



West St. Paul School Community Newsletter

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JUNE, 2013 YEAR-END NEWS

Take Care of yourself, Take Care of each other, Take Care of this place.

ADMINISTRATORS' MESSAGE

This month has been unusually busy. As well as the usual patrol outings, field trips to Fort Whyte, the Zoo, the farm, Middle Years Activity days, Grade 8 Farewell, we have also had a Band Concert, hosted the Seven Oaks School Division Dance Day, and held our own mini We Day in conjunction with St. Emile School. (In there we also had classes!)

Our Middle Years Band concert was delightful. It featured a world premier performance of a piece written by Julia and Kaylee, and then orchestrated for the Grade 8 Band. It featured a wonderful vocal duet by Mr. Isaak and Mr. Gawron of On Top of Old Smokey, and introduced our amazingly great Grade 6 Band. It is so wonderful to hear the progression from Grade 6 to Grade 7 and then Grade 8 as the student's playing skills become more sophisticated each year.

The Dance day was an amazing celebration of dance, both from schools like ours where dance is an optional activity, and those schools with dance teachers. Only a few years ago, there were no dance teachers and no dance options. This year, we had 16 schools and 561 dancers. Thank you to Kim Greening and Vanessa Burrige for their work in putting this day together. It was enjoyed by all.

Our last event was mini We Day, hosted in conjunction with St. Emile School. We had an amazing day of speakers, drama, video and music hosted by Adam West and Lloyd the Intern from one of the local radio stations. We heard from Siloam Mission and Althea Guiboche, the Bannock Lady, who shared their stories and told the children about their work. We heard from St. Emile School, Edmund Partridge School, Maples Collegiate and our own school about the amazing things that students are doing to make this world a better place. It was a great way to celebrate what it means to be a UNESCO school.

We would like to wish you and your family a wonderful summer. We hope you have time to play together, laugh, have fun and enjoy all the things in life that make you happy.

Cathy Horbas, Principal David Ingram, Vice Principal

SEPTEMBER ORIENTATION

Orientation days will be on
Tuesday, September 3rd

1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

and

Wednesday, September 4th

from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please call the school office

(204-339-1964) between

Tuesday, August 27th and

Friday, August 30st

to book appointment(s) for

Orientation. At this time we will
be receiving a high volume of calls.

If the system drops to voice mail,
please do not leave a message as
we will not have time to return your
call.

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

See you in September.



Track and Field Meet

The grade 4 and 5 track meet was on Friday May 17 2013 at West Kildonan Collegiate to compete to try and make it to the divisional track and field meet. All the grade 4 and 5's at West St. Paul School participated. The events were 400m, 200m, 100m, long jump, and triple jump.

There was a lot of hard work done there. Here are some pictures of some of the action done that day.

Some of the kids that did really well went on to the Divisional Track Meet that was held in June. They did great!

-Noah D. and Adam I.- Ms. Greening's grade 4 class.



Community Activism Starts Young



On Saturday, June 15th third grader Amanda organized the Grassmere Creek Community Cleanup. She recruited friends from West St. Paul School, her teachers and community members to take part in this event. The group started the clean up at 10:00 a.m. and went down the creek cleaning up plastic bags, old tires, metal rods, food wrappers and other garbage. Using their rubber boots they were able to work along the shoreline spotting small fish, ducks, clams and more than a few mosquitoes. It was a great reminder of why it is necessary to clean up our waste so that we don't damage the environment for the many other species that share our community. At the end of the clean up - volunteers returned to Amanda's house on Nye road for a BBQ lunch and snacks! The volunteers were presented with Certificates of Appreciation from the RM of West St. Paul by councillor Giorgio Busceti. Amanda's leadership sets the example of how if we work together we can not only clean up the environment but we can make our community a better place to live.



Dates to Remember

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| September 3 & 4 | Orientation |
| September 5 | First Day of Classes |
| September 16 & 17 | Middle Years Camp at Camp Arnes |
| October 14 | Thanksgiving -NO SCHOOL |
| October 21 | Seven Oaks Divisional In-service—NO SCHOOL |
| October 25 | Provincial In-service—NO SCHOOL |
| November 11 | Remembrance Day—NO SCHOOL |
| November 17 | West St. Paul School Craft Sale |
| November 22 | Parent—Teacher Conferences—NO SCHOOL |
| December 20 | Last Day of Classes |



Kickin' up their heels at Arts in the Park

West St. Paul School At Arts in the Park

The following groups from West St. Paul School performed at the Seven Oaks School Division Arts in the Park event. Grade One Sing-a-long did a very impressive rendition of O Canada and the Log Driver's Waltz complete with folk dancing, the Grade Two Sing-a-long had their own West St. Paul lyrics that went over very well with the audience; the Grade Fours ended up performing each day and for sure their favorite was the tongue twister "Istanbul". The Grade Eight, Seven Band and Jazz Band also had great performances which they got to repeat at the school Band Concert. One unique performance was the Grade Four group singing "the Girl from Ipanema" with the Jazz Band,

On May 29, it rained all day at Arts in the Park. At 5 p.m. the decision was made to cancel the next day. All 2900 piece of visual art were brought to West St. Paul School. Between 8:00 and 9:00 the next morning, our school turned in to an Art Gallery, as staff and students worked together to display the very impressive artwork from students around the division. We held our own "Arts in the Gym" with all the Grades 2-5 students who were to perform that day, sharing their talents with the rest of the school. We also had about 100 parents come on very short notice. Although spontaneous, it was a great way to show how we can pull together in adversity!

