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JULY 28 - AUGUST 7

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The Chinook Country Historical Society is dedicated to promoting a greater understanding of Canadian and Alberta history in Chinook Country for people of all ages. Organized in 1958 and incorporated in 1993, the CCHS covers the region from Olds to Nanton and from the BC border to the Saskatchewan border.

CCHS is a chapter of the Historical Society of Alberta. The original act governing the Historical Society of Alberta was passed in 1907 by the Alberta Legislature.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2017 TO MAY 2018

In addition to Historic Calgary Week, CCHS hosts events celebrating our history throughout the year. Ask for a brochure from our volunteers or visit our website at www.chinookcountry.org for details on our upcoming season.

BUILDING A VIBRANT CITY IN A GREAT COUNTRY

Chinook Country Historical Society, along with our many partner organizations, is pleased to present the 27th annual Historic Calgary Week. Take the opportunity, in this special sesquicentennial year, to celebrate the roots of our vibrant, compassionate and inclusive society. Walk in the footsteps of our pioneers on one of the historic sites tours. Visit a park or museum accompanied by one of our knowledgeable volunteers or tour a back alley and see how history looks from the other side! Presentations of our history in a special program for new Canadians will be based on our recent publication, *In The Footsteps of Giants, Volume 2* following up on the successful first volume. Visit Fort Calgary on Heritage Day and stand tall beside the NWMP that brought law and order to the region. Take in the colonist car presentation at Heritage Park.

All events are open to the public and are free of charge but donations are appreciated. Some events require pre-registration due to limited space. For walking tours, please dress for the weather, wear good walking shoes and bring water.

HISTORICAL CROSSWORD

Look for the giant crossword puzzle by **Cheyenne Hickey** in the Calgary Herald on Friday, July 28. Submit your completed copy for a chance to win a variety of prizes. The crossword will also be available on July 28 as a PDF on the CCHS website www.chinookcountry.org. Completed puzzles and entry form must be mailed to the CCHS office postmarked by August 21, 2017 to be eligible for the prize draw.

HISTORY HUNT

This year's History Hunt created by **David Peyto** will feature questions about school names and street names. Entry forms will be available on the website on July 28 and must be mailed to the address on the History Hunt form postmarked by August 21, 2017 to be eligible for the prize draw.

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OUR VOLUNTEERS

Chinook Country Historical Society thanks our many dedicated volunteers who bring the 27th Historic Calgary Week to fruition. More than 115 volunteers, including committee members, presenters and organizers are involved in making this a success. We also thank our Partners, whose own volunteers and staff bring rich diversity to our festival.

PRIZE SPONSORS

Winning entrants of the Crossword Puzzle and the History Hunt will be entered into a draw for several prizes. Prize sponsors will be recognized on our website. We appreciate the contribution to HCW 2017 from our prize sponsors.

SPECIAL EVENTS

HISTORY FOR NEW CANADIANS

In partnership with Calgary Public Library, this event is especially for newcomers to Canada. Volume 2 of *In The Footsteps of Giants*, a companion book to our highly successful first volume, features 16 chapters highlighting the stories of the people who made our city great. A complimentary copy of the book will be made available to participants. Join us on Friday, August 4.

Hear about the importance of the Cave and Basin to the First Nations peoples, learn of the trials and tribulations of John and Adelaide Glenn, the first settlers on the Bow Valley Ranch. Explore the lives of the early Chinese settlers in the area and join the excitement of the discovery of oil at Turner Valley more than 100 years ago. These are only a few of the interesting stories that will thrill youngsters and adults alike. We encourage you to bring your children to this family-friendly event.

See page 22 for time and location

GENESIS CENTRE FAMILY FESTIVAL

Join us on Saturday, August 5 for an exciting new family-friendly event at the Genesis Centre for an opportunity to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary and to enjoy a hands-on experience of Calgary's history. The following organizations will be present:

Parks Canada, Calgary Stampede, Royal Tyrrell Museum, The Military Museums, Lougheed House, Fort Calgary, The Hangar Flight Museum (Aerospace Museum), Youthlink Calgary Police Interpretive Centre, Firefighters Museum, Archaeological Society, Glenbow, Centre for Newcomers, Calgary Heritage Initiative, Chinook Country Historical Society, and Calgary Public Library.

See page 25 for time and location details

HCW FOREVER FUND

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The HCW Forever Fund has reached approximately \$34,000 of our \$50,000 target. This fund, at the **Calgary Foundation**, will generate revenue to pay a portion of the cost of hosting future Historic Calgary Weeks. We appreciate any contribution you can make toward securing the future of this important festival.

Your tax-deductible contributions can be made directly to the **HCW Forever Fund** through the Calgary Foundation or to Chinook Country Historical Society for the benefit of the HCW Forever Fund.

For more information on this initiative, ask for a pamphlet from a volunteer at a Historic Calgary Week event or go to the information on our website at www.chinookcountry.org.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

9:45 am-3:00 pm SOUTHERN ALBERTA PIONEERS AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

The Southern Alberta Pioneers and their Descendants welcome you to the historic log memorial building in Parkhill dedicated to those settlers who arrived in Southern Alberta prior to 1891.

