

## The Connection

"Keeping our Community Connected"

# **FEBRUARY 2024**

Monthly Newsletter of the 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:

## FEB 19, 2024 - CLOSED (FAMILY DAY)

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)...

## Canada to decrease number of new international student permits for 2024.

The Honourable Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship announced today that the Government of Canada will set an intake cap on international student permit applications to stabilize new growth for a period of two years.



## For more information



## **10th Anniversary Celebration**

## Jeisel Tolentino Settlement Worker in Schools (SWIS)

Jeisel is celebrating a decade of providing support for the successful integration of newcomers, particularly students, into the education system and the broader community in East Central Saskatchewan.

In 2014, Jeisel embarked on her journey in the field of newcomer services, starting as a Newcomer liaison worker at SaskAbilities. During her time at SaskAbilities, she played a crucial role as a bridge between newcomers and the resources available to them, demonstrating a keen understanding of the challenges they faced.

Jeisel isn't just a settlement worker; she's your go-to person for finding a sense of belonging into your new journey here in Canada. As someone who's worked with diverse cultures and age groups, Jeisel understands the challenges of starting fresh. Think of her as a friendly guide, dedicated to ensuring that your experience in our community is not just positive but also filled with genuine connections.

The East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre extends its heartfelt gratitude to Jeisel for her decade-long commitment and looks forward to continued collaboration in the years to come.

## EXPLORE OUR COMMUNITY



RECONCILIATION YORKTON GATHERING

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 15 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

💡 At SIGN on Broadway, 345 Broadway Street West

RSVP by February 9th by emailing reconciliation.yorkton@gmail.com



## **Community Activities & Events FEBRUARY 2024**

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.

#### **Fitness and Integration**

What: Guided Workout for Newcomer Women When: February 1,8, 15, 22 & 19, 2024 - 7:00 PM Where: Anytime Fitness Gym-216 Smith St Yorkton, SK S3N 3S6 Cost: FREE

## **YAC Presents - The Bromantics**

What: A musical tribute to the 1950s bands and original music When: February 10, 2024 - 7:30 PM Where: At the Painted Hand Casino, Broadway Street West Cost: Tickets available at YAC Website

### **Heritage Day**

What: Displays by the Yorkton Chapter of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society When: February 18, 2024 - 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Where: At the Western Development Museum Yorkton Cost: Regular Museum admission applies, WDM members FREE.

## **ICT- Immigration and Career Training Yorkton Office Tour**

What: Intro to Career Services programs and facility When: February 23, 2024 - 2:00 PM Where: 72 Smith Street East 1st Floor, Kuziak Building Yorkton Cost: FREE

#### **Conversation Café**

What: A fun and Interactive Group Hangout for Newcomers When: February 28, 2023 - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Where: At East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre INC., Unit H, 132 Broadway St. West Cost: FREE Contact: Contact Ruel - rguthrie@ecnwc.ca or call (306)-783-2777 to register

## **Multifaith Festivals in February**

- Feb 10 - Lunar New Year **Buddhism** Indigenous Spiritual - February - Indigenous Storytelling month Islam

- Laylat al Mi'rāj

- Feb 3 Setsubun-sai Shinto

Hinduism

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



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- Feb 14 - Vasanta Panchami\*

Christianity - Feb 14 - Ash Wednesday



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