

The Connection

"Keeping our Community Connected"

NOVEMBER 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 NOV. 11

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

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).....

2025-2027 Immigration Levels Plan

Each year, the Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship tables the Immigration Levels Plan, a forward-looking snapshot of immigration targets for the next three years.

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This is HOME

Meet *Rentina Thomas*

Sales and Finance Specialist/Hair Stylist
from Yorkton Saskatchewan

Rentina Thomas is a remarkable individual whose journey in Canada has been defined by her unique blend of talents and passions. As a Sales and Leasing Specialist, she has excelled in the competitive world of automotive sales. Like many newcomers, her journey began with education. She enrolled at Parkland College (now Suncrest College) in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, to study Global Business Management. It was a big leap, leaving behind the familiar warmth of Jamaica for the unknown cold of the prairies. But Rentina embraced the challenge.

After graduation, she stepped into the world of automotive sales, starting as a Sales and Leasing Specialist. She worked tirelessly to learn the ropes, build relationships, and prove herself. Today, she's known for her ability to make clients feel heard and valued, helping them find not just a car, but peace of mind.

But Rentina's story doesn't end there. Alongside her career success, she discovered another way to make an impact.



"Coming from a culture where braided hairstyles are a cherished tradition, I noticed a gap in my community: newcomers longing for the familiar beauty of intricate braids had nowhere to turn." Driven by passion, she began offering braiding sessions, creating a space where people could feel at home and express their identity. "What started as a personal hobby became a meaningful way to connect and uplift others".

Rentina's journey shows that newcomers can turn challenges into opportunities and thrive by staying true to their passions.

EXPLORE OUR COMMUNITY

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE INFO



November 11, 2025
9:30 AM



Gallagher Centre
Flexi Hall



Community Activities & Events November 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.

Remembrance Day Screening

What: Remembrance day screening

When: **November 6, 2025: 6:30pm**

Where: Royal Canadian Legion, Yorkton, 5th Ave N, Yorkton SK S3N



Language Camp

What: English Conversation and Coffee

When: **November 7**

Where: At the Yorkton Public Library

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



Language Camp

What: English Conversation and Coffee

When: **November 14**

Where: At the Yorkton Public Library

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



Learn to Crochet

What: Get Started in Crochet for Newcomers

When: **November 20 6:30PM - 7:30PM**

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre

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



Terrarium Making

What: Creating a self-sustaining indoor garden

When: **November 27, 2025 @ 6:00PM - 7:30PM**

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre

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



Employment Standards Workshop

What: Know Your Rights

When: **December 10, 2025 1:00pm - 2:30pm**

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre

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



MULTIFAITH FESTIVALS IN NOVEMBER 2025

Bahai Faith - November 25 - Day of the Covenant

Christianity - November 15 - Advent Begins (E, New)

Buddhism - Oct. 7 - Nov. 5 - Kathina T

Sikhi - November 24 - Birth Date of Guru Nanak Dev Ji*

Indigenous Spiritually - November 8 - Indigenous Veterans Day

Jainism - November 5 - Dev Diwali

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



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