

## ***Charleswood Community and Schools Programs***

Charleswood Historical Society (CHS) has initiated a series of programs, presentations and tours for community groups, students and teachers in Charleswood to share the history of Charleswood from past to present.

Located at 5006 Roblin Blvd. in Charleswood, our Charleswood Museum features an array of historic displays, unique artifacts from First Nations and Metis history, area maps, pictures, early documents, school and church records, old-time tools used for farming and daily life, as well as, recreation keepsakes and toys from pioneer days.

We adapt programs and tours to fit the needs of each group or class, whether for students (grades K-12), home school groups, community groups (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Brownies) and adult community groups.

***Museum Tours***-Our Charleswood Museum has vintage artifacts, displays, early school classroom memorabilia, plus utensils and toys used daily in the homes of pioneers. Our volunteers lead active discussions with visitors to explore Charleswood's rich history.

***Historical Visual Presentations***-First Nations and Metis history, bison hunts, pictures and scenes of early Charleswood, plus a wide array of unique artifacts illustrating bygone days.

### ***Historic Presentations include:***

**Charleswood War Years**-Len Van Roon Sr., World War II veteran, relates wartime experiences and a tribute to those who did not return. Artifacts displayed include army boots, trench shovel, letters home and necessities of wartime survival.

**Mink Farming in Charleswood (1920-1960)**-Who knew mink farms, large and small were a big industry in Charleswood not that long ago? Was there one on your street?

**Who was Prince Rupert Anyway?**-Just a name from the past, or, Warrior, General, Admiral, Explorer, Scientist, Politician and all-round character?

**Charleswood Parks**-A lovely visual tour of our many Charleswood Parks, plus memories of the people and stories behind them.

**The Caron Family History**-The 1880 arrival and accomplishments of this large, influential family linking Charleswood and St. Charles.

**Charleswood, Path to the Prairies**-From the Ice Age to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Indigenous peoples, a key transport route for explorers, traders, Metis bison hunters and settlers.

### **Outdoor Talks and Walking Tours:**

**Charleswood's Historic Square Mile Tour (60 min.)**-A casual, informative stroll through the sites, fields and woods of our Historic Square Mile.

**Visit “The Passage Historic Site” (30 min.)**-An ancient ford for thousands of bison, then Metis hunters and settlers, a ferry landing (1800's) and a beach (1930's).

**Assiniboine Forest Tour**-Enjoy a guided tour of one of the largest urban forests in Canada and experience its' unique flora and fauna in a peaceful setting

**Caron Park and St. Charles Ferry Crossing Tour**-Learn the history of Caron Park and the St. Charles Ferry (1880's-1959), a prime North/South river crossing route in early days.

Adaptions as to time and content are made to fit the needs of the group, class and location of the presentation. The suggested timeline is 45 – 60 minutes including questions.

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