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CEO'S REPORT

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belongs

SUMMER FUN

Pion-Era and more
at the WDM

NEW EXHIBIT

Doukhobor Living
Book Project

UPCOMING EVENTS



WDM Moose Jaw

Through September 29	<i>One Canada: Diefenbaker's Vision</i> travelling exhibit from the Diefenbaker Canada Centre
June 16	Father's Day
July 1	Canada Day
July 1 – August 23	Summer Heritage Club – <i>Pre-registration required</i>
July 27 – 28	Brickspo
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August 10	Blow Off Some Steam

WDM North Battleford

July 15 – 19	Heritage Farm and Village Kids' Camp – <i>Pre-registration required</i>
August 17 – 18	50 th Those Were The Days

WDM Saskatoon

Through July 28	<i>Poles in the Canadian Mosaic: 150 Years of History</i> travelling exhibit from the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland and Polonia Canadian Institute for Historical Studies
June 15	2019 TELUS Motorcycle Ride For Dad
June 29 – October 20	<i>Doukhobor Living Book Project</i> WDM exhibit in partnership with Spirit Wrestler Productions
July 13 – 14	Pion-Era
July 19 – August 25	Summer Programming (Fridays – Sundays)
July 22 – 26	Hands-On Heritage Camp – <i>Pre-registration required</i>
July 29 – August 2	Hands-On Heritage Camp – <i>Pre-registration required</i>
August 12 – 16	Hands-On Heritage Camp – <i>Pre-registration required</i>

WDM Yorkton

Through July 15	<i>Our Collective Threads</i> – WDM travelling exhibit
June 23	Movies at the Museum
July 1	Good Old Fashioned Canada Day Picnic
July 7	Movies at the Museum
July 10	Museum Day
July 14	Movies at the Museum
July 21	Discovery Box Family Programming
August 3 – 4	Threshermen's Show & Seniors' Festival
August 13 – 15	Blast From The Past Summer Camp – <i>Pre-registration required</i>
August 18	Discovery Box Family Programming

Events and dates listed here are subject to change.

For details visit wdm.ca.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Sometimes the greatest gift you can give another person is to simply include them.

– Author Unknown

Our province has always been diverse. It's a part of our history. Our provincial motto - from many peoples, strength – reflects this history and why inclusion is so important.

During their April 2019 meeting, the Board of Directors continued to refine the WDM's Ends policy to bring further clarity to the results the WDM is expected to achieve. Our Ends policy is an important part of the Board's work and serves as the foundation for our strategic and operational plans. Our new Ends policy states the following:

Major End: A Saskatchewan where everyone belongs and histories matter.

Sub-Ends Statements:

1. People's lives are enriched by connecting with Saskatchewan's diverse histories.
 - 1.1 Saskatchewan people experience a sense of place and belonging because their histories are shared through the WDM.
2. Inclusion and diversity are integral to the sustainability of the WDM.
 - 2.2 The WDM is committed to being an inclusive and diverse organization.

Diversity is everything that makes us unique as individuals and is intrinsic to who we are. It includes characteristics such as cultural background and ethnicity, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, abilities, indigenous status, immigration status, religious beliefs, language and education. Diversity also includes characteristics such as professional skills, working style, location and life experiences. Inclusion is an environment where everyone is valued, respected and involved – including people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalized.

Inclusion is diversity in action. It's about recognizing the needs of each individual and having the right conditions so that each person can achieve their full potential. The WDM is focusing on inclusivity because it's the right thing to do! Inclusion is belonging. Everyone deserves to feel like they belong. A sense of belonging contributes to health, happiness and community cohesion. As Saskatchewan's human history museum, people of all diversities must see themselves and their stories reflected in our programs, exhibits and collections. Inclusion creates opportunities, not only for the WDM, but for the communities we serve.

For the WDM, inclusion is a journey. It's about enriching the amazing stories we currently tell by adding the voices and histories of people and communities who are missing from our Museum. We look forward to growing our WDM family and creating opportunities for more people to feel like they belong.

Sincerely,

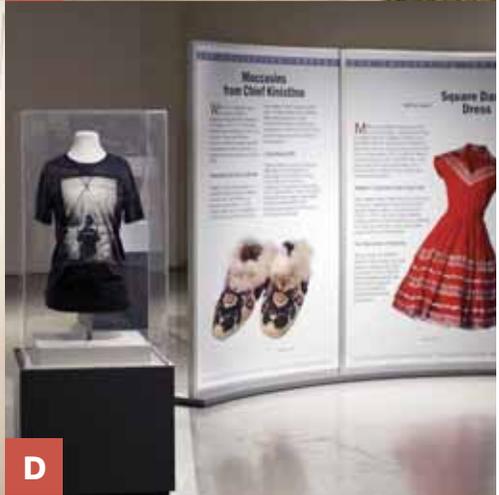
Joan Kanigan, CEO

IN THE GALLERIES

A WDM Moose Jaw – *One Canada: Diefenbaker's Vision* from the Diefenbaker Centre Canada
Through September 29



