The Connection

"Keeping our community connected"



Monthly Newsletter of the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc.

This is HOME Meet Shikha Prya

Automotive Sales and Leasing Consultant at Terry Ortynsky's Royal Ford in Yorkton.

Shikha moved to Canada from India in 2019 and is proud to call Yorkton her home.

"From the very first day in Canada, I've always been an admirer of the beauty



of Saskatchewan. From the beautiful lakes to forests to the beautiful open spaces. The sky and the sense of peace here are priceless, what a mesmerizing beauty. Yorkton has been my home since the very first day I came to Canada. A good community with a perfect blend of different cultures. Yorkton is a wonderful place to build a life and career. Our Yorkton is like a very small world, far away from the hustle and bustle of the bigger cities, no rush, just easy to commute and everything is five minutes away."

Explore Our Community



Are you looking for some meaningful End of the Year fun?

If so, "Happy Noon Days" is the perfect event for you!

Bring the entire family to ring in the New Year at the Gallagher Centre on December 31st from 10 am - 1:00 pm

There will be **face painting**, picture taking, and much more!

*To learn more about this event, please contact our Community Connections Worker, Ruel at rguthrie@ecnwc.ca.



AST CENTRAL NEWCOMER

We would like to wish our clients a safe and Happy Holidays!

ECNWC DECEMBER OFFICE HOURS

We have adjusted our office hours to align with the holidays. <u>Our adjusted hours are as follows:</u>

> Dec 23th — Open from 8:00 am-12:00 pm Dec 26th — Closed Dec 27th — Closed Dec 30th — Open from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Jan 2nd — Closed

Otherwise, our staff are 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)...

There are New measures for foreign nationals with expired or expiring post-graduation work permits and applicants to the temporary resident to permanent resident pathways. For more information click <u>HERE</u>





FUN Holiday Fact about Canada!

A Canadian holiday custom is to send the biggest Fir tree (grown in Nova Scotia) to Boston, Massachusetts in the USA. This is done every year to express thanks for their help in the 1917 Halifax Explosion. The Nova Scotian Christmas Tree is adored and appreciated by Bostonians. They bring this tree into the city and then light it during a ceremony to begin the Christmas season.



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Community Activities & Events

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.

Let Yorkton Shine Decorating Contest

What: The City of Yorkton, in collaboration with Tourism Yorkton are pleased to announce the third annual Let Yorkton Shine decorating contest.

When: Houses will be decorated throughout December

Where: Yorkton

For more information and to enter the contest, visit:

http://www.yorkton.ca/holidaycontest

Frosty Fest

What: Christmas music, bonfire, wiener roast, sleigh rides, hot chocolate, & bake sale When: December 10, 2022— 1-:00 am - 4:00 pm Where: Switzer's Home-Grown Family Farm (From Yorkton, take Hwy 16 East to Clonmel Rd. Turn Left and continue for 2 kms. Look for the red shack on the left)

Cost: FREE. **MUST HAVE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION.** Contact rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306) 783-2777. Recommended to donate to the Yorkton United FC U17/19 Girls Soccer Team

Youth Resume Writing Workshop

What: Resume Writing

When: December 12, 2022, from 4:30 pm

Where: In the boardroom at the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre

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

Tobogganing at Rodney Ridge Park

What: Tobogganing When: December 19, 2022 Where: Rodney Ridge Park (Yorkton Water Tower) Cost: FREE. Contact jtolentino@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register

Happy Noon Days

What: New Years Celebration with face painting, picture taking, art & craft and other activities When: December 31, 2022, from 10 am — 1:00 pm Where: Gallagher Centre—455 Broadway St W. Yorkton

Cost: FREE but recommended to take along non-perishable items and donate to the Yorkton Food Bank

Western Development Museum (WDM) - Yorkton

What: Celebrate winter by finding 8 Snow people hidden in the museum galleries. When: November 28, 2022 - January 29, 2023, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm | Yorkton Where: WDM Highway 16A West, Yorkton

Admission: Seniors - \$9.51/Adults - \$10.57/Students - \$7.50/Kids 6-12yrs \$4.23/Pre-Schoolers FREE

Multifaith Festivals in December

Jainism Dec. 3 - Maunajiyaras Buddhism Dec. 7 - Sanghamitta Day Supplemental - Dec. 8 Total Lunar Eclipse Baha'i' Dec. 12 - Masa'il Judaism Dec. 19 - Hanukkah Shinto Dec. 21 - Tohji-taisai Christianity Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Wicca Dec. 25 - Yule Aboriginal Spirituality Early/Mid-Dec. - Sis,et (The Elder Moon)

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



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