

Drumright hears about African Safari

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At Friday's Rotary Club meeting, Rotarian, Jim Martin, introduced his guest of honor, Danny Cooper. Danny played a slideshow and discussed his recent African Safari adventure. As a birthday present from Danny's family, he traveled to Africa, approximately eighty miles north of Johannesburg for this fourteen day trip.



L to R: Anita Cooper, Danny Cooper, Penny Gooch, Jim Martin

Danny had never been hunting like this before and he enjoyed his trip very much. He stayed in a local lodge with accommodations such as a pool and comfortable rooms; however, he was isolated from the world because there weren't televisions, newspapers or cell phone usage.

During the day, Danny would go out hiking with his Professional Hunter, also known as a guide. The Professional Hunters attend school to learn their trade. While in school they take photography classes as well. After a kill occurs, the Professional Hunter, cleans the area, poses the animal and takes a picture of the hunter with their trophy.

Danny shot his rifle seven times and got six animals. He focused on animals that would be used for meals by the locals so that waste was not an issue.

During his adventure, Danny also photographed animals in natural activities. He witnessed over thirty-seven different types of animals including a rare opportunity to observe a lioness with her cubs.

The slideshow that Danny presented showed the magnificent animals in their natural habitat – definitely a sight to see.

Danny arrived back in Drumright on Flag Day, the same day that the new flag had been raised in Centennial Park.

Thank you Danny for sharing your adventure with us!

Other guests included Danny's wife, Anita Cooper and Penny Gooch.

Please visit us at Friday's meeting hosted by Rotarian, Kay Murphy.

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