

# PUBLIC AGENDA MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 4, 2015, 11:30 a.m.
Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall
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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

#### Recommendation

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### Recommendation

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee held on October 7, 2015 be adopted.

## 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Saskatoon Register of Historic Places [Files No. CK. 710-1 and PL. 710-27]

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Attached is the public resolution from the minutes of meeting held on

October 7, 2015 at which time the Committee resolved that the November meeting be held in a workshop format to further discuss the categorizing and prioritizing of the properties on the Saskatoon Register of Historic Places.

Also attached is the Saskatoon Register of Historic Places list of properties.

#### Recommendation

That the Committee provide direction.

# 4.2 Redefining our Heritage: A Proposal for Recognizing Saskatoon's First People [File No. CK. 4040-1]

Attached for the Committee's information is a report regarding the above as prepared by Mr. James Scott.

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### Recommendation

That the Committee provide direction.

- 5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR
- 6. REPORT OF THE HERITAGE COORDINATOR
- 7. COMMUNICATIONS
- 8. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION
  - 8.1 Application for Municipal Heritage Property Designation Pendygrasse House 1919 St. Henry Avenue [File No. CK. 710-66]

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated November 4, 2015.

## Recommendation

That the report be forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services with a recommendation to City Council:

- That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare and bring forward a bylaw to designate the property at 1919 St. Henry Avenue as a Municipal Heritage Property under the provision of The Heritage Property Act, with such designation limited to the exterior of the building, excluding the addition completed in 1995;
- 2. That the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the

proposed designation; and

3. That \$2,500 be allocated from the Heritage Reserve Fund for supply and installation of a recognition plaque for the property.

# 9. 2016 MEETING DATES [FILE NO. CK. 225-18]

The following is a proposed schedule of meetings for 2016 (no meetings in July, August, October-civic election, and December):

- Wednesday, January 6
- Wednesday, February 3
- Wednesday, March 2
- Wednesday, April 6
- Wednesday, May 4
- Wednesday, June 1
- Wednesday, September 7
- Wednesday, November 2

### Recommendation

That the meeting dates for the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for 2016 be approved.

# 10. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES [FILE NO. CK. 225-18]

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Attached is the current statement of expenditures.

As requested at the Committee's meeting held on October 7, 2015, also attached are the 2013 and 2014 budget actuals.

### Recommendation

That the information be received.

# 11. EXPLORING THE WONDER CITY - MHAC PUBLICATION [FILE NO. CK. 225-18]

Attached is the public resolution from the minutes of meeting held on October 7, 2015. Also attached is information regarding the number of books sold for the past five years as requested at the Committee's October 7, 2015 meeting.

### Recommendation

That the information be received.

# 12. PUBLICATIONS [FILE NO. CK. 225-18]

- Heritage Saskatchewan Newsletter August 31, 2015 (sent by email dated September 1, 2015)
- Heritage Saskatchewan Newsletter September 14, 2015 (sent by email

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- dated October 13, 2015)
- Heritage Saskatchewan Newsletter September 28, 2015 (sent by email dated October 13, 2015)
- Heritage Saskatchewan Newsletter October 13, 2015 (sent by email dated October 13, 2015)
- Heritage Saskatchewan Newsletter October 26, 2015 (sent by email dated October 27, 2015)
- Heritage The Magazine of the National Trust for Canada Volume XVIII,
   No. 3 (copy available for viewing at the meeting)

# Recommendation

That the information be received.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

# PUBLIC RESOLUTION MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Main Category: 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Sub-Category:** 

Item: 4.2 Saskatoon Register of Historic Places [Files No. CK.

710-1 and PL. 710-27]

Date: October 7, 2015

Any material considered at the meeting regarding this time is appended to this resolution package.

Heritage and Design Coordinator Kambeitz advised the Committee that the report Saskatoon Register of Historic Places was presented and received by the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development & Community Services at its meeting held October 5, 2015; this report will go before City Council on October 26, 2015 for approval.

The Committee was further updated that a notification letter was sent to all property owners clearly stating the intent of the Registry and the benefits of designation, there was little feedback from Commercial property owners. The Committee's next role in this process is prioritization of the Registry.

Moved By: M. Schwab

That the Committee's November meeting be set up in a workshop-type format to further discuss the categorizing and prioritizing of the properties on the Saskatoon Register of Historic Places.

**CARRIED** 

Register No.	Historic Place	Heritage Protection Status	Civic Address	Neighbourhood	Heritage Significance
001	Marr Residence	Designated	326 11th Street East	Nutana	<ul><li>One of the earliest homes built in Nutana</li><li>Architectural style</li></ul>
002	Pioneer (Nutana) Cemetery	Designated	Ruth Street West and St. Henry Avenue	Exhibition	<ul><li>Associated with early settlers of Saskatoon</li><li>Early landscape design</li></ul>
003	Little Stone School House	Designated	University of Saskatchewan	University of Saskatchewan (U of S) Management Area	<ul> <li>Associated with the foundation of public education in Saskatoon</li> <li>Stonemasonry</li> <li>One of the first heritage conservation projects in Canada</li> </ul>
004	Peter MacKinnon Building (formerly the College Building)	Designated	105 Administration Place (University of Saskatchewan)	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>First College of Agriculture at a Canadian University</li> <li>Collegiate Gothic architectural style</li> </ul>
005	Independent Order of Odd Fellows Temple	Designated	416 21st Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Neo- Classical and Beaux Arts influences)</li> <li>Associated with the development of the Saskatoon community</li> </ul>
006	Albert Community Centre	Designated	610 Clarence Avenue South	Varsity View	Representative of the importance of the British tradition in Saskatoon's

0.07			11.00 10: 15:		settlement     Symbolic of Saskatoon's early education system
007	Fairbanks Morse Warehouse	Designated	14 23rd Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Classical Revival architectural style</li> <li>Role in Saskatoon's commercial history</li> </ul>
008	Land Titles Office	Designated	311 21st Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Neo- Classical and Romanesque Revival influences)</li> <li>Associated with growth and prosperity in Saskatchewan</li> </ul>
009	Bowerman Residence	Designated	1328 Avenue K South	Holiday Park	<ul> <li>Western Stick architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Allan Bowerman – one of Saskatoon's first postmasters and member of the first Town Council</li> <li>Associated with history of tuberculosis treatment in Saskatoon</li> </ul>
010	Rugby Chapel	Designated	1337 College Drive	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>Associated with the history of Anglican education in Saskatchewan, and of the University of Saskatchewan</li> <li>Gothic Revival architectural style</li> </ul>

011	Sommerville/Pettit Residence	Designated	870 University Drive	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Tudor Revival and Spanish Revival influences)</li> <li>Contributes to University Drive streetscape</li> </ul>
012	Gustin/Trounce Residence	Designated	512 10th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Oldest known building in Saskatoon (Trounce)</li> <li>Pioneer vernacular architectural style (Trounce)</li> <li>Associated with Lyell Gustin, pianist and music teacher (Gustin)</li> <li>Eclectic architectural style and unique interior layout (Gustin)</li> </ul>
013	Arrand Block	Designated	520 - 524 11th St E.	Nutana	<ul> <li>Neo-classical architectural style</li> <li>Associated with the Arrand family, prominent Saskatoon contractors</li> </ul>
014	Forestry Farm Park (Superintendent's Residence)	Designated	1903 Forestry Farm Park Drive	Sutherland	Role in prairie landscape development
015	Former Fire Hall No. 3	Designated	612 11th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Associated with Saskatoon's boom years</li> <li>Associated with the cold war period</li> <li>Vernacular architectural style</li> </ul>
016	Next of Kin Memorial Avenue NHS	Designated	1502 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Kelsey-Woodlawn	Example of the "Roads of Remembrance" phenomenon which was developed to

					honour casualties of WWI
017	CPR Station NHS	Designated	305 Idylwyld Drive North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Associated with Saskatoon's emerging status as an important prairie city</li> </ul>
018	VIA Rail (Union) Station	Designated	1701 Chappel Drive	C.N. Yards Management Area	<ul> <li>Reflects changes in rail transportation during the mid-20th century</li> <li>International architectural style</li> </ul>
019	F.P. Martin House (1 & 2)	Designated	716 and 718 Saskatchewan Crescent East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Cottage influences)</li> <li>Associated with the life and work of Saskatoon architect Frank P. Martin</li> <li>Contributes to the historic streetscape of Saskatchewan Crescent</li> </ul>
020	The Broadway Theatre	Designated	715 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Art Moderne architectural style</li> <li>Associated with the Broadway Avenue commercial district</li> </ul>
021	Hutchinson Building	Designated	144 2nd Avenue south	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Vernacular façade</li> <li>Associated with prominent architect Frank P. Martin</li> <li>Associated with commercial development in Saskatoon</li> </ul>
022	Saskatoon Electrical System Substation	Designated	619 Main Street	Nutana	<ul> <li>Modern Classical architectural style</li> <li>Associated with public works in Saskatoon</li> </ul>

					Contributes to the surrounding streetscape
023	Thirteenth Street Terrace	Designated	711 - 723 13th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Innovative multiple dwelling unit design at the time</li> </ul>
024	Alexander Residence	Designated	1020 Spadina Crescent East	City Park	<ul> <li>Craftsman architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Dr. Harold Alexander, head of the Surgery Department at St. Paul's Hospital</li> </ul>
025	Little Chief Service Station	Designated	344 20th Street West	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Spanish Revival architectural style</li> <li>Associated with the commercial development of Saskatoon</li> </ul>
026	Knox United Church	Designated	838 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Collegiate Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
027	St. John's Anglican Cathedral	Designated	816 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Gothic Revival architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
028	Landa Residence	Designated	202 Avenue E South	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Associated with the Landa family, who were the first Jewish settlers in Saskatoon</li> <li>Architectural style (Prairie influences)</li> </ul>
029	McLean Block	Designated	263 3rd Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Contributes to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Streetscape</li> </ul>

030	Bottomley House	Designated	1118 College Drive	Varsity View	<ul> <li>Queen Anne architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Saskatoon's economic prosperity in the early-20<sup>th</sup> century</li> </ul>
031	Aden Bowman Residence	Designated	1018 McPherson Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Associated with business and civic leader Aden Bowman</li> <li>Associated with architect, R.M. Thompson</li> </ul>
032	Cambridge Court	Designated	129 5th Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Associated with architect David Webster</li> <li>Architectural style (Romanesque Revival and Chicago influences)</li> </ul>
033	Larkin House	Designated	927 5th Avenue North	City Park	<ul> <li>Associated with two prominent business families during the 1920s, the Larkin and Perrott families</li> <li>Colonial architectural style</li> </ul>
034	Arthur Cook Building	Designated	306 Ontario Avenue	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Contributes to the         Warehouse District         streetscape</li> <li>Associated with architect         David Webster</li> </ul>
035	W.J. English House	Designated	932 University Drive	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Spanish and California Mission influences)</li> <li>Associated with a number of prominent citizens</li> </ul>
036	City Gardener's Site	Designated	810 Spadina Crescent West	King George	Associated with Old Bone     Trail

					Associated with the city's first gardeners
037	Bell House	Holding Bylaw	906 Saskatchewan Crescent East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Associated with William J.         Bell, pioneer and alderman</li> <li>Associated with architects         Storey and Van Egmond</li> <li>Architectural style (Colonial influences)</li> </ul>
038	Hopkins House	Holding Bylaw	307 Saskatchewan Crescent West	Nutana	<ul> <li>Neo-classical architectural style</li> <li>Associated with William Hopkins, prominent civic politician and businessman</li> </ul>
039	Adilman's Department Store	Holding Bylaw	126 – 128 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Art Moderne architectural style</li> <li>Associated with the Adilman Family's retail business</li> </ul>
040	Bessborough Hotel	Holding Bylaw	601 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	Historic and cultural landmark     Chateau architectural style
041	Broadway Bridge	Holding Bylaw	Broadway Avenue	Central Business District / Nutana	Historic landmark
042	University Bridge	Holding Bylaw	25 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Central Business District	Historic landmark
043	Buena Vista School	Holding Bylaw	1306 Lorne Avenue	Buena Vista	<ul> <li>Representative of the importance of the British tradition both in Saskatoon's settlement and in the educational system</li> <li>Associated with architect David Webster</li> </ul>
044	Calder House	Holding	848 Saskatchewan	Nutana	Architectural style (Colonial

		Bylaw	Crescent East		Revival influences)  • Associated with T.F. Calder, former Provincial Manager of Standard Trust
045	Board of Trade Office	Holding Bylaw	1022 Temperance Street	Varsity View	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Classical influences)</li> <li>Associated with early Board</li> </ul>
046	Canada Building	Holding Bylaw	105 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>of Trade activities</li> <li>Chicago architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Allan Bowerman, Saskatoon's first postmaster and member of the first Town Council</li> </ul>
047	Senator Hotel	Holding Bylaw	243 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Historic landmark</li></ul>
048	Hugh Cairns Memorial	Holding Bylaw	Kinsmen Park (945 Spadina Crescent East)	City Park	Symbolic of the lives that were lost during WWI
049	Irvine House	Holding Bylaw	416 11th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Queen Anne influences)</li> <li>Associated with Robert B. Irvine – member of Saskatoon's first City Council and former chairman of the Nutana School District</li> </ul>
050	King George School	Holding Bylaw	721 Avenue K South	King George	<ul> <li>Representative of the importance of education and the British tradition</li> <li>Associated with architect David Webster</li> </ul>
051	MacMillan Building	Holding Bylaw	135 21st Street East	Central Business District	<ul><li>Chicago architectural style</li><li>Associated with Frank R.</li></ul>