Meet: *Southern Alberta Pioneers Memorial Building*
3625 - 4 Street SW

9:45 am HISTORIC CALGARY WEEK OPENING CEREMONIES

10:00-11:00 am EDWARD BURKE, MELROSE DISTRICT, ALBERTA, 1889-1894

The Burke Family immigrated to Western Canada in the fall of 1889 and settled in the area of Davisburg. Eventually, the children moved to small towns or Calgary. Great Grandson **Bob Rintoul** will share the stories of his family from Sod-busting to Subdivisions.

11:00 am-Noon 25 YEARS OF OBSERVING THE EAGLE HIGHWAY

Every spring and fall, thousands of Golden Eagles and other raptors migrate between summer breeding grounds in Alaska and Yukon, and their winter ranges in the southwestern USA. **Cliff Hansen** shares how members of **The Rocky Mountain Eagle Research Foundation** have watched and recorded this migration. This Natural History project is one of the longest running citizen science projects in the world.

12:00 pm

Bring your picnic lunch and a chair and enjoy the view from the Southern Alberta Pioneers' patio and garden.



The view from the SAPD patio and garden
Courtesy Walt DeBoni

1:00-2:00 pm JOSEPH MOSS, PINE CREEK, ALBERTA, 1879

From the time surveyor's assistant Joseph Moss first saw the land on the south bank of Pine Creek he knew he would return to settle there. He witnessed the changes from open prairie to fenced fields, horse to mechanical power, and the settlement which led to the province of Alberta. Grandson **David Ballard** reports on several adventures Joseph and his family experienced.

2:00-3:00 pm THE BEATLES ... IT WAS 50 YEARS AGO TODAY

When Canada turned 100, The Beatles' music joyously exploded into the cultural mix at a time when fears of The Cold War were troubling many minds. *All You Need Is Love* to revisit this fascinating episode during the swinging '60s with Beatles historian **James Istvanffy**.



Joseph Moss and Family, ca. 1898, Pine Creek, Alberta
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-3563-38

9:00 am-Noon GLENBOW TOWNSITE TOUR

Explore Glenbow Village with **Shari Peyerl** of the **Archaeological Society of Alberta**, Calgary Centre. Access is allowed to areas protected under Ministerial Closure. Stops at the Village, Glenbow School, Workers' Quarters and General Store sites highlight the latest discoveries. Learn about excavations and how archaeological records combined with oral and written history renew a landscape bringing a vanished community's stories back to life. Travel to the townsite via golf carts. There will be some walking through grasses over uneven terrain.

PRE-REGISTER at <http://www.grpf.ca/events> and click on the link for the date, then follow the instructions or call 403-851-9053. **FEE:** \$25 per person for transportation to site. Under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Each person who wants to attend **MUST** pre-register - no drop-ins.

Meet: *Details provided at time of registration*

9:30-10:30 am AN ICE AGE TOUR OF NOSE HILL

Explore six million years of Calgary's history in this walk through Nose Hill Park with spectacular Bow Valley and city skyline views. Learn about Calgary's famous sandstone; hear the Blackfoot story of Napi and the Big Rock. Imagine great sheets of glacial ice once covering this area, examine wildlife fossils and understand how human activities impacted nature. Hosted by the **Alberta Palaeontological Society**. Tour repeated on August 5th.

PRE-REGISTER by email: palaeogothica@yahoo.com. Limited to 35 participants.

Meet: *14 Street and 64 Avenue NW parking lot*

10:00-11:30 am LIVES, LEGACIES AND LEGENDS OF THE CALGARY FIRE BRIGADE

The **Firefighters Museum of Calgary** and the **Calgary Fire Honour Guard** pay tribute to Calgary's early fire brigade. Visit the graves of the Smart Family. Learn about little Lucille Morley who died at the hands of a CFD mascot. What impact did the great Empire Hotel Fire have on fire safety today? Explore the history of early Calgary Firefighters and the impact that the department and Chief Smart had on our community.

Meet: *Union Cemetery entrance, Spiller Road and Cemetery Road SE*

10:00 am-Noon EP RANCH

Dating back to the 1880s, the **EP Ranch** is a privately owned Provincially Designated Historic Resource located south of Longview. In 1919, Edward, Prince of Wales, purchased the ranch. In 2013, Pekisko Creek overflowed its banks and caused extensive damage to the site. The repair, conservation and restoration of the site started in 2015. Flood repair work is now complete.

PRE-REGISTER by email: katerееves1@gmail.com. Limited to 30 participants.

Meet: *Details provided at time of registration*

10:00 am-3:00 pm LOUGHEED HOUSE SUMMER CELEBRATION

Summer Celebration - Family Friendly and Free!
On the lawns of Lougheed House.

