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Tourism Guide



Winter



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Spring

Fall

A Reason For Every Season



Summer



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Swan Valley Historical Museum and Heritage Village



Located less than one mile north of Swan River on Hwy 10 featuring a general store, country school, blacksmith shop, machine shop, sawmill, railway station and a house of eight sides.

Harvest Festival, held in August, features demonstrations such as stooking, shingle making, threshing, rug making, spinning and weaving, and mouth watering clay oven baked bread. The day is complete with a supper and entertainment. The Annual Turkey Shoot is held in November.

For information call **204-734-3585**.

Gertrude Twilley Richardson

An exhibit can be found in The Swan Valley Historical Museum commemorating Gertrude Twilley Richardson who was instrumental in organizing the first "Women's Suffrage Society" in Manitoba on 22 March 1912 which existed until women got the vote in 1917.

- The Roaring River Suffrage Association was founded in March 1912, with both men and women as members. Gertrude was president and her sister Fannie Livesey was secretary. They thought they were the first suffrage group in Manitoba.

- She also co-founded a Home Economics Society at which women exchanged recipes and learned about trade so they could understand and influence their husbands' business dealings.

- Nellie McClung came to Swan River and stayed with the Richardsons. She addressed a womens' meeting in the afternoon and a packed meeting of both men and women in the evening.



Gertrude Twilley Richardson



Nellie McClung



Lumax Family Heritage Museum

The family memorabilia of Darrell and Doreen Lumax and families have been preserved and are available for all to enjoy. Many of these treasured possessions arrived in the Valley as early as 1898 with the David Gunn family; P.J. Lumax in 1902; the Emory Allen family in 1915; and the W.C. Hunt family which arrived in 1921. Appreciate furniture that made the pioneer trek from Ontario, the Dakotas and Missouri and view historic documents and pictures. The museum also is home to the records and pictures of how "Green Valley Stock Farm" became a major horse breeding operation. All visitors are welcome. **Call 204-525-4273.**



Cowan Country School Museum

Located next to Kolisnyk's general store on Hwy 10 in Cowan the old country school "West School - # 1132" has been restored to be as original as possible. Thanks to the Kolisnyk family and Sylvester and Rosann Wowchuk we can all enjoy an era in time.

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Swan River Historical Buildings Self-Guided Walking Tour



312-6th Ave. N.

Built in 1901-02 for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beattie who started the first bank in Swan River and Cowan area. The next residents were Dr. Edwin Bruce and wife Ethel (Harley). Upon his death in 1954, Mrs. Bruce decided to rent out this large house and move to a smaller one. Jack and Dawn Walker purchased the property in 1972, doing an extensive restoration bringing it back to its original elegance. In 1996 the Ken Doleman family became the owners making it their home and a notable Bed and Breakfast Business. (In early years, there was a canal at the bottom of the hill where this house stands, used to float logs from the bend of the river to the mill at the east side of near Taylor School. This was later filled in to create a small street).

Stop by the Chamber Tourism Centre to get your Swan River Historical Buildings Self-Guided Walking Tour Brochure.



5th Ave. N. and 1st Str. N.

This Post Office building was built in 1951 also housed the RCMP Station, Jail, and Sergeant's Residence. The RCMP used the facility until 1978 when construction was completed on the present RCMP building. Their 5th Ave. site was also the original site of the 1900 Presbyterian Church.



506-2nd Str. N.

Built in 1900 for Peter McKay and family who occupied it until 1913. In 1945, it was purchased by Edwin Paull and served as their family home and funeral parlor. This property continues to be owned and operated by the Paull family.



The Harley House

Heritage Home

Harley House

Harley House is a regionally significant heritage site offering a unique multi purpose space serving the arts community and heritage-minded users in the Valley. The historical value of the

house lies within the traditional uses of the building, it having been the Land Agency home, office and post office. Historically, it is also a prime example of the form and style of the Red River

architecture. It is open to the public in the summer months and for private tours and usage by calling Maureen Bowles at 204-734-2639



Swan Valley Co-op



Welcome

We at Swan Valley Co-op are here to serve our members with products and services that help build, feed and fuel individuals and communities. We are a different kind of business: being member owned means that any profits are returned to our members and stay in the local economy. We live where you live, work where you work and help grow the economy right here. We are your neighbours, and we make sustainable investments in the communities we share.

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