					MacMillan, former alderman and mayor
052	Normal School	Holding Bylaw	1030 Idylwyld Drive North	Central Industrial	<ul> <li>Collegiate Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Representative of one of the most modern and best equipped institutions in Canada in the 1920s</li> </ul>
053	Powe House	Holding Bylaw	100 115 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Sutherland	One of the first homesteading sites in the Saskatoon area
054	R.J.D Williams School	Holding Bylaw	221 Cumberland Avenue	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>An important educational landmark in Saskatoon and the province of Saskatchewan</li> <li>Gothic architectural style</li> </ul>
055	Roxy Theatre	Holding Bylaw	320 20th Street West	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Spanish Villa architectural style</li> <li>Reminiscent of old Saskatoon theatres</li> <li>Contributes to 20<sup>th</sup> Street West streetscape</li> </ul>
056	Royal Bank	Holding Bylaw	241 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	Architectural style (Classical and Renaissance influences)
057	Rumely Warehouse	Holding Bylaw	224 Pacific Avenue	Central Business District	<ul> <li>North American Warehouse architectural style</li> <li>Representative of Saskatoon's role as a prominent distribution center</li> </ul>
058	Saskatoon Club	Holding Bylaw	417 21st Street East	Central Business District	Historic landmark in the Saskatoon business community

059	Nutana Collegiate Institute	Holding Bylaw	411 11th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>First collegiate in Saskatoon</li> <li>Role in Saskatoon's art community</li> <li>French Renaissance architectural style</li> </ul>
060	Schrader House	Holding Bylaw	321 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Representative of affluence in the early 20th century</li> <li>Associated with Schrader family</li> <li>Architectural style</li> </ul>
061	St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church	Holding Bylaw	214 Avenue M South	Pleasant Hill	<ul> <li>Byzantine architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
062	St. Joseph's Church	Holding Bylaw	535 8th Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Romanesque architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
063	St. Mark's Anglican Church	Holding Bylaw	1406 8th Avenue North	North Park	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Religious and cultural landmark</li></ul>
064	Star Phoenix Clock	Holding Bylaw	5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue and 24 <sup>th</sup> Street	Central Business District	Symbolic tribute to those     Canadians who sacrificed     their lives during WWI
065	Stewart's Drug Store	Holding Bylaw	810 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>One of the oldest surviving buildings on Broadway Avenue</li> <li>Associated with Charles Stewart, pharmacist</li> </ul>
066	Third Avenue United Church	Holding Bylaw	304 3rd Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>English Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>

067	Thompson Chambers / Avalon Block	Holding Bylaw	206 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	Unique in size and scale along 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North
068	Ukrainians Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Trinity	Holding Bylaw	919 20th Street West	Riversdale	<ul><li>Byzantine architectural style</li><li>Religious and cultural landmark</li></ul>
069	The Vimy Memorial	Holding Bylaw	Kiwanis Memorial Park (501 Spadina Crescent East)	Central Business District	Symbolic of the lives that were lost during WWI, and the Battle of Vimy Ridge
070	T. Eaton Co Ltd.	Holding Bylaw	310 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Italian Renaissance architectural Style</li> <li>Associated with the Eaton's company - once Canada's largest department store retailer</li> </ul>
071	Grace- Westminster Church	-	505 10 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Victorian Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
072	Nurses Residence	-	1702 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Pleasant Hill	Representative of health care education in the first half of the 20th century
073	Birks Building	-	165 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Beaux Arts influences)</li> <li>Associated with Henry Birks and Jewellery Company Henry Birks and Sons Ltd</li> </ul>
074	Spadina Crescent Bridge	-	Spadina Crescent East	City Park	Historical landmark
075	McKague's Ltd.	-	300 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with the</li></ul>

076	City Park Collegiate	-	820 9 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North	City Park	McKague family, who provided funeral services And related activities in the early 19 <sup>th</sup> century  British architectural style Role as an educational institution and community centre in Saskatoon
077	Bank of Montreal	-	101 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	International architectural style     Associated with Canada's first permanent bank – the Bank of Montreal
078	Arnold's Private Hospital	-	203 8 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Buena Vista	<ul> <li>Representative of Saskatoon's healthcare institutions and early nursing practices</li> </ul>
079	Albany Hotel	-	202 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	One of the earliest buildings in the Riversdale area
080	King George Hotel	-	157 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	One of Saskatoon's oldest hotels
081	Sgt. Hugh Cairns V.C. Armoury	-	930 Idylwyld Drive North	Central Industrial	<ul> <li>Symbolic of the lives that were lost during WWI</li> <li>Associated with Hugh Cairns – WWI Soldier</li> </ul>
082	Christ Church	-	515 28 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Caswell Hill	<ul> <li>Gothic Revival architectural Style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
083	Kiwanis Memorial Park	-	501 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	Cultural landmark

084	Glengarry Block	-	245 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with architect, David Webster</li></ul>
085	Connaught Block	-	247 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with architect, David Webster</li></ul>
086	Smith Block	-	723 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	Architectural style
087	Sturdy Stone Building	-	122 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	Brutalist architectural style
088	Montgomery Place Memorial Cairn	-	Montgomery Park (3302 Ortona Street)	Montgomery Place	Symbolic tribute to war veterans and formation of Montgomery Place
089	Pioneer Memorial Cairn	-	Cosmopolitan Park (725 Saskatchewan Crescent East)	Nutana	Honours the men and women who were the original founders of Saskatoon
090	Sommerfeld Block	-	813 and 817 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with historic Broadway area</li></ul>
091	Stone Barn - University of Saskatchewan	-	University of Saskatchewan	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>One of the few French         Canada/Eastern Township         structures remaining on the         Prairies</li> <li>Symbolic of the study of         agriculture in Saskatchewan</li> </ul>
092	Bottomley Block	-	155 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with architectural firm, Webster and Noel</li> <li>Associated with Richard Bottomley, an early investor in Saskatoon</li> </ul>

093	Kempthorne Block	-	157 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with architectural firm, Webster and Noel</li> </ul>
094	Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory	-	950 Spadina Crescent East	City Park	<ul> <li>Modernist architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Fred S.         Mendel, a local industrialist     </li> <li>Cultural centre</li> </ul>
095	Hollywood Studios Building	-	238 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with Hollywood Studio's photography gallery</li></ul>
096	Tees and Persse Building	-	331 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	Chicago architectural style
097	Mackenzie and Thayer Warehouse	-	303 Pacific Avenue	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Representative of the prevailing design of warehouses built during the 1920's</li> </ul>
098	Eaton Block	-	735 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Frederick Eaton, an early Saskatoon doctor</li> </ul>
099	The Diefenbaker Canada Centre	-	University of Saskatchewan	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>Honours Canada's 13<sup>th</sup>         Prime Minister and houses         his extensive collection of papers and memorabilia     </li> </ul>
100	Caswell School	-	204 30 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Caswell Hill	<ul> <li>Representative of Saskatoon's early education system</li> <li>Associated with R. Caswell, a Saskatoon pioneer</li> </ul>
101	Wilson School	-	902 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North	City Park	Representative of Saskatoon's early education

102	Fred Mitchell	-	410 Saskatchewan	Buena Vista	<ul> <li>system</li> <li>Associated with James R.</li> <li>Wilson, a Saskatoon Public</li> <li>School Board member</li> <li>Represents early commercial</li> </ul>
	Memorial Garden		Crescent West		landscaping in Saskatoon
103	Ashworth Holmes Park	-	915 Avenue D North	Caswell Hill	<ul> <li>Associated with John         Ashworth and Joseph         Holmes, two prominent         business men who founded         the Saskatoon Nursery     </li> <li>Cultural landmark</li> </ul>
104	Hoeschen House	-	309 Saskatchewan Crescent West	Nutana	<ul> <li>Georgian architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Ben         Hoeschen, owner of         Saskatoon's first brewing         company and active         community member</li> </ul>
105	MacMillan House	-	302 Saskatchewan Crescent West	Nutana	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Craftsman influences)</li> <li>Associated with Frank MacMillan, early Saskatoon merchant, alderman, mayor, and Member of Parliament</li> </ul>
106	Pendygrasse House	-	1919 St. Henry Avenue	Exhibition	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Harold Pendygrasse, an early Saskatoon homesteader and businessman</li> </ul>
107	Memorial Gates	-	University of Saskatchewan	U of S Management Area	Honours those from the University of Saskatchewan who lost their lives in WWI

108	CN Rail Bridge	-	Spadina Crescent East	Exhibition	Historic landmark
109	Bedford Road Collegiate	-	722 Bedford Road	Caswell Hill	<ul> <li>Collegiate Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Symbolizes the expansion of the population on the west side of the river and the importance of education is Saskatoon</li> </ul>
112	CPR Train Bridge	-	33 <sup>rd</sup> Street East	City Park	Historic landmark
113	Pleasant Hill School	-	215 Avenue South	Pleasant Hill	<ul><li>Cultural landmark</li><li>Associated with architect, Frank P. Martin</li></ul>
114	St. Andrew's College	-	1121 College Drive	U of S Management Area	<ul><li>Collegiate Gothic architectural style</li><li>Religious significance</li></ul>
115	Victoria School	-	639 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>French Renaissance style (Classical Revival and Second Empire influences)</li> <li>Community landmark</li> <li>Contributes to Broadway streetscape</li> </ul>
116	Westmount School	-	411 Avenue J South	Westmount	British architectural style     Community landmark
117	Wing (Lynx) Building	-	2407 Avenue C North	Airport Industrial	Training School for the R.C.A.F during WWII
118	Laurentian/Union Bank	-	183 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	Classical Revival architectural style
119	Federal Building	-	101 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street East	Central Business District	Beaux Arts architectural style
120	H.M.C.S. Unicorn	-	405 24 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Central Business District	Naval barracks

121	City Hospital Nurses Residence	-	701 Queen Street	City Park	Representative of health care education in the first half of the 20th century
122	Royal University Hospital	-	103 Hospital Drive	U of S Management Area	<ul> <li>Modern Collegiate architectural style</li> <li>Prominent landmark</li> </ul>
123	Cenotaph	-	222 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	War monument
124	Ukrainian Museum of Canada	-	910 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Ukrainian Folk architectural style</li> <li>Cultural and community landmark</li> </ul>
125	Chubb Block	-	227 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Benjamin Chubb who served on town Council and was part of the establishment of the Quaker Oats plant</li> </ul>
126	Drinkle Building No. 3	-	117 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with John Drinkle         <ul> <li>one of the city's first, and</li> <li>one of the youngest, real</li> <li>estate operators</li> </ul> </li> <li>Symbolic of the boom and bust experienced by the city in its early years</li> </ul>
127	Priel Block	-	214 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>Associated with James Priel, a local builder</li></ul>
128	Zenith Building	-	128 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul><li>Architectural style</li><li>A modern masonry building</li></ul>

				for its time
129	City Greenhouses -	1101 Avenue P North	Hudson Bay Park	<ul> <li>Representative of greenhouses and nursery's built in the post-WWII era</li> <li>Cultural landmark</li> </ul>
130	Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church	1020 Dufferin Avenue	Nutana	Architectural style     Religious and Cultural landmark
131	Exhibition - Grounds - Log Cabin	Ruth/Herman Avenue	Exhibition	<ul> <li>Arts and Crafts architectural style</li> <li>Constructed to commemorate early pioneers</li> </ul>
132	Kinsmen Park -	Spadina Crescent East	City Park	Cultural landmark
133	Louise Grounds -	- 411 11 <sup>th</sup> St E.	Nutana	Cultural and historic landmark
134	First Baptist - Church	401 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North	City Park	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Associated with architectural firm, Webster and Gilbert</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
135	First Synagogue -	136 Avenue F South	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Classical Revival architectural style</li> <li>Associated with architect, Frank P. Martin</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>

136	Grace Gospel Hall	-	120 25 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Caswell Hill	<ul><li>Old South architectural style</li><li>Religious and cultural landmark</li></ul>
137	Walter Lock House		1038 University Drive	Varsity View	<ul> <li>Architectural style</li> <li>Contributes to University</li> <li>Drive's streetscape</li> </ul>
138	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church	-	436 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Gothic architectural style</li> <li>Associated with architectural firm, Webster and Gilbert</li> <li>Religions and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
139	Henry Leher House	-	1034 University Drive	Varsity View	Tudor architectural style
140	St. James Anglican Church	-	607 Dufferin Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Romanesque Revival architectural style</li> <li>Religious and cultural landmark</li> </ul>
141	St. Mary's Church	-	217 Avenue O South	Pleasant Hill	<ul><li>Gothic architectural style</li><li>Religious and cultural landmark</li></ul>
142	St. Paul's Cathedral	-	720 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style         (Romanesque and Gothic         influences)</li> <li>Religious and cultural         landmark</li> </ul>
143	St. Thomas Wesley-United Church	-	808 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	Religious and cultural Landmark

144	St. Vincent of Lerins Orthodox Church	-	224 25 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Caswell Hill	Religious and cultural landmark
145	Ernest Bricker House	-	1004 University Drive	Varsity View	<ul> <li>Dutch Colonial architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Ernest Bricker, proprietor</li> </ul>
146	McKim Block	-	416 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street East	Central Business District	Associated with realtor W.     McKim
147	The Original Bulk Cheese Warehouse	-	732 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	Contributes to the Broadway streetscape
148	W.G Watson House	-	1066 Spadina Crescent East	City Park	<ul> <li>Architectural style (English and Craftsman influences)</li> <li>Associated with Saskatoon jeweller W. G. Watson</li> </ul>
149	Western Rooms Building	-	120 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	One of the last remaining examples of boom time buildings on 20th Street West
150	Rook and Raven	-	154 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Mark of progress</li> <li>Contributes to 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue streetscape</li> </ul>
151	Buckwold Building	-	75 24 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Chicago influences)</li> <li>Association with the Buckwold Family, including former mayor Sid Buckwold</li> </ul>