Meet: *Lougheed House, 707 - 13 Avenue SW*

1:00-3:00 pm READER ROCK GARDEN

William Reader, Superintendent of Calgary Parks, transformed a bare hillside into an internationally acclaimed garden. Enjoy guided tours, a sale of used gardening books, draw prizes and light refreshments. Event will be held rain or shine. More information on the gardens at www.readerrock.com or email info@readerrock.com.

Meet: *West lawn of Reader's Garden Cafe, Reader Rock Garden, 325 - 25 Avenue SE*



William Reader, ca. 1910s

Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-1604-91

2:00-3:00 pm HOME TURE: RE-EARTHING FAMILY NARRATIVE

Join artist **Tomas Jonsson** for this engaging installation which considers relationships of family, land, narrative and memory. Using archival materials from his family's personal collection, Jonsson reflects on their long term relationship, and the shifting ownership of land in Calgary.

Meet: *Local History Room, fourth floor, Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail SE*

2:00-3:30 pm SHEEP RIVER WALK - OKOTOKS

Join **Kathy Coutts** of the **Okotoks Museum and Archives** for a free guided tour of the Sheep River. Learn about the river's role in the community's history, from fords to floods to fishing. Walking will be on paved pathways in the river valley.

Meet: *Okotoks Museum and Archives, 49 North Railway Street, Okotoks*

4:00-5:30 pm MYSTERY HISTORY 101

Please join the **Edworthy Park Heritage Society** for a talk and slides about some mysteries of the Park, focussing on questions about Quarry Road Trail.

Meet: *Wildwood Community Association, 4411 Spruce Drive SW*

6:30-8:30 pm UTOPIA FACTORY AT CONTEMPORARY CALGARY

The Centennial Projects reflects the youthfulness, vigour, and optimism of Canada in the 1960s. Organized by **Confederation Centre Art Gallery**, Charlottetown with support of Canada Council for the Arts, the exhibition at this interim gallery presents 21 significant buildings including the **Calgary Centennial Planetarium**. See plans for turning the "old planetarium" into Calgary's newest art space! Introductions by **Charlotte Le Gallais** begin at 6:30 pm.

Meet: *Contemporary Calgary, 117 - 8 Avenue SW*

SUNDAY, JULY 30

10:00-11:30 am CALGARY STAMPEDE OH RANCH

This 130-year-old working cattle ranch located west of Longview is designated heritage rangeland. The OH brand, first registered in 1881, makes it one of Alberta's oldest, continuously used brands. Immerse yourself in this iconic landscape, now preserved by the **Stampede** in partnership with the **Nature Conservancy of Canada**.

PRE-REGISTER by email: archives@calgarystampede.com. Limited to 25 participants.

Meet: *Details provided at time of registration*

10:30am-12:30 pm BUILDING COMMUNITY: A WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC JEWISH CALGARY

Harry Sanders will be our guide to the early Jewish presence in Calgary. His illustrated tour will highlight locations and stories important to the community from the 1880s to the end of the Second World War. For more information, please contact the **Jewish Historical Society of Southern Alberta** jhssa@shaw.ca or 403-444-3171. Repeated Thursday, August 3 at 2:00 pm.

Meet: *By the horse statues on the Calgary Municipal Building plaza, 800 Macleod Trail SE*

(This tour is presented with the support of a Government of Canada *Canada 150 Community Foundation Grant*, and is part of a larger project that will include the creation of an online, self-guided tour.)

11:00 am-Noon COCHRANE MUSEUM

The **Cochrane Historical Museum** is located in the old Davies hospital. **Gordon Davies**, grandson of the original owners, will give a presentation on Cochrane history. While there, view a new display entitled *Household Chores* developed by the **Cochrane Historical & Archival Preservation Society (CHAPS)**.

Meet: *Cochrane Ranche Historic Site, just off Highway 1A before the Highway 22 intersection*



*McDougall
Memorial Church
Courtesy
Walt DeBoni*

1:00-2:30 pm RISING FROM THE ASHES: MCDUGALL MEMORIAL CHURCH

Tragically, fire destroyed the 1875 landmark church. **McDougall Stoney Mission Society** is looking ahead. Should it be rebuilt? Guided by **Sarah Harvey**, view remnants of the church and share your memories as you walk about the original Morleyville Mission's beautiful site. Learn its history and that of the remaining historic cabin and visible foundations of the Mission settlement.

Meet: *McDougall Memorial Church,
26 km west of Cochrane on the 1A Highway*

1:00-3:00 pm CEMETERIES OF MISSION- ROULEAUVILLE WALKING TOUR

Starting at the 1876 Mission cemetery site, see where graves were discovered by workmen excavating in the early 20th century. Then visit the 'new' 1896 St. Mary's Pioneer cemetery. In this peaceful cultural landscape pay homage to notable Mission families and religious leaders who built the community. Learn about curious characters as community residents **Sonia Ross**, **Frank Warby** and **Marilyn Williams** lead you via natural parks and pathways.

