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MORDEN AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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MORDEN FARMERS' MARKET OFF & RUNNING

The **Morden Chamber of Commerce Farmers' Market** opened for another season last week in the parking lot at the corner of Stephen and 8th Streets and will expand onto 8th Street as the season progresses and the number of vendors increase. It is held from **4:00 to 6:30 p.m. every Thursday** rain or shine until October 9th.

We have a large variety of baking products, vegetables, fresh flowers, meat, fruit, preserves, mustard, needlecraft and plants on a weekly basis as well as Pampered Chef, Norwex products, jewellery and much, much more. Vendors vary from week to week so you can always find something new.

Please be sure to remind your customers or clients of the street closure at 3:00 so that they are not inconvenienced by having to move their vehicles or having them blocked in.

AN AMAZING RACE COMING TO MORDEN

The Pembina Valley Travel Association is organizing **An Amazing Race** through 12 communities in the Pembina Valley **August 29 to 31, 2008**. The purpose of the race is to raise awareness of our Region and draw hundreds of visitors to our communities and to use our diverse resources of nature, museums, businesses and heritage to put on an amazing game for participants. Participants pay \$50 per team/vehicle which includes 2 nights unserviced camping, participation in the race and the chance to win \$1,000.

The **Morden Marketing Team** have contributed Morden's \$250 seed money to be used for brochures and promotional start up costs and the **Chamber of Commerce** will work with the committee and local businesses to set up challenges.

The cost for each business to be involved is \$25, they must be open Saturday 9 to 9 and Sunday noon to 5 that weekend and set up and manage their challenge.

For more information or for help to organize your challenge call the **Chamber Office** at 822-5630 or **Aggie Buhler** at 1-877-324-6645.

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE CORN & APPLE FESTIVAL

The three June Lottery draws have been completed and our lucky **\$1000** winners are **Joel, Jessica, Rhys Lautenschlager** and our two **\$100** winners are **R & D Auto Service** and **Betty and Walter Scott**. The last draws will be held on July 30th at the Morden Friendship Centre.

Chairman **Ken Wiebe** and the **Fundraising Committee** are wrapping up their 2008 sponsorship and advertising campaign so that the event brochure can be printed as soon as possible. If you were somehow missed or have now decided that you would like to participate please contact the Festival office at **822-5630** as soon as possible. For more information check the sponsorship page on the website **www.cornandapple.com**.

Kathy Forness and **Linda Wiebe**, Chairpersons of the **Festival Parade** want to remind all Morden and area businesses and individuals that now is the time to start thinking about entering a float or other exhibit in the Parade to be held **Saturday, August 23rd**. The **deadline for entries is July 31st** and Parade Applications are available on the Festival Website **www.cornandapple.com**.

COMING EVENTS

1. June 27/July 4 – Heartland CFDC Video Conferencing Seminars – call 1-877-472-7122 to register
2. *June 27-29 – Long Journey Home – Kenmor Theatre*
3. July 1 – Beach Blast & Fireworks – Colert Beach
4. **July 3 – Corn & Apple Committee Mtg – Friendship Ctr**
5. **July 3/10/17/24/31 – Farmers' Market – corner 8th & Stephn**
6. **July 8 – Chamber Executive Meeting – Mdn Motor Inn**
7. July 12 – Morden International Triathlon – Colert Beach
8. July 13 – Kids of Steel Triathlon – Colert Beach
9. July 18-20 – P.V. Fur Council Rendezvous – Stanley Park
10. *July 19 – Unveiling Morden Roses Mural – east side of Boundary Trails Place at 1:00 p.m.*
11. *July 19 – Unveiling Dr. Henry Marshall Sculpture – Civic Centre at 2:00 p.m.*
12. July 21 – Town Council Meeting – Civic Centre
13. July 25-27 – International Golf Tournament – Minnewasta
14. *Aug 4-5 – 20th Anniversary Exhibition – Art Gallery*
15. **Aug 5 – Corn & Apple Committee Mtg – Friendship Ctr**
16. **Aug 7/14/28 – Farmers' Market – corner 8th & Stephen**
17. **Aug 12 – Chamber Executive Meeting – Mdn Motor Inn**
18. *Aug 16 – Unveil Mosasaur Mural – Marathon Pizza 1:00 pm*
19. *Aug 16 – Unveiling Legion Mural – Legion at 2:00 p.m.*
20. *Aug 16 – Unveil Chautauqua Spirit Mural – Friendship Ctr*

HELP MAKE A PARTS STORE HAPPEN IN MORDEN

Many businesses have approached the **Community Development Office** to express the need for a parts store in Morden. To assist efforts to attract such a business, we need letters of support. These letters should be addressed "To Whom it May Concern"; please state the reason why your business or the community would benefit from a local parts store; and bring or send your signed letters as soon as possible to the Civic Centre, 100-195 Stephen Street R6M 1V3. For information call **Cheryl Digby 822-5088** or email **cdigby@mordenmb.com**.

THINKING OF RENTING A ROOM OR YOUR HOUSE?

Are you considering renting a room, suite or your whole house to Pipeline workers or others this year? According to **Jamie Hartry** of **BSI Insurance**, you might first want to check with your insurance broker about how that may affect your house insurance. Each insurance company handles tenancy situations in private residences differently and for some it may even nullify their insurance all together. Before you make any commitments or sign any contracts we recommend you call your house insurance broker and make sure you are protected.

OF MEMBERS AND MORE

The **Morden Chamber of Commerce** welcomes the new **Fields Store** and Manager **Crystal Walker** to downtown Morden. Visit her at **363 Stephen Street** or call **822-1287**.

The *Town of Morden* advises that the **Recreation Centre, Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre** and **Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame** will be closed on **July 8th**. The renovations require that Manitoba Hydro shut down the power to the building for one day.