152	Butler Block	-	239 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	Reminiscent of the early boom years of Riversdale
153	Past and Present Building (Chinese National Building)	-	327 21 <sup>st</sup> Street West	Riversdale	Symbolizes the efforts of Saskatoon citizens to establish a democratic nation within China
154	Fred Delf House	-	1035 University Drive	Varsity View	<ul> <li>Craftsman architectural style</li> <li>Associated with Robert         McQueen, prominent         western Canadian educator         and banker</li> </ul>
155	Bill's House of Flowers (Handmade House)	-	712 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Example of commercial architecture during the Depression period</li> <li>Contributes to the Broadway streetscape</li> </ul>
156	Hearn Block	-	269 3rd Avenue South	Central Business District	Art Moderne architectural style
157	Hudson's Bay Building	-	203 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Representative of retail buildings constructed during the post-WWII era.</li> <li>Association with the Hudson's Bay Company</li> <li>Landmark building in Saskatoon's downtown</li> </ul>
158	Joe's Cycle	-	220 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	<ul> <li>Representative of commercial buildings during the pre-WWI era</li> <li>Contributes to 20<sup>th</sup> Street</li> </ul>

					streetscape
159	Lee Wing Laundry	-	118 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	<ul> <li>One of the last remaining buildings from Pre WWI time period on 20th Street</li> <li>Contributes to the 20th Street streetscape</li> </ul>
160	Mayfair Drugs	-	504 33 <sup>rd</sup> Street West	Mayfair	Spanish architectural style
161	McGowan Building	-	122 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Italianate architectural style</li> <li>Associated with James         Wilson, early Saskatoon         Councillor and Mayor</li> <li>Iconic building along 2<sup>nd</sup>         Avenue North</li> </ul>
162	McKay Block	-	223 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue South	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Represents the historic 2nd Avenue downtown streetscape</li> <li>Associated with W. McKay, a physician who ran an office at this location during the height of the typhoid epidemic</li> </ul>
163	McQuarries Tea and Coffee Merchants	-	708 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	<ul> <li>Representative of a commercial building built during WWII</li> <li>Adds character to Broadway Avenue</li> </ul>
164	O.K. Economy Store	-	702 14 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>Spanish architectural style</li> <li>Neighbourhood landmark based on its history as a local corner store.</li> </ul>

165	Northeast Swale	-	Northeast Swale	-	<ul> <li>Ancient river channel that is now one of the largest pieces of unbroken prairie, riparian forest and wetlands in the Saskatoon region</li> </ul>
166	Woolworth F.W. Store	-	220 21 <sup>st</sup> Street East	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Associated with the F.W.         Woolworth Store</li> <li>Contributes to the 21<sup>st</sup> Street streetscape</li> </ul>
167	York Building	-	158 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Chicago architectural style</li> <li>Association with trade unions and professional associations</li> <li>Landmark building</li> </ul>
168	Five Corners	-	Broadway Avenue	Nutana	Focal intersection throughout Saskatoon's history
169	Long Hill	-	400 – 500 Block Saskatchewan Crescent East	Nutana	Historic roadway located on the East bank of the River
170	Short Hill	-	500 – 600 Block Victoria Avenue	Nutana	Historic roadway located on the East bank of the River
171	Granite Curling Club	-	480 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue North	City Park	<ul><li>Unique interior</li><li>Associated with Saskatoon's curling history</li></ul>
172	Sutherland Memorial Hall	-	1112 Central Avenue	Sutherland	Reminiscent and symbolic of the original Sutherland community

173	19th Street Subway	-	100 Block 19 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Central Business District	Only remaining subway in downtown Saskatoon
174	Empyreal Building	-	616 10 <sup>th</sup> Street East	Nutana	<ul> <li>False front architectural style</li> <li>Symbolic of Saskatoon's early lumber industry</li> <li>Adds charm and character to the Broadway area</li> </ul>
175	Great Western Brewing Company	-	510 2nd Avenue North	Central Business District	Historic brewery
176	Heinze Institute	-	247 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	Architectural style (Beaux Arts influences
177	John Deere Warehouse	-	330 Ontario Avenue	Central Industrial	<ul> <li>Representative of warehouses built during the pre-WWI era</li> <li>One of the prominent agricultural machinery warehouses in the early 1900's.</li> </ul>
178	Robin Hood Mill	-	95 33 <sup>rd</sup> Street East	Central Industrial	Symbolizes the importance of flour mills in the development of agriculture in Saskatchewan
179	Sterling Home Furnishing's/DeFe hr's	-	261 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue North	Central Business District	<ul> <li>Architectural style (Beaux Arts influences)</li> <li>Contributes to the 1<sup>st</sup> Ave streetscape</li> </ul>
180	Walter's Cycle	-	225 20 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Riversdale	Association with George     Norman, early newspaper

181	A.L. Cole	-	145 Spadina	Riversdale	publisher, Councillor, Mayor and Provincial politician  • Association with Jack Walters, a local bicycle retailer  • Only surviving remnant of
	Pumphouse		Crescent West		the original Saskatoon Power Plant
182	Andrew Boyd House	Designated	803 9 <sup>th</sup> Avenue North	City Park	<ul> <li>Tudor architectural style</li> <li>Association with Andrew N. Boyd, an auto dealership owner</li> <li>Association with Dr. Lorne McConnell, a pioneer in the field of neurosurgery in Western Canada</li> </ul>
183	Joe Duquette / Oskayak High School	-	919 Broadway Avenue	Nutana	Important educational institution for First Nations students.
184	Mayfair School	-	510 34 <sup>th</sup> Street West	Mayfair	<ul> <li>Representative of the importance of education in Saskatoon</li> <li>Neighbourhood landmark</li> </ul>
185	The Weir	-	1100 Block Spadina Crescent East	City Park	Historic Landmark
186	Moose Jaw Trail	-	Mark Thompson Park (122 Rempel Manor)	Stonebridge	Honors the original wagon cart trail which brought settlers from Moose Jaw to

						Saskatoon
187	Sion Academy	-	830 Idylwyld Drive North	Central Industrial	•	Religious institution
188	Ukrainian War Veterans Hall	-	228 Avenue G South	Riversdale	•	War veterans tribute
189	Gabriel Dumont Statue	-	Friendship Park (325 Spadina Crescent East	Central Business District	•	Tribute to Metis leader Gabriel Dumont
190	International Peace Plaza	-	Rotary Park (225 Saskatchewan Crescent East)	Nutana	•	Symbol of community peace
191	Patterson Garden Arboretum	-	Preston Avenue North (University of Saskatchewan)	U of S Management Area	•	Representative of prairie plant and tree species
192	Victoria Park	-	810 Spadina Crescent West	King George	•	Cultural landmark

# Redefining our heritage: A proposal for recognizing Saskatoon's First People

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Founders Statue from the Whitecap Dakota First Nation website

The Founders Statue at Saskatoon's River Landing represents a meeting between the Temperance colonist, John Lake, and the Dakota Chief Whitecap. Mr. Lake sits pleasantly gazing towards the ever-flowing South Saskatchewan River while Chief Whitecap stands next to him, arm outstretched as if pointing to the beautiful surroundings. The two men are said to have met when Chief Whitecap came across the Temperance colonists while they were having an open air religious service. After an exchange of pleasantries, Mr. Lake asked Chief Whitecap if he might know of a good place to settle and Chief Whitecap recommended Saskatoon.

It is doubtful that Mr. Lake knew what happened to the people who had given Saskatoon its name or why they had been placed on a reserve. How the Cree came to be displaced from their lands is not generally taken into account when relating how the settlers came to take possession of Saskatoon. This omission has led to misunderstandings regarding the Cree and other First People and such misunderstandings have lead to tensions within our community. The full story of Saskatoon's colonization needs to be remembered and represented for the benefit of the descendants of the settlers and the First People.<sup>1</sup>

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Judith Lewis Herman, *Trauma and Recovery*, (Basic Books 1992) stated the following at page 1: The ordinary response to atrocities is to banish them from consciousness. Certain violations of the social compact are too terrible to utter aloud: this is the meaning of the word *unspeakable*. Atrocities, however, refuse to be buried. Equally as powerful as the desire to deny atrocities is the conviction that denial does not work. Folk wisdom is filled with ghosts who refuse to rest in their graves until their stories are told.

Recognition of the First People and their history will assist us in building a more harmonious community with a high quality of life for all. Our narrative as a community includes heritage sites and memorials as well as our written and oral history. Our community narrative needs to recognize how Saskatoon's colonization led to intergenerational trauma as well as systemic and overt racial bias and how these factors have affected and disadvantaged First People. Recognizing First People in our community narrative is a crucial part of a healing process which we need to undergo to build a more harmonious and prosperous community.

# **The Power of Monuments and Stories**

Our city's name, "Saskatoon", evokes a time when our First People's culture and claim to the land were recognized and respected. Although there is a renaissance in the recognition and understanding of Aboriginal culture, this recognition is not adequately reflected in our local buildings and monuments. A monument which recognizes our First People and the tragic history of colonization would be a first step to promote the recognition of Aboriginal culture by physically demonstrating our community's appreciation of and respect for our First People. Moreover, a prominent physical representation of Aboriginal heritage is needed to provide legitimacy and permanence for our shared recognition of Aboriginal people and their culture.

Our future is influenced by how we define our past. An inclusive view of our past promotes an inclusive view of our present and future. An inclusive community is more likely to be harmonious and to flourish. By contrast, a view of the past that excludes, marginalizes and/or fails to recognize the legitimacy of some of its groups promotes disharmony. The negative consequences of excluding and marginalizing a group within a community will be discussed further below.

Saskatoon presently has a number of social problems including one of the highest rates of violent crime in Canada.<sup>2</sup> These social problems are costly obstacles to our peace and prosperity. Our social problems can only begin to be solved when all members of the community are recognized as legitimate citizens, worthy of our respect and consideration.

Aboriginal people are growing in population and influence in Saskatoon. First People are increasingly active in all aspects of our society, including mining, medicine, art, sports, education, entertainment, law, justice, science, service, and politics. However, our community's

Murder will out. Remembering and telling the truth about terrible events are prerequisites both for the restoration of the social order and for the healing of individual victims.

The conflict between the will to deny horrible events and the will to proclaim them aloud is the central dialectic of psychological trauma. People who have survived atrocities often tell their stories in a highly emotional, contradictory, and fragmented manner which undermines their credibility and there by serves the twin imperative of truth-telling and secrecy. When the truth is finally recognized, survivors can begin their recovery. But far too often secrecy prevails, and the story of the traumatic event surfaces not as a verbal narrative but as a symptom.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Statistics Canada: <u>Police Report Crime Rates 2014</u> - Table 3 Police-reported Crime Severity Index and crime rate, by census metropolitan area.

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landscape omits a substantial portion of Aboriginal heritage and our shared story.<sup>3</sup> Our community effectively marginalizes Saskatoon's First People when we do not adequately recognize their culture and contribution to our way of life. This marginalization results in Saskatoon's First Peoples being less likely or able to contribute to the development of our community and our city. Acknowledging and correcting this omission is a step towards understanding Aboriginal culture and addressing our related social problems.

Our heritage is our shared story, which is legitimized in part by objects or buildings. Our shared heritage is a powerful normative governor because we can trust that members of our community share the same notions of what it means to belong within our community and, therefore, behave according to our accepted norms.<sup>4</sup> A shared story promotes shared norms which allow us to efficiently establish trust and understanding with the new people we encounter daily. Our shared story allows us to work effectively together to maintain a peaceful, productive community. It also provides us with a sense of comfort, security, and belonging.

Saskatoon's inhabitants presently have at least two different heritage narratives. Saskatchewan's First People and many descendants of Saskatchewan settlers possess different stories. The founding of Saskatoon has meant profoundly different things to these two communities. It is difficult to establish trust and understanding between people with different heritage narratives. To foster trust and understanding, we need to establish a shared understanding of our heritage.<sup>5</sup> This shared understanding does not mean assimilation or the end of pluralism. This shared understanding means broadening our mutual understanding.

There is convincing evidence that the government of Canada attempted to erase the physical evidence of Saskatchewan's First People's culture. This attempt has been referred to by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada as "the cultural genocide of our First Peoples".<sup>6</sup> As the intended beneficiaries of the colonization of these lands, the people of Saskatoon have an ethical obligation to preserve and protect the Aboriginal story - the First Peoples' heritage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Whitecap Dakota First Nation is acknowledged in Saskatoon by the Founders Statue and 1812 War Memorial and the Métis Nation is represented by the statue of Gabriel Dumont and locations such as Place Riel but there is no physical acknowledgement of the people who gave us legal authority to preside in Saskatoon, the Cree Nation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens, A Brief History of Humankind (Canada: McClelland & Stewart, 2014)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Isobel M. Findlay and Warren Weir, <u>Aboriginal Justice in Saskatchewan, 2002-2021</u>: The Benefits of Change (2004 present to The Commission on First Nations and Métis People and Justice Reform - Online) regarding the importance of shared stories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Supreme Court Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin says Canada attempted to commit "cultural genocide" against aboriginal peoples, Toronto Globe and Mail, May 28, 2015 (online); Also see Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (online); and Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship (online);

Genocide is defined in Article 2 of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (1948) as "any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, Racial or religious group, as such: killing members of the group; causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group; deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part; imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group; [and] forcibly transferring children of the group to another group." This definition is similar to the definition of genocide in *The Convention* on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (1951). Also see Smith, D., Varcoe, C. & Edwards, N. (2005). Turning around the intergenerational impact of residential schools on Aboriginal people: Implications for health policy and practice. Canadian Journal of Nursing Research, 37(4), page 52.