Meet: *West end of William Aberhart Park,
211 - 24 Avenue SW*

2:00-4:00 pm INTRODUCTION TO CALGARY'S HISTORIC CHINATOWN

This four-block tour of Chinatown begins and ends at the **Chinese Cultural Centre's** Temple of Heaven, the only replica outside of mainland China. With tour leader **Lloyd Sciban**, participants will be introduced to historic and cultural sites in Chinatown. Discover the many reasons to return to this historic area.

Meet: *East entrance of Chinese Cultural Centre,
197 - 1 Street SW*

7:00-8:30 pm SECRETS OF TOM CAMPBELL'S HILL PARK

East of the downtown is a hill with great views and a fascinating past. Stroll around Tom Campbell's Hill Park with the **Bridgeland-Riverside Heritage Committee**. Hear how the hill got its name, the shenanigans of its hoofed residents and the colourful activities of nearby Nose Creek Valley.

Meet: *Centre Avenue and 13 Street NE at main gate*

MONDAY, JULY 31

9:00-10:30 am BALMORAL SCHOOL: A WALK NEAR AN OLD SANDSTONE SCHOOL

Balmoral School is located on the south side of Tuxedo Park community. Join **David Peyto** as we walk past homes of the community's early residents who lived on the north side of 16 Avenue near the school.

Meet: 17 Avenue and 1 Street NW



Fire Hall No. 7, 16 Avenue and 1 Street NW

Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-2854-65

9:00-10:30 am A WALK IN THE DOROTHY HARVIE GARDENS

Stroll with horticulturalist **Corinne Hannah** through the **Calgary Zoo's** Dorothy Harvie Gardens. Learn about the gardens' history and current plans. Perhaps discover your favourite new plant. In the heart of the Chinook belt, this garden is testament to hardy plants and even hardier gardeners.

PRE-REGISTER by email: hcw@chinookcountry.org. Limited to 20 participants. Complimentary admission.

Meet: Details provided at time of registration



12:00-1:00 pm WINGING IT ON THEIR OWN - WOMEN IN AVIATION

"When Catherine Fletcher began taking flying lessons, the instructor grudgingly informed her that if women were supposed to fly, the sky would be pink! She kept on." Author and aviation historian **Shirlee Smith Matheson** has captured stories of "fights and flights" weathered by women seeking a role in aviation. Daring to daunting, brave women took their rightful place in the skies. The author also recounts her own "glass ceiling" breakthrough in writing about aviation history.

Meet: Central United Church, 131 - 7 Avenue SW

1:30-2:30 pm JERRY POTTS: HIS ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CALGARY

Jerry Potts led F-Troop north to the Bow River in 1875. This Mounted Police scout and interpreter was born in 1840 to a Kainai (Blood) mother and a European fur trader. He moved easily between two worlds. Hired as a guide and interpreter to the first contingent of the North West Mounted Police, his frontier skills and detailed geographical knowledge of the plains proved invaluable. Fourth generation **Jerry Potts** talks about this historical character.

Meet: Glenbow Theatre, 130 - 9 Avenue SE

Jerry Potts, ca. 1870s

Courtesy
Glenbow Archives
NA-1237-1



3:00-4:00 pm STORIES FROM GLENBOW ARCHIVES

Glenbow houses many rare books, letters, photos and documents. How were they acquired? **Doug Cass**, Director, Library and Archives, shares acquisition stories about collections including Imperial Oil, West Canadian Collieries, Geraldine and Douglas Moodie, CPR Charter of 1871, Wood Mountie family, and the New Walrond Ranche.

Meet: Glenbow Theatre, 130 - 9 Avenue SE

6:00-8:00 pm TALES FROM THE CRYPT

YouthLink is excited to launch a new lecture series during Historic Calgary Week. With information and photographs from the case files of the **Calgary Police Service** archives, experience two historic murders through the eyes of the police officers who worked to solve them. Learn the craft of true detectives! **WARNING:** This lecture contains graphic imagery and content. Recommended for ages 18 and older.

PRE-REGISTER at 403-428-8544 or email nbarros@calgarypolice.ca.

Meet: YouthLink Calgary Police Interpretive Centre, 5111 - 47 Street NE

7:00-8:30 pm WALKING TOUR OF BRIDGELAND-RIVERSIDE

Join **Josh Traptow** of the **Calgary Heritage Authority** and **Deb Lee** of the **Bridgeland-Riverside Heritage Committee** on a walking tour of Bridgeland-Riverside. Learn about the history of the community and view buildings on the Inventory of Evaluated Historic Resources.

Meet: Corner of 1 Avenue and 4 Street NE
by Lukes Drug Mart

7:00-8:30 pm CHESTERMERE'S HISTORY

Chestermere Historical Foundation member **Kay Clarke** will present the history of Chestermere starting with the earliest farm settlers, the formation of the lake, the earliest plans for Chestermere and finally the Cabin Owners Association leading to the community that Chestermere is today. Her talk emphasizes the interdependence of Calgary and Chestermere.

Meet: Whitecappers facility in the Chestermere Recreation Centre, 201 West Chestermere Drive



A Geraldine Moodie photograph from the Glenbow Exhibit in 2017.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00-10:30 am STANLEY JONES SCHOOL: A WALK NEAR ANOTHER OLD SANDSTONE SCHOOL

Stanley Jones School is located in the community of Renfrew. Join **David Peyto** as we walk past homes of the community's early residents who lived between 6 Street and Edmonton Trail.

