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Fort Livingstone-Pelly Heritage Guild Inc

Rick Kurtz, Chairperson  
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*“To resurrect and restore for all Canadians, the history, the splendour of Old Fort Pelly, the Hudson's Bay Company headquarters along with Old Fort Livingstone, the first North West Mounted Police Headquarters west of the Red River and the first seat of Government for the North West Territories, Canada.”*

Since the last AGM of the “Guild”, the Board has taken a few steps forward and continue the process of mapping out plans for the next few years. We are aware of the lofty goals outlined in the Charter and we have not abandoned them, but we feel that we need to take small, positive steps forward making sure that we are successful.

## **Publicity/Education**

Letting people know about the Forts continues to be a high priority. The 3 brochures: “Historic Fort Pelly”, “Historic Fort Livingstone” and “The Heritage Guild” continue to be distributed to the tourist bureaus throughout the area. They have been very well received as many of the bureau employees could not explain how to get to either of the Forts or what the history is surrounding the Forts.

We have been working on renewing the Fort Livingstone signs as well as developing a new sign depicting the original layout of Fort Livingstone.

## **Web Site**

The Guild continues to maintain the website at [www.pellyheritage.ca](http://www.pellyheritage.ca). We will continue to strive to put up as much information, pictures and data as possible. Websites are always dynamic and need to be nurtured with new material from as many sources as we can tap. If you have material and or ideas, please let us know.

## **Red River Cart**

We were not able to get the Red River cart into any parades during the summer of 2013, but will try again this summer.

## Accomplishments:

1. Both access roads have been officially named. The Fort Pelly Road signs are in place on Highway 8 and the Fort Livingstone Road signs will be put up this year.
2. Informational signs for Fort Livingstone have been painted and will be erected this spring as soon a weather permits.
3. The iron fence around the Fort Livingstone Monument has been sandblasted and repainted. We received some money from Parks Canada for this project.
4. Postcard size pictures have been available to the public. This year we hope that they will be at the Museum rather than at the Village office.

## Plans

Scheduled for this summer:



1. Putting up new signs (informational and directional) at Fort Livingstone.
2. Entering into a volunteer maintenance contract with Parks Canada again.
3. Getting something done about the road into Fort Livingstone.

## Fund raising

Most of our labour is volunteer, but it is necessary to fund raise so we can purchase goods and, at times, services needed in fulfilling the mandate of the Guild. We will be embarking on some of the usual methods (teas, bakes sales, etc) but hopefully we will unveil some new fundraising options that may appeal to a greater number of people - not just locally.

## Collaboration

We know that it is important to work with groups in the community and with other heritage associations. We continue to maintain memberships in the **Heritage Canada Foundation** (HCF is the only national organization working to protect Canada's historic places for future generations) and with **Heritage Saskatchewan** ( the collective voice of all those who value heritage in Saskatchewan.)

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors - Rick Kurtz

