

Probus Club - of Central Edmonton June 2018

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Speaker: June 19 – Ray Agterbos, Edmonton Fire and Rescue training facilities

Ray Agterbos, a 30 year veteran of the Edmonton Fire and Rescue Service, described the challenges faces by our firefighters. Surprisingly, almost 2/3 of their service calls are for medical needs, and only 6.5% are fire suppression. Ray took us through the skill set required for a fireman, including basic life support, CPR, obstetrics, fentanyl awareness and many other technical rescue procedures. Like so many things in life, it's more complicated than you would think!

Our Last Tour - Tuesday, June 26

On June 26 we visited the training facility guided by Ray. On our tour, we actually witnessed a Flashover, when a room and all its content are suddenly engulfed by flames, in the live fire-training tower – scary!!