Meet: *Northeast corner of the park
at 8 Avenue and 6 Street NE*

10:00-11:30 am HISTORIC MAPS IN THE DIGITAL REALM

Presenters **Iris Morgan** and **Susan McKee**, U of C Libraries and Cultural Resources, show old maps in an exciting new way. Explore the development of western Canada as an area rich in various natural resources. With Calgary playing a key role, Southern Alberta grew from an extensive prairie grassland to an important component of Canada's economic engine. See scanned maps and print copies. View wall-sized images in the Visualization Studio.

Meet: *Room 440A/B (fourth floor),
Taylor Family Digital Library, U of C*

12:00-1:00 pm HISTORIC CALGARY POSTCARDS

Richard White, aka the Everyday Tourist, loves the way old postcards remind us of our city's beginnings. His presentation will walk us back in time and reflect on how many of the changes facing Calgary early in the 21st century, are the same as they were early in the 20th century.

Meet: *Central United Church, 131 - 7 Avenue SW*



*Postcard, Oldest house on St. George's Island, date unknown
Courtesy Richard White*

1:30-3:30 pm THE MCDUGALL CENTRE STORY

McDougall Centre - Southern Alberta Government Centre has a storied past. Learn about the building's namesake from **Sarah Harvey** and its various uses from **Janice Lowe**. Get a glimpse of the Alberta art hanging on the walls with a tour led by art historian **Nancy Townshend**.

PRE-REGISTER by email: katerieves@mc.com. The art tour portion is limited to 20 participants on a first-come basis on check-in.

Meet: *McDougall Centre, 455 - 6 Street SW*

*McDougall Centre
Courtesy
Walt DeBoni*



2:00-3:30 pm SUNNYSIDE BACK ALLEY TOUR

Join storytellers **Karen Gummo** and **Calum Lykan**. Discover and add to the tales of those who dwelt in and around the bustling laneway between 10 and 9A Streets NW in the lean times of the 1930s. History and folklore collide here.

Meet: *Sunnyside outdoor stage on 2 Avenue NW
between Vendome and the CTrain tracks*

6:30-8:30 pm WRITTEN IN STONE: TRADITIONAL STONE MASONRY AND EARLY CALGARY QUARRIES

Shawn Thibault, **Ravenstone Masonry and Conservation Inc.** and **Marilyn Williams** welcome you to the historic sandstone Carnegie library for an overview of early Calgary area masons, stone cutters and quarries. After a brief talk on the repair and restoration of historic stone masonry, tour Victoria Park's traditional monuments to observe the building material that once defined our "Sandstone City".

Meet: *Memorial Park Library, 1221 - 2 Street SW*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

9:30-11:00 am ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY SITE TOUR

St. Mary's University's unique forty acre site has rich associations with Calgary's past. Learn about first residents John and Adelaide Glenn; early land speculators like Theodore Robitaille; pioneer industrialist William Shaw; society leader William Roper Hull; entrepreneur Patrick Burns; missionary priest Father Albert Lacombe and the Sisters of Providence. Sturdy footwear and insect repellent recommended.

Meet: *St. Mary's University,
14500 Bannister Road SE at the Flagpole*

10:00-11:30 am FROM DOMINION DAY TO CANADA DAY

Can't say or spell sesquicentennial? You won't have to do that when you come to hear how **The City of Calgary** celebrated Canada's birthday throughout the 20th Century. Learn about the festivities from Archivists **Bryan Bance** and **Carol Stokes** and enjoy a tour of The City's Archives.

PRE-REGISTER by August 1 at 403-268-8180. Limited to 35 participants. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Meet: *The City of Calgary, Corporate Records,
Archives, Main Floor, Administration Building,
313 - 7 Avenue SE*

11:00-11:30 am READ WITH ENGINE 23: SPECIAL HISTORIC CALGARY WEEK EDITION

Join a firefighter from the **Calgary Fire Department** as we share stories and learn about fire safety and our heritage.

Meet: *At the Fire Truck, main floor,
Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail SE*

12:00-1:00 pm 100 YEARS OF PUBLIC ART IN CALGARY

This visual presentation explores the history of **The City of Calgary's** Public Art Collection. Dating back over a century, the art collection numbers over 1200 works, including paintings, works on paper, sculptures, glass, ceramics, textiles, photography in public buildings and spaces and outdoor sculptures in parks and plazas. Learn about this cultural legacy held in trust for Calgarians from Public Art Program representatives.

Meet: *Central United Church, 131 - 7 Avenue SW*

1:30-3:30 pm ENJOY A WALK IN CONFEDERATION PARK

Join **Michelle Reid** and friends from **The City of Calgary** to learn about the history of the park and the role it played in developing Calgary's park and pathway system. View the park's two commissioned works of art - *Confederation Park Focal Point* and *Transition '67*.

