

Peter Stuart (Scotty) Grant

January 11, 1924 - May 31, 2006



Scotty Grant, Charter Member

Rotarian February 17, 1955 to May 31, 2006

Rotary Club of Manchester (Calgary South)

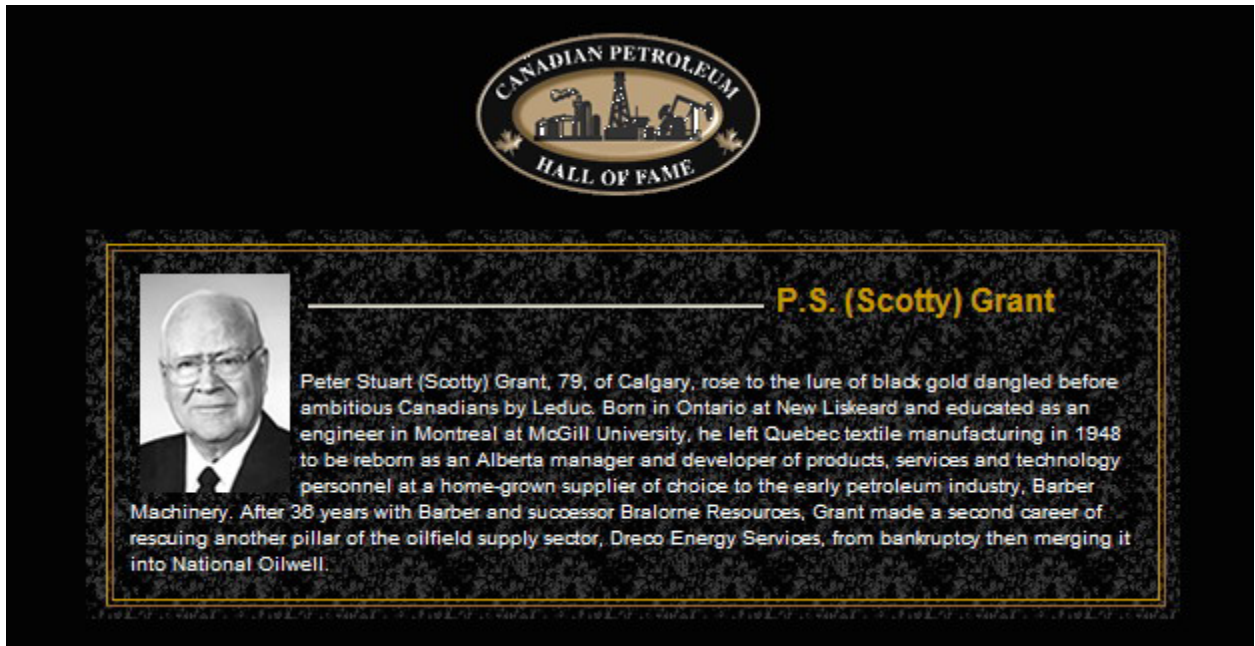
Scotty passed away during the night of May 31, 2006. He was a Rotarian for over 51 of his 82 years. Leishman McNeill, one of the Founders of our Club brought Scotty into Rotary as a Charter Member. He served as President of the Club during the 1965-1966 Rotary Year.

Scotty Grant was not only a Charter Member of our Club - he was a builder of the Club, he was a "go to" guy. During his Year Scotty succeeded in "reactivating" the Past Presidents, solidifying our Stampede Grounds meeting venue and initiating the Club's name change to "The Rotary Club of South Calgary." Decades later he renamed the Bulletin "Manchester '55" to highlight the Club's history. Scotty was also instrumental in shaping the future of our Club when he led a committee that recommended the Club - "develop a Manchester Club activity for the Stampede Week; do a Garage Sale; and do a "Raffle of Real Estate" . ." Much of the success of the Rotary Club of Calgary South can be credited to Scotty's foresight.

Peter Stuart (Scotty) Grant was born in New Liskeard, Northern Ontario - in the middle of mining country on the Quebec border. He studied engineering at McGill University in Montreal and worked for a short time in the Quebec textile industry before heading west to the Alberta Oilpatch in 1948 - a year after Imperial's Leduc #1 discovery. He held executive positions with Barber Machine (later Bralorne) for 36 years. Following his

"retirement" Scotty was called upon to rescue rig-builder Dreco from bankruptcy which he did with "his strength of character and organizational ability." Dreco is now part of National-Oilwell-Varco, a major supplier of equipment to the world-wide oil and gas industry.

Scotty was recognized for his creativity, technical excellence and industry leadership through his induction into the Canadian Petroleum Hall of Fame in 2004. He was probably the engineer from Eastern Canada who contributed the most to the Canadian Oil and Gas Industry.



Scotty's wife Lois was an Inner Wheel (later Rotary Anns/Partners) leader, a gracious hostess and a talented pianist. They enjoyed Rotary Mixed Bridge - and other players loved bridge nights at the Grants; not so much for Scotty's bridge talents but for Lois' gourmet snacks and desserts. Lois passed away in 1996 as she and Scotty were touring Europe.

Following Scotty's Rotary Year, Bulletin Editor Jim Bryans cited him as a Past-President who had made an "outstanding contribution to this Club and to Rotary" based on "his strength of character and organizational ability."

Today we reflect and recognize the outstanding legacy Scotty leaves not only to our Club and Rotary but to his profession, the Canadian Petroleum industry and his Community. Thanks Scotty - yours was a life well lived - rest in Peace.

(written by Mel Gray)