

## **Ed Hergott**

## "Wise, enduring friend"

Ed Hergott is one of those volunteers who quietly goes about his work with determination and minimal fuss, and yet without him AWA would be utterly lost. When a team of reliable and organized volunteers is needed, then Ed is always the first person to ask; calling on an apparently inexhaustible supply of family and friends to help. If you have taken part in the Climb for Wilderness at the Calgary Tower, then you will have seen Ed and his trusty team of "tower aides" in the stairwell, keeping an eye on everybody's safety and providing good-natured encouragement as required. As General Manager of AWA's casino volunteers, Ed takes on a sizeable piece of planning and coordinating work, and does so with a quiet efficiency that belies the value of his work.

Whether hiking or backcountry skiing, few people seem to get as much enjoyment from the wilderness as Ed. And few people are willing to give back as much as Ed.