Meet: *Confederation Park East, at tables just west of
parking lot at 30 Avenue and 7 Street NW
(north on 4 Street, then west on 30 Avenue NW)*



*The flags of all the provinces and territories of Canada
at Confederation Park, a 1967 centennial project
Courtesy Walt DeBoni*

4:00-5:30 pm WAS MARRIAGE YOUR CENTENNIAL PROJECT?

Inspired by the spirit of the times, projects were planned to celebrate Canada's Centennial in the most memorable way possible. If it's your 50th wedding anniversary we know what **YOUR** project was! Gather at Confederation Park to share personal stories about your seminal year in our nation's history.

PRE-REGISTER at Eventbrite.ca/2017 Historic Calgary Week.

Meet: *Confederation Park East, at tables just west of
parking lot at 30 Avenue and 7 Street NW*



4:30-5:30 pm WOMEN'S HANDS BUILDING A NATION

Rebecca Nicholas of the Calgary based **Chinook Guild of Fibre Arts (CGFA)**, talks about its predecessor, the Alberta Handicraft Guild - first formed in the 1920s. Members do quilting, rug hooking and needlework. This PowerPoint presents the Guild's latest project, *Women's Hands Building A Nation*. Commemorating Canada's 150th birthday, the exhibition is a collection of fibre art pieces celebrating women's accomplishments and contributions to Canada's growth as a nation.

Meet: *Room 2, Lower Level
Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail SE*

7:00-8:30 pm CALGARY'S RAILWAY STORY

Cowtown? Oiltown? **Doug Coats** suggests that, for much of our history, "Railtown" would have been a better description. Much of modern Calgary: our location, street system, industries, parks and communities owe their existence to the railways. Even the location of the Calgary Tower and the south CTrain route were influenced by the railways. And they make for lots of good stories, too.

Meet: *John Dutton Theatre, second floor,
Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail SE*



*Canadian Northern Railway Station, ca. 1913-1918
Courtesy Glenbow Archives ND-8-307*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

9:30-11:00 am WELSH MEN OF THE WEST

David Thompson, one of the greatest explorers of the North West Company, is often called *Canada's Greatest Geographer*. Fellow Welshman, Robert Cadogan Thomas followed in 1884, transforming downtown Calgary.

Ruth Manning, also of Welsh descent, talks about other enterprising young countrymen.

Meet: *Winter Garden, second floor, Jamieson Place,
308 - 4 Avenue SW*

10:00 am-Noon PLAY HARD!!

Canada's Sports Hall of Fame is celebrating Canada's 150th birthday by opening two exhibits featuring different aspects of Canadian history through the lens of sport, *Play Hard, Fight Hard: Sport and the Canadian Military* and *Horses in Sport*. Participants will tour both exhibits, then have a peek behind the scenes.

Meet: *Canada's Sports Hall of Fame,
Canada Olympic Park,
169 Canada Olympic Road SW*

12:00-1:00 pm DO YOU LIVE ON AN AIRPORT?

You just might! Calgary has been the site of at least six airports, most now totally built over. **Richard de Boer** of the Calgary Chapter of the **Canadian Aviation Historical Society** shares a fascinating overview of Calgary's flying history from its first hot air balloon daredevils in 1906 through pioneering aviation companies, barnstormers, WWI air aces, pirates, princesses and hijackers. Lots of bankruptcies and some spectacular crashes are thrown in for good measure.

Meet: *Central United Church, 131 - 7 Avenue SW*



*Air show at Renfrew Airport, ca. 1920s
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-3691-32*

2:00-4:00 pm BUILDING COMMUNITY: A WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC JEWISH CALGARY

Repeat of Harry Sanders' tour on Sunday, July 30 at 10:30 am. See page 8 for details.

Meet: *By the horse statues on the Calgary Municipal Building
plaza, 800 Macleod Trail SE*

7:00-8:00 pm CALGARY'S TOP 10 ENDANGERED LIST

The **Calgary Heritage Initiative Society (CHI)** advocates for heritage preservation and promotion - working to keep Calgary's historic buildings out of the landfill. **Chris Edwards** and CHI present this year's **Heritage Watch Committee's** top 10 sites and issues of concern.

Meet: *Lower level, Memorial Park Library,
1221 - 2 Street SW*

7:00-8:30 pm WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

Heritage Park and **Alberta Champions Society** invite you to join a walking tour to points of interest in the Park. Follow in the footsteps of some local heroes including reformers, business leaders, and other community builders. Finish with a reading by a young Calgarian.

PRE-REGISTER; call 403-268-8500. Limited to 30 participants.

Meet: *Field of Fame monuments between Parking Lots A
and B at Heritage Park, 1900 Heritage Drive SW*

7:00-8:30 pm BELTLINE SIGNAL BOX TOUR

Tour some of the heritage themed signal boxes in the Beltline that illustrate Calgary then and now. Join local writer **Joan Lawrence** as she discusses the inspiration for **The City of Calgary** program, the stories behind the historical photos on the boxes, and the ways the streetscape has changed.

