welcome to the new kid on the block!
Our goats had a baby in May.



An amazing group came to support our walk for Alzheimer's this year!



No matter where you live we all wait for patio season!