

# Orange Shirt Society Highlights January 27, 2020

## **Strategic Planning Session**

The Orange Shirt Society (OSS) held a Strategic Planning Session on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. At the session, members established a vision of where the Society will be in 2023, along with supporting goals and actions necessary to achieve that vision. A summary of the vision includes being recognized as <u>the</u> go-to organization for schools and the public to obtain information about Orange Shirt Day and about residential schools and <u>the</u> Society that can help Canada realize its goal of reconciliation.

#### **Board Meeting**

The first Board Meeting of 2020 was held on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020. In addition to regular business, it was noted that the Calgary Hitmen, a major junior ice hockey team based in Calgary, will dedicate their February 1<sup>st</sup> game towards Orange Shirt Day recognition. There are a number of other sporting opportunities interested in being part of the Orange Shirt Day movement so stay tuned for further details.

#### Orange Shirt Society/Canadian Geographic "Paths to Reconciliation" Tour

Phyllis continues the "Paths to Reconciliation" tour with the Royal Canadian Geographic Society and is currently on tour in Atlantic Canada with visits to three schools in New Brunswick and three in Nova Scotia. The previous week Phyllis visited numerous schools in the Ottawa area.

#### New Book

Work is well underway on the Society's new book due to be launched in September 2020. Publisher Teddy Anderson, Medicine Wheel Education, met with Board members and Phyllis for three days this month to review layout and submissions for the book.

### **Bookings/Donations**

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