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Our history is too voluminous for us to preserve in its entirety. We should be selective in conserving and interpreting our heritage for both practical and political reasons. This selection must be done in a manner that benefits all of us. We should not omit portions of our heritage when such omissions do us harm. Regrettably, our present selection and interpretation of our heritage omits the fundamental fact that Saskatoon is founded upon a process of colonization (including residential schools) which attempted to eliminate Aboriginal culture. <sup>8</sup> The process of colonization included the forcible removal of First Peoples from the lands we now call Saskatoon. It has been argued that the process of colonization has not ended and continues to affect our community to the present day. 10

### **Incomplete Stories and Social Harm**

An incomplete story of our heritage leaves the impression that Saskatoon's settlers came to an underused frontier and turned empty lands into a beautiful productive city through hard work, faith and persistence. The role of Saskatchewan's First People is omitted from this story. Those who recognize this incomplete notion of our heritage note that, although many Aboriginals in Saskatchewan show remarkable resiliency, 11 too many have not flourished to the same extent as the settlers. Further, this incomplete story allows for the false assumption that Aboriginals are culturally or genetically deficient due to the fact that 1) the children of Aboriginals are disproportionally taken from their parents and made wards of the Crown<sup>12</sup>, 2) Aboriginals are three times more likely to be the victims of crime, <sup>13</sup> 3) Aboriginals are disproportionally incarcerated<sup>14</sup>, 4) Aboriginals are disproportionally poor in a socio-economic sense<sup>15</sup>, 5)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Kirmayer, L.J., Gone J.P. Moses J. (2014 Vol. 51(3) 299-219) Rethinking Historical Trauma. Transcultural Psychiatry at page 300. Also see Mohatt, N. V., Thompson, A. B., Thai, N. D. & Tebes, J. K. (2014). Historical trauma as public narrative: A conceptual review of how history impacts present-day health. Social Science & Medicine, 106, page 130.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (online); Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship (online); Also see Smith, D., Varcoe, C. & Edwards, N. (2005). Turning around the intergenerational impact of residential schools on Aboriginal people: Implications for health policy and practice. Canadian Journal of Nursing Research, 37(4), page 52.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> James Daschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, *supra*;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Isobel M. Findlay and Warren Weir, Aboriginal Justice in Saskatchewan, 2002-2021: The Benefits of Change

<sup>(2004</sup> present to The Commission on First Nations and Métis People and Justice Reform - Online). 

12 Moniruzzaman, A., Pearce, M.E., Patel, S.H., Chavoshi, N., Teegee, M., Adam, W., et al. (2009). 

The Cedar Project: Correlates of attempted suicide among young Aboriginal people who use injection and non-injection drugs in two Canadian cities. International Journal of Circumpolar Health, 68, page 2186.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Katie Scrim, Aboriginal Victimization in Canada: A Summary of the Literature. Victims of Crime Research Digest No.3, Ottawa: Department of Justice Canada, Research and Statistics Division, 2015. Online at: http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/cj-jp/victim/rd3-rr3/p3.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See R. v. Ipeelee [2012] 1 SCR 433, 2012 SCC 13 (CanLII); Also see, Public Safety Canada - Table E3 of their Corrections and Conditional Release Overview for 2013; M. Jackson, Locking Up Natives in Canada, Report of the Canadian Bar Association Committee on Imprisonment and Release (1988); reprinted in (1988-89) 23 U.B.C. L. Rev. 215; Jonathon Rubin, Aboriginal Over-representation and R. v. Gladue: Where We Were, Where We Are and Where We Might Be Going, Supreme Court Law Review (2008), 40 S.C.L.R. (2d); and Honouring the Truth,

Aboriginals are significantly underrepresented in educational attainment<sup>16</sup>, and 6) Aboriginals are disproportionally mentally and physically unhealthy compared to non-Aboriginals<sup>17</sup>.

The social problems that many attribute to First People in Saskatchewan have been consistently linked to the historic and intergenerational trauma experienced by other colonized people worldwide. Colonization has historically caused direct trauma and intergenerational trauma. Too many people in Saskatoon are not aware of or do not understand the intergenerational harm caused by colonization. Our community will not be able to address our growing crime rate and our disparity in health and wealth until we come to grips with our shared heritage. Cynthia C. Wesley-Esquimaux and Magdalena Smolewski put it best when they stated:

Only by naming and deconstructing historic trauma and remembering the past, will Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people be able to free themselves from the oppositional realms they occupy in existing dominant and resistant cultural structures. <sup>19</sup>

It does great harm when we do not grieve our dead and their suffering.<sup>20</sup> We do harm to First People when we omit our legacy of cultural genocide because this denial hinders First People from grieving the loss of their ancestors and the loss of parts of their culture.<sup>21</sup> We show disrespect to the descendants of historic trauma when we forget cultural genocide which in turn causes an intergenerational toxic shame. We are implying through this omission that those First

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Furthermore, public reactions significantly affect individual and communal posttraumatic adaption and healing. When a conspiracy of silence develops, where those who were not affected are unable to understand the horrific nature of the survivor experiences and may actively avoid hearing about them, this may increase feeling of isolation, loneliness, and mistrust among survivors. See Evans-Campbell, T. (2008). <u>Historical trauma in American Indian/Native Alaska communities</u>: A multi-level framework for exploring impacts on individuals, families and communities. Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 23, 330.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Sinclair, R. & Grekul, J. (2012). *Aboriginal youth gangs in Canada*: (de)constructing the epidemic. First Peoples Child & Family Review, 7(1), 8-28.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Jillian Boyce, Cristine Rotenberg and Maisie Karam, <u>Mental health and Contact with Police in Canada</u>, (Statistics Canada 2012 online); Also see Dr. Billie Allan and Dr. Janet Smylie, <u>First Peoples, Second Class Treatment</u> – The Role of Racism in Health and Well Being of Indigenous Peoples of Canada (The Wellsley Institute – online at <a href="https://www.wellesleyinstitute.com">www.wellesleyinstitute.com</a>); Also see Jennifer S. Middlebrooks and Natalie C. Audage <u>The Effects of Childhood</u> <a href="https://www.wellesleyinstitute.com">Stress on Health Across the Lifespan</a> National Center for Injury Prevention and Control of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Katie Scrim, Aboriginal Victimization in Canada: A Summary of the Literature. Victims of Crime Research Digest No.3, Ottawa: Department of Justice Canada, Research and Statistics Division, 2015. Online at: <a href="http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/cj-jp/victim/rd3-rr3/p3.html">http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/cj-jp/victim/rd3-rr3/p3.html</a>. Also see Amy Bombay, Kim Matheson, Hymie Anisman, "Intergenerational Trauma: Convergence of Multiple Processes Among First Nations People in Canada", *Journal of Aboriginal Health*, 2009:6-47.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Cynthia C. Wesley-Esquimaux, Ph.D. Magdalena Smolewski, Ph.D., *Historic Trauma and Aboriginal Healing* (Aboriginal Healing Foundation, 2004); Also see <u>Smith, D., Varcoe, C. & Edwards, N</u>. (2005). *Turning around the intergenerational impact of residential schools on Aboriginal people: Implications for health policy and practice*. Canadian Journal of Nursing Research, 37(4), page 54-55.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Brave Heart, M.Y. & DeBruyn, L. (1998). The American Indian holocaust: Healing historical unresolved grief. American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research, 8, 60-82.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Brave Heart, *supra*, 8, 60-82.

People who died as a result of colonization are not worthy of our regard. We are implying that the victims of colonization are in some sense less than human, and this attitude is harmful to community relationships.<sup>22</sup>

The settler-founders who named Saskatoon must have admired and respected the First People to have used the Cree word for our city's location. However, too many of us seem to have lost that respect. We do not seem to appreciate the attachment the First People have to these lands, the impact First People had on these lands and the impact colonization has had on First People. The relationship between the First People and their lands is not told in our shared story.

#### **A Shared Story of Colonization**

Our shared story can be told as follows:

There were millions of people inhabiting the American continents prior to Columbus.<sup>23</sup> Some of those people were farmers, some were foragers, and some lived in cities located on both continents.<sup>24</sup> The Cree in particular are a successful and ancient people who called the lands we now call Saskatoon their home prior to our settlement.<sup>25</sup> Saskatoon was not founded on "untouched native prairie"<sup>26</sup> but on lands that had been advertently managed in a sustainable manner by First People for millennia.<sup>27</sup> The indigenous people of the prairies managed the buffalo as their primary economy.<sup>28</sup> The buffalo supplied the people of the plains with nearly everything.<sup>29</sup> The Cree were devastated by the crash of the buffalo population in 1878 and this loss has rippled down through the generations.

The bison hunters of the Saskatchewan prairie had a sophisticated social order, customs, norms, education, medicine, technology, religion, law, philosophy, and an intimate understanding of the universe<sup>30</sup>. The Cree and their ancestors have been here from prehistory and had a lifestyle that was in harmony with their environment. Their widespread culture allowed them to manage the prairies in an effective and sustainable manner.

<sup>23</sup> James Daschuk, *Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 4 to 8, 29;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Brave Heart, *supra*, 8, 60-82.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> See Charles C. Mann, *1491 (Second Edition): New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus* (First Vintage Books, 2006); Also see Daschuk, *supra*, at page 4 to 8, 29;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> See Public Minutes – Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, February 4, 2015, Item #4: Presentation – Northwest Swale Master Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 4 to 8, 29; David Meyer and Dale R. Russell, *Saskatchewan: Geographic Perspectives*, (Regina, Canada Plains Research Center, 2007) at page 101; Yuval Noah Harari, *Sapiens, A Brief History of Humankind* (Canada: McClelland & Stewart, 2014) at page 71.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Meyer and Russell, *supra*, at page 106

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Encyclopedia of Saskatchewan (online);

Meyer and Russell, <u>supra</u>, at page 107 to 115; Studies of skeletons have shown that in the mid-nineteenth century people on the plains were perhaps the tallest and best nourished population in the world. See Daschuk, *supra*, at page 100

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Meyer and Russell, *supra*, at page 106

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It is important to remember that the buffalo did not magically disappear from the prairie. The buffalo were massacred by incomers on an industrial scale for food<sup>32</sup> and for their hides which were fashioned into the large belts used to connect steam engines to machines in eastern factories.<sup>33</sup> Many buffalo carcasses were left to rot on the prairies.<sup>34</sup> There were numerous pleas to Ottawa from a variety of interested parties in the Northwest Territories for the Government of Canada to protect at least some of the buffalo, but Ottawa did nothing.<sup>35</sup>

The Cree negotiated Treaty 6 in 1876 as means of mitigating the dramatic changes which they foresaw resulting from the loss of their way of life.<sup>36</sup> The numbered treaties were negotiated by the First Nations and the Crown from positions of mutual strength.<sup>37</sup> The Cree and other First Nations allowed the newcomers onto their lands in return for guarantees of nutrition, education to help them become self-sufficient, and medicine to help them deal with the incomer's diseases which had caused the Cree to suffer a series of deadly plagues.<sup>38</sup>

The buffalo population crashed in 1878<sup>39</sup>, two years after Treaty 6 was signed, and the plains Cree became totally dependent on their treaty rights for survival. The Cree people were not told by Canada's negotiators about the *Indian Act* which was enacted in the same year as Treaty 6 was signed.<sup>40</sup> The goal of the *Indian Act* was to eliminate "Indians". None of the numbered treaties referred to the *Indian Act* and the *Indian Act* does not refer to the Treaties<sup>42</sup>. Many of the treaty provisions were not honoured by the Government of Canada.<sup>43</sup> The First Nations were tricked and forced out of their land by the newcomers.<sup>44</sup>

The *Indian Act* was based on a form of social Darwinism and was designed to promote the elimination of indigenous peoples' culture.<sup>45</sup> Canadians saw themselves as civilized

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 31, 34, 43, 60, 61, and 65.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 65,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Candace Savage, *A Geography of Blood, Unearthing Memory from the Prairie Landscape* (Vancouver, Greystone Books, 2012) at pages 88-89.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 101-102.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapters 3 and 5; Also see James Daschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 97,
<sup>37</sup> James Deschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 97.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> James Daschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 99

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapters 3 and 5; Also see Daschuk, supra, at page 98

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 101; The fish population was also severely depleted by incomers - see page 150.

<sup>40 &</sup>lt;u>Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba</u>, Chapter 5.

<sup>41</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: The Indian Act and Indians: children of the State (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 56 (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> <u>Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba</u>, Chapter 5. Also see <u>Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future</u>, *supra*, page 57 (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> <u>Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba</u>, Chapters 3 and 5. Also see <u>Report of the Royal</u> Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: The Indian Act and Indians: children of the State (online)

and saw the "Indians" as backward and incompetent to manage their own affairs. 46 The Indian Act combined two existing acts, The Gradual Civilization Act and The Enfranchisement Act. 47 The Crown strategically did not tell any of the First Nations that the Crown's over-arching goal was to eliminate "Indians". 48

The Indian Act granted enormous powers to Indian Agents who controlled nearly every aspect of a First Person's life.<sup>49</sup> The effect of the provisions of the *Indian Act* was to deny the Cree the ability to farm except in the form of small hand-tilled plots for their own subsistence.<sup>50</sup> "Indians" were not allowed to compete economically with the newcomers.<sup>51</sup> "Indians" were not eligible to obtain homesteads.<sup>52</sup>

The Indian Act controlled the Cree's mobility by giving the Indian Agents the power to enforce a pass system – one of the first modern forms of apartheid.<sup>53</sup> A commission from South Africa visited Western Canada in 1902 to study our pass system as a means of social control.<sup>54</sup> It may be that our pass system contributed to the development of South Africa's infamous system of apartheid.

The Head Indian Agent, Edgar Dewdney, and Prime Minister John A. MacDonald knew that our system of apartheid was illegal. 55 Dewdney wrote MacDonald stating that they should amend the treaties for the pass system to be legal.<sup>56</sup> The treaties were not amended but the *Indian Act* was amended to abolish the pass system in 1951.<sup>57</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: supra, and Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3 and 5. Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: The Indian Act and Indians: children of the State (online).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 5. Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: The Indian Act and Indians: children of the State (online).

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Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3 and 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> James Daschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 122 and 160. Also see Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3 and Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship Chapter 9 (online); and Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra, and Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapters 3 and 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship (online).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> Barron, F.L. (1988). The Indian Pass System in the Canadian West, 1882-1935. Prairie Forum, 13(1), 25-42. Also see Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (online); Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapters 3 and 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Barron, *supra*, 13(1), 25-42.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> James Daschuk, Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at pages 161-162.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Online.

