

Paddlewheel Press - Summer Newsletter 2020



“Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards.” -Søren Kierkegaard

While the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting our daily routines with changes here at home and around the globe such as; self-isolation, quarantine and social distancing, it's comforting to know that amid the uncertainty, there are still moments of strength and hope that showcase the resilience, or grit, that people share in times like these that will help us get through this together.

Your Board is working hard on your behalf through teleconference meetings. We are addressing the rescheduling of events, cancellations, and adjusting expenditures wherever possible to keep costs down through this difficult time.

Stay safe and keep well.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors:

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

**Over the next several newsletters we are excited to introduce our
Board Members to you...**



Darrel

Darrel has served as a Director on the Board for 13 years. He was one of the volunteer crew which gutted the old Stationhouse and transformed it into the gem of a museum we see today. Darrel enjoys completing various light maintenance tasks around the hall, museum and grounds.



Phil

Phil is one of our new directors. He was born in England and came to Canada in 1951. He worked in the forest industry Port Alberni for 20 years, then with Worksafe BC for 21 years. He moved with his wife, Diane, to Vernon in 1988 and enjoys time with his 2 daughters, their husband's and 3 grandchildren.



Yvonne

Yvonne is a new Director. She was born in The Netherlands and immigrated to Canada with her brother and parents. She is now a Canadian, heart and soul. She attended school in Edmonton, AB and University in the State of Texas. She has 2 daughters and 4 grand children to keep her busy. She was employed with Tourism Abbotsford in 2003 and served there for 14 years before moving with her husband to retire in Vernon 2016. Yvonne loves the community and all the welcoming people.



Kathleen and Charlene

Board members going on 3 years, Kathleen (left) and Charlene (right) are pictured here enjoying an event at Paddlewheel Hall. They love creative activities, painting, their pets and contributing on the Board. Kathleen has served as President on BX Parent Advisory Committee and works at Our Choice Society for Peace. Charlene is retired and brings 30 years of management experience to the Board. Both are happy to be part of such a great community and look forward to meeting members at the social events.



The Stationhouse Museum
OPEN Saturday and Sunday beginning June 6 and 7th, 11 am-3 pm.
Entrance is FREE, donations appreciated.

The Greater Vernon Museum Association and our Board of Directors have approved the opening. The Museum Committee conducted a safety assessment and implemented appropriate precautions regarding COVID-19 guidelines. Safety measures are in place and volunteer hosts will be trained following the guidelines. All being well, we'll increase opening Thursday to Sunday starting Canada Day long weekend. Please encourage any parents you know to bring their children down for a guided educational visit (with social distancing!).

For private guided tours contact Diana Bainbridge at 250-558-4233 (by donation). Please give Diana a call if you might be interested in becoming a volunteer host for occasional two hour shifts.

Hall Happenings

Hall Floor Rejuvenation

Our new janitorial Service provider Tarr and Sons completed the scheduled work to rejuvenate our floors. Since beginning with us this year Bill has gone above and beyond with his recommendations for improvement and the services he provides.

Thanks Bill and Crew!



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