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MORDEN AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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START PLANNING FOR THE CHAMBER SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT AND GENERAL MEETING

The Chamber of Commerce Executive Event Planners Sarah Dyck and Connor Holenski have been working on a whole new format for our annual Spring Golf Tournament and General Meeting on Tuesday, June 10th.

Registration forms are now going out for a full afternoon of eating, golfing and good times at Minnewasta Golf & Country Club. We will have a light lunch at 12:30, shot gun start for a 9-hole Texas Scramble at 1:30; back to the new clubhouse for the meeting and steak dinner at 4:00. Those golfing Men's Night will be well rested and ready in f time for your 6:00 tee off.

Cost is \$60 per person for 9 holes of Golf and ½ Cart Rental, Lunch, General Meeting and Steak Dinner or \$35 per person for Lunch, Steak Dinner and General Meeting only.

Sarah and Connor are currently contacting members with an excellent sponsorship package so please consider how you would like to be involved.

To register for this exciting, fun event, contact the Chamber office at 822-5630 or email chamber@mordenmb.com.

REDUCED HOURS FOR TOURIST INFO CENTRE

The Morden and District Chamber of Commerce has administered the Morden Tourist Information Centre since 1970 with funding assistance from the Town of Morden and federal student employment programs.

We provide tourist information from every Canadian province and territory as well as from North and South Dakota and Minnesota. This along with Morden and Pembina Valley information and internet access is provided free of charge to locals and visitors alike.

The Town of Morden Garage Sale sign is also located with the Tourist Information Centre and a large map of Morden on the rear of the Centre assists with the locating of all Morden streets.

Funding has been reduced/eliminated this year so we have been forced to reduce the Centre's hours of operation from 70 to 35 hours per week starting in July and weekends only from now to the end of June. Ashley Klassen has returned this year to work the available hours and we are looking for volunteers to help fill in. Please call the Chamber office at 822-5630 if you know anyone who might be willing to help out.

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE CORN & APPLE FESTIVAL

The May lottery draw is now history. Lucky winners this month are Rob and Sandra Lawrence, \$1,000; Ed Dyck, \$100; and Joe Hogue, \$100. There are still six more draws to complete this lottery. New tickets for the 2008/09 Lottery will soon be ready and for sale.

Chairman Ken Wiebe is very pleased to announce that Jessica Persson has been hired as Administrative Assistant to help with the organization of the Festival this summer. Jessica started her duties on May 20th and will be working in the Chamber of Commerce office under the supervision of the Chamber Manager until August 29th.

Jessica can be reached at 822-5630 or by email chamber2@mordenmb.com.

COMING EVENTS

1. May 31 – Morden & District United Way Day of Caring
2. May 31-June 1 – Back 40 Festival – Morden Park
3. June 3 – Corn & Apple Festival Committee Meeting – Friendship Centre
4. June 4– Tim Horton's Camp Day – help send a kid to camp
5. June 5–Farmers' Market Organizational Mtg–Rec Ctre
6. June 6 – Thresherman's 40th Annual Heritage Day – Pemb. Thresherman's Museum
7. June 7 - Morden Fire & Rescue Open House – Fire Hall
8. June 7 – Story of the Stones Walk/Skits – Art Gallery
9. June 7 – Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame Game and Induction Banquet – Rec. Centre
10. June 8 – Ladies Open Golf Tournament - MGCC
11. June 10 – Chamber Spring Golf Tournament, General Meeting & Steak Dinner - Minnewasta Golf Club

AN AMAZING RACE IN THE PEMBINA VALLEY

The Pembina Valley Travel Association is organizing An Amazing Race through 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.

Each community contributes \$250 seed money for printing brochures and promotional start up costs and appoints a rep to work with the committee and local businesses to set up challenges. Participating businesses contribute \$25, commit to be open Saturday 9 to 9 and Sunday noon to 5 and set up your own challenge. Contact Aggie Buhler at 1-877-324-6645.

LONG TERM SOLUTION FOR SHORTAGE OF LICENSED CHILD CARE SPACES IN MORDEN

Morden and area is growing at an exciting pace creating an increased need for child care. MB Family Services & Housing, the Town of Morden, Morden Chamber of Commerce, S.C. Settlement Services & Morden Community Child Care Centre are working together to address the shortage of licensed spaces in Morden. There is an immediate need for several licensed Family Child Care Homes in Morden. Operating a family child care home has many benefits to the licensee and the families you serve. We are also looking at developing licensed spaces within a second Group Child Care Centre in Morden. A committee is needed to spearhead this project. If you are interested or have questions about the process, call Carol Gardiner, Child Care Coordinator at 822-2868.

OF MEMBERS AND MORE

The Service Canada Centre for Youth wants to remind employers looking for full and part time help over the summer, that they operate the largest job bank in Canada, FREE. Interested in posting a job? Call Dustin or Jenessa at 822-7383 or visit them at 158 Stephen Street in Morden.