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The government of Canada used the threat of starvation as a means of controlling Treaty Indians and to keep them on the reserves.<sup>58</sup> Indian agents also had the power to take Cree children from their families to be sent to residential schools with the intention of "killing the Indian in the child".<sup>59</sup>

"Indians" were also prohibited from practicing their rituals and religion. 60 "Indians" could not take their grievances to court because the *Indian Act* prohibited "Indians" from getting legal advice and prevented lawyers from representing "Indians". 61 "Indians" could not complain to their Member of Parliament because they were not considered "persons" and they did not have the vote. 62

Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba pointed out that:

The *Criminal Code* in 1892 made it possible to charge with an indictable offence any person "who induces, incites, or stirs up any three or more Indians, non-treaty Indians or half-breeds" to meet together to make demands upon civil servants in a riotous or disorderly manner. This clear violation of the fundamental principle of freedom of association enjoyed by Canadians significantly prevented the development of Aboriginal political organizations and minimalized the pressure on the federal government to honour its obligations. Any efforts by Indian people to pursue justice through Canadian courts about their grievances were blocked effectively as well by the *Indian Act*, which made it an offence to raise money to commence claims against the Crown and made it illegal for a lawyer to receive fees to represent an Indian or band for this purpose without the consent of the Superintendent General from 1927 to 1951. (*An Act to amend the Indian Act*, S.C. 1926–27, c. 32, s. 149A)<sup>63</sup>

The Government of Canada forcibly cleared the plains of "Indians" so settlers could be granted homesteads. "Indians" were forced onto reserves pursuant to the *Indian Act* after entering into the treaties. 65 The Government of Canada did not live up to its treaty

<sup>58</sup> James Daschuk, *Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 133.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> <u>Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future</u>: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (online); *Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba*, Chapters 3 and 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, *supra*, and Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship Chapter 9 (online).

<sup>61</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3. Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship Chapter 9 (online).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship (online).

<sup>63</sup> Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3.

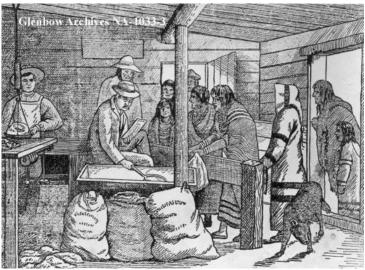
In 1881 the Government of Canada ethnically cleansed 5000 people from their home in the Cypress Hills to make way for the railway. See James Daschuk, *Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 123; Also see Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (online)

65 James Daschuk, *Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 141. Also see Report of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, Part Two: False Assumptions and a Failed Relationship Chapter 9 (online).

obligation of providing the Cree food in the event of famine. There was a horrible famine amongst the Cree after the crash of the buffalo. The Cree were reduced to eating their horses, dogs, buffalo robes, and in some cases their snow shoes.



Destitute family of Cree, Cypress Hills Saskatchewan, 1878 – from the Glenbow Museum website



People receiving rations – from the Glenbow Museum website

Dr. Augustus Jukes wrote Edgar Dewdney from Fort Walsh on October 21, 1882 complaining that the daily ration had fallen to 4 ounces of flour and 2 ounces of dried

<sup>Daschuk,</sup> *supra*, at pages 133-146.
Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 133-146.
Daschuk, *supra*, at page 101.

meat per person.  $^{69}$  There was starvation at Fort Ellice where the ration was 12 ounces of flour and 3 ounces of bacon.  $^{70}$ 



This is an 1884 picture of Chief Crowfoot and his family from the Glenbow Museum website. All 8 of his children died within 2 years of posing for this photo. The names of these children should be memorialized – but they are not. Chief Crowfoot died of congestion of the lungs in the spring of 1890.<sup>71</sup>

The Government of Canada intended that the "Indians" should go hungry. Reverend John Hines reported in 1885 that people were "literally starving" at the same time the deciphered telegrams between Dewdney and MacDonald communicated that rations imported for the militia lay piled up and spoiling. The government built a stockade at Fort Battleford to keep the starving Cree from the food supplies. Father Cochin described the condition of the children at the mission school during the 1883-84 winter:

After the disappearance of the buffalo, the bacon and the cakes made with some bad flour did not satisfy the appetite of the Indians. I saw gaunt children dying of hunger, coming to my place to be instructed. Although it was 30 to 40 degrees below zero their bodies were scarcely covered with torn rags. These poor children came to catechism and to school. It was a pity to see them. The hope of having a little morsel of dry cake was the incentive which drove them to this cruel exposure each day, more, no doubt, than the desire of educating themselves. The privation made many die. <sup>76</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> Candace Savage, *A Geography of Blood, Unearthing Memory from the Prairie Landscape* (Vancouver, Greystone Books, 2012) at pages 148-150.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> James Daschuk, *Clearing the Plains, Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* (Regina, University of Regina Press, 2013) at page 121, 122

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 164.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 108-109, 136-141

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 164.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 164 see footnote #44 at page 246.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 108.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 149.

The One Arrow Reserve near Fort Carlson had a death rate of 141 per 1000 in the winter of 1883-84.<sup>77</sup> By 1889 less than half of the pre-rebellion population of the Battleford reserves remained.<sup>78</sup> The Cree lost nearly all of their leaders.<sup>79</sup>

After the 1885 rebellion the death rates for Indians were staggeringly high. Cree at Thunderchild died at a rate of 233.5 per 1000. <sup>80</sup> The Cree at Sweet Grass died at a rate of 185 per 1000. Deaths at Battleford Agency exceeded births by 4:1. The Sharphead Stoney group in central Alberta ceased to exist as a distinct population. <sup>81</sup>

Our pioneer ancestors became desensitized to the Cree's suffering. There was an advertisement in the Saskatchewan Herald which read:

Found where the Indians starved to death ... a white mare. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying expenses. Apply to Antoine Morin, Battleford. 82

Cree women were used as comfort women by government employees. <sup>83</sup> They were forced to sell sexual services to Indian agents and farm instructors to feed their children and themselves. <sup>84</sup> In Parliament, M.C. Cameron charged that sexual exploitation of "Indian" women was so persuasive that 45% of "one class of officials" in the northwest had sexually transmitted diseases. Cameron also charged that girls as young as 13 were being sold to white men – some for as little as \$10. <sup>85</sup> Prostitution was unheard of amongst Aboriginals in the west before this time. <sup>86</sup> Aboriginal youth presently make up 90% of the visible sex trade in various Canadian cities. <sup>87</sup> Moreover, the murder and disappearance of aboriginal women were ignored or minimized at the time of the initial settlement <sup>88</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 146

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 162.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 160-161

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 164.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 164.

<sup>82</sup> Daschuk, supra, at page 108.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at pages 151-155.

<sup>84</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 153

<sup>85</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 153.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 153.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> Moniruzzaman, A., Pearce, M.E., Patel, S.H., Chavoshi, N., Teegee, M., Adam, W., et al. (2009). <u>The Cedar Project</u>: Correlates of attempted suicide among young Aboriginal people who use injection and non-injection drugs in two Canadian cities. International Journal of Circumpolar Health, 68, page 2192; Also see Laura Barnett, <u>Trafficking in Persons</u>, Library of Parliament Research Publications, Legal and Social Affairs Division 17 March 2011, *Revised 30 September 2013*.

<sup>88</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 155-156.



Cree man at Maple Creek 1884 – from the Glenbow Museum website

It is surprising that the starvation of the Cree has lapsed from our heritage because it was well known by Canadians at the time. <sup>89</sup> It was even the subject of a political cartoon, which satirized the corruption of the Government of Canada with regard to the Cree nation.



from the John A. MacDonald Library website

Although the last part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century was the nadir for First Nations on the prairies, their standard of living did not improve very much for generations. <sup>90</sup> The 1946 <u>Medical Survey of Nutrition Among Northern Manitoba Indians</u> stated that in winter frequently 10 to 12 "Indians" live in shacks 10 by 12 foot square. <sup>91</sup> The authors stated that the majority of the "Indians" sleep on the floor in the winter and they moved to tents in the summer. <sup>92</sup> Tuberculosis was the major cause of death with 1,400 deaths per 100,000 in the area studied. <sup>93</sup> The authors reported in contrast that "white people" in Manitoba had a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> Daschuk, *supra*, at page 150-151.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>90</sup> Ian Mosby, <u>Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952</u>, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013, pp. 145-172

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>P.E. Moore, H.D. Kruse, F.F. Tisdall and R.S.C. Corigan, <u>Medical Survey of Nutrition Among Northern Manitoba</u> <u>Indians</u> Canad. M.J.A. Mar. 1946, Vol. 54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> Moore et al, *supra*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>93</sup> Moore et al, *supra*. Also see Ian Mosby, <u>Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013, pp. 145-172; and <u>Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future</u>: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 101 (online)</u>

Tuberculosis death rate of 27.1 deaths per 100,000.94 The reporters discovered a death rate of between 1,000 to 3,000 per 100,000 among the "Northern Indians" they encountered. <sup>95</sup> They stated that the average calorie intake in Norway House was 1.470 calories per day and that 85% of the total calories were from white floor, lard, sugar and jam. <sup>96</sup> They said that Indian shirt size had reduced from size 16 to 17 forty years previous to size 15.5 to 16.<sup>97</sup> Pant-sizes were also greatly reduced. Infant mortality was an astounding 400 out of 1,000 live births. The authors contrasted this figure with the infant mortality for "white people" which was 52 per 1,000.98

Moreover, during the 1940s and 1950s, scientists employed by the Canadian Government were performing controlled nutritional experiments on Aboriginal children and adults without their knowledge and consent. 99 These experiments involved withholding nourishment and certain medical treatments from "Indian" populations to study the effects of malnutrition. 100 These nutritional scientists found that residential school children were ideal subjects for the study of malnutrition because they were underfed, vulnerable, and neglected. 101 Canadian nutrition scientists did not follow to the *Nuremberg Code* which requires informed consent, the absence of coercion, and the need of beneficence toward Aboriginal participants. Canadian nutrition scientists believed that the *Nuremberg Code*, which resulted from the Nuremberg Trials at the end of the Second World War, did not apply to them. 102

Colonization is not just a word, it was and in many respects continues to be a toxic process. It is a pathogen that should be corrected and memorialized lest we forget.

#### The Link Between Our Heritage and Our Social Problems

Part of the process of colonization was the forcible taking of Aboriginal children from their families and the transporting of them to residential schools. 103 The forcible removal of Aboriginal children began in the 1880's and the Crown's goal was to kill the Indian in the child. 104 It is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> Moore et al, *supra*.

<sup>95</sup> Moore et al, *supra*...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>96</sup> Moore et al, supra. Also see Ian Mosby, Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013, pp. 145-172

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> Moore et al, *supra*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>98</sup> Moore et al, *supra*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>99</sup> Ian Mosby, Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013,

pp. 145-172 <sup>100</sup> Ian Mosby, <u>Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in</u> Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013, pp. 145-172 <sup>101</sup> Mosby, *supra*, pp. 145-172

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> Ian Mosby, <u>Administering Colonial Science: Nutrition Research and Human Biomedical Experimentation in</u> Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942–1952, Social History, Volume 46, Number 91, May 2013,

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

worth noting that Canada's first Residential School was in Battleford, Saskatchewan. <sup>105</sup> Children were forced to denounce their language and culture, their hair was cut, and they were forced to wear Canadian clothes. <sup>106</sup> It is estimated that 100,000 Aboriginal children aged 4 to 18 were removed from their families and placed in residential schools from the mid-1800s until late 1996. <sup>107</sup> Rather than being loved and cared for, they were neglected, malnourished, and forced to work without pay to subsidize the chronic under-funding of their school system. <sup>108</sup> They lived in overcrowded and poorly maintained conditions. <sup>109</sup> Many Cree children were also beaten and sexually abused. <sup>110</sup> A shocking number of Aboriginal children died from the start of compulsory residential schools in the 1880's and onward through the decades. <sup>111</sup>

A report made by Dr. Bryce for the Department of Indian Affairs in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century stated that some schools had a death rate of 60% over a five year period. Two thirds of the last generation to attend residential schools did not survive. It is no coincidence that so many survivors fell victim to violence, accidents, addictions, and suicide. Furthermore, residential schools did not just harm individual children; the residential school policy harmed whole Aboriginal communities. Aboriginal communities lost their ability to plan for or even envision the future of their community when their children were taken away.

Many of the survivors of residential schools felt that they did not fit in anywhere. They felt that they could not fit into home communities and they could not fit into the incomers communities. Some have told the Truth and Reconciliation Commission that they no longer fit in with their family. Some resent their parents. Some cannot stop reliving the moments of victimization – even after years of being removed from the trauma. There is also an

<sup>105</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra, page 51

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, *supra*; Also see Smith, D., Varcoe, C. & Edwards, N. (2005). Turning around the intergenerational impact of residential schools on Aboriginal people: Implications for health policy and practice. Canadian Journal of Nursing Research, 37(4), 40; Moniruzzaman, A., Pearce, M.E., Patel, S.H., Chavoshi, N., Teegee, M., Adam, W., et al. (2009). The Cedar Project: Correlates of attempted suicide among young Aboriginal people who use injection and non-injection drugs in two Canadian cities. International Journal of Circumpolar Health, 68, page 2186.

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

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Peport of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, (online); Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, (Online). Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, supra;

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First Nations People in Canada", *Journal of Aboriginal Health*, 2009:6-47 at page 14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>115</sup> Bombay et al, *supra*, at page 14.

Bombay et al, <u>supra</u>, at page 14.

intergenerational dimension to the trauma caused by the residential schools 117 which will be discussed below.

