

# Society of Grasslands Naturalists

## 2018 Year end report for Indoor Program

The Indoor Program Committee has a sole member – Linda Fisher

The past year of speakers have been very well received by GN members.

Attendance for each speaker ranged around 25-30 members.

All speakers were presented with a copy of Birding Trails of Southeastern Alberta, a complimentary one year membership to Grasslands Naturalists, compensated for mileage at our suggested rate and an honorarium.

Renovations to the Nature Centre theatre were great and didn't prove to difficult to work around.

We started the new year off in April 2018 with Dr. Gail Michener from Lethbridge doing a presentation on Richardson's Ground Squirrels.

May 2018 speaker was Redcliff resident Toby Newton with a talk on Urban Bee Keeping.

June 2018 was the Potluck Supper held at Echo Dale.

September 2018 we had Rick Andrews from Lethbridge showing his first documentary – Wildlife of the Oldman River Valley.

October 2018 saw City managers Randy Taves and Scott Richter discussing Medicine Hat Parks – Parks For All

November 2018 speaker was local environmentalist Jasveen Brar sharing her passion for the planet with her talk on Environmental Literacy and Passion.

December 2018 was the Potluck Supper at the Nature Centre, following the Christmas Bird Count.

January 2019 speaker was Lethbridge naturalist Lorne Fitch's moving presentation – Hearts and Minds – Developing a Prairie Story.

February 2019 we had retired entymologist Dr. David J. Larson from Maple Creek discussing the demise of the prairie rose in North America due to the introduced rose girdler beetle – Goodbye Prairie Rose.

March 2019 will again have Rick Andrews from Lethbridge airing his 2 short documentaries on the Sea Wolves of British Columbia.