Congratulations to all the students, their teachers, Mr. Issak, Ms. Stockton, Miss Burrige and Miss Greening for all their hard work in preparing these amazing performances.



Tabloid Day

On June 26 all our Early Years students had our annual Tabloid Day. This is an old fashioned field day with relays, games, chalk art, tattoos and of course FREEZIES. Mr. Chin had a great group of high school volunteers from Garden City to help run the events.



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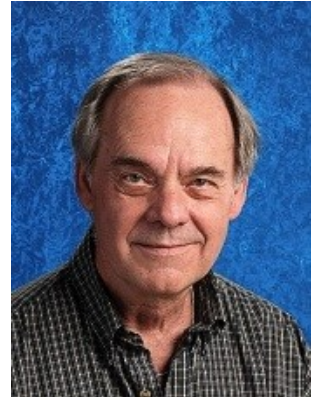
Miss Burrige (Miss B) is being married this summer. She and her new husband will be moving to Moose Jaw where he is in the military.

Miss Dilts is taking a year's leave of absence to travel the world. Safe travels!



Mr. Gamby will be teaching Grade 7 at Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School next year.

Mr. McGunigal will be the guidance counsellor at Victory School in the fall.



Miss Greening will be taking a year's leave of absence to go travelling. Safe travels

After 10 years at West St. Paul School, Ms Robertson is returning to James Nisbet School as a teaching Vice Principal. Congratulations!



Mrs. Janzen is taking a year to work on her photography skills! She is going back to school and taking a program on how to run a photographic business.

Ms Wesa has completed her term at West St. Paul School.



Thank you for all your amazing work and dedication to the students of West St. Paul School. We wish you the best of luck in whatever you do.

MedicAlert's No Child Without Program is at Our School

The ***No Child Without*** program offers a free MedicAlert membership to students who attend our school and are between the ages of 4 up to their 14th birthday. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication on a regular basis then you should consider a MedicAlert membership through this program.

MedicAlert is your child's voice in an emergency,

MedicAlert membership;

- Gives emergency first responders immediate access to a your child's medical information on their MedicAlert bracelet or necklace.
- Enables first responders to quickly obtain up to date medical information by means of the child's Electronic Health Record through the **24 Hour Emergency Hotline**.
- Communicates with the parent or emergency contact upon activation of the **Hotline**
- Allows free updates of the child's medical recorded, as needed

MedicAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition should an emergency occur.

For further information come to the office for a brochure or go to www.nochildout.ca.

To register your child you will need a ***No Child Without*** brochure from the office.

If your child is already part of the ***No Child Without*** program and there have been changes to their medical condition, medications or emergency contact information, call MedicAlert at 1-866-679-3220 Ext 1 to update your child's file.



DISCOUNT CARD & COUPON BOOK

The **GRADE 8s** will be raising money this September by selling the Show & Save Card and Coupon Book.

We are very excited to announce that **Superstore** will be part of the upcoming Fall Show & Save Book with 4 coupons! Safeway will also be included! The use of these coupons alone will more than pay for the purchase of the coupon book and card!

The Coupon Book has over \$10,000 in money saving offers including coupons for purchases at numerous grocery stores, restaurants and businesses throughout the city. For only **\$20** you can experience endless savings with the Re-usable Card and Coupon Book.

By purchasing your Show & Save from us, you will be supporting our School while at the same time saving your family a lot of money.

Books will be available at Orientation in September from any grade 8 student or Ms Torz.



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Summer 2013

Behind the Board

Meet a few faces working behind the scenes at the Foundation



Front Row: Cory Juan, Pat Stefanchuk, Margaret Brett, Fran Taylor, Ajit Kaur Deol O.M.
Back Row: Avrum Senensky, Irv Simmonds, Bernie Gowryluk, Wayne Shimizu, Ted Ash and Kraig Hillis

When you think of the Seven Oaks Education Foundation, it's only natural to think about scholarships and how they benefit students pursuing a post-secondary education.

But what about the Board of Directors who volunteer their time and energy behind the scenes to help ensure that those scholarships continue?

Here are five of those Board members who took a little time to talk about how they became part of the Board, and why they choose to do what they do to help students pursue their post-secondary education.

Avrum Senensky



If you ask Avrum Senensky how he came to be a Board member, he'll give you a simple answer: he was asked.

"I was actively involved in the Garden City Collegiate 50th Anniversary Reunion - my wife Cheryl was one of the co-chairs," says Avrum.

"This event turned out to be a great fundraiser for SOEF, and afterward, Harriet Zaidman asked if I would be interested in sitting on the Board of SOEF. There was no hesitation on my part. I view it as a way to give back to a great community."

Avrum was himself a recipient of the \$50 O.V. Jewitt Memorial Scholarship for having the highest mark in Math 300 at Garden City Collegiate back in 1975.

"The fact I remember the name and the amount of the scholarship all these years later indicates the lasting impression receiving this scholarship had on me."

He's not the only one in his family with that direct experience with awards and scholarships.

"My eldest son David received numerous awards and scholarships when he graduated from Garden City in 2009 and will be graduating next year with an Actuarial Mathematics and a Double Finance degree from the Asper School of Business," says a

proud Avrum. "And my youngest son, Josh will be graduating with honours from Garden City Collegiate this year. He will be receiving an entrance scholarship from the University of Manitoba and will be attending the Asper School of Business in the fall."

Why does Avrum see scholarships as being such a vital part of education?

"I view scholarships as having two main benefits. First, they are an award for excellence, acknowledging the accomplishments of the students. Second, they are a motivator, inspiring students to continue on with their education.