The residential school survivors often experience depression, emotional pain and constant anxiety. 118 One study found that 64% of residential school survivors that had experienced abuse were diagnosed as suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder ("PTSD"). 119 PTSD symptoms included experiencing fear, helplessness, horror, anger and shame. Half of residential school survivors diagnosed with PTSD also had other cormorbid mental illnesses such as substance abuse disorder, major depression and dysthymic disorder. 121 Many survivors develop addictions as a means of coping. 122 Suicide becomes a tempting solution for survivors. 123 Survivors can lash out in stressful or threatening circumstances and the path from residential schools to prison tends to be a short one for many survivors. 124

The historical trauma experienced by Aboriginals can be passed down to subsequent generations<sup>125</sup> through the following means:

1. Survivors of residential schools tend to retain the lessons and values they learned from their adverse childhood experiences and pass those lessons on to their children – many of those lessons and values are harmful: 126

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>117</sup> Mohatt, N. V., Thompson, A. B., Thai, N. D. & Tebes, J. K. (2014). Historical trauma as public narrative: A conceptual review of how history impacts present-day health. Social Science & Medicine, 106, page 129. Also see Bombay et al, *supra*, at page 10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>118</sup> Bombay, A., Matheson, K. & Anisman, H. (2011). The impact of stressors on second generation Indian Residential School Survivors. Transcultural Psychiatry, 48, 367-391. Also see Amy Bombay, Kim Matheson, Hymie Anisman, "Intergenerational Trauma: Convergence of Multiple Processes Among First Nations People in Canada", *Journal of Aboriginal Health*, 2009:6-47.

Also see Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at pages 15-16.

Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma <u>supra</u>, at page 10.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>125</sup> Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 15; Also see Jillian Boyce, Cristine Rotenberg and Maisie Karam, Mental Health and Contact with Police in Canada, (Statistics Canada 2012 online) and Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 184 (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>126</sup> Smith, D., Varcoe, C. & Edwards, N. (2005). Turning around the intergenerational impact of residential schools on Aboriginal people: Implications for health policy and practice. Canadian Journal of Nursing Research, 37(4), page 47; Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 18.

Bombay, A., Matheson, K. & Anisman, H. (2011). The impact of stressors on second generation Indian Residential School Survivors. Transcultural Psychiatry, 48, 367-391. Page 10

- 2. Too many survivors of residential schools do not know how to parent or how to cope and they can do harm to the children and others around them 127 especially when such a survivor is self-medicating with alcohol 128; and
- 3. Survivors of residential schools are prone to depression, personality disorders, addictions, and various other forms of mental illness which may adversely harm their child's development and mental health. 129

Aboriginals endure a disproportionately high dosage of adverse childhood experiences. Aboriginal children are particularly liable to be placed under stress in their home and community. 130 Aboriginals may not simply experience individual and family level responses to traumatic events but may also live in the context of a traumatized community<sup>131</sup>. Too many of Saskatchewan's Aboriginals have been beaten and have watched others being beaten. 132 Adverse early life events (including neglect and poor parenting) have been shown to increase a person's vulnerability to later stressor-provoked anxiety and depression, PTSD and an elevated risk of suicide. 133 These types of adverse experience can cause people to suffer lasting damage. Studies on children and adolescents have revealed that those who reported a traumatic event, including community violence, sexual abuse and maltreatment, were more apt to use emotionfocused coping strategies, particularly avoidant coping. 134 Children exposed to chronic parental conflict were more likely to use coping methods characterized by the release of frustration, risktaking and confrontation. 135 Such children tend be placed in jail and it should be no surprise that Aboriginal youth in Saskatchewan are 30 times more likely to be incarcerated compared to non-Aboriginal youth. 136 Unfortunately, the incarceration of Aboriginal youth exacerbates their trauma because placing a person in jail tends to lower their self-esteem and increase their anti-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>127</sup> Bombay, A., Matheson, K. & Anisman, H. (2011). <u>The impact of stressors on second generation Indian</u> <u>Residential School Survivors</u>. Transcultural Psychiatry, 48, pages 369-381. Also see Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma <u>supra</u>, at page 10; <u>Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future</u>: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 184 (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>128</sup> Evans-Campbell, T. (2008). Historical trauma in American Indian/Native Alaska communities: A multi-level framework for exploring impacts on individuals, families and communities. Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 23, 331.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>129</sup> Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 18.

Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 21

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>131</sup> Evans-Campbell, T. (2008). <u>Historical trauma in American Indian/Native Alaska communities</u>: A multi-level framework for exploring impacts on individuals, families and communities. Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 23, page 322.

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132 "According to the 2004 General Social Survey (GSS) 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, approximately 40% of Aboriginal people aged 15 years and over reported having been victimized at least once in the 12 months preceding the survey." "Aboriginal people were also nearly twice as likely as their non-Aboriginal counterparts to be repeat victims of crime." See Jodi-Anne Brzozowski, Andrea Taylor-Butts and Sara Johnson, Victimization and offending among the Aboriginal population in Canada, Statistics Canada – Catalogue no. 85-002, Vol. 26, no. 3 at page 4; Also see Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 217-218 (online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>133</sup> Bombay, A., Matheson, K. & Anisman, H. (2011). <u>The impact of stressors on second generation Indian</u> <u>Residential School Survivors</u>. Transcultural Psychiatry, 48, 367-391, Page 12; Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 19.

Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 18.

Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>136</sup> See "A One-Day Snapshot of Aboriginal Youth in Custody Across Canada: Phase II – February, 2004" found at the Department of Justice Canada web site www.justice.gc.ca/en/ps/rs/rep/2004/snap2/3.html,

social behaviour. 137 The process of punishing traumatized Aboriginals with incarceration is associated with a disproportionately high number of Aboriginal dangerous offenders. 138

People are more likely to bounce back from trauma in circumstances where they are provided with effective modifiers to overcome their adverse experiences. Unfortunately, most traumatized Aboriginals have not been provided with any effective modifiers to their trauma. For example, most Aboriginal criminal offenders have not had the comfort and protection of a loving caregiver or a safe, stable, home. Most have had mobility and insecurity forced upon them. Childhood trauma has hindered their development and they have been blamed for failing to develop in an appropriate manner.

The intergenerational effects of residential schools are extraordinarily important for the understanding of the overrepresentation of Aboriginal communities in social problems. However, those effects are only one aspect of intergenerational trauma. For example, the intergenerational effects of residential school cannot completely explain the constant rise in the rate of Aboriginal incarceration since the 1950s. Residential schools have been closed since the 1990s yet the Aboriginal incarceration rate continues to increase. Furthermore, a majority of First People did not attend residential schools, not all of residential school children were traumatized, and only a minority of traumatized children tend to grow up to become abusers 142. On the other hand, traumatized people who are provided with a healthy, supportive, environment, including absence of ongoing trauma, tend to be resilient. It is important to note that some traumatized groups who have been studied in the past do not experience a snowballing effect from historical trauma. The rising rate of overrepresentation amongst Aboriginals is evidence that too many Aboriginals do not have the proper conditions for recovery.

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 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>137</sup> Valerie Wright, "<u>Deterrence In Criminal Justice</u> - Evaluating Certainty Versus Severity Of Punishment";
 November 2010. Also see Daniel S. Nagin, "<u>Criminal Deterrence Research at the Outset of the Twenty-first Century</u>". Chicago Journals, Crime and Justice, Vol. 23, 1998.
 <sup>138</sup> Public Safety Canada states at <u>Table E3</u> of their <u>Corrections and Conditional Release Overview</u> for 2013 that, as

of April 14, 2013, "Aboriginal offenders account for 29.4% of the dangerous offenders and 20.5% of the total federal offender population". It also states that Saskatchewan had designated 61 people as dangerous offenders since 1978 compared to Manitoba's 18 dangerous offenders and Alberta's 53 dangerous offender designations. Statistics Canada stated in the Adult Correctional Statistics in Canada, 2010/2011, at Chart 7, that 77.6% of Saskatchewan's custodial population in 2006 were Aboriginals over the age of 18 years and that Aboriginals made up only 16% of Saskatchewan's general population. This, like the Saskatchewan's dangerous offender rate, is much higher than Manitoba's Aboriginal custodial rate of 69.1% and Alberta's Aboriginal custodial rate of 40.6 %.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>139</sup> James T.D. Scott, <u>Reforming Saskatchewan's Biased Sentencing Regime</u> (2014 – Online)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>140</sup> See Julian V. Roberts and Anthony N. Doob, <u>Race, Ethnicity and Criminal Justice in Canada</u>, *Crime and Justice* Vol. 21, Ethnicity, Crime and Immigration: Comparative and Cross-National Perspectives (1997), pp. 469-522, for a discussion regarding the overrepresentation of Aboriginals in custody in relationship to discrimination within the criminal justice system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>141</sup> Kirmayer, L.J., Gone J.P. Moses J. (2014 Vol. 51(3) 299-219) <u>Rethinking Historical Trauma</u>. Transcultural Psychiatry at page 331.

Judith Lewis Herman, *Trauma and Recovery*, (Basic Books 1992) at page 113.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>143</sup> Meta studies on reliance have revealed a short list of factors associated with resilience which include the following: 1) effective care-giving and parenting quality, 2) close relationships with other capable adults, 3) close friend and romantic partners, 4) intelligence and problem solving skills, 5) self-control; emotional regulation, playfulness, 6) motivation to succeed, 7) self-efficacy, faith, hope, belief life has meaning, effective schools, and effective neighborhoods; collective efficacy. See Ann S. Masten, *Ordinary Magic, Resilience in Development* (New York, The Guilford Press – 2014) at page 148.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>144</sup> Kirmayer, L.J., Gone J.P. Moses J. (2014 Vol. 51(3) 299-219) <u>Rethinking Historical Trauma</u>. Transcultural Psychiatry at page 308.

One explanation for the snowballing overrepresentation of social problems amongst First People is that, unlike non-Aboriginals, virtually all Aboriginal groups endure multiple traumatic events in their history. 145 First People are four times more likely to have encountered severe trauma compared to non-Aboriginals and report particularly high incidents of various types of trauma. 146 Aboriginal children are more likely to:

- 1. experience childhood abuse and neglect;
- 2. be raised in single parent households;
- 3. be raised by parents who abused alcohol;
- 4. be raised by parents who had a history of criminal activity; and
- 5. be raised by parents who had suffered mental health problems. 147

These are more pathogens than can be accounted for solely by the intergenerational trauma associated with residential schools. Therefore, we need to look further at our history and the ongoing sources of Aboriginal trauma if we want to begin to understand Aboriginal overrepresentation.

Racial bias is one source of trauma that needs to be explored. Racial bias tends to result from a misunderstanding of an ethnic group. Aboriginal people and communities who show symptoms from intergenerational trauma tend to be misunderstood and blamed in the form of racial bias by the larger community. Experiencing racism can be a pathological stress which causes PTSD-like symptoms 148 and in turn causes the spread of further trauma within an Aboriginal community, amplifying community based racism in a snowballing feedback loop.

We risk misunderstanding First People when we do not recognize the trauma they have suffered as a result of their heritage. We ignore the effects of intergenerational anxiety and depression when we gossip that "Aboriginals get housing and other things provided to them but neglect to maintain those things because they lack appreciation". We incorrectly gossip that "Aboriginals do not pay taxes" and that "Aboriginals get jobs and the better positions because of race-based favoritism". We harm ourselves when we advise newcomers to avoid living on "the West Side" and when we say, "I'm not racist but....." Gossip which contains a racial bias reinforces toxic racially-biased norms of behavior within our community. Racial discrimination towards First People causes them pain and additional chronic trauma and this harms everyone in the form of our snowballing social problems.

Dr. Peter Menzies argues that racism and discrimination compound the impact of trauma by fostering the oppression of First People and creating an "insidious trauma". This trauma is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>145</sup> Amy Bombay, Kim Matheson, Hymie Anisman, "Intergenerational Trauma: Convergence of Multiple Processes Among First Nations People in Canada", *Journal of Aboriginal Health*, 2009:6-47 at page 14.

146 Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma *supra*, at page 15.

Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma <u>supra</u>, at page 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>148</sup> Currie, C. L., Wild, T. C., Schopflocher, D. P., Laing, L., Veugelers, P. & Parlee, B. (2012b). Racial discrimination, post-traumatic stress, and gambling problems among urban Aboriginal adults in Canada. Journal of Gambling Studies, 29, 393-415.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>149</sup> Menzies, P. (2008). Developing an Aboriginal healing model for intergenerational trauma. International Journal of Health Promotion and Education, 46(2), page 43. Also see Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma supra, at page

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insidious because many First People tend not to realize how social conditions continue to oppress them. 150 Rather than focusing on a singular event that makes the individual feel unsafe, this insidious trauma leads to a view that the world is an unsafe place for the whole group. This "insidious trauma" adds to the other traumas experienced by individuals in the group. 151 We can reduce racism and discrimination through acceptance and understanding. We can make Aboriginal communities, and the community as a whole, healthier by ending racism through an understanding of Aboriginal heritage and by recognizing the legitimacy of Saskatoon's First People.

