



To the members and supporters of the Historical Society of Alberta

**Regarding The Historical Society of Alberta Annual General Meeting Saturday, May 23, 2020**

Dear Friends,

The H.S.A. AGM scheduled for Saturday May 23, 2020 in Lacombe has been postponed.

Everyone is no doubt aware of the extraordinary health crisis that is distressing the entire world. As well, the various restrictions placed on public assembly, meetings and travel by the Government of Canada, the Province of Alberta, and many municipalities and local authorities, deserve the active support of all Albertans, as we all wish to do our part to overcome this unprecedented situation. Without any way to predict the duration of the crisis or its enduring effects, the Historical Society deems it prudent to postpone the AGM even were the various restrictions not in place. The duration of the restrictions are also indeterminate.

We will contact each of those who have already registered for the AGM, and ensure the return of cheques and payments.

The not for profit sector in Alberta is advocating with the Government of Alberta regarding clarity as to various needs of the sector in light of the crisis. The issues being discussed include AGMs, information requirements to the Societies Branch, and reporting and financial statements. As with everything in this crisis, there is ever more news to be accommodated with each passing day.

The Historical Society of Alberta will further update you as the crisis evolves, but at the time of this writing, we undertake to you:

- To monitor the situation and advise of a new date for the AGM as and if the circumstances allow;
- To provide you on-line (the web site) with reports and information as you would normally receive at the Annual Meeting;
- Determine a vehicle for members to be able to examine the financial statements, and ask questions;
- Ensure that we provide you with information through multiple platforms: through the local chapters, the website and other communication means. It is better that you receive a message twice than not at all.

Most important of all, we wish you, your loved ones, and colleagues continued health. Our thoughts are with anyone suffering from this virus, and for all those and their loved ones affected by the virus in any way. The H.S.A. is a community, and the distress of any of our members is a concern for us all. Our community, in concert with all Albertans and Canadians, will weather this storm.

Thank you

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on behalf of the Board of the Historical Society of Alberta

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