

## **46. Major Story Writing Experience**

I have been writing since my poems in 1958 and is part of my handwritten record in a dilapidated scribble.

I also wrote many stories and kept diaries which are on CDs and on my computer.

Nona started a “Word Press” blog for me where I have posted many articles which can be accessed by those who may be interested by simply typing Elmer Verigin Blog and that will get to there.

My first major story writing was Veregin Story 2017. This was a volunteered contribution to fund raising and support of the National Doukhobor Heritage Village in Veregin, Saskatchewan. Cousin Allan Markin donated \$15,000 to this effort which paid for all the “out of pocket” expenses such as preparation by Biznet (Peter Perepolkin); Telwell for editing and printing by Ingram. After payment for 250 books, there should still be surplus funds for the NDHV utilization as they determine.

I am pleased with my compilation reference material that brings out the origins and founding of the Village of Veregin. A second edition is likely by someone as it has “uncovered” many unknown factors about the history of Veregin and the influence of the Doukhobor migration from Russia in 1999.

This creation of My Journey through a Life of Opportunity has also been an interesting time as I used a great deal of the skills in Veregin Story 2017 in this venture. This is destined for the appreciation of my immediate family.

I look forward to using my new acquired skills to further my contribution to the enjoyment of my readers.

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