"I am a very strong believer in the importance of post-secondary education. A higher education is perhaps the most valuable gift that you can give your children. The work of the Foundation provides motivation and opportunities for the students in the Seven Oaks School Division."

Irv Simmonds



When Irv Simmonds was contacted about being a Board member in 2002, he agreed immediately.

"It was an invitation that I couldn't say no to as I received a \$100 bursary from the Scholarship Board when I graduated from Garden City Collegiate in 1976," recalls Irv who has remained on the Board ever since.

"I was very honored to receive the bursary and to be presented the bursary by Ben Zaidman, who was involved with the Scholarship Board for many years.

"It was a great help as tuition and student fees for first year at the University of Manitoba in September, 1976 were \$492 so the bursary paid for over 20% of those costs."

Times may have changed since Irv received his bursary, but the role such awards play hasn't diminished. Irv needn't look further than his own children who are currently attending schools in the Division. His eldest daughter, Rannah, graduated from West Kildonan Collegiate in 2011 with a first year entrance scholarship from the University of Winnipeg. His daughter, Corene, is graduating from West Kildonan Collegiate this June and his son, Stuart is currently in Grade 9. Irv's wife, Terry, also attended H.C. Avery, Jefferson Junior High School and Garden City Collegiate.

For Irv, this first-hand experience with scholarships, bursaries and awards has reaffirmed his belief in the importance of their role in today's education.

"I believe that in addition to appreciating the monetary assistance, students gain an understanding that what they do, both in school and outside of school, is important... and that it is recognized by their teachers, the school division and the community."

In Irv's opinion, the community component is a key one.

"It is important that people in the community get involved with the Foundation by volunteering, making donations, supporting Foundation events and helping to solicit donations from friends, families and businesses.

“By donating and supporting the Foundation it can support more students with scholarships as they pursue post-secondary education.”

Harriet Zaidman



In her role as a Foundation Board member, Harriet Zaidman leads by example – something she learned by following the example set by her own parents.

“I’m a lifelong Seven Oaks resident. I went to Seven Oaks, Collicutt, R.F. Morrison, Jefferson Junior High and Garden City Collegiate. My parents were active in parent-teacher associations when I was young and my father, Ben Zaidman, was a school trustee for 29 years.”

Not surprisingly, with her parents being such an active part of the Division, Harriet gained a lot of insight into education in Seven Oaks.

“I grew up hearing about the work of the Seven Oaks School Board and the then-Seven Oaks Scholarship Board, and understood the importance and value of advancing educational possibilities for youth,” says Harriet. “My own three children were recipients of scholarships, which relieved their financial burden in university.”

“I wanted to support and advance that work as a tribute to my parents, to my kids and to the community.”

Now, as a teacher herself (though not in the Seven Oaks School Division), Harriet sees first-hand the need for supporting young people as they follow their dreams and strive to fulfill their potential.

“A scholarship can inspire potential!” says Harriet. “It can allow a student to explore his/her possible career choices, and reduce the strain that higher education now puts on students and their families.”

“A scholarship also inspires self-confidence - not just within the family, but it demonstrates the school and community think this student can achieve great things. It’s a morale booster.”

Harriet’s son David is himself an example of a scholarship winner who has gone on to achieve great things. A Maples graduate, David is today a lawyer who has had the opportunity to work all over the world and has since returned to Canada and work at Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP in at Toronto.

Though she clearly has a multitude of personal reasons for being an SOEF Board member, there’s one that Harriet believes is the reason more people in the Seven Oaks Community should be actively involved with the Foundation.

“Young people are the future and we need to support them in their pursuit of whatever goal they have – to build an educated, advanced society, whether that education is community college, university or other educational institution.”

With that in mind, Harriet encourages people to show their encouragement through donations and volunteer work with the SOEF when needed, just as she and her fellow board members do.

Kraig Hillis



Some Board members had a long history and deep understanding of the role the Seven Oaks Education Foundation plays in the Division. For Kraig Hillis, however, it was a bit different.

“To be quite honest, my knowledge of the Board was quite limited and it was a friend of mine, Mario Coquete, who actually put my name forward to join the Board,” explains Kraig. “Mario had been on the Board for several years at that point and explained the work the Board was doing in Seven Oaks.”

Though he didn’t entirely know what to expect at the time, Kraig saw it as a way to give back to the community where he grew up.

“My family has been in West Kildonan since the early 1950s,” says Kraig. “My father, uncle, aunts all attended various schools within the Division as did both myself and my wife. I also currently have two children in the Division; my son is finishing Grade 11 at West Kildonan Collegiate and my daughter is attending Edmund Partridge and is in Grade 6.”

Kraig's roots in the community extend beyond living in the Division. His business has an equally long history in Seven Oaks.

"Our family business, Hillis Insurance Agencies Ltd., is on to the third generation and our 50th year of serving the community here in West Kildonan."

Now going into his third year on the Board, Kraig feels he has a far better understanding of the important work of the Foundation and the responsibility Board members have to the students of Seven Oaks.

"One important thing that I think awards and scholarships do is reward students for the hard work and perseverance that they have shown throughout their time in school, especially the high school years. Everyone likes a pat on the back for a job well done and by recognizing students in this way, we are contributing to that."

"The monetary help is always appreciated, I'm sure, but the support we provide, I feel, goes beyond that. At least that is the feeling I have gotten from reading the correspondence our Board has received from students who have been recipients of awards or scholarships from the SOEF."

And what about the role of the community?

