



SAGE Hoots

May 2019

Seniors in Action for God with Excellence



SAGE Alberta LEADERSHIP CHANGES

November 3, 2011 SAGE Alberta held its first meeting to establish a program for seniors to be actively involved in service, worship, travel and fellowship. SAGE Alberta has been under the excellent leadership of Victor Fitch since that time. Vic made the decision to step away from this position as of January 1, 2019. We have sincerely appreciated all that he has brought to the committee and its programs and are glad he is able to stay on as a valued member, giving time and energy to help where needed. We are happy Don Corkum has accepted the responsibility of leadership of SAGE Alberta at this time. In order for SAGE to remain a dynamic organization, we are looking for more individuals who would like to use their skills and talents to foster SAGE's ministry. Please contact Don Corkum to indicate your interest: 403-669-0706, dcorkum1@msn.com.

—Phyllis Corkum

SAGE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE GRAND OPENING

Over 100 guests were on site for the SAGE Outdoor Education Centre grand opening during Campmeeting 2018. This magnificent structure will serve the students of the Alberta Conference for their outdoor education program. Located among trees, it is an excellent spot to observe and study God's book of nature. It is also available for churches and other groups to use for their functions. It is equipped with tables and chairs to accommodate up to 100 people. There is still work to be done before the 32'x48' facility is fully completed. Rest room facilities will be erected this spring along with painting, and the installation of flooring to finish the building. Solar power has been installed and a generator will be purchased to meet needs that require more power. It is the prayer of the SAGE officers that this building will honor our Creator and enhance the lives of all those who enter its doors. —Vic Fitch



SAGE ANNUAL WINTER RETREAT — ANOTHER GREAT EXPERIENCE



The annual SAGE Alberta Winter Retreat took place at William Watson Lodge in Peter Lougheed Provincial Park March 4-7, 2019. This year sixteen attendees participated in beautiful hikes, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, fellowship, worship with singing and devotional thoughts, great food, and relaxing for those who preferred not to participate in the outdoor activities. William Watson Lodge made available to us three of their new cabins which were comfortable and spacious. A high-light of our SAGE year, many expressed that they wouldn't want to miss it next year.



2018 FALL RETREAT

Dr. Jo Ann Davidson was our speaker at the 2018 Fall Retreat. Formerly a home schooling mom and music instructor, Jo Ann now teaches in the Andrews University Theological Seminary—the first woman to teach in the Theology department. She earned her Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (Deerfield, IL) in 2000. This impressive degree would make one think that she would speak way over the heads of her listeners—but, Dr. Davidson gave compelling presentations about the Sabbath and its meaning to our lives. We sincerely appreciated being drawn into deeper consideration of the importance of the Sabbath to each of us.

In addition, the Fall Retreat weekend included components of worship, fellowship, great food, and unique games during the Saturday evening social prepared by Darlene Reimche.

Enjoy the pictures on this page that share the story.



SAGE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES—M.A.N.S.

SAGE Alberta provides for at least two service opportunities each year. The Foothills Camp Work Bee held in June was reported in the July issue of *Hoots*. This issue will highlight the Mamawi Atosketan Native School work day. We encourage all to consider participating in these meaningful times to help our Conference organizations. Watch for announcements about the upcoming Foothills Camp Work Bee, June 13-17.



Vic Fitch



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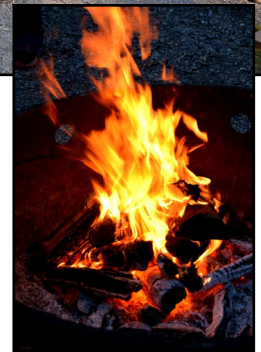


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SAGE RV CAMPING EVENTS

From warm short-sleeved kind of weather to snow; from lawn games to cozy indoor or outdoor fires; from hardy hikes to casual strolls, from laughter and games to serious spiritual contemplation—all this was included in the SAGE RV Camping events last summer and fall. Enjoy the pictures that tell the story. Then—consider joining these events during August and September 2019—more details are available on the last page of this issue.

Sandy McNab



SAGE RV CAMPING EVENTS, Cont.



Lake Miquelon



CAMP MEETING STRAWBERRIES & ICECREAM!!!

During 2018 Camp Meeting we enjoyed another great tradition of gathering for strawberries and ice cream, but ALAS, we did not get any pictures. So here are some that bring back memories of 2017. We'll make sure we get pictures of our 2019 camp meeting event, so be sure you are there to enjoy the fellowship and treats.



What is SAGE?

SAGEALBERTA (which is the acronym for **S**eniors in **A**ction for **G**od with **E**xcellence) is a ministry of the Alberta Conference designed to engage the energy and skills and enhance the lives of Alberta Conference church members who are 50 years and older, as well as their friends and neighbours.

Through service and work projects; recreation and social activities; tours, travel and mission trips; retreats and conventions, **SAGE**ALBERTA provides opportunities for continued active service to God, the church, and the community as well as opportunities to develop enriching social connections.

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SAGEALBERTA Opportunities to Serve

TO REGISTER, Contact:

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Foothills Camp Work Project

- Friday, June 14– Sunday June 17, 2019, Meals (from Friday supper), lodge accommodation or RV Sites provided. Register by: Monday, June 8, 2018.



Mamawi Atosketan Native School Work Project

- August (Date TBA) - from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Basic cleaning, washing windows, mowing grass, light painting
- Lunch will be provided.
- Register by: Monday, August 14, 2017.



SAGEALBERTA Calendar of Events

- June 14-17, 2018 Foothills Camp Work Project
- July 14, 2018 Campmeeting—FREE Dessert and Fellowship
- Aug. 2019 (TBA) MANS Work Project
- Aug. 26-29, 2019 Sheep River Prov. Pk RV Camp-Sandy McNab Gp. A
- Sept. 20-23, 2018 Miquelon Lake RV Campout, Group Area 7

To receive further information about these events, to receive notification of future SAGE activities and events, or to give feedback and suggestions, please contact Don Corukum at 403-669-0706. You are welcome to participate in any activities/events as you are interested and able.