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SEPTEMBER 2019

Tuesday, September 24th @ 7:30pm
Old Timer’s Cabin, 9430 - 99 Street, Edmonton

William Bird and Mill Creek; The Northern Alberta Pioneers & Descendants Association

Roy Bird & Dorinda Emery

Roy Bird recounts the exploits of the Bird family from a lowly winter in the employ of the HBC to becoming Chief Factor at Fort Edmonton and his progeny.

Dorinda Emery, Executive Director of The Northern Alberta Pioneers & Descendants Association, gives us the story of the NAPDA & the Old Timers Cabin (the new home of the Edmonton & District Historical Society).

OCTOBER 2019

Tuesday, October 22nd @ 7:30pm
Old Timer’s Cabin, 9430 - 99 Street, Edmonton

James Bond Steele: Diaries of a One-Room Schoolteacher 1885-1891 Mission

Melanie Moore, Highlands Historical Society

In 1885 James Bond Steele left Ontario and followed his older brothers to the Canadian Northwest Territories. James recorded his experiences in several diaries. From these entries we glean much of what life was like for the early Edmonton settlers during and following the Northwest Rebellion of 1885: their fears, feuds and frustrations.

NOVEMBER 2019

Tuesday, November 26th
EDHS Annual Christmas Dinner
Cocktails 5:30 pm; Dinner 6:00 pm
Reservations required
Prince of Wales Armoury, 10440 - 108 Avenue

Pre-contact Indigenous Specializations

Dr. Linda Many Guns

This presentation attests to the wide diversity of knowledge needed to live successfully as Blackfoot in these territories, before contact. Successful brain surgery, horse training, weapons makers, crafters, traders, medicine people, winter-count holders (historians), women were warriors, hunters, excellent crafters, some specialized in healing and plant medicines.

FEBRUARY 2020

Tuesday, February 25th @ 7:30pm
Old Timer’s Cabin, 9430 - 99 Street, Edmonton

Best Edmonton Mall

Matthew Dutczak, Mall Historian

A little retail therapy to start the year! In 1981, what would eventually become the world’s largest shopping mall opened its doors for the first time. Explore the story of West Edmonton Mall: its growth, its attractions, and its evolution. And how a north-central Alberta city, with a population of only half a million people, become home to the world’s largest mall.

MARCH 2020

Tuesday, March 24th @ 7:30pm
Old Timer’s Cabin, 9430 - 99 Street, Edmonton

A Mystery from Norway

Christine Prokop, Edmonton & District Historical Society

In early 2019, a Norwegian gentlemen named Victor sent EDHS an email with two photos and his grandmother’s name. He wanted to know, did she come to Canada as a young women, as family lore claimed? If so, what was she doing here? Who did she come with? Join EDHS board member Christine Prokop as she tells how she tracked down answers at the Provincial Archives, in history books, on websites and in road trips to small towns. What did she find out?