Our shared history affects everyone in the community including those in Saskatoon's criminal justice system. Saskatoon's providers of criminal justice would be helped if they performed their duties in an environment free of racial bias and if they operated within a community that recognized the legitimacy of its First People. Many writers have stated that the criminal justice system and policing policies and practices are contributing to ongoing trauma in Aboriginal communities. 152 The authors of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's final report stated that Canadian law must drastically change if it is going to have any legitimacy within First Nations and Métis communities. <sup>153</sup> The Commission on First Nations and Métis Communities reported that there is a concern within First Nations and Métis communities that they are being policed by racist police officers. 154 This concern was reinforced in Saskatoon by the infamous "starlight tours" which resulted in at least two Aboriginal persons freezing to death and others being brutalized and humiliated. 155

#### The Need for Further Inquiry

There has been insufficient historical investigation into the relations between our government and First People. For example, there is a disturbing correlation between the imposition of the Government's method of policing and criminal justice on Aboriginal communities and the snowballing overrepresentation of Aboriginal in social problems. Aboriginal people in Saskatchewan and Manitoba suffered the effects of colonization and residential schools for generations but the Aboriginal incarceration rate did not start its upward trajectory until the 1950s when our justice system was consistently administered to Aboriginals by the RCMP. 156

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>150</sup> Menzies, supra, page 43. Also see Bombay et al, Intergenerational Trauma supra, at page 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>151</sup> Menzies, *supra*, page 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>152</sup> See Isobel M. Findlay and Warren Weir, <u>Aboriginal Justice in Saskatchewan, 2002-2021</u>: The Benefits of Change (2004 present to The Commission on First Nations and Métis People and Justice Reform - Online); Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs in Nunavik(1950-1970), March 3, 2010

p.119; Also see James T.D. Scott, <u>Reforming Saskatchewan's Biased Sentencing Regime</u> (2014 – Online)

153 <u>Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future</u>: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 258 (online)

<sup>154</sup> Commission on First Nations and Métis Peoples and Justice Reform, Chapter 5 (Online)

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See Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba, Chapter 3. The Report of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba stated:

<sup>...</sup>Although the statistics are notoriously unreliable, the Superintendent (later Commissioner) of Penitentiaries did report annually to Parliament on the numbers of inmates in federal correctional institutions. In our brief survey of the Manitoba incarcerations, we discovered that the proportion of "Indians" and of "Indian half-breeds," and of the various other equivalent designations that appeared in the reports for 1900, 1913, 1932-33, 1934-35 and annually until the 1949-50 report, in the Manitoba

We also need to explore the history of the migration of First People from reserves to urban areas in the 1950s because the interaction between Aboriginals and non-Aboriginals at that time may have been a destabilizing force which continues to cause our social problems. It should not be assumed that Aboriginal migration to the cities caused the ever-increasing rate of overrepresentation of Aboriginals in the justice system. Firstly, urban violent crime rates tend to be lower than rural violent crime rates <sup>157</sup> so urban living should have a calming effect. Secondly, it was not until the late 1960s and early 1970s that a significant number of Aboriginals began migrating to large urban areas in Saskatchewan. The disproportionate rise in the Aboriginal rate of incarceration began a decade before the significant migration to the large urban areas. Furthermore, we should not assume that the First Nations of Saskatchewan moved from their reserves to urban areas because they were attracted to a superior culture and environment. There are many examples of First People who are unwilling to give up their traditional lives and culture for western modernity. For example Inuit People did not want anything to do with southern society prior to the 1950s. 158 FUNAI – The National Indian Foundation (Brazil) states that there are about 84 groups of indigenous peoples in the Amazon Rain forest who still shun modern society. 159

We need to explore the most likely contributors to intergenerational trauma including our history of policing and family intervention of Aboriginal people in Saskatchewan. There is a strong correlation in time between the enhanced policing of Aboriginals in conjunction with the Province's enhanced use of child and family services on reserves (which both commenced in the 1950s) and the present growing rates of Aboriginal incarceration and the migration of Aboriginals to the urban areas. For example, the arrival of the RCMP in First Nation communities in the 1950s may have precipitated the overrepresentation of Aboriginals in custody as well the migration of Aboriginals to urban areas. The Commission on First Nations and Métis Communities reported that the RCMP treatment of Saskatchewan's Aboriginals was often culturally insensitive and oppressive and that this approach resulted in an atmosphere of fear and mistrust. <sup>160</sup>

penitentiary population reflected no more than the Aboriginal proportion of the Manitoba population in this period. The Aboriginal proportion of the Manitoba penitentiary population increased in an extraordinary fashion during the decades after 1950. We estimate that more than 55% of all jail admissions in 1989 were Aboriginal, whereas the Aboriginal proportion of the provincial population was just under 12%. We believe that policing agreements with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police play a part in this story because they introduced consistent enforcement of Canadian law to communities where, until that time, Aboriginal law still operated.

Also see M. Jackson, <u>Locking Up Natives in Canada</u>, Report of the Canadian Bar Association Committee on Imprisonment and Release (1988); reprinted in (1988-89) 23 U.B.C. L. Rev. 215; Also see Jonathon Rubin, <u>Aboriginal Over-representation and R. v. Gladue</u>: Where We Were, Where We Are and Where We Might Be Going, Supreme Court Law Review (2008), 40 S.C.L.R. (2d)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>157</sup> Joycelyn Francisco and Christian Chénier, <u>A Comparison of Large Urban, Small Urban and Rural Crime Rates,</u> 2005 - Statistics Canada Publications Juristat Vol. 27, No. 3. Online

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>158</sup> Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the <u>Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs</u> in Nunavik(1950-1970), March 3, 2010, p.119;

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159 See National Geographic April 4, 2014 online; also see Mark Plokin's Ted Talk online (Oct. 2014)

160 Commission on First Nations and Métis Peoples and Justice Reform, Chapter 5 (Online)

There is no evidence that the RCMP were educated regarding Aboriginal culture during their early encounters with Aboriginal communities and there is evidence that the RCMP were ethnocentric in their policing practices. For example, the RCMP slaughtered thousands of Inuit sled dogs between the 1950s and early 1970s. 161 Sled dogs were the Inuit's means of transportation and survival and those dogs were their intimate friends. <sup>162</sup> The RCMP took the view that the sled dogs were a hazard to Inuit children. <sup>163</sup> The Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau concluded that this ethnocentric approach "created resentment among the Nunavik Inuit that still exists today". 164 We need to explore our past policing practices in order to improve present crosscultural friction between police and Aboriginals. 165

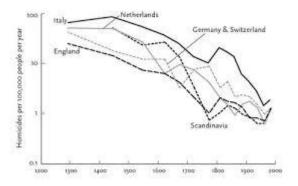
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<sup>161</sup> Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs in Nunavik(1950-1970), March 3, 2010. <sup>162</sup> Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs in Nunavik (1950-1970), March 3, 2010, <sup>163</sup> Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs in Nunavik (1950-1970), March 3, 2010, Final Report of the Honorable Jean-Jacques Croteau, Retired Judge of the Superior Court Regarding the Allegations Concerning the Slaughter of Inuit Sled Dogs in Nunavik(1950-1970), March 3, 2010 at page 117. <sup>165</sup> We should not assume that our declining overall rates of violent crime are due to our criminal justice system. Other than police dramas, there is no evidence to conclude that the criminal justice system is responsible for the

overall reduction of violence. Police forces only started to come into being in the middle of the nineteenth century as a result of the industrial revolution while the rate of violence has been declining since the normative shift caused by the Protestant and the Catholic Reformations and the rise of banking and commerce. See the following graphs: HOMICIDES

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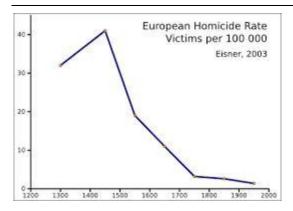
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17th c.	5.0	7.5	18.0	7.0	32.0
18th c.	1.5	5.5	1.9	7.5	
19th c.	1.7	1.6	1.1	72.50	10.5
1900-1949	0.8	1.5	0.7	2.8	12.6
1950-1904	0.0	1.0	0.7	1.7	3.2



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The correlation between Canada's criminal justice system and Aboriginal historic trauma is complicated by the fact that the Federal Government delegated authority from the *Indian Act* (1876) over health, welfare and educational services of Aboriginal people to the provinces beginning in 1951. From the 1950s to the 1960s the apprehension of Aboriginal children grew across Canada from 1% to 30-40% as a result of this shift of authority. The rate of Aboriginal family intervention on the part of Child and Family Services has continued to increase since that time. In 1977, Aboriginal children accounted for 44% of the children in care in Alberta, 51% of the children in care in Saskatchewan, and 60% of the children in care in Manitoba. The rate of investigations involving First Nations children was 4.2 times the rate of non-Aboriginal investigations. Investigations of First Nations families for neglect were substantiated at a rate eight times greater than for the non-Aboriginal population. Aboriginal children who come into contact with child-welfare authorities are significantly more likely to die. Research in Alberta indicated that 78% of children who have died in foster care between 1999 and mid-2013 were Aboriginal.

Our system of social assistance and child and family services would benefit from a community-based recognition of the legitimacy of Aboriginal culture and an understanding of the harm caused by colonization. The fields of social assistance and child and family services are influenced by our shared perception of history. These professionals are presently functioning within a community that does not sufficiently understand the historic and intergenerational effects of trauma on the First People. Furthermore, they must contend with the systemic bias against Saskatoon's First People. A general understanding of colonization would greatly improve Saskatoon's environment for social healing.



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Also see Sinclair, R. & Grekul, J. (2012). <u>Aboriginal youth gangs in Canada</u>: (de)constructing the epidemic. First Peoples Child & Family Review, 7(1), page 10.

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<sup>169</sup> Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 187 (online)

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The legacy of colonialization and residential schools and the current stresses of being Aboriginal are associated with domestic violence, community violence, alcohol and substance abuse, neglect, poverty, racism, and sexual abuse in the home and community<sup>171</sup>. Most Aboriginals appear to be resilient to the legacy of colonization and residential schools but there are too many who are not sufficiently resilient. We need to heal the legacy of colonialization and offer help to those individuals who are less resilient than others.

#### **Summary**

The lack of adequate physical evidence of the First People's prior existence on these lands risks being interpreted as an acceptance of the historic goal of clearing the plains of "Indians". It can also be reasonably implied that this demonstrates that the descendants of the settlers do not think that First People are worthy of a lasting recognition. Furthermore, the lack of physical evidence that Saskatoon is located on Treaty 6 lands suggests that the descendants of the settlers do not sufficiently recognize their collective rights and obligations pursuant to Treaty 6. Saskatoon's omission of the First People's story devalues First People and undermines their sense of belonging in our community. This omission implies that we do not recognize the legitimacy of Aboriginal culture and rights sufficiently to include the First People's story within the larger community's notion of heritage The First People's place and history in our community is important and valuable and its exclusion from our narrative leads to a sense of alienation. People who are devalued and alienated tend to be anxious, depressed, and marginalized. People who are anxious, depressed, and marginalized tend not to flourish. People who do not flourish tend to become further marginalized. A community creates disharmony amongst its members when it marginalizes a minority group. We harm First People and non-Aboriginal people alike when we marginalize First People by not visibly recognizing the legitimacy of their culture and rights.

The First People of Saskatchewan have a history of flourishing for thousands of years in circumstances where they were not marginalized. It is reasonable to assume that the First People will flourish again if they are no longer marginalized. We will begin to stop marginalizing our First People when we visibly demonstrate that we accept the legitimacy of their culture and our collective rights and obligations pursuant to Treaty 6.

Therefore, as a first step towards including First People in our heritage narrative, we recommend that the City of Saskatoon work with First People to erect a monument in recognition of the legitimacy and resilience of Saskatoon's First People and as a memorial to those First People and their descendants who suffered and died to clear the plains for colonization. This monument should be prominent and located in the heart of our community for all to see. This monument should be an emblem of our aspiration to make Saskatoon a model of harmony and cooperation through reason, compassion, and intelligence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>171</sup> Bombay, A., Matheson, K. & Anisman, H. (2011). <u>The impact of stressors on second generation Indian</u> <u>Residential School Survivors</u>. Transcultural Psychiatry, 48, 367-391. Page 21; Also see <u>Honouring the Truth</u>, <u>Reconciling for the Future</u>: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada page 218 (online)

#### Recommendation

That a report be forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services with a recommendation to City Council:

- 1. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare and bring forward a bylaw to designate the property at 1919 St. Henry Avenue as a Municipal Heritage Property under the provision of *The Heritage Property Act*, with such designation limited to the exterior of the building, excluding the addition completed in 1995;
- 2. That the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed designation; and
- 3. That \$2,500 be allocated from the Heritage Reserve Fund for supply and installation of a recognition plaque for the property.

#### **Topic and Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to consider an application by the property owner requesting that 1919 St. Henry Avenue (Pendygrasse House) be designated as a Municipal Heritage Property.

#### **Report Highlights**

- 1. Pendygrasse House is a two-and-a-half-storey dwelling located in the Exhibition neighbourhood.
- 2. The heritage value of the Pendygrasse House resides in its Victorian influenced architectural style, and its association with the Pendygrasse family who were early settlers in Saskatoon.
- 3. A formal evaluation of 1919 St. Henry Avenue has been conducted, and the Administration is recommending designation of Pendgrasse House as a Municipal Heritage Property.

#### **Strategic Goal**

The report supports the City of Saskatoon's (City) Strategic Goal of Quality of Life. As a community, we find new and creative ways to showcase our city's built, natural, and cultural heritage.

#### **Background**

The Pendygrasse House has been identified as a significant heritage resource in Saskatoon through the Saskatoon Register of Historic Places. In 2002, the Pendygrasse House received an award under the City's Heritage Awards Program for

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restoration of the home's exterior. The current owners of 1919 St. Henry Avenue have requested Municipal Heritage Designation of this property.

#### Report

#### Description of the Historic Place

Built between 1909 and 1910, the Pendygrasse House is a large two-and-a-half-storey house in the Exhibition neighbourhood (see Attachment 1). The home is situated adjacent to the South Saskatchewan River and features a unique architectural style with Victorian influences.

#### Heritage Value

The heritage value of the Pendygrasse House resides in its association with the Pendygrasse family, one of Saskatoon's oldest families. Harold Pendygrasse, who built the dwelling at 1919 St. Henry Avenue, established a real estate business in Saskatoon. Pendygrasse Road, located in Fairhaven, is named in honour of Harold's mother, Sarah Pendygrasse, who homesteaded a quarter section in the late 1800s, which is now bounded by the South Saskatchewan River, Taylor Street, Ruth Street, and Lorne Avenue.

The Pendygrasse House is also valued for its Victorian architectural influences and its unique architectural features. Of particular note is the home's large turret; the widow's walk, which offers sweeping views of the South Saskatchewan River; and the fish-scale shingles located on the structure's upper storey.

Additional information on the heritage value of the Pendygrasse House is included in the property's Statement of Significance (see Attachment 2).

#### **Evaluation**

A formal evaluation of the exterior of the building has been conducted, and the Administration is recommending designation of 1919 St. Henry Avenue as a Municipal Heritage Property. Despite a number of changes to the dwelling over the years, the exterior remains in excellent condition, and the current property owners have been meticulous in caring for and rehabilitating this historic place. Major changes to the home include an altered roofline (as a result of the conversion of the home into two suites in the 1950s) which has since been corrected, and a sympathetic addition to the north side of the home in 1995 to accommodate a dining space.

