



Kamsack woman's garden a treat for granddaughters

While visiting their grandmother, Denise Hellegards, in Kamsack last week, Hayden Werboweski, left, and her sister Harper of Warman, found time to admire all the beautiful plants in the garden. While their grandmother was preparing for the annual Kamsack horticulture show being held Friday, the girls were particularly interested in a frame containing growing succulents.

Plaque designates Doukhobor elevator as Provincial Heritage Property

A ceremony was held at the National Doukhobor Heritage Village in Veregin on July 17 to mark the unveiling of a plaque commemorating the Village's "Doukhobor elevator."

The third Sunday in July has been the date of the annual Heritage Day celebration, but the COVID-19 pandemic has forced the cancellation of Heritage Day. This year it was decided, in lieu of Heritage Day, to hold the ceremony for the unveiling of the plaque that is to be

placed on the elevator that was constructed in 1908 and remains a symbol of the Doukhobor culture as well as a significant economic milestone.

Walter Ostoforoff, chairman of the Heritage Village and emcee of the ceremony held in the Prayer Home, introduced Terry Dennis, the Canora-Pelly MLA, Harvey Malanowich, the Reeve of the RM of Clayton, and Jonathan Kalmakoff, a noted Doukhobor historian who has studied the impact of the grain elevators on the

Doukhobor communities.

Acknowledging the area as being Treaty 4 territory and homeland of Métis, Ostoforoff expressed gratitude to First Nations for the help they provided the Doukhobors upon their arrival in Canada and reminded everyone attending that the Village became the centre of Doukhobor activities in the province.

"We gather to celebrate the Provincial Heritage Property plaque unveiling for the Veregin Christian Community of Universal

Brotherhood (CCUB) grain elevator," Dennis said, explaining that he was representing Laura Ross, minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, Premier Scott Moe and the Government of Saskatchewan.

"Events like this help us to appreciate the unique stories and places that make up the history of our province," Dennis said, thanking the members of the Village for appreciating the historic significance of the elevator and bringing forward the

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Members of the National Doukhobor Heritage Village committee and guests assembled at the Veregin Prayer Home on July 17 for the unveiling of a plaque commemorating the "Doukhobor elevator."

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