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UPCOMING BY-ELECTION FOR WARD 2 in PRAIRIE VIEW



NEXT OUTLOOK DATES!!

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Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

**Deadline—Monday 9am
prior to release.**

Weather Outlook

Wed Oct 9 24
Mainly Sunny



Thurs Oct 10 18
Cloudy



Fri. Oct 11 15
Partly Sunny



Sat. Oct 12 13
Partly Sunny



Sun. Oct 13 12
Partly Sunny



WHEN: OCTOBER 23, 2024
WHERE: BIRTLE CDC BUILDING OR
FOXWARREN LEISURE CENTRE / 8AM-8PM
WHO: WARD 2 RESIDENTS & REGISTERED PROPERTY
OWNERS (IN WARD 2) ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE
Ward 2 is the former RM of Birtle. It is all property north
of road 90 excluding the Town of Birtle.

Notice of Election Prairie View Municipality
Notice is hereby given that a vote of Prairie
View Municipality will be taken to **elect one**
Councillor for Ward 2 from the following
duly nominated candidates:

1. Bonchuk, Robert
2. Flintoft (Scratch), Racheal
3. Webb, Ashleigh

VOTING PLACES

Voting places will be open for voting on
Wednesday the 23rd day of October 2024
between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

at: 684 Main Street, Birtle MB (**Birtle CDC
Building**) and 327 Webster Ave, Foxwarren
MB (**Foxwarren Leisure Centre**)

**IDENTIFICATION MAY BE REQUIRED
BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO VOTE.** A
person may be required to produce one piece of
government issued photo identification (for ex-
ample - driver's license or passport) or at least
two other documents that provide proof of iden-
tity.

ADVANCE VOTING

For the purpose of accommodating persons who
are qualified to vote, but who have reason to
believe that they will be absent or otherwise
unable to attend their proper voting place on
election day, an advance voting opportunity
will be located at 684 Main Street, Birtle MB
(**Birtle CDC Building**) and will be open dur-
ing each of the following days **October 17th
2024** between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

APPLICATION TO VOTE BY SEALED EN- VELOPE

A voter who is unable to go in person to the
voting place or vote in advance, may apply in
person, in writing, or by email to the senior
election official at 678 Main Street Birtle, MB
or cbonchuk@myprairieview.ca.

If applying in person*, a voter may apply be-
tween September 25, 2024 and October 11th,
2024.

*A voter applying in person may pick up a
sealed envelope ballot package at the time of
application.

If applying by mail or email**, a voter may ap-
ply between September 25th, 2024 and October
7th, 2024.

** A voter applying by mail or email will re-
ceive a sealed envelope ballot package by regu-
lar post, or by making alternative arrange-
ments with the senior election official.

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MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR THE WARD 2 BY-ELECTION

The candidates for the Ward 2 By-Election in Prairie View Municipality were asked to submit answers to 4 questions so that voters got an opportunity to learn about them. The questions were as follows.

1. Introduce Yourself: Can you tell us a bit about yourself and why you're running for this position?
2. Qualifications: What qualifications or experiences do you have that you believe make you a good fit for this role?
3. Community Involvement: How have you been involved in the community prior to this election?
4. Vision for the Future: What is your vision for our municipality over the next few years?

We thank them for their responses and also for participating in the meet & greet events that were previously held in Foxwarren & Birtle.

SUBMITTED
BY ROBERT
BONCHUK

Question 1:

Let me introduce myself my name is Robert Bonchuk. I have lived in this community almost my entire life. My amazing wife Rhonda and I raised two beautiful children who also live in Birtle. We now have 3 grandchildren.

"I'm passionate about making a positive impact in our community. I have served the community as a councilor, which has given me valuable insights into the challenges we face. I'm running for this position because I believe in, and I want to help create solutions that benefit everyone. My goal is to listen to the voices of our community and work collaboratively to build a brighter future. I'm committed to transparency, accountability, and making sure every citizen feels heard and valued."

Question 2:

"In the year 2002, I ran for councilor for the town of Birtle and was successful. Working with my colleagues to move Birtle forward into the new century.



I was also a Public Works Manager. As such, I was in charge of managing:

Roads, bridges, equipment, employees, waste disposal, water and sewer etc. I also have a class 1A license and have operated heavy equipment.

In addition, I have a role in mining construction. Most recently at BHP mine near Saskatoon where I am a Safety Advisor/Supervisor.