Meet: *Steps of Memorial Park Library,
1221 - 2 Street SW*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

10:00-11:30 am ARE YOU A NEW CALGARIAN?

This event is designed especially for newcomers to Canada. History comes to life in the stories of the people who lived it. *In the Footsteps of Giants Volume 2*, a book by **Chinook Country Historical Society** written for young readers, celebrates the people who made our city great. We invite you to join some of our authors to hear the tales of the amazing characters of Calgary's past. Families welcome.

Meet: *John Dutton Theatre, second floor,
Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail SE*

12:00-1:00 pm HISTORY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

History shines through old buildings. In the future, our current time will be old. Every day the history of Calgary is being constructed. Enjoy our city more by looking at old and new buildings with an artist's eye. **Judith Umbach's** presentation will open our minds to different perspectives on built resources.

Meet: *Central United Church, 131 - 7 Avenue SW*

2:00-3:30 pm HISTORIC BANFF WALK

Journey through Banff to hear stories of the pioneers who helped build and shape the town. Visit historic buildings such as the Luxton Home. This free tour runs rain or shine. Be prepared for all weather. Visit **Whyte Museum** galleries and archives pre/post tour (museum admission applies).

PRE-REGISTER on www.eventbrite.ca starting July 3. Maximum 25 participants.

Meet: *Whyte Museum, 111 Bear Street, Banff*



*Canadian Pacific Railway Stables, Banff, ca. late 1880s
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-2977-2*

2:00-3:30 pm CHAUTAUQUA!

From 1917 through the mid '30s, Calgary was home base to a travelling tent show that inspired, entertained, and educated audiences across Canada. Using historic images, vintage recordings, and live performance, musical storyteller **Bob Pearson** will recreate the Chautauqua experience and relate some colourful tales of this little-known piece of history.

Meet: *The Historic King Edward Hotel, nestled into the new
Studio Bell Building, 438 - 9 Avenue SE*

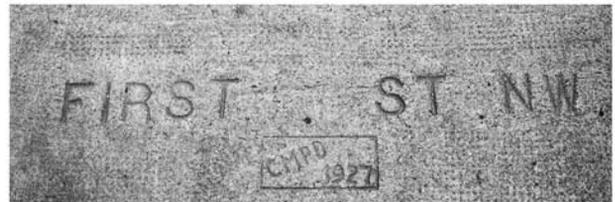


*Chautauqua Tent, Vulcan, Alberta, ca. 1916-19
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-2685-87*

7:00-8:30 pm SIDEWALK STAMPS IN BRIDGELAND-RIVERSIDE

Join the **Calgary Heritage Authority** as **Josh Traptow** leads a jaunt through two of Calgary's oldest districts in search of old sidewalk stamps. Hear some stories about local sidewalk contractors and pick up a bit of local history. Some hill climbing is involved.

Meet: *In Crescent Heights at the SE corner of 7 Avenue
and 1 Street NW, across from the LDS church*



*An original sidewalk stamp from 1927
Courtesy Walt DeBoni*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

9:30-10:30 am AN ICE AGE TOUR OF NOSE HILL

Repeat of tour on Saturday, July 29 at 9:30 am. See page 5 for details.

PRE-REGISTER by email: palaeogothica@yahoo.com. Limited to 35 participants.

Meet: 14 Street and 64 Avenue NW parking lot

10:00 am-Noon SANDSTONE TO SKYSCRAPERS: VICTORIA PARK WALKING TOUR

For decades this neighbourhood *on the other side of the tracks* suffered classic symptoms of urban decay. Today Victoria Park experiences gentrification and rebuilding on a massive scale. **David Low** and community heritage enthusiasts will show you how old and new are being integrated to create a vibrant urban community out of brick and sandstone roots.

Meet: Memorial Park Library, 1221 - 2 Street SW

11:00 am-12:30 pm LASTING LEGACIES CEMETERY TOUR

Historian Grant MacEwan once said: "there is enough history in the Highwood Cemetery to fill several books." There is also enough history for several cemetery tours! Hear fascinating stories about some of those at rest who have left a significant stamp on High River and beyond.

Meet: South gates of the Highwood Cemetery,
100 - 5 Avenue NE, High River

11:00 am-1:00 pm CHINATOWN MERCHANTS: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Experience the bustling sounds and scents of Calgary's historic Chinatown and the merchants that draw thousands of visitors each year. Tour Leader **Kit Bekkers**, Chinatown Business Improvement Area, presents an overview of businesses that for generations have called Chinatown home, and some boutiques and businesses new to Chinatown. Ask the shopkeepers questions you have never dared to ask before - what are those?

Meet: East side of Chinese Cultural Centre,
197 - 1 Street SW

12:00-3:00 pm FAMILY HERITAGE FESTIVAL 2017

Join Fort Calgary, Calgary Stampede, The Military Museums, Glenbow Museum, Lougheed House, Firefighters Museum, and many more for a fun filled afternoon of hands-on activities for everyone, celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary and our heritage. In partnership with **Calgary Public Library** and **Genesis Centre**.