"That is a very good question. The community is already helping by supporting the students with various fundraisers at the schools, be it plays, BBQs and other fundraising events. But they can continue to help by donating to the SOEF, so we as a Board can continue dispersing the monetary rewards to our students, maybe even increase the amounts of each and the number provided.

"Ultimately the goal is to have all students of Seven Oaks be given the opportunity to attend post-secondary education."

Steve Medwick



You might say Steve Medwick is pretty familiar with the Seven Oaks School Division; he's been a high school Principal and teacher in the Division for 39 years.

That "front line" experience is what inspired him to join the Seven Oaks Education Foundation Board of Directors.

"I feel it is important that both Educators and Community Members give back to the Division and help support our young students as potential future educators and members of the Community," says Steve.

Steve was himself recognized as Garden City Collegiate's Male Athlete of the Year in 1970, his graduating year.

"It was an honour to be recognized as there were many worthy candidates that year," he recalls.

Although Steve is Principal of Garden City Collegiate, it's Maples Collegiate that is the unofficial family school. Steve's four sons also all graduated from Maples Collegiate. In fact, his third son, Matthew received both academic and football scholarships

upon graduating. Today, he's head of the Phys Ed. Department at West Kildonan Collegiate, adding another family connection to the Division.

Through his day-to-day experiences as a teacher, principal and father, Steve has seen how scholarships, bursaries and awards make a difference to students – and he can attest to how the value is far more than monetary.

"It's recognition of their hard work and dedication towards learning," says Steve. "This recognition is important in front of their peers, their parents and also their teachers.

"This kind of recognition improves overall self-esteem and hopefully it helps the drive to be continuous learners and strong role models for their younger siblings and friends."

Like his fellow Board Members, Steve also knows that community involvement is what helps to make scholarships, awards and bursaries continue to be available.

"Community can be involved in a number of ways," says Steve. "People can support Foundation and School Events. They can join the Foundation and spread the word about the great work that the Foundation is doing for the Seven Oaks community.

And, of course, they can encourage the young people to get involved as they grow and to pass this on to other members of the community."



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Visit 7oakseducationfoundation.org for more information on how to donate or to make an online contribution.

The Foundation provides tax receipts for donations of \$10 or more.

Seven Oaks Aboriginal Education Update

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“Find your place in the teachings of the ancestors”.

What if what we taught wasn't true? What if we ran our schools in a way that was really harmful to some of our children?

Well, we've done that over the years to First Nations children. The “we” I'm referring to isn't necessarily you and I as much as it is our system of education (historically speaking) with biased text books, residential schools and racist beliefs.

Now we're working to correct that, not so much to make up for the past, but to make things better now and for the future. We want First Nations students to be successful and we want all students to have a healthy regard for one another and for First Nations history, culture and people. It is for these reasons that our Board of Trustees passed our Aboriginal Education policy on April 15th, 2013. The opening paragraph states: The policy out-

lines the division's commitment to make a difference for all of our students through its approach to curriculum, professional development, Aboriginal languages, parent and community involvement, student supports, employment equity and accountability. We're already doing much of what the policy calls for and we're already making a huge difference in the lives and futures of our students. This policy makes public our commitment to do so and affirms, as the saying goes “that we are all treaty people”. Please visit www.7oaks.org to view this entire Aboriginal Education Policy.

Superintendent
Brian O'Leary



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Aboriginal Education

Teaching Aboriginal studies in public education is still a relatively new experience in most Canadian schools. As seen from our collective past, non-Aboriginal peoples in Manitoba and Canada have been learning about Aboriginal peoples from an outsider perspective. Basically from perspectives that are not of their own. In many cases, these learning sites had a hand in creating negative stereotypes and developing a misunderstanding of Canada's Aboriginal peoples. For these reasons, our school division has undertaken a number of initiatives to ensure that Canada's Aboriginal peoples have a voice and presence in their homeland.

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Peace Building Project: Aboriginal and Newcomer Bridging Initiative

We are proud of the Aboriginal and Newcomer Bridging Initiatives we have undertaken. This year, Patrick Harding from Elwick School and the Susan Birdwise from the Adult Learning Centre have both participated in a pilot run of the Peace Building project which in partnership with Menno Simmons College has afforded us with opportunity to share our stories, our culture and traditions with one another.



- Local Anishinaabe Elder Dan Thomas -

SOSD Aboriginal Education Cultural Credit Course

This course aims to create a learning environment that draws from the authentic learning spaces of local Indigenous people's, specifically the local Anishinaabeg. It will engage students with urban and rural teaching spaces through experiential learning that will acknowledge and honor sources of information that stem from Indigenous people's relationship with the land and the spaces they inhabit. The content for the course includes learning through oral traditions, storytelling and songs. This may include attending local cultural events to experience how knowledge has been passed down from generation to generation. Students are encouraged to bring their own cultural backgrounds and life experiences as a source of knowledge as it naturally contributes to the learning environment. This way of teaching and learning weaves together an awareness of all our relationships within a sense of responsibility for all life. It helps students understand that each person must find ways to nurture and/or develop all aspects of their being, which should include developments of our physical, emotional, mental and spiritual self. By developing mindful thinking we naturally learn to appreciate the life that exists in all living things amongst us. This can include an appreciation for the natural elements such a water and mother earth or the plant and animal life. For without these elements, as human beings we would not be able to survive.

Aboriginal Education Directorate



Seven Oaks and the 7 Ways We Plan To Make A Difference

Curriculum.

The division will ensure that Aboriginal perspectives are implemented as basic expectations in all core curricular areas including Social Studies, ELA, History, Math, Science, Physical Education, the K-8 Arts and in French Immersion as outlined by the province.

