Marr Residence 2023 Annual Report

Submitted by the Marr Residence Management Board

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Braedan Hafichuk Nutana Community Association (till Sept)

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Karen Waldner Member at Large

Tina Frerich Member at Large (till May)

The Marr Management Board respectfully submits to The City Of Saskatoon it's 2023 Annual Report

The Marr Residence Board Mandate is to:

Maintain and enhance the historical integrity of the site

Provide public access

Develop programming which increases public awareness of

Saskatoon's history

Facebook continues to be used and is a good promotional tool. Our Website has been refreshed and helps get programming out to the community.

Again because of Covid 19 our School Tour Program did not happen this year. We hope next year will see us able to offer these tours again.

Special thanks goes to our gardeners, Jan Robbins, Bronwin Joyes and Sue Barrett for their hard work and dedication in keeping the Marr Garden so

lovely and welcoming to the public. We also thank Jan Robbins for her hard work in keeping the snow cleared at the Marr during the winter. Garadener volunteer time is well over 60 hours.

Many thanks to Dean Boyle, from the City of Saskatoon, and his team who manage maintenance at the house. Fence replacement was completed this fall, along with interior painting.

We have started to utilized our volunteer this summer for the first time since Covid. Our volunteer list suffered greatly because of the pandemic. Like all organizations that rely on volunteers we are having difficulty in finding people interested and available. The board regretfully say three members resign this year, the board sent thanks to each for their service. In December we received notice from the City Clerks Office that we will have two new members-at-large joining the Board in January. We currently await the appointment of a Representative from the Nutana Community Association

We were pleased to be able to participate in the Saskatoon Heritage Festival which resumed this year at the Western Development Museum. We also were happy to be involved in Doors Open. Both these events proved very successful, giving us the opportunity to inform the public about the history of the Marr and Saskatoon.

I am pleased to report that we had over 1000 visitors to The Marr for our programming. Board members and volunteers were utilized in 45 spots, where they contributed over 180 volunteer hours. Board members and Sue Barrett also contributed over 21 hours for our presentation of John Huston's "A Christmas Carol". Six shows sold out for a total of 98 guests. On The Boards Staging Company was once again used to manage ticket sales and promotion. We will continue to use them because of there superior service.

This year we received the "Governance Review – Other Bodies- Albert Community Centre Management Committee and The Marr Residence Management Board " document from the City of Saskatoon's Governance and Priorities Committee. This document was shared with Marr Board members, a response was written by the board chair and with the approval of the board was forwarded to the Governance and Priorities Committee.

There are a number of people who are the reason for the Marr Residence having such a successful year. Taren Meyers and her group of Vintage Sewers continue to use the Marr as their gathering place. Their willingness to share information on their projects has intrigued many visitors. Presentations by Al Morton (Saskatoon Trains) and Obert Frigstad (Pioneer Cemetery) were well attended and very informative.

I want to once again express my utmost appreciation to Sue Barrett for all she contributes to the Marr Residence.

Many thanks must go to my board members for their commitment to the Marr. Their dedication and support has made my job much easier.

To the City of Saskatoon who provide not only financial support but the resources to maintain the Marr. The Marr Board is very grateful!

Respectfully submitted

Della Marshall

Marr Residence Board Chair

Programming at The Marr Residence for 2023

January 22 Vintage Sewers

February 12 Saskatoon Heritage Festival at Western DevelopmentMuseum

February 19 Vintage Sewers

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May 28 Vintage Sewers

June 11 Vintage Sewers

June 25 Door's Open

July 2 Open House

July 9 "Nurse Miller and the Riel Resistance" Della Marshall

July 16 Vintage Games

July 23 Saskatoon Heritage Society Walking Tour – Dianne Wilson

July 30 Vintage Sewers

August 6 Learning About Rhubarb

August 13 Saskatoon Trains – Al Morton

August 20 Open House

August 27 Vintage Sewers

September 17 Pioneer (Nutana) Cemetery - Obert Frigstad

September 24 Vintage Sewers

October 22 Vintage Sewers

November 19 Vintage Sewers

December "A Christmas Carole" - John Huston

Sunday December 3 through to Friday December 8

December 17 Vintage Sewers