# Paddlewheel Press - Spring Newsletter 2020



**Board of Directors:** Cyril Karvonen, Diana Bainbridge, Tammy Wapple, Charlene Karvonen, Phil Carroll, Yvonne Hayden, Christine Lovasz, Kathleen Nolan, Darrel Voaklander, Nancy Wilde, Mary-Ann Reid.

Over the coming months we plan to present bios and pictures of all of the Board Members and will keep you informed of what's happening at Paddlewheel.

#### Introducing your new President, Cyril Karvonen

Cyril joins us as our new President. He semi-retired to Vernon almost 4 years ago and is passionate about the rich local history and preservation of the park and buildings at Paddlewheel. He comes to us with substantial leadership skills and board experience at the national level. His focus is on sustainability and strategic planning. Cyril welcomes our new members and looks forward to meeting all members at the events this year.



## **Upcoming Special Events**

March 14, 2020 Irish Night - Sold Out.

April 18, 2020 Spring Garage Sale - 8:00 am-12:00 pm.

• Call Diana to book a table or for more information 250-558-4233

## **Hall Happenings**

#### Paddlewheel Park Drop In Bridge Club

Meets Thursdays 1-4 pm. Postponed until further notice, contact Betty at 250-260-4489 for more information.

#### Paddlewheel Polar Swim

The Vernon Carnival held their annual Polar Bear swim at Paddlewheel Park. It was a fantastic turn out with many swimmers and cheerleaders enjoying the event.





### **Strategic Planning**

In January the Board of Directors met for a full day planning session. Mike Nolan and Cyril Karvonen led the group through through some background and history, building governance, committee structure exercises and a review of strategic goals. The group spent the afternoon in small groups working through a SWOT exercise (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) and Committee Development. This information will be shared on our web site soon.

### **Stationhouse Museum**

The museum is open to private tours year-round, so if you would like a private tour for your visiting guests or a or a group, and are looking for something to do, no problem! Please contact Diana Bainbridge at 250-558-4233 and it can be arranged. Donations to Stationhouse Museum are welcome.





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