Professional Development.

Professional learning opportunities will be offered to afford all staff in the division with opportunities to develop a healthy knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal history, culture, perspective and ways of teaching and learning.

Aboriginal Languages

Seven Oaks School Division will be committed to offering Aboriginal language programs for students, staff and parents of the division.

Parent & Community Involvement.

- Staff at all levels shall seek to engage Aboriginal parents/community in active and meaningful ways that demonstrate respect and reciprocity.
- Staff will seek to increase Aboriginal parent/child/caregiver participation in 0-5 year programming.
- A wide variety of Aboriginal people and community resources will be utilized in the development and implementation of Aboriginal education outcomes.

Student Supports.

- The division will develop and maintain supports for students transitioning from rural, northern and outside of Winnipeg Aboriginal communities to attend school in Seven Oaks School Division.
- The division will provide culture and language programming to support academic success and retention of cultural identities.
- Learning opportunities will be created to ensure every student graduating from Seven Oaks School Division has a healthy knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal histories, cultures and perspectives.
- When possible student learning will include opportunities for experiential learning that reflect Indigenous ways of teaching and learning.

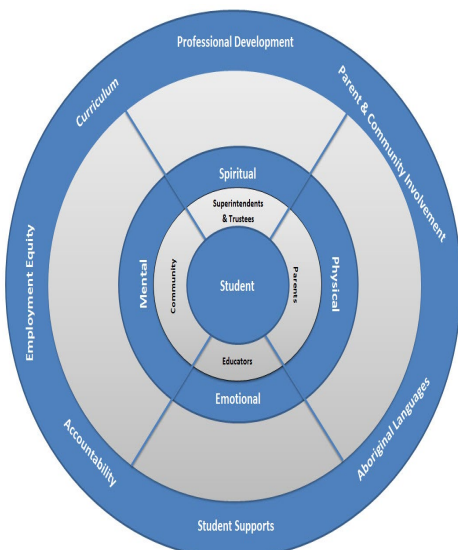
Employment Equity.

The division will maintain and further develop initiatives for hiring Aboriginal peoples for various positions at all levels in Seven Oaks School Division.

Accountability: Assessment and Evaluation.

The Superintendents and Trustees will be responsible for ensuring the implementation of the Aboriginal Education Policy by:

- Supporting the planning and organization of the educational programs consistent with the goals of this Aboriginal Education policy.
- Ensuring annual plans of all schools and departments include Aboriginal education outcomes.
- Providing opportunity for parents/guardians/community, students and educators to have on-going input into as well as assessment and evaluation of targeted funding.



Upcoming Events

Grad Pow Wow.

The Seven Oaks School Division Graduation Pow Wow began in 2009 as an initiative to celebrate our graduates through Aboriginal culture. This event is open to all people of all ages. Come out to Garden City Collegiate on June 6th for our 4th Annual Traditional Graduation Pow Wow.

CAEM - Council for Aboriginal Education in Manitoba.

October 25th, 2013 SAGE Aboriginal Education Conference will take place at Edmund Partridge School. Keynote speakers include Niiganwewidam-James Sinclair and Kevin Lamoureux.

RTS Partnership & Transitioning from Rural to Urban.

This August 2013 Aboriginal students coming from First Nations communities to attend school will be given an orientation and tour of the city to help them transition to the urban setting and connect them with established programs within the division and Aboriginal Education community.

Accomplishments

Curriculum

- Grade 9 to 12 Indigenous Peoples credit courses offered at Maples Collegiate

Community Building Events in 7 Oaks

- Number of school community feasts growing
- Grandparent / Elder Day .
- Grad Pow Wow and scholarships
- Seasonal Solstice and Equinox Celebrations

Partnerships

- Local Aboriginal artists develop murals in schools
- Restoring The Sacred (Ka Ni Kanichik) Youth Mentorship satellite program piloted at Maples Collegiate
- Administrators on Turtle Island Simulation facilitated by CATEP Students with Assembly of First Nations Toolkit
- MTYP Cultural Connections program piloted in the division this year
- Partnership with the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba brown bag lunch series and resource kit development

Literacy

- Critical review of Aboriginal literature in our libraries
 - Books, DVD's with appropriate Aboriginal content.
 - Invite readers to "I Love to Read", e.g. Wab Kinew
- ### Art, Music and Dance
- Establishing drumming and singing opportunities
 - Divisions Fiddling program continues to expand



Getting Involved.

"Tell me and I'll forget.
Show me, and I may not
remember. Involve me, and
I'll understand."

Professional Development that Builds Perspective

Photos provided by Dave Force

Did you know that in 1972 Margaret Atwood was looking to create a Canadian Anthology that included works written by Aboriginal peoples but she couldn't find anything written from Aboriginal peoples? Did you know that not so long ago if a First Nations person wanted to attend University they had to give up their Indian status and all rights under their treaty provisions. Fortunately, over the past 40 years there has been an explosion of literature written by Aboriginal peoples about Aboriginal peoples!

This year Seven Oaks School Division provided a professional learning series that aimed to support the integration of Aboriginal literature into middle year classrooms. This ongoing professional development series included opportunity for teachers' to develop their knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal topics by reviewing literature and creating opportunities for teachers to dialogue, lesson plan and learn from one another. In addition, teachers had opportunities to hear from a number of local Aboriginal





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**Seven Oaks Adult Learning
and Settlement Services
Centre**

We help immigrant families in
Seven Oaks area.

