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Bow poised to hit pinnacle

Highrise will tower over all in the West

MARIO TONEGUZZI
CALGARY HERALD

The Bow tower is poised any day now to surpass Sunco Energy Centre as the tallest office building in Calgary, with steel today at 51 floors — just one floor below the formerly named Petro-Canada Centre.

The Bow, which will be the home of energy companies Encina and Cenovus when completed in early 2012, will be nearly two million square feet and rise to 58 storeys. It will be the tallest office building in the country outside of Toronto.

Greg Kwong, regional managing director of Alberta for CB Richard Ellis, said highrises are built to fill office demand and developers create a landmark in a city when they construct those skyscrapers.

"Whenever you look at a major city throughout the world, there's always one or two — from a real estate perspective — buildings that stick out as landmarks," said Kwong.

"For instance, the Bank of America building in San Francisco, Or the Sears (Wills) Tower in Chicago, Or the World Trade Center at the time in New York.

"These are all buildings you identify with the specific city. I think this building will go down as the landmark for Calgary going forward."

Kwong said that if you view the Bow under construction from Crescent Heights, even in its unfinished state it's a "gorgeous building."

"And it just draws your eyes to the property. When people see that building (in the future), they'll say, 'Oh, there's

TALLEST BUILDINGS IN CANADA

1. First Canadian Place, Toronto
■ Height: 298 metres
■ Storeys: 72
2. Scotia Plaza, Toronto
■ Height: 275 metres
■ Storeys: 68
3. TD Canada Trust Tower, Brookfield Place, Toronto
■ Height: 261 metres
■ Storeys: 53
4. Commerce Court West, Toronto
■ Height: 239 metres
■ Storeys: 57
5. The Bow, Calgary
■ Height: 236 metres
■ Storeys: 58

Source: buildinglab.ca/bwh.org

Calgary," he added. The Bow, situated along Centre Street between 6th and 7th avenues S.E., is owned by H&K REIT.

It is being developed by Matthews Southwest and constructed by Ledor Construction Ltd. The design architect for the project was internationally renowned Foster + Partners of London.

The Sunco Energy Centre, at 150 6th Ave. S.W., was built in 1983 and has nearly 1.2 million square feet of office space. It is owned by Brookfield Properties.

Joe Binet, managing director of Calliers International in Calgary, said the Bow is significant as it will be the largest office tower in Western Canada.

"It really puts Calgary on the map — not that Calgary wasn't on the map already," said Binet.

"It's a strong statement about the strength of our economy."

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The Calgary Tower, left, The Bow, centre, and Sunco Energy Centre dominate Calgary's downtown skyline.

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HOUSEBOAT TRAGEDY INVESTIGATED



The RCMP released this photograph of a cameraman filming the rear of a houseboat in which a speedboat is lodged after a collision Saturday on Shuswap Lake east of Chase, B.C.

Speedboat driver in shock over fatal Shuswap crash

'His life is ruined,' says close friend

KIM PEMBERTON
CANWEST NEWS SERVICE
VANCOUVER

The tiny community of Anglemont, on B.C.'s Shuswap Lake, was buzzing with speculation Monday about what caused the bizarre weekend boating accident that left a 53-year-old houseboat operator dead, eight of his passengers hospitalized and the driver of the speedboat in "shock."

Ken Brown was pronounced dead at the scene after being struck by the six-metre Champion speedboat that plowed into his 12-metre houseboat while he was behind the wheel after taking 12 guests to watch a fireworks display Saturday.

The name of the speedboat driver has not been released and no charges have been laid.

A friend of the boat driver said the community is so small that after it happened, everyone was "just phoning around and checking on everyone."

When she learned her good friend was the speedboat driver, she went over to talk with the 48-year-old single father.

"He (the speedboat driver) is a really nice man, very kind and generous. His life is ruined. No one goes on and does that on purpose, obviously," said Karen Penahuna. "He honestly didn't see any lights on the houseboat and he said he was looking. It was dark."

She said her friend didn't know Brown, but he is devastated that he caused his death and injured others. Eight of the 15 people on board were taken to hospital to be treated and six have now been released. The two remaining in hospital



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are in stable condition. "He feels he's going to be an outcast now. He's a friend and I feel bad. There's a group of friends and we'll support him as much as we can," said Penahuna.

SITE OF WEEKEND BOAT COLLISION ON SHUSWAP LAKE

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Queen's gala Toronto dinner winds up whirlwind tour

LINDA NGUYEN
CANWEST NEWS SERVICE
TORONTO

Canada is a rich country due to shared values enshrined in the hearts of ordinary Canadians, Queen Elizabeth said on Monday, giving the final speech in the nine-day whirlwind royal tour.

"Commitment to freedom, fairness and the rule of law are commonly and rightly associated with this nation," said the 84-year-old monarch at an official dinner in her honour at the Royal York Hotel in downtown Toronto.



The Queen examines a BlackBerry at Research In Motion in Waterloo, Ont.

"These are just some of the attributes that animate Canadians at home and abroad, not least in the service of peace. So although my visit here is drawing to a close, I shall continue

to take the greatest pride in being your Queen, now and in the years to come."

The five-minute speech — her fourth since arriving in Canada on June 28 — was delivered to a black-tie, invite-only crowd of 350 guests, including Prime Minister Stephen Harper, NDP Leader Jack Layton and Chief of Defence Staff Gen. Walt Natynczyk. The Queen wore a tiara and was dressed in a white silk gown adorned with pearls and sequins making the shape of a maple leaf.

SEE QUEEN, PAGE A3

Bogus nurse may be in Alberta

Officials fear a woman who they say has history of "passing herself off as a nurse" in Calgary and has been jailed in Ontario for a similar offense might be working in Alberta's Brigitte medical system.



Brigitte Cleroux, medical system worker.

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END OF AN ERA
Staff patrons mourn closing of Megatunes record shop.
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EXCUSE ME
'It was a long day,' woman who drove 204 km/h tells police.
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