



Old-Fashioned Christmas Events

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The Vision of the Society:
"to promote a greater
understanding of Canadian and
Alberta history in Chinook
Country for people of all ages."

Chinook boundaries
are from Olds to Nanton,
from the B.C. to the
Saskatchewan borders.



Looking for a way to have some old-fashioned fun this holiday season? Why not take your kids or grandkids to some of these events where they can have fun and learn some local history.

**Christmas All Through the House at
Lougheed House
707 - 13 Avenue SW
November 18-22**

Lougheed House, in partnership with Calgary Design Group, will transform individual rooms into magnificent recreations of Christmas through the decades. Come learn about the history of Lougheed House; marvel at the unique and breathtaking Christmas designs; and rejoice in numerous other magical Christmas activities. You can enjoy sleigh rides, antique photographs with a Victorian Santa, as well as refreshments, Christmas stories, Christmas crafts, and seasonal shopping at the Gift Shop. Tickets are \$10 - \$15 at the door.

**Once Upon a Christmas at Heritage Park
1900 Heritage Drive SW
Saturdays and Sundays
November 21 & 22, 28 & 29
December 5 & 6, 12 & 13, 19 & 20**

Travel back in time and experience Christmas from the "olden days". Go on a wagon ride, enjoy live historical theatre, sing carols in the church or visit jolly old Saint Nick himself. Three of the historical family homes will open their doors to share their Yuletide traditions. And, for unique Christmas gifts, Haskayne Mercantile Block, The Corner Emporium, The Plaza Mercantile, Antiques



and Collectable, Switzer's Grocery and Confectionery and the Park Lane Portrait Studio will all be open. Gate admissions apply.

**Christmas in Wales
Rosebud Theatre
100 km (1 hour) N.E. of the Calgary
Airport
November 6 - December 23**

Rosebud Theatre describes this play as: "An adult's warm remembrance of an old fashioned holiday: the time of presents, good things to eat and newly fallen snow. Spend a glorious Christmas day with Dylan and his family in their tiny seaside town. It's a wonderland of Welsh carols, splendid words and snowball mischief." Tickets are \$27 - \$62.50. Call 1-800-267-7553. CCHS

Voices from the Past

"There are a few other English women – of very different types. One lives with her husband on a small ranche near Saint Francis and is devoted to dogs. She invited me out to see a 'real English home' so we rode over one lovely afternoon and found the house a very small place cut up into many small box[es] so dignified by high sounding names, but 'what's in a name' indeed! The rooms were so small and so dark that coming in from the sunshine I inadvertently sat down on a chair which already held 3 puppies. My terror equaled theirs and it was a long time before peace was restored. It was lucky for them I am a light weight and did not sit down heavily. There seemed to me to be pups all over the place, not only on the chairs but in the air, I mean I could fancy I breathed them, and when tea arrived and I was given a sloppy cup of milky tea and some homemade bread and butter (one can get no other kind), I found great trouble in disposing of it; and though Mrs. Lingham seems quite proud of her English home, I was thankful to get outside again into God's good September air. Still there is a charm about these two people living the simple life of hardship and toil to which they are so unaccustomed and so handicapped by lack of training, but appreciating so fully the smallest product of their toil that it is a pleasure to hear of their triumphs, though after this I shall be content to hear of them only."

-Ella Inderwick's memoirs of life on a ranch in southern Alberta, exact date unknown but sometime after 1884, Glenbow Archives

*-Submitted by
Laurel Halladay*

From the President

After a successful Historic Calgary Week, we are into the fall program Tuesday nights at Fort Calgary, as well as reviewing a Strategic Plan with the Historic Society of Alberta and the other chapters. (The wrap-up session is in Red Deer on November 28.)

Planning is in progress for our annual Christmas Lunch on December 12 at Fort Calgary. For more informaton, see page 3 of this newsletter.

Tom Hamp is working full time in

Medicine Hat on a six-month contract, and in his absence, I am on a quick learning curve.

Let us welcome two volunteers – Ron Kessler who is ensuring that the communications are providing what our speakers require at Fort Calgary, and Bill Longstaff who is going to be working with Ruth Kerr, and then assuming the role of editor of the newsletter. Welcome.

And to Ruth Kerr, thank you. -CCHS

-Submitted by Henry Murzyn



Book Discussion Group Focuses on Local History

If you're like me, you have a pile of history books that you have not yet gotten around to reading.

Why not pick one to read and join us on the evening of November 18th for the inaugural session of the Local History Book Discussion Get Together.

We'll share our opinons of the books we have read and, if we have time, find a common thread. Everyone is welcome.

Contact Kate Reeves at 403-809-7341 to find out the time and location. -CCHS

-Submitted by Kate Reeves

Chalking is a No-No in Cemeteries

Gary Daudlin, who manages the cemeteries for the City of Calgary, says some of the cemeteries have experienced chalking of the grave stones. He is not sure if it is vandalism or if some people merely are chalking the stones to enhance picture taking.