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Monday to Thursday
1:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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Programs/Settlement](http://www.7oaks.org/Programs/Settlement)

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Coordinator

Settlement Workers:
Sally Nelson
Jose Chinchilla
Rowena Hernandez
Shane Livingstone

Seven Oaks Settlement Services Centre

EVENTS AND RESOURCES

July 2013

CANADA DAY



Canada Day is the national day of Canada, a federal statutory holiday celebrating the anniversary of the July 1, 1867, enactment of the British North America Act, 1867 (today called the Constitution Act, 1867), which united three colonies into a single country called *Canada* within the British Empire. Originally called *Dominion Day*, the holiday was renamed in 1982, the year the Canada Act was passed. Canada Day observances take place throughout Canada as well as among Canadians internationally.

This year, we are joining Seven Oaks community celebrate in Elwick Community School/Settlement grounds. There will be lots of surprises. Everybody is welcome! You can volunteer too!

Celebration starts at 6pm onwards. It will be hosted by Elwick Village and Resource Centre. Settlement Workers shall be available too to meet and have fun with you. So come and enjoy the day with us!



CONVERSATION CIRCLES

Come practice English and meet new friends.

- Thursdays, July 4 - July 25, 2013 @ 9:00-10:30 am at Arthur E. Wright Community School
- Thursdays, Aug. 1-15, 2013 @ 9:00-10:30 am 950 Jefferson Avenue
- Wednesdays, July 3 - Aug. 14, 2013, 6:00-7:00 pm at 950 Jefferson Avenue

Call the office for
more information.

No registration required. Everyone Welcome!

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Computer Classes

Beginner Level

Tuesdays July 30 to August 27, 2013

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Call Jose to Register

(204) 632-1716



Nutrition & Cooking Classes for Parents

Wednesdays 9:00-11:00 am

July 10, 17 & 24, 2013 at Arthur E. Wright School

Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 am

July 30, Aug. 6 & 13, 2013 at 950 Jefferson Ave.

To register

Please call Sally or Rowena (204) 697-5961.



Women's Support Circle

2nd Batch is going to start August 16, 2013

You may register now to be part of the group.

For more information

Call: Rowena (204) 632-1716



JULY 2013

MAPLES YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTRE

Phone: 204-471-6922

AGES 9-17

Arthur Wright School
1520 Jefferson Ave.







HOURS

Mon. 2:00 - 9:00 pm
 Tues. 1:00 - 9:00 pm
 Wed. 1:00 - 9:00 pm
 Thurs. 1:00 - 9:00 pm
 Fri. 1:00 - 9:00 pm

*Some outings are planned for day-time hours.

All activities at MYAC are **FREE!**
 Fill out a one-time membership form to participate.

MYAC's purpose is to provide a **safe, fun place** where kids can come to be together and make a positive contribution in their community.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 1  | 2 First Day of MYAC Open at 1:00 pm! Gym Games Open Gym | 3 Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9pm  | 4 Open Gym all day Outdoor Softball Game 4pm Friendship Bracelet Making 4pm | 5 Volleyball 1-4pm Water Balloon Fun 4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Movie Night 6-8pm |
| 8 Outing - Volunteer at Winnipeg Harvest 12pm Cooking 2:30-4:30pm Grilled Cheese & Smoothies Open Gym all day | 9 Outing - Heartland Archery 12pm Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Take Pride Winnipeg Presentation 2pm Boys Night 6-8pm Dodgeball | 10 Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9 pm  | 11 Outing - Aurora Farms 9am Community Clean Up 2-4pm Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Girls Night 6-8pm Beading Workshop | 12 Volleyball 1-4pm Soccer Skills Workshop 3:00-5:30pm Open Gym 4-9pm Movie Night 6-8pm |
| 15 Cooking 2:30-4:30pm Pitas Mask Making Workshop (Part 1) 6pm  | 16 Community Clean Up 1-3pm Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Boys Night 6-8pm Card Games (Prizes) | 17 Outing - Assiniboine Park Zoo 10:00am Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Mask Making Workshop (Part 2) 6pm | 18 Community Clean Up 2-4pm Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Girls Night 6-8pm Tye Dye T-Shirts | 19 Volleyball 1-4pm Cookie Baking! 4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Movie Night 6-8pm |
| 22 Cooking 2:30-4:30pm Sushi Open Gym all day Scavenger Hunt! 6pm | 23 Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Boys Night 6-8pm Wii Party | 24 Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Outing - Little Mountain Park (Hike, BBQ & Outdoor Games) 12:30 pm | 25 Community Clean Up 2-4pm Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Girls Night 6-8pm Wii Party | 26 Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Movie Night 6-8pm |
| 29 Cooking 2:30-4:30pm Macaroni & Cheese from scratch! Make your own Ice Cream Workshop 6pm | 30 Fishing Outing 10am Bhangra Dance 2-3:30pm Boys Night 6-8pm Touch Football | 31 Volleyball 1-4pm Open Gym 4-9pm Outing - Goldeyes Game 5:45pm |  |  |



Assiniboine Park Zoo – Wed. July 10

Come see Lions, Tigers and Bears (Oh my!) Visit Hudson the Polar Bear, the Penguin Cove and the brand new Kangaroo exhibit.

Soccer Skills Workshop – Fri. July 12

Come join Caitlin as she takes you through the skills and drills to improve your game!

Mask Making Workshop – Mon. July 15 + Wed. July 17

Get creative! Join MYAC staff in making your own unique plaster mask! On July 15th we'll make the masks, and on the 17th we'll paint them! See staff for details.

Scavenger Hunt – Mon. July 22

Have fun following the clues and they'll lead you to treasure! See staff for details.