The Administration is recommending that only the building's exterior, with the exclusion of the addition completed in 1995, be designated as a Municipal Heritage Property.

#### **Options to the Recommendation**

City Council has the option of not designating this building as a Municipal Heritage Property. In this case, further direction would be required.

#### Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement

Public and/or stakeholder consultations are not required.

#### **Communication Plan**

All Municipal Heritage Properties are marked with a bronze plaque on site that describes the heritage significance of the property. If designation is approved, the property will also be noted as "designated" in the Saskatoon Register of Historic Places.

#### **Policy Implications**

The proposal complies with Civic Heritage Policy No. C10-020.

#### **Financial Implications**

The amount of \$2,500 from the Heritage Reserve Fund would be allocated for the fabrication of the bronze plaque and installation on the property. As per the Municipal Heritage Policy, the designation of this building as a municipal heritage property makes it eligible for future financial incentives. Any such application will be considered on its own merit and subject to sufficiency of the Heritage Reserve.

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#### Other Considerations/Implications

There are no environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations.

#### **Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion**

If City Council recommends designation of the property, a date for a public hearing will be set. This date will be set in accordance with the provisions in *The Heritage Property Act*.

#### **Public Notice**

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

If designation as a Municipal Heritage Property is recommended, the designation will be advertised in accordance with the provisions in *The Heritage Property Act*, which requires that the Notice of Intention to Designate be advertised at least 30 days prior to the public hearing.

#### **Attachments**

- 1. Location Plan
- 2. Statement of Significance
- 3. Photographs of Subject Property

**Report Approval** 

Written by: Catherine Kambeitz, Heritage and Design Coordinator, Planning

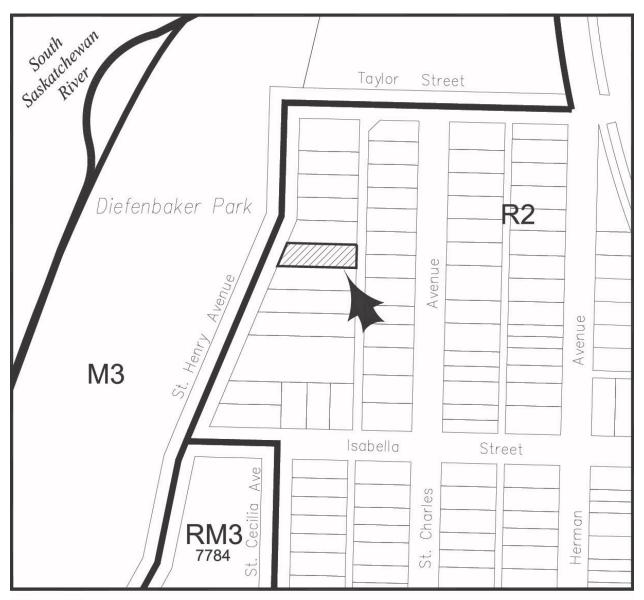
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Reviewed by: Alan Wallace, Director of Planning and Development

Approved by: Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

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#### **Location Plan**





### Statement of Significance

Pendygrasse House – 1919 St. Henry Avenue

**Neighbourhood:** Exhibition

Date Constructed: 1909 - 1910

**Development Era:** 1906 – 1913 (Pre WWI)

Architectural Style: Victorian Influences

Architect: -

**Builder:** Henry Pendygrasse

**Designation:** Municipal

Original Use: Private Residence

**Current Use:** Private Residence



Source: City of Saskatoon

#### Description of Historic Place

The Pendygrasse House features a two-and-a-half-storey dwelling along St. Henry Avenue. Constructed by Henry Pendygrasse between 1909 and 1910, the home is located in the Exhibition neighbourhood and was once home to the Pendygrasse family, one of the earliest families in Saskatoon.

#### Heritage Value

The heritage value of the Pendygrasse House lies in its association with the Pendygrasse family. Sarah Pendygrasse, along with her daughter, arrived in Saskatoon from Ireland in 1887 to meet her sons Harold, Sefton, and Neville, who had come earlier with the Temperance Colonists. Sarah Pendygrasse received a homestead grant for the quarter section now bounded by the South Saskatchewan River, Taylor Street, Ruth Street, and Lorne Avenue. Tragically, Neville had drowned in a ferry accident just weeks prior to her arrival. A log house, located on the corner of St. Henry Avenue and Isabella Street, was erected on the quarter section owned by the Pendygrasses. Sarah eventually returned to Ireland where she died in 1909.

Harold took over the homestead and lived in the log cabin until 1910 when he built the house at 1919 St. Henry Avenue (north of the original log house) for him and his wife, Poppy Clisby. Harold sold off much of the land of the original homestead and established a real estate business. Harold and his family lived in the home until the outbreak of the First World War. The house was rented for several years before being sold in 1918. Pendygrasse Road, located in Fairhaven, is a tribute to Sarah Pendygrasse and her family.

The heritage value of the Pendygrasse House also resides in its Victorian influences and unique architectural features. The large turret is one of the home's more distinctive features, along with its widow's walk and fish-scale shingle siding. Up until the 1950s, the house was subject to very little change. At that time, the dwelling was converted to a two-unit dwelling with main and second floor suites, along with the addition of a new stair case. The Pendygrasse House was later converted back to a single-family dwelling, and the current owners have undertaken a number of large-scale renovations to return the home to a form more true to its original. Exterior renovations to the home have included the reconstruction of the widow's walk (1970s) after the railing had been removed in the 1950s and correction of the roof lines (2001) that occurred as a result of the addition of the second floor suite. In 1982, the original chicken coop was demolished, and a new garage was constructed at the rear of the home that compliments the home's existing character. In 1995, a sympathetic addition was constructed to provide space for a dining room; and in 2001, a playhouse in the backyard was built as a replica of the original home.

The extent of restoration work completed by the current owners, and their regard for the character-defining elements of the home, earned them an award for exterior restoration under the City's Heritage Program in 2002 and special recognition through the Saskatchewan Architectural Heritage Society in 2001.

The Pendygrasse House continues to add visual interest and character to the surrounding neighborhood and is an excellent example of heritage conservation and restoration in Saskatoon.

Source: City of Saskatoon Built Heritage Database

#### <u>Character-Defining Elements</u>

Key elements which contribute to the heritage value of this historic place include:

- Its architecture with Victorian influences evident in: its clapboard exterior and fish-scale shingle siding; its turret and widow's walk; its trim and cornices; gabled roof ends; and its form, scale, and massing.
- Those elements associated with the Pendygrasse family, such as its location on the original Pendygrasse homestead and its proximity to, and views of, the South Saskatchewan River.

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#### **ATTACHMENT 3**

### **Photographs of Subject Property**





West Façade (2015)

West Façade (1950s)



East Façade with Addition (Rear)



Façade Materials, Trim, and Decorative Details (Top Right, Bottom Left, and Bottom Right)

Garage (Top Left)



Streetscape Comparison (1972 and 2015)/Roofline Changes

Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee  2015 EXPENDITURES				
	2015 Budget	2015 Actuals		
City Clerk's Office				
Conferences, Education and Research Heritage Sask-Forum & AGM Registration (P. McGillivray) P. McGillivray - Heritage Sask-Forum & AGM (Regina)		\$150.00 \$489.52		
May 6, 2015 MHAC meeting - transfer to Doors Open Event \$2,000  M. Schwab - Canadian Society of Landscape Architects conference - May 2015	(\$2,000)	\$2,000.00 \$2,639.52		
Heritage Awards Program	\$5,700.00	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Doors Open Event May 6, 2015 MHAC meeting - transfer from Conferences, Education and Research \$2,000 On Purpose Leadership Inc.	<b>\$5,800.00</b> \$2,000.00	\$0.00 \$2,000.00 \$5,800.00 \$7,800.00		
Heritage Festival Heritage Festival Registration Fee	\$500.00	\$50.00		
Memberships Saskatoon Heritage Society - Membership Renewal Heritage Saskatchewan - Membership Renewal Architectural Heritage Society of Saskatchewan Heritage Canada - National Trust - Membership Renewal	\$200.00	\$30.00 \$50.00 \$20.00 \$42.00		
TOTALS	\$17,900.00	\$142.00 <b>\$10,631.52</b>		

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			Expenses			
DATE	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	G/I
January		Opening Balance			17,500.00	
18-Jan	ID136621	Library Photo scans for Heritage Fair Display	161.00		17,339.00	Х
31-Jan	ID136626	Local History Room Photos for Heritage Fair Display	32.00		17,307.00	X
10-Jan	R509712	Heritage Festival of Saskatoon-Display Table fee	50.00		17,257.00	Х
10-Jan	R509713	Heritage Saskatchewan Membership Renewal	50.00		17,207.00	Х
17-Jan	R509720	Heritage Saskatchewan Conference Registration	130.00		17,077.00	Х
31-Jan	JE120733	2012 YE MVA Heritage Awards Carry-Over		500.00	17,577.00	Х
05-May	R510848	Robert McPherson-Sk Heritage AGM/Conference	368.59	13.30	17,221.71	Х
05-May	R510849	Architectural heritage Society Membership Renewal	20.00		17,201.71	X
05-May	R510850	Heritage Canada Foundation Membership Renewal	42.00	2.00	17,161.71	Х
17-Sep	SAR452880	MVA - Heritage Awards Sponsorship		500.00	17,661.71	Х
19-Nov	R523724	Star Phoenix-Heritage Awards Advertising	2,151.61	102.40	15,612.50	X
09-Dec	R523783	On Purpose Leadership-Heritage Awards Program	1,785.00	85.00	13,912.50	X
23-Dec	R525821	Lenore Sywstun-Heritage Foundation AGM/Conference	587.80	27.99	13,352.69	Х
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-			5,378.00	1,230.69		
		2013 Total	4,147.31			

Conferences: \$2,000

Education and Research: \$3,600 Heritage Awards Program: \$5,600 Doors Open Event: \$5,600

Doors Open Event: \$5,60 Heritage Festival: \$500 Memberships: \$200

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DATE	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE	G/L
January		Opening Balance			17,900.00	
13-Jan	R525860	Lucas Richert-Saskatoon Express Newspaper Article	150.00		17,750.00	Х
10-Jan	APV343624	Heritage Festival of Saskatoon-Registration Fee	50.00		17,700.00	Х
20-Jan	R525867	Saskatoon Heritage Society - Membership Renewal	30.00		17,670.00	Х
17-Jan	ID136661	Scanned Library Images for Heritage Festival	72.00		17,598.00	Х
20-Jan	R525866	Heritage Saskatchewan - Membership Renewal	50.00		17,548.00	Х
28-Feb	ID142138	JAN Copy Charges	24.30		17,523.70	Х
06-Mar	R528556	Saskatoon Jazz Society-Heritage Awards Rental	446.25	21.25	17,098.70	Х
06-Mar	R528554	J&S Picture Frame Wholesale-Heritage Awards Prints	2,222.68	101.04	14,977.06	Х
13-Mar	R528516	Lucas Richert-Saskatoon Express Newspaper Article	150.00		14,827.06	Х
06-Mar	R528555	On Purpose Leadership-Heritage Awards Administrator	2,186.79	95.73	12,736.00	Х
20-Mar	R528528	Architectural Heritage Society of Sask - Membership	20.00		12,716.00	Х
07-Apr	R528580	Mister Printer - Heritage Awards Program Certificates	121.00	5.50	12,600.50	Х
22-Apr	R528588	Lucas Richert-Saskatoon Express Newspaper Article	150.00		12,450.50	Х
10-Jun	R532076	Lucas Richert-Saskatoon Express Newspaper Article	300:00		12,150.50	Х
06-Aug	R534457	Heritage Canada National Trust-Membership Renewal	42.00	2.00	12,110.50	X
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		Total	5,789.50			

Conferences: \$2,000

Education and Research: \$3,700 Heritage Awards Program: \$5,700

Doors Open Event: \$5,800 Heritage Festival: \$500 Memberships: \$200

### PUBLIC RESOLUTION MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Main Category: 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Sub-Category:** 

Item: 4.1 Exploring The Wonder City - MHAC Publication [File No.

CK. 225-18]

Date: October 7, 2015

Any material considered at the meeting regarding this time is appended to this resolution package.

The Committee discussed options regarding the continuation of publishing the booklet, its content and whether an electronic version would be more appropriate. Also discussed was the research time and funding required to achieve this project. Many sources of information tie into this publication such as Tourism Saskatoon, the Heritage Society and the City of Saskatoon. The Committee requested to be updated on the number of books sold over the past few years. This information will be provided at the next meeting by the City Clerk's Office.

#### Moved By: D. Greer

- That the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee create a sub-committee to examine
  the options and costs of replacing Exploring The Wonder City booklet, taking into
  consideration the various sources of information in the City of Saskatoon, the
  Heritage Society, Tourism Saskatoon and other interested parties, and that the subcommittee report back to the Committee as to: product, costs, options and
  distribution: and
- 2. That the sub-committee be comprised of the following:

Patti McGillivray Alana Torresan Dorothea Funk Stefan Deprez Catherine Kambeitz

**CARRIED** 

### Exploring the Wonder City – Book Sales - 2011-2015

2011	Heritage Festival	8
	McNally Robinson	<u>10</u>
	Total	18
2012	Heritage Festival	14
	McNally Robinson	<u>33</u>
	Total	47
2013	Heritage Festival	5
	Individuals	2
	McNally Robinson	20
	MVA Gift Shop	75
	U of S Book Store	<u>5</u>
	Total	107
2014	Heritage Festival	1
	McNally Robinson	<u>35</u>
	Total	36
2015	Haritaga Faatiyal	10
2015	Heritage Festival	10
	McNally Robinson	30
	U of S Book Store	<u>15</u>
	Total	55