B WDM North Battleford – *Heritage Farm and Village*
Outdoor village open through October 13



C *Poles in the Canadian Mosaic: 150 Years of History* from the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland & Polonia Canadian Institute for Historical Studies
Through July 28

D WDM Yorkton – *Our Collective Threads*
WDM Travelling Exhibit
Through July 15

FEATURE



Pion-Era 2019

July 13 - 14
WDM Saskatoon

For over 60 years, friends and families have been creating memories together at Pion-Era! Experience the Museum as it comes alive with the sights and sounds of prairie farm life in the early part of the 20th century. The whistles of the steam engines, the clang of the anvil, the smell of fresh-baked bread and the gentle rocking of wagon ride will take you back in time.

The show runs from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Check out old favourites like the Story of Threshing and vintage equipment demonstrations. Children will love the games and crafts in the Kids' area, open each day at 11:00 am. Take in the fashion show featuring flowery styles from years gone-by.

Join us on Saturday from 9:00 - 11:30 am for the Harvest Pancake Breakfast. The cost is \$5 plus gate admission. On Sunday, enjoy brunch and live entertainment with The Garrys. Tickets for the brunch must be purchased in advance.

See you there!

WDM MOOSE JAW



Father's Day

JUNE 16, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Take a self-guided tour of the Classy Cars gallery, complete a special scavenger hunt and play a game of "License Plate Bingo" with your favourite fellas to celebrate Father's Day.

Canada Day

JULY 1, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Celebrate Canada Day at the WDM Moose Jaw where you'll find heritage demonstrations, old-fashioned ice cream making, crafts and games. While here, check out vintage Canadiana short films in our theatre from the National Film Board.

Summer Heritage Club

JULY & AUGUST

Children aged 7 – 10 years are invited to join the club and take part in three day mini-camps this summer! With the themes, "Saskatchewan Then and Now", "Trains", "Aviation" and "Fun and Games", campers will take part in workshops, crafts, games and hands-on demonstrations. Visit our website for camp dates and full registration details.

Brickspo

JULY 27 – 28, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM DAILY

See amazing creations by the talented adult builders of SLUG, the Saskatchewan LEGO® Users Group, and others from across western Canada. There will be come and go workshops daily, a LEGO® yard sale and other vendors (cash only) and a concession on-site from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.

WDM MOOSE JAW

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JUNE – JULY HOURS

9:00 am – 5:00 pm Daily



WDM NORTH BATTLEFORD



READY FOR FUN AT THE HERITAGE FARM AND VILLAGE KIDS' CAMP

Heritage Farm and Village Kids' Camp

JULY 15 – 19

We're welcoming 7 – 10 year olds to our annual summer camp. Children get a taste of what life was like in a small town or farm in Saskatchewan nearly 100 years ago. Learn about Saskatchewan history through crafts, demonstrations and hands-on activities. Children can register for one day or for the whole camp.

Call Cheryl to learn more or to pre-register.

50 Years of Those Were The Days

It's hard to believe that 50 years have passed since we hosted our first Those Were The Days event in 1969. It's fun to look back over the years to see how things have changed.... and stayed the same. Check out the newspaper advertisement from July 1969 that promotes the first ever Those Were The Days. While you may not find a lawyer in the law office today, you'll still be treated to farming demonstrations using vintage equipment and you can watch blacksmiths hard at work in the Shop.

Please join us as we celebrate 50 years of demonstrations, entertainment, games and family fun on August 17 & 18 at the WDM North Battleford. Watch for more details in the next issue of *Sparks*.

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JUNE – JULY HOURS

9:00 am – 5:00 pm Daily



NEWSPAPER AD FROM THE JULY 16, 1969
NORTH BATTLEFORD ADVERTISER





HAVING FUN AT SUMMER CAMP

2019 TELUS Motorcycle Ride For Dad

JUNE 15, 8:00 – 10:00 AM

It is the 10th anniversary for this annual prostate cancer fundraiser that starts at the WDM Saskatoon. The Ride kicks off with a pancake breakfast. Following breakfast, the parking lot comes to life with the roar of hundreds of motorcycles setting off on this charitable ride. Visit ridefordad.ca/saskatoon/ for more details.

Hands-On Heritage Camps

JULY & AUGUST

Spaces in our summer camps are filling up quickly. Campers ages 7 - 10 are encouraged to register soon for one of these week-long camps where children will get hands-on with Saskatchewan history. Camps are half day or full day.

July 22 – 26 | 1:00 – 4:30 pm

July 29 – August 2 | 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

August 12 – 16 | 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Stop by the WDM to register or visit wdm.ca.

Summer Programming

JULY 19 – AUGUST 25

The WDM Saskatoon offers more reasons than ever to visit over the summer months, featuring special afternoon programs on Boomtown Street, Fridays through Sundays. From demonstrations of heritage skills and crafts to costumed interpreters, each day will have something to offer.