Bhangra Dance Class

Enjoy dancing? Come join Bhangra Dance with Davinder on Tuesdays and Thursdays and learn some high-energy traditional Punjabi style dance.

Movie Night

Come enjoy weekly movie nights on Fridays with popcorn. If you have a movie to suggest let us know!

Baking & Cooking

A very popular regular activity! See MYAC staff for recipes we will be trying out or share your own! We always have vegetarian alternatives.

No nuts used.

Little Mountain Park – Wed. July 24

Come and experience nature close to home at Little Mountain Park! We'll hike the trail, make smores in the fire pits and end the day off with some fun outdoor games!

Make your own Ice Cream Workshop – Mon. July 29

Come and learn a cool way to make your own ice cream. A great way to cool off this summer!

Goldeyes Baseball Game – Wed. July 31

Come along and join the fun! Support your defending League Champions as they take on the Lincoln Salt Dogs!

Volleyball

Come have some fun playing Volleyball! Full court pick-up games every Wednesday and Friday!

Boys Evenings

Boys come and participate in cool activities just for you! Have fun with sports clinics, cooking, baking and lots of outdoor fun. Tuesday evenings from 6-8 pm. Please see MYAC staff to sign up.

Girls Evenings

Girls this is your special night! Thursday evenings from 6-8 pm. Come out and enjoy different activities especially for you, including jewelry making, arts & crafts, nails and hair, and lots more. Please see MYAC staff to sign up.

All outings off-site require permission slips. Ask staff for one!



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SOCCER SKILLS SUMMER CAMP FOR PLAYERS AGE 4 TO 9 YEARS OLD

FC Northwest coaching staff will be developing players by instructing and teaching the basics of ball mastery with emphasis on receiving and passing; maneuvers for 1 on 1; along with speed & finishing. The coaches will also focus on movements and plays that involve different field positions. The sessions will allow players to work with others to gain confidence and skill that they can then introduce in their own individual game situations.

FCNW would like to offer this program to players' ages 4 to 9 years old who are interested in increasing their knowledge and skill level in a fun, noncompetitive environment. Players will be grouped according to skill level. Rain or shine arrive to field with shin pads, cleats and water bottle.

1/2 DAY CAMPS

DATES: Choose from the following dates and locations

**July 2nd – 4th/13: 9 AM – 12 NOON @ East St. Paul CC
OR
July 9th – 11th/13: 9 AM – 12 NOON @ Garden City CC**

COST: \$90.00 per player OR a team rate (minimum of 8 players) \$80.00

REGISTRATION FORM

Please submit payment and this registration form on or before June 26th 2013. Cheques are payable to FC Northwest. Mailing Address: FC Northwest, 725 Kingsbury Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R2V 3H9

OR Drop off to FCNW Office 2nd floor at 7 Oaks Soccer Complex

Information posted @ www.fcnorthwest.com or contact coordinator@fcnorthwest.com

Name: _____ Age: ____ Year of Birth: _____ Gender: M F

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____ Fee: _____ Community Club _____

Contact Numbers: _____ Email: _____

Any limiting Health Factors: No ____ Yes ____ If yes please specify: _____

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE SESSION:

July 2 - 4: 9 – 12 @ East St. Paul CC ____ July 9 - 11: 9 – 12 @ Garden City CC ____

Release: The undersigned being the parent or legal guardian or the child listed above, do hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the FC Northwest Soccer Club and its agents and employees of and from all manner of action, causes of action, claims or demands in law or in equity which we may hereafter have for and cause, matter of thing and particular by reason of injuries suffered by the said applicant, by reason of an accident or illness occurring during soccer clinics or other events and programs sponsored or conducted by the FC Northwest Soccer Club.

I understand that by completing this form the FC Northwest Soccer Club is collecting certain personal information about my child, me and other members of my family including if necessary my Manitoba Health Personal Health Identification Number (PHIN) and any medical conditions experienced by my child. I also understand this information will be used only for the purposes of administrating the FC Northwest Soccer Club player development and in instructional programs. I hereby consent to such collection, use and disclosure of this personal information.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____



FC NORTHWEST SOCCER CAMP



FC Northwest will be offering Summer Camps to enhance the development of youth soccer players from ages 6 to 14 years old.

The camp is for both the beginner and experienced players who want to enhance and develop their own individual skill level under the guidance of Club Head Coach Larry Ladobruk and Staff Coach Laurie Mclvor. Players will be placed in groups according to their skill level. Emphasis will be placed on skill development, technical training, tactical training, fun competitions and small sided scrimmages.

The camps are three days – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday **rain or shine.**

Location: Garden City C.C. fields adjacent to Canadian Tire

The following weeks are options to choose from, sessions will be under the direction of Staff Coach Laurie Mclvor:

Week #1: Aug. 6th, 7th, 8th/13

Skills or Goalie Academy: In week 1 option to participate in a Goalkeeping Clinic in a.m. for the beginner to the experienced player with the main focus on diving with the option to participate in the regular skills camp in the afternoon.

Week #2: Aug. 13th, 14th, 15th/13

Week #3: Aug. 27th, 28th, 29th/13

COST per Week:

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| Full Days \$130.00 | 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Supervised lunch hour 12–1) |
| Half Days \$ 85.00 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. <u>or</u> 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

Early registration bonus prior to July 19/13: Full Days: \$120.00; Half Days: \$75.00

Participants will need to bring bag lunch, soccer shoes/cleats, shin pads, socks, 2-3 water bottles, sunscreen, insect repellent, and a hat.