As the chalking may have an abrasive in it (most blackboard chalk does), damage may be done to the smooth surfaces of the grave stones. So, if you are photographing in the cemeteries, please do not chalk the grave stones. -CCHS

-Submitted by Henry Murzyn

Solutions to Crossword (Crossword on page 4)

Across: 1. Col. Sanders; 6. Kent; 9. Connaught; 10. Laval; 11. Loses; 12. Oz; 13. Sundog; 14. Mayland; 16. Union; 17. Cross; 29. Par; 21. H.R.H.; 22. Layzell; 25. Pod; 26. Fullerton; 27. HMCS; 28. Tom Baines

Down: 1. Cecil; 2. Lindsay; 3. Arabs; 4. Dagwood; 5. Ritz; 7. Elveden; 8. Telegraph; 10. Laurier; 14. McCulloch; 15. Adshead; 18. Olympic; 19. Pilaf; 20. Penal; 21. Houston; 23. Opera; 24. Lynas. -CCHS

Chinook Country Historical Society presents



*Annual
Christmas
Luncheon*

Saturday, December 12
Fort Calgary Historic Park
750 - 9th Avenue SE

Doors open at 10:30 a.m.
Lunch served at Noon

Guest Speaker

Edie Postill Cole
Early Pioneers:
Struggles and Triumphs

Tickets

\$35 per person

Reservations

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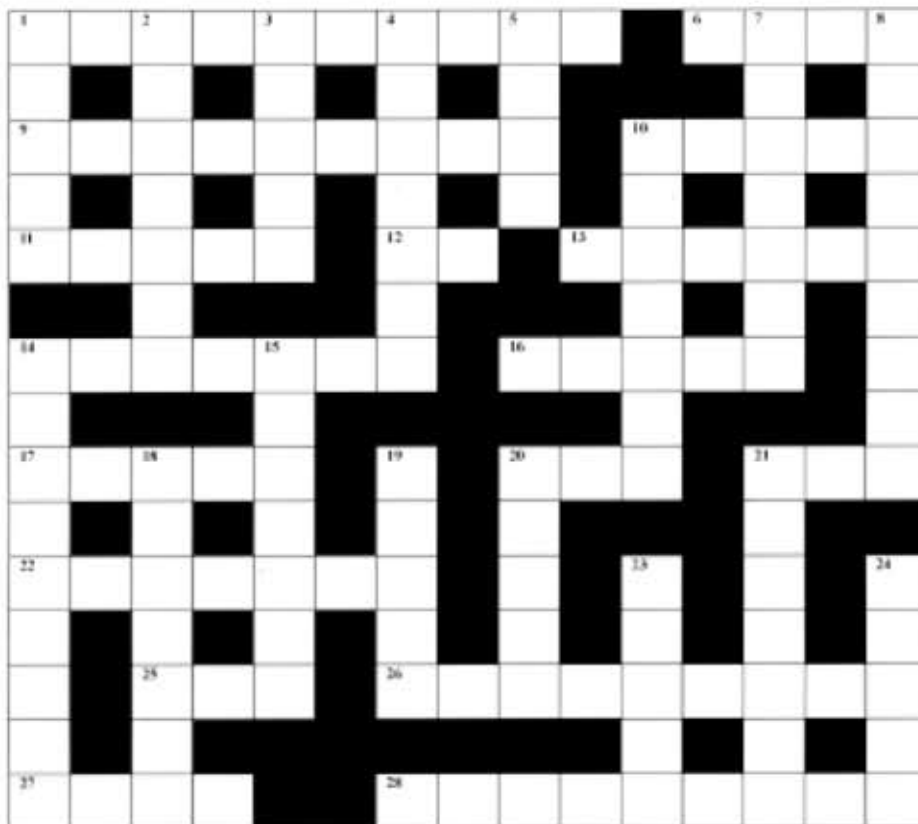
Sorry, tickets will not be available
at the door. Call or e-mail Sarah to
reserve your ticket and arrange payment.

Local History Crossword

(Solution on page 2)

Across

1. Commanding Officer at Ft. Calgary and later police magistrate (2 wds.)
6. Calgary police chief, 1968-72, Malcolm ----
9. Sandstone school in SW Calgary
10. The first bishop of "New France"
11. Misplaces; fails
12. Definitely not Kansas?
13. An aura around the sun, usually seen in the winter
14. A district in NE Calgary, ----- Heights
16. First Calgary Saving and Credit -----
17. One of the Big Four, A.E. -----
20. A golfer's quest?
21. Prince Philip's title (Initials)
22. Arthur -----, auctioneer
25. A collection of whales
26. First light heavyweight boxing champion in Western Canada, "Jake" -----
27. "---- Tecumseh"
28. First curator of Calgary Zoo, (2 wds.)



Down

1. Once a well-known drinking establishment in S.E. Calgary, the ----- Hotel
2. "-----'s Folly" in SW Calgary
3. Inhabitants of the Middle East
4. A familiar cartoon character, married to Blondie
5. "Putting on the ----"; an upscale hotel in NYC
7. Calgary's first skyscraper, built in 1961, ----- House
8. Email's predecessor?
10. Canada's seventh Prime Minister, Sir Wilfrid -----
14. Long-time member of CCHS, Ed -----
15. Calgary Alderman, 1912-14, 1916-17, Herbert -----
18. Part of COP
19. A popular Spanish dish
20. Punitive; disciplinary
21. A pioneer of art education in Alberta, Martha Isobel -----
23. Once home of Alberta Theatre Projects, the Canmore ----- House
24. Col Walker's granddaughter, Mary -----

—Jennifer Prest



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