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JUNE – JULY HOURS

9:00 am – 5:00 pm Daily



MAKING ICE CREAM

Good Old Fashioned Canada Day Picnic

JULY 1, 12:00 – 4:00 PM

Celebrate Canada Day with us! Join us for the opening ceremonies at 12:30 pm, then enjoy food, games, activities and entertainment for all ages. Featuring hay rack rides, restored fire truck rides, live entertainment, concessions and more. Admission to the grounds is free.

Museum Day

JULY 10, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Enjoy come-and-go activity stations throughout the galleries featuring crafts, games and a scavenger hunt. There are scheduled demonstrations of butter and ice cream making, tractor wagon rides, plus cookies and refreshments.

Blast From The Past Camp

AUGUST 13 – 15, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Ages 8 - 10 are invited to travel back in time and immerse themselves in settler life. Children learn about early 20th century prairie life through heritage skills, games, crafts, cooking and more. On the third day, campers host a family picnic sharing what they've learned. The deadline to register is August 6.

WDM YORKTON

MOVIES AT THE MUSEUM

June 23, July 7 & July 14, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
Join us for screenings of short films courtesy of the Yorkton Film Festival. Included in matinees are a taste of hand-churned ice cream.

DISCOVERY BOX FAMILY PROGRAMMING

July 21 & August 18, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
Check out hands-on artifacts and items to transport you back in time.

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JUNE – JULY HOURS

Until June 16
9:00 am – 5:00 pm Monday – Friday
12:00 – 5:00 pm Weekends
After June 16
9:00 am – 5:00 pm Daily

FEATURE

Doukhobor Living Book Project: 120 Years in Saskatchewan

2019 marks the 120th anniversary of Doukhobors arriving in the area that would become Saskatchewan. Originally from Russia, the Canadian government resettled nearly 7,500 Doukhobors fleeing religious persecution. The WDM is pleased to partner with Spirit Wrestler Productions' *Doukhobor Living Book Project* to tell the story of the Doukhobors of Saskatchewan in a unique soundscape and exhibit, running June 29 - October 20 at the WDM Saskatoon.



The *Doukhobor Living Book Project* tells the story of how Saskatchewan's Independent Doukhobors practice their faith with a 'Moleniye' (prayer service). It captures the oral history of Doukhobor elders and explores how the community has evolved since first immigrating to Saskatchewan. The project consists of three components: a documentary film, an immersive soundscape created by Spirit Wrestler Productions and an exhibit produced by the WDM.

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This immersive soundscape and exhibit allows visitors to experience a 'Moleniye.' Multiple audio and video tracks create a 360-degree auditory and visual experience as people move through the soundscape. Outside the soundscape, visitors can learn about Doukhobor history in an exhibit produced by the WDM, in partnership with the University of Saskatchewan's Dr. Ashleigh Androsoff and Spirit Wrestler Productions. The exhibit features artifacts that help illustrate Doukhobor history. Onya Kabaroff's wedding dress and Alex Nemanishen's linen suit are two such artifacts.

ONYA KABAROFF'S WEDDING DRESS

In 1899, Onya and Fedyor Perehudoff travelled with thousands of others of Doukhobor faith to land set aside for them in Western Canada. 32 years earlier, when Onya Kabaroff wore this wedding ensemble for her marriage to Fedyor Perehudoff, there was no way of knowing that a new home in Canada was in their future. Likely made by her mother, the wool and linen of this garment were homespun, while the cotton and other fabrics were purchased on an annual trip to a larger town. Onya and Fedyor, whose anglicized names became Anna and Fred, settled in the small Doukhobor village of Ospennia, near present-day Blaine Lake. Most Doukhobors adopted a Canadian style of clothing not long after coming to Canada. Onya, like most Doukhobor women, continued to wear her traditional outfit throughout her life for Sundays and special occasions.



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ALEX NEMANISHEN'S LINEN SUIT

Like the Perehudoff's, 11-year-old Alex Nemanishen travelled to Canada in 1899 with his family. They settled in the small Doukhobor village of Kirilowka (Kirilowvla), near present-day Langham. Alex married Anastia Bludoff, a Doukhobor woman from the Veregin area around 1908. After a brief stint in British Columbia, the couple returned to Saskatchewan where Alex worked as a carpenter and saved money to buy his own land. In 1926, he purchased land close to where Kirilowka had been. By the time Alex died in 1971, traditions in Doukhobor communities had changed enough that he was not buried in this suit. This traditional Doukhobor men's suit was made for him by his wife Anastia and his mother-in-law in the early 20th century. Alex's mother-in-law took flax grown in their new fields in Canada and spun and wove it into linen.



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We invite you to explore the *Doukhobor Living Book Project* at the WDM Saskatoon this summer and visit doukhoborlivingbook.ca for more information.

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