Come out have fun, meet new soccer friends while refining your technique learning new skills and concepts, all while building and developing confidence to play a more skilled level game of soccer.

Please pass this information on to any other players who may be interested in attending. Information posted at www.fcnorthwest.com or for any inquires contact coordinator@fcnorthwest.com



FC NORTHWEST SUMMER CAMP



Cheques payable to FC Northwest. Mailing Address **OR** can be dropped off to:

FC Northwest
2nd Floor 7 Oaks Soccer Plex
725 Kingsbury Ave
Winnipeg, MB. R2V 3H9

For any inquiries contact: coordinator@fcnorthwest.com

Name: _____ Yr. of Birth ____ Age: ____ Female ____ Male ____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____
(Home) (Cell)

Parents Names: _____ Email: _____

Shirt Size: Youth M ____ Youth L ____ Youth XL ____ Adult S ____

Club Name: _____ Circle One: Recreational; D-League; Regional/Premier

Week 1: Aug. 6th - 8th _____ **Week 2:** Aug. 13th - 15th _____ **Week 3:** Aug. 27th - 29th _____

Full Day: _____ 1/2 day a.m. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. _____ **OR** 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. _____

Goalie Camp: _____ 1/2 day a.m. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. only; OR full day with player skills in p.m. _____

Payment amount submitted: _____ Cheque # _____ Cash: _____

Any limiting Health Factors: No Yes If yes please specify: _____

How did you become aware of the Soccer Camp: _____

Release: The undersigned being the parent or legal guardian or the child listed above, do hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the FC Northwest Club and its agents and employees of and from all manner of action, causes of action, claims or demands in law or in equity which we may hereafter have for and cause, matter of thing and particular by reason of injuries suffered by the said applicant, by reason of an accident or illness occurring during soccer clinics or other events and programs sponsored or conducted by the FC Northwest Club.

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Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

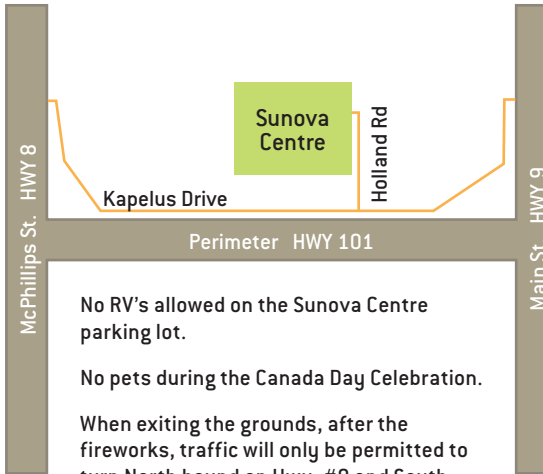


This Event is Proudly Sponsored by the West St. Paul Canada Day Committee, West St. Paul Fire Department, West St. Paul Council, and Wonderful West St. Paul.



West St. Paul - Sunova Centre

Map to the Sunova Centre



No RV's allowed on the Sunova Centre parking lot.

No pets during the Canada Day Celebration.

When exiting the grounds, after the fireworks, traffic will only be permitted to turn North bound on Hwy. #8 and South bound on Hwy. #9. Access to Perimeter Hwy will not be permitted.

Please remember, this is a family orientated event.

There will be no assigned seating so bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

We have limited on site parking, additional parking will be available off site so please be prepared to walk.

A family drop off loop will be available.



**Canada Day Celebrations
July 1st/ 2013**

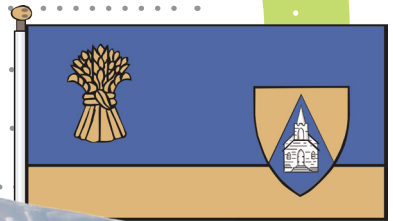
• West St. Paul Sunova Centre •

All events are at the West St. Paul Rec Site – Sunova Centre

Time Entertainment

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| 9:00 - 11:00 | Pancake Breakfast |
| 11:00 - 1:00 | Children's arcade, Pony Rides |
| Noon - 10:15 | BBQ, Silent Auction and 50/50 |
| Noon - Dusk | Helicopter Rides |
| Noon - 2:00 | Petting Zoo |
| 1:00 | Cribbage Tournament (sign up at 12:30) |
| 1:00 - 3:00 | Kid's Stuff - Inflatables, Glitter Tattoos, Face Painting and Clown |
| 1:00 - 4:00 | BIG GAMES (Big Four, Naval Battle, Big Word and Big Block) |
| 1:30 - 3:30 | The Squire Lawrie |
| 1:30 - 3:30 | Family Baseball Game (bring your glove for a friendly pick-up game) |
| 2:00 - 2:30 | Mr. Mark Show ("singamajiggin" with Mr. Mark) |
| 3:00 - 4:00 | Diamond Disc Dog Show |
| 4:00 - 4:30 | O Canada / Speeches by Dignitaries / Cake Cutting |
| 5:00 | Kids Candy Scramble (For kids 12 and under) |
| 5:10 - 5:40 | Where's the Lead (Band from West St. Paul) |
| 6:00 - 6:40 | Just Kiddin |
| 7:00 - 7:40 | David Pestrak (Country Singer from West St. Paul) |
| 8:00 - 8:45 | Retro Radio (Band from West St. Paul) |
| 9:00 - 10:15 | Snake Oil Sinners (Classic Rock Band) |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Silent Auction and 50/50 Draws |
| 10:30 | FIREWORKS (Pyro-Musical) |

Fireworks!
starting at
10:30pm



**Rain or
Shine**