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3rd ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY SET TO ROCK

Giant Tiger, Velocity Morden and Personal Expressions Photography present the **3rd Annual Block Party September 12th on Stephen Street from 11 to 5:00**

Enjoy Live Bands including Jordan Janzen, Bob's Yer Uncle, Wings of Alethia and Threw. There will be a Wake Board Demo, Car Show, Model Search dB Drag Race, Fireman's Rodeo and much more.

There will be plenty of food, games and fun for all ages.

The organizing committee has been working very hard to provide a fresh, new activity in our downtown area. Everyone is encouraged to come out to enjoy all the fun.

Funds raised go to **Youth for Christ**.

ONE MORE MONTH FOR FARMERS' MARKET

The *Morden & District Chamber of Commerce Farmers' Market* has enjoyed incredible success this year. Many new vendors with interesting, unique products have added more excitement and attracted new customers to the Market.

After a slow growing season we are very excited to see corn and other vegetables as well as melons added to our regular weekly offerings.

We expect to hold our **Last Market on October 8th** unless the vendors want to continue. Thank you to the adjacent businesses for all your help to provide space, electricity and washrooms for the vendors every week; and to the Town for allowing the road closure and providing barricades for safety.

FREE SEMINARS FROM COMMUNITY FUTURES HEARTLAND

Community Futures Heartland offers free video conferencing business seminars in the *Winkler Chamber* Board Room. All seminars are open to everyone whether you are just starting a business or have been in business for many years. The information provided in these ½ day events are topical and will give you tips and tools to improve the way you handle many different situations. To register call **1-877-472-7122**. Each seminar is described on their website: www.cfheartland.ca.

Sep 14 – Things to know Before Starting your Small Business Website; **Sep 16** – PST: An Introduction to Provincial Sales Tax/GST Information Workshop; **Sep 17** – Dynamic Sales Presentation/ Tax Tips for Small Business; **Sep 21** – Positive Employee Relations; **Sep 22** – Finding your Competitive Advantage & Using It; **Sep 23** – Managing & Organizing Information for your Small Business; **Sep 28** – Preparing a Winning Business Plan; **Sep 30** – Employee Relations – Intervention Skills; **Oct 15** – Business Opportunities and Ideas – Choosing the Right One; **Oct 16** – Recruitment & Selection.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY HAS A ROSE-Y FUTURE

The **Morden & District Horticultural Society** recently introduced a new **2010 Calendar** celebrating Parkland Roses. The photos are the winning entries from the *2008 Chautauqua Spirit Photo Competition*. All photographers are local artists!

The calendars sell for \$10 and are available at the Art Gallery, Friendship Centre and *Chamber of Commerce* office.

These calendars will make great stocking stuffers and gifts for all occasions. Consider these a new idea for a speaker gift as well.

All proceeds go to the Morden & District Horticultural Society.

ARE YOU READY TO START A NEW BUSINESS?

Community Futures Heartland and Manitoba Agriculture, Food & Rural Initiatives are hosting a **FREE 3 day Business Start Workshop** at the **University of Manitoba regional site in Carman on September 14 to 16th**.

This workshop covers such topics as business planning, finances, marketing, human resources and much more.

For more information and to register contact **Lynn at CF Heartland 1-877-472-7122**. This program is a requirement for REA loan guarantee clients, YEP clients and Business Start loan guarantee clients but is also available to anyone wishing to start or have just started a business.

COMING EVENTS

- Sep 10-12 MB Dance Jamboree – Community Centre
- 11-12 *Pembina Thresherman's Reunion - Museum*
- 12 Men's Open Golf Tournament – Minnewasta Golf & Country Club
- 12 **3rd Annual Block Party – Stephen Street**
- 12 Mdn Alliance Church Open House & tours of addition.
- 12-13 Pembina Valley Artists Studio Tours – 822-6026
- 13 Ladies Golf Tournament – Minnewasta GCC
- 14-16 *Business Start Workshop – U of M reg. site Carman*
- 14 *Town Council Meeting – Civic Centre*
- 17 **Farmers' Market-4-6:30**
- 17 *Afternoon Tea in the Art Gallery – 3 to 5 p.m. Check their website: www.pembinahillsarts.com*
- 19 Parkinson's Super Walk – Friendship Centre
- 20 SC Cancer Resource Golf Tournament - Roland
- 24 **Farmers' Market-4-6:30**
- 24 *Afternoon Tea in the Gallery – 3-5, Art Gallery*
- 28 Morden Historical Society Meeting – Library 7:00 p.m. All are welcome
- 28 *Town Council Meeting – Civic Centre*

OF MEMBERS & MORE

The Morden & District Chamber of Commerce announces two new Members. Welcome to **Walter & Barb Petkau of Country Lane Kennels, 822-3129**. Call them if you are looking for a warm, caring place to board your pet; and **Linda Menzies of Morden Massage Therapy Clinic at 118 – 9th Avenue South, 822-6804** for stress free relief from your busy day.

The **South Central Cancer Resource** fundraising **Golf Tournament** will be held **Sunday September 20th** at the **Roland Golf Course**. Call **822-9541** or **343-2460** to enter.