



# The Canadian Club of Edmonton

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## The May 2019 CANADIAN CLUB OF EDMONTON NEWSLETTER

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**This is a U of A Faculty Club dinner meeting.**

### 1. Speaker - for May 15, 2019

## Dr. Gordon Houlden

### Topic

**"China vs. Canada: Huawei & detainees - Short-term headache or chronic rivalry?"**



Gordon Houlden is the Director of the China Institute, Professor of Political Science and Adjunct Professor of the Alberta School of Business at the University of Alberta. Professor Houlden joined the Canadian Foreign Service in 1976, serving in Ottawa and abroad. Twenty-two of his years in the Canadian Foreign Service were spent working on Chinese economic, trade and political affairs for the Government of Canada including five postings in China. He also served at Canadian Embassy in Havana and Warsaw, and at Canada National Defence College. His last assignment before joining UAlberta in 2008 was as Director General of the East Asian Bureau of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, responsible for Greater China, Japan, the Koreas and Mongolia. Under Professor Houlden’s leadership, the China Institute has focused on contemporary China studies, with an emphasis on Canada’s trade, investment and energy linkages with the PRC, and Asian security issues.

## 2. Speakers for future meetings:

Jun 15, 2019 – Wally Born, Topic: Are We Prepared for Forest Fire Season? Title - TBD  
Sep 4, 2019 – Senator Paula Simons

## 3. CCE Visit to University of Alberta Botanic Garden

The U of A Botanical Garden (UABG) will be the site for our summer excursion in 2019. Members will be informed of plans as they develop. **The reserved date is July 9**, with assembly at the Garden by 10:30am for touring before lunch. There will be a catered lunch followed by additional touring. **Please let Allan know if you wish to participate.**

## 4. May 15 Dinner Confirmation

The next meeting of the Canadian Club of Edmonton is for dinner on **Wednesday, May 15, 2019** at the U of A Faculty Club. Please arrive early - about 5:30 pm – to register, enjoy a beverage (cash bar) and meet with friends. Dinner starts at 6:00pm. More than 50 are confirmed. **This will be a last call for members who wish to attend but have not previously committed and pre-paid for dinner. If interested, please e-mail Allan this week to have your names added and send payment by mail. The cost is \$55/person - cheque payable to Canadian Club of Edmonton, mailed to President (address on CCE website).**

## 5. Meal Cancellation

If you have confirmed your attendance for the dinner meeting and have to cancel please let Allan <[aao@ece.ualberta.ca](mailto:aao@ece.ualberta.ca)> know by the evening of **May 10**. There will be no refunds.

## 6. Parking – U of A Parking Faculty Club Lot

Obtain a ticket from the ATM machines on the Faculty Club parking lot.

## 7. Women's Canadian Club of Edmonton.

Canadian Club of Edmonton members are welcome to attend the Women's Canadian Club meetings which are held at Salon A or B at the Chateau Lacombe. Registration starts at 11:30 am with lunch at 12:00 noon.

### Programs for the Women's Canadian Club of Edmonton:

- a. May 21, 2019 – Elsie Paul: "Teachings from the Grandmothers"
- b. Jun 18, 2019 - Christina Barron-Ortiz: "How Fossils at the Royal Alberta Museum Help Us Understand Alberta's Ice Age"

## 8. Membership Renewal

**CCE membership – see form below. Guest coupons – at reception desk. The membership dues remain at \$60 per person, \$75 per couple & \$150 corporate.**

## 9. Lunch Speakers

Canadian Club of Edmonton members are invited to suggest speakers or topics for next year's program. Please send your ideas to Allan, [aao@ece.ualberta.ca](mailto:aao@ece.ualberta.ca) or phone at **780-483-1740**.

## 10. CCE Website

The CCE website is fully functional and we encourage members to consult it regularly for general information and announcements. <https://www.canadianclubofedmonton.com/>

### WHAT IS A CANADIAN CLUB?

The Canadian Club is an organization of patriotic Canadians who are interested in the activities of their country and its future. They foster interest in Canada's institutions, encourage Canadian unity, and support celebrations and anniversaries relating to its history and heritage.

The first Club was founded in 1893 in Hamilton by a group of leading Canadian citizens who worried about the lack of patriotism in the country at that time. Canada seemed to have a lack of direction of its own. Sir John A. Macdonald had passed away and the young country struggled with four Prime Ministers in five years. Railway expansion had slowed, the economy was in the doldrums and there was little agreement on Canada's future. The needed injection of patriotism came from Charles McCullough and his group of friends who formed the first Canadian Club. Since the concept seemed national, Canadian Clubs were soon organized from coast to coast.

The Association of Canadian Clubs was chartered by an Act of Parliament in 1939.

The Canadian Club of Edmonton was founded in 1906 and celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2006. We meet to hear outstanding speakers addressing Canadian topics. During lunch we participate in stimulating conversation with our table companions, and we are joined by students who are visiting our club as our guests. The issues they present may be of local, national or international importance, but always there will be a Canadian flavour or relevance. Our members are men and women of all political, religious, cultural and economic backgrounds. Anyone who wants to meet others who have an interest in Canadian affairs is encouraged to join.

The Canadian Club of Edmonton supports nation-building endeavours and participates in Remembrance Day services. Its Board of Directors is responsible for the administration of the club. Interested members may serve on the Board to set policy and help organize the club's meetings, activities, and occasional social activities. Members belong because they care about Canada, are interested in its future, and wish to be better informed about issues that concern our country.

The Canadian Club of Edmonton meets at the Chateau Lacombe at noon, usually the third Wednesday of each month except May, July and August.

### Current Executive

President	Dr. Allan Offenberger
Past President	Dr. Walter W. Yakimets
Vice President	Paul Conway
Treasurer	Eve Wong
Secretary	Rev. Gordon Oaks

### Committee Chairs

Communications Committee	Blair Harwood
Membership Committee	Victoria Grabb
Programs	Allan Offenberger
Sponsorship	Chuck Gehart

### Directors

Keith Duggan	Chuck Gehart
Blair Harwood	Victoria Grabb
Nancy Chan	Dr. Richard Plain

### Archivist

Blair Harwood

### Music Director

### Honorary Life Members

Alan Bell  
 Kathryn Buchanan  
 Norman Croll  
 Jim Lockhart  
 Jim Newby  
 Mike & Nance Smith

MEMBERSHIP FEES may be paid at a meeting or mailed with a completed Membership Application Form to the Club President:

Dr. Allan Offenberger  
 Canadian Club of Edmonton  
 412 Lessard Drive  
 Edmonton, AB T6M 1A7

Membership year runs from January 1 to December 31.

For more information contact the President at:

[aao@ece.ualberta.ca](mailto:aao@ece.ualberta.ca)

Phone: 780-483-1740

### APPLICATION FORM

- NEW MEMBER  
 RENEWING  
 RENEWING (*with spouse*)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov: \_\_\_\_\_

P/Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### OCCUPATION

Former/Current: \_\_\_\_\_

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

### ANNUAL DUES

Individual: \$60 \_\_\_\_\_

Family (*two from same family*): \$75 \_\_\_\_\_

Corporate: \$150 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### LUNCH COSTS

Sandwich plate . . . . . \$25

Member and Member's guest hot lunch . . . \$35

If you wish to have your name removed from our mailing list please contact Allan at [<aao@ece.ualberta.ca>](mailto:aao@ece.ualberta.ca)