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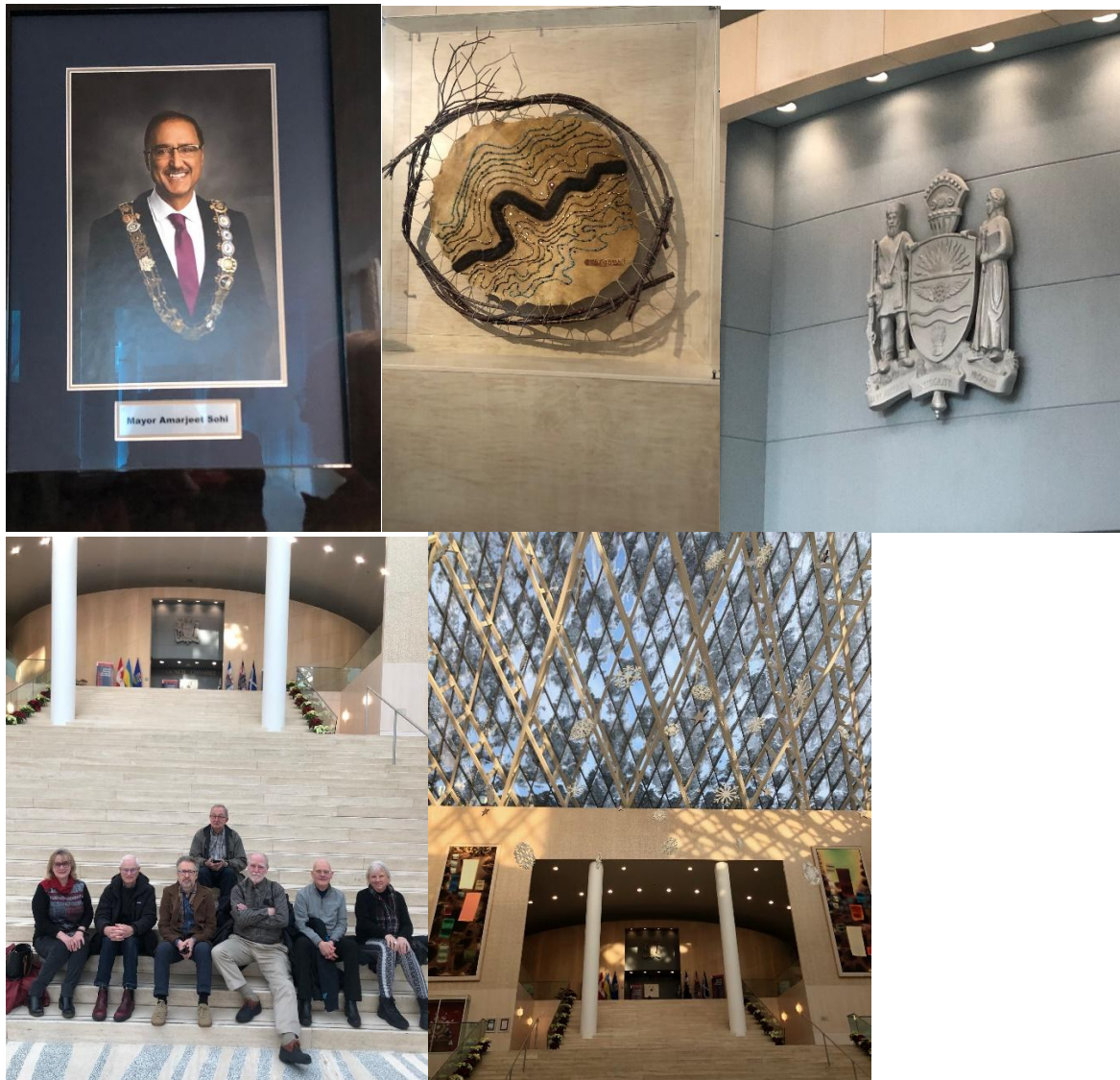
November 19 – Guest Speaker, our own Gordon Fuest

From the memory of a 6-year-old boy and a lifetime of never giving up. Gordon has done extensive research about his family history as Germans from Poland immigrating to the very rural Bashaw Alberta. History spanning over 150 years. What happened to the Lutheran Minister, named Alexander who came from Germany. That was very exciting for Germans who had immigrated from other parts Europe like Poland and Ukraine.

During WWII. Alexander was taken away by police, why? and where? This stayed with Gordon. It took him until 1997 to learn about Canada's darker history of internment camps. Gordon was excited to realize this was not a figment of his imagination. Alexander spent 4 years in internment camps and in 1944 finally reunited with his wife and children. Sadly, Alexander passed in 1945. Thank you, Gordon, for sharing this heartwarming story with us.

November 26- City Hall Tour

A bright sunny cold winter day to visit City Hall. The glass pyramid allowed the bright day to penetrate the main hall. We got to see the chamber with politicians in action and locals presenting concerns. This is the 5-city hall for Edmonton. Groups of school students excited and when asked who was going to run for mayor in the future, at least 5 raised their hands with excitement.



A little Humour

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season.

What do you get if you cross a snowman and a dog? Frostbite

What do you call an elf who tells jokes? A “pum”y helper

What do you get when you cross a Christmas Tree with an apple? A Pineapple

Why did Santa go down the chimney on Christmas Eve? Because it sooted him!