Meet: Genesis Centre, 7555 Falconridge Boulevard NE

1:00-2:30 pm ELBOW RIVER WALK

Join **Bill Longstaff** and **Eilish Hiebert** on a stroll down the Elbow River Historic Promenade from Mission Bridge, through Mok'nstsis Park, and on to Scollen Bridge. This four-block walk introduces visitors to the history of the Mission and Cliff Bungalow communities from First Nations to today. A comprehensive brochure will be provided.

Meet: The north end of Mission Bridge
(the SE corner of 4 Street and 26 Avenue SW)



Mission Bridge under construction, 1915
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-3053-2

2:00-3:30 pm OKOTOKS DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR

Join **Karen Peters** of the Okotoks and District Historical Society for a guided tour of Elma Street and the former Macleod Trail.

Meet: Corner of McRae Street and Clark Avenue, Okotoks

4:00-6:00 pm HISTORY OF BOW VALLEY RANCH, FISH CREEK PROVINCIAL PARK

The Bow Valley Ranch is rich in historical significance, not only for Fish Creek Provincial Park, but also for the city of Calgary. Historical figures such as John Glenn, William Roper Hull and Pat Burns were instrumental in the development of this city starting in the late 1800s. Join **Wayne Meikle**, Fish Creek Provincial Park planner and founding member of the **Friends of Fish Creek**, for a walking tour of this area and a trip back in time.

Meet: By the red barn at the Bow Valley Ranch in Fish Creek Provincial Park, 15979 Bow Bottom Trail SE
(south end of Bow Bottom Trail SE)

7:00-8:30 pm ONWARD! CALGARY AND MILITARY REMEMBRANCE

Whenever the military are called to action - whether the mission is heroic or controversial, at home or abroad - Calgarians have always stepped up and "done their bit". Union and Burnsland Cemeteries provide a window into Calgary's rich military history and those who served. Guided by **Don Sucha**. Dress for the weather and hilly terrain, bring water and insect repellent. **WARNING:** Stories of a violent nature may offend or upset some participants.

Meet: Union Cemetery entrance, Spiller Road
and Cemetery Road SE



Military Parade, Calgary, 1918
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-5393-2

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

10:00 am-4:00 pm HANGAR FLIGHT MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

Docents at **The Hangar Flight Museum** will be on hand to engage with visitors, a few of their aircraft will be open (only happens once a year) and children can build different flying devices.

Meet: *629 McCall Way NE*

10:30 am-Noon HERITAGE WALKING TOUR OF HEXTALL HOMES IN BOWNESS

Developed by John Hextall, a British lawyer and real estate developer, the tour will consist of the Hextall estate homes from the early 1900s. Tour guide **Dr. Judith Barge** will help you gain an appreciation for the history and heritage of Hextall's homes.

Meet: *8331 - 48 Avenue NW*

11:00 am-12:30 pm CYCLING THROUGH HISTORY

Hop on your bike and join **Cheyenne Hickey** for a guided biking tour on the Nose Creek and Bow River Pathways. This 8-km tour will highlight the uses of land and water and how they have contributed to today's Calgary. Featured topics will include Vista and Mayland Heights, the Zoo, St. Patrick's Island, and the East Village.

Meet: *Airways Park located off 24 Avenue NE
and Vista Street NE*

1:00-3:00 pm FROM CHINA TO CANADA: A HISTORY OF CALGARY'S CHINATOWN

This four-block tour led by **Ron Lee** begins and ends at the **Chinese Cultural Centre** Temple of Heaven, the only replica outside of mainland China. After a brief history, walk down Daqing Avenue (2 Avenue) to the Centre Street bridge where all four quadrants of the city meet. Tour four unique oriental eateries, malls, shops and the Canton Block. Duck into an alley, then circle back through Sien Lok Park to the Temple of Heaven.

Meet: *Inside the Chinese Cultural Centre, 197 - 1 Street SW*

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

HERITAGE DAY

10:00-11:00 am COMING WEST,
ONE CARLOAD AT A TIME

Colonist cars populated the West, united Canadians and supported the war effort. **Heritage Park** Curator, **Sylvia Harnden**, will discuss their historical significance and the Park's restoration of a very rare CPR Colonist Car.

Meet: *Heritage Park Historical Village,
1900 Heritage Drive SW (Orientation Centre in the
Canadian Pacific Railway station outside the front gate)*



INTERIOR OF COLONIST CAR, CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

*Canadian Pacific Railway Colonist Car, ca. 1890
Courtesy Glenbow Archives NA-430-24*

10:00 am-4:00 pm HERITAGE DAY AT
FORT CALGARY

Celebrate Heritage Day at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow where Calgary began. Enjoy various family friendly activities, including Mountie uniform try-on sessions, kids' crafts, indigenous cultural learning, and a walk through the heritage gardens.

Meet: *Fort Calgary Historic Park, 750 - 9 Avenue SE*



*Statue of Col. Macleod facing downtown Calgary from Fort Calgary
Courtesy Walt DeBoni*