



Orange Shirt Society Highlights August 2020

Board Meeting

The Board met on August 17th, 2020. Among the reports received were updates from President Jerome Beauchamp and Executive Director, Phyllis Webstad. Due to COVID, Phyllis's speaking engagements this year are virtual, and she is almost fully booked for the month of September. The Board also held preliminary planning discussions regarding the 10th Anniversary of Orange Shirt Day in 2023, and approved the signing of an MoU with Tolko Industries to sponsor our annual t-shirt design contest. The Board continues to meet virtually due to COVID, and our office is open by appointment only, in order to protect our staff.

Orange Shirt Day book

The Society's new book, Orange Shirt Day is now available in stores, through Amazon.ca, and Chapters/Indigo, both online and in stores. Any bookstore or school may order through Rain Coast books, or individuals may order directly through our publisher at <http://medicinewheel.education/store/>. The book is designed as a textbook for students in middle school and older. There is a companion teacher resource available as well. Due to COVID, opportunities for physically distanced book signings are limited, so please join us with Phyllis and Joan for a free online classroom launch September 16 at 10am PST. For more info, and to register visit <https://medicinewheel.education/pages/osdbooklaunch>
Thanks to VanCity Credit Union for sponsoring the marketing!

National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) - National Event – Wednesday, September 30, 2020

The Board agreed that, due to COVID restrictions, it will be impossible to hold in-person local Orange Shirt Day events in the parks this year, so the Society is participating in the NCTR's online National Event on September 30 from 10 am to 2 pm CST. This event is called Every Child Matters: Reconciliation through Education. Learn more, and register here <https://education.nctr.ca/>

Paths to Reconciliation

Film-maker Sean Stiller has been in Williams Lake and area for filming of the Royal Canadian Geographic documentary, which is the final piece of the Paths to Reconciliation partnership with the Orange Shirt Society, funded by Canadian Heritage. Watch this space to learn more!

Bookings/Donations/Shirts/Pins

If you would like to book a presentation, please email bookings@orangeshirtday.org. For shirts, pins and other promotional items, please visit <https://www.orangeshirtday.org/shirts--gifts.html>. If you'd like to make a donation, please visit <https://www.orangeshirtday.org/donations.html>, and use your credit card or donate by e-transfer. Other options include e-transfer to: donations@orangeshirtday.org or by cheque payable to the Orange Shirt Society and mailed to PO Box 4240, Williams Lake, BC V2G 2V3. All donors, corporate and individual are listed on our website. We are extremely grateful for all the donations and sponsorships we receive – we would not survive without you! Kukwstsetsemc (Thanks to all)!

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