

# Manager's Report

11 March 2025

## Update From Last Meeting:

Jason and I are working on setting up our initial meeting for the Pathways program, after a couple of unavoidable delays. Otherwise, last month's report focused on community partnerships and those are all proceeding very well.

## Operations Highlights:

- Financial records went to Lenka 22 February.
- Steady visitation for this time of year
- **Update on Grants:**
  - BCAC Accelerate: \$10,000 x 2 years to support staffing/programming costs at grain elevator; submitted.
  - RDCK ReDi Funds: \$3,250 for summer programming; submitted
  - CKCA Mentoring: \$5,000 to support community engagement staff (Alyson) salary; submitted
  - BCAC Arts Impact: Up to \$30,000 for projects that will have lasting impact on capacity and sustainability; deadline April 9
  - BCAC Arts Infrastructure: Up to \$250,000 for capital improvements; washroom renovations?; deadline Fall 2025

## Community Partnerships:

- Working with Tilted Brick Gallery and Jackie Moore to prepare exhibit labels for an exhibit of Margaret Moore's work opening in April; there may be a couple pieces from our collection included.
- Community Wildfire preparedness Day, 3 May, will include BBQ and ToC FireSmart booth; working on collaboration from Community Forest and others; we will welcome volunteers to do fire mitigation work (spring clean-up) work, 1:00-4:30.

## Further Discussion:

- **Grain Elevator:** Met briefly with Ulli and Will from CBT; Vicky and I indicated that we are open to a curatorial/programming partnership with the owner, but would not be able to take on the ownership ourselves. Deconstruction of white elevator expected complete by end of April; limited programming could begin late May or mid-June with exhibits a longer-term project.

## Important Dates:

- West Creston History Evening: 14 March
- Tammy's spring holidays: 30 March – 5 April
- **AGM 29 April? TBC**
- Community Wildfire Preparedness Day 3 May
- Bird Festival 9-11 May
- Summer student start date: 13 May
- Blossom Fest 16-18 May
- Kids Day 21 June

## Collections:

*All under control; not as many new donations lately.*

## Programming:

*Still Standing at Kokanee: ~50 people, \$265 donations. Considering making it a regular event*

## Exhibits:

*Ice Sports opening tentatively planned for 29 March*

## Community:

*Several research requests linked to community events, major projects (Credit Union, Iron Kettle property)*

## Volunteerism:

*Working on posting spring/summer volunteer jobs*

## Staffing:

*Will be posting summer student jobs this week*