

# The Connection

"Keeping our Community Connected"

## APRIL 2025

Monthly Newsletter of the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc.



EAST CENTRAL NEWCOMER  
WELCOME CENTRE INC.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc. acknowledges that we are on Treaty 4 territory, the ancestral lands of the Cree, Saulteaux, Dakota, Lakota, Nakota and the Métis Nation.



We have adjusted our office hours to align with the holidays

Our adjusted hours are as follows:

**CLOSED ON APRIL 18 & 21**

Otherwise, our staff is available

Mon to Fri from 8 am to 12 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:45 pm.

Call (306)783-2777 to book an appointment.

### Information from Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program (SINP)...

#### International Skilled Worker: Procedures and Guidelines

The SINP will be hosting information sessions on the recent program changes for prospective applicants on April 3, 2025 at 3 p.m. and April 9, 2025 at 10 a.m. To register, please email [immigration@gov.sk.ca](mailto:immigration@gov.sk.ca) and clearly indicate which session you wish to attend.

[CLICK HERE](#) For more information

Saskatchewan!

## This is HOME

### Meet Marie Peepeetch

Employment Counselor - ECNWCI

Marie is a proud Indigenous Saulteaux woman and a descendant of Chief Peepeetch from Little Bone First Nation in Saskatchewan, "I was adopted by my maternal Great Uncle Mervin Pelletier, a Métis hunter, trapper, fur trader, and farmer from Crescent Lake, and his wife Florence, a dedicated homemaker.

As a child we were nomadic, living in various parts of Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba. Through these experiences, I developed my strongest attributes: integrity, resiliency, and adaptability. At 17, I made Saskatoon my home, where I started my family and pursued my education".

Family, community, and continuous education are integral parts of Marie's life. With dedication, self-discipline, and a love for learning, she graduated with Great Distinction from the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies Saskatoon Campus. Following her studies, she worked for nearly a decade with the Saskatoon Board of Education.

"My career has since spanned various roles, including Facilitator/Manager for Employment Services, Client Information Officer for Saskatchewan's Ministry of Immigration and Career Training, Indigenous Child Protection



Investigation Worker for Yellow Thunderbird Lodge, Aboriginal Court Worker for Yorkton Tribal Council Administration, and currently, Employment Counselor for East Central Newcomer Centre Inc. "My passion lies in improving the lives of those in my community through education and public service. I am thrilled to be back home in Yorkton, where I recently got engaged to the love of my life, my best friend, and soulmate, Ron. As we build our life together in Yorkton, I look forward to serving and helping newcomers to Canada.

I am extremely grateful to be part of a wonderful, dedicated team, my new work family at ECNWCI."

## EXPLORE OUR COMMUNITY

### SINP INFORMATION SESSION

APRIL 23 - 5:30 PM

At the Yorkton Public Library



# Community Activities & Events April 2025

Here is a list of some of the upcoming activities or events happening in our community!  
If you are interested in any of these please call our office at  
(306) 783-2777 and we can help you register and /or attend with you.

## Grow Together/Seed Share

**What:** Learn how to plant and care for plants

**When:** April 5, 2025 @ 10:00am

**Where:** At the Yorkton Public Library, 93 Broadway St W, Yorkton

**Cost:** FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register



## Crochet Classes

**What:** Learn to Crochet in a relaxing environment

**When:** April 9, 2025 6:00 PM - 7:00pm

**Where:** At East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre INC., Unit H, 132 Broadway St. West

**Cost:** FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register



## SINP INFORMATION SESSION

**What:** An information session on the recent program changes for prospective applicants

**When:** April 23, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

**Where:** At Yorkton Public Library 93 Broadway St. West, Yorkton

**Cost:** FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register



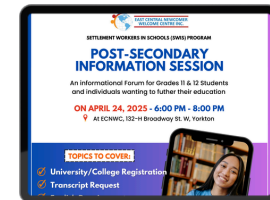
## Post Secondary Information Session

**What:** Forum for Grades 11 & 12 students wanting to further their education

**When:** April 24, 2025 - 6:00PM - 8:00PM

**Where:** At East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre INC., Unit H, 132 Broadway St. West

**Cost:** FREE Contact: jtolenino@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register



## In-class Drive Education

**What:** Discover the Key Principles of Safe Driving

**When:** April 25, 26 & 28, 2025 - 6:00PM - 8:00PM

**Where:** At East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre INC., Unit H, 132 Broadway St. West

**Cost:** FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)- 620-7532 to register



## SIP & Share

**What:** Fun and engaging conversation circle

**When:** April 30 - 6:00PM - 7:00PM

**Where:** At East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre INC., Unit H, 132 Broadway St. West

**Cost:** FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register



## MULTIFAITH FESTIVALS IN APRIL

**Buddhism** - April 8 - Buddha's Birth Date M

**Jainism** - April Mahavira-jayanti\*

**Judaism** - April 13 - 20 - Pesah\* (Passover)

**Hinduism** - April 16 - Sri Krishna Jayanti

**Christianity** - April 20 - Easter

**Sikhi** - April 14 - Vaisakhi\*

These dates were highlighted in the Multifaith Calendar which is distributed by the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan



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