I have always believed in upgrading my skills and education most notably:

Professional Financial Planner, level 1 firefighter, First Responder, ACI (concrete and aggregate testing), Level 1&2 Saskatchewan OH&S, construction safety training system, University of New Brunswick certification in occupational health and safety.

Question 3:

Being community minded is very important, below is a list of some of the organizations I belonged to:

Elected Councilor for the Town of Birtle, 4-year term 2002-2006

Charter Board Member Birtle and District Charitable Foundation

President Birtle Minor Ball

Many years as a minor ball coach

Executive Birtle Blue Jay's Baseball Club

Birtle Lions Club

President Snake Creek Wildlife Association

Board Member Upper Assiniboine Conservation District

Birtle Fire Department (20 years)

Birtle District Ambulance Service (5 years)

Question 4:

"My vision for our municipality over the next few years centers around three key pillars: sustainability, community engagement, and economic development."

First, I envision a sustainable future. I am very encouraged for instance, Birtle has two kindergarten classes this year. Our local youth are moving back home and having children of their own! It is becoming very evident that perhaps small town/country living can be very rewarding.

Second, community engagement is essential. I want to

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create more opportunities for residents to voice their ideas and concerns, ensuring that every voice is heard in our decision-making processes. The more people connected the better!

Finally, I believe in fostering economic development that benefits everyone. This includes supporting local businesses, along with attracting new business, and providing assistance to young entrepreneurs. I have worked alongside our CDC in the past and look forward to working with the CDC again. I will provide my support whole heartedly. A vibrant economy will enable us to invest in essential services and infrastructure.

SUBMITTED BY
RACHEAL FLINTOFT
(SCRATCH)

1. Introduction

My name is Racheal Flintoft (Scratch), and for the past 12 years, I've proudly called Ward 2, specifically Foxwarren, my home. Watching my two sons grow up here has deepened my connection to this community - Joel, my youngest, is age



14 and currently in Grade 9 at Birtle Collegiate, and my oldest, Lloyd, is almost 21 years old, and is the meat manager at our local Birtle Co-op Food Store.

As editor and writer for three major publications, including our regional paper, Crossroads This Week, I have gained valuable insights into the community's needs and aspirations.

I'm a passionate resident of Ward 2, deeply invested in our community, and honoured to put my name forward for the position of councillor. This decision came from a profound sense of pride in our community and the belief that we can make meaningful, needed change. I believe in Prairie View Municipality's future and, more specifically, Ward 2's need for another voice that champions growth and opportunity. As your councillor, I will be excited to contribute positively to the place I proudly call my home.

2. Qualifications

My professional journey as an editor and writer for

Crossroads This Week, along with the Minnedosa Tribune and South Mountain Press, has given me a unique perspective and understanding of our region. This role has allowed me to build strong, lasting professional relationships within our region, and throughout the municipality. Additionally, my previous experience as the economic development officer for the Birtle Miniota CDC provided invaluable insights into local governance and economic strategies.

I bring to the table strong networking and leadership skills, alongside a solid understanding of community and regional development. I'm also a strong team player who values collaboration and listens carefully to the diverse perspectives of others. I am committed to weighing all viewpoints thoughtfully and ensuring concerns and ambitions are heard and acted upon effectively.

3. Community Involvement

Over the years, I've enthusiastically participated in various aspects of community life. From supporting sports teams like hockey, baseball, and the Outlaws football team, to volunteering at the local elementary school and at various Birtle Ag Society events, my involvement has been varied and heartfelt. I'm also a registered palliative care volunteer with Prairie Mountain Health, aiding with end-of-life vigils in a multitude of local communities. Supporting local charity events and participating in charity walks and runs are important to me, as I aim to be as active as possible in our community, supporting and uplifting it in every way I can.

4. Vision for the Future

There are so many important issues that deserve a focus; however, growth and sustainability are at the heart of my vision for Prairie View Municipality and Ward 2. I envision a community where our children and young adults choose to return after their studies to establish their families and careers here. I want to see them thrive without the struggle of inadequate resources.

It's essential that our friends and neighbours find reasons to stay, and newcomers feel a similar pride for our area. I want our seniors to be able to remain in their communities longer because the resources they need are readily available. The municipality's future stems from continued growth.

In recent years, we've witnessed some of our services being scaled back, which has posed challenges for

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Ward 2. Prairie View Municipality is a wonderful place to live, and there are many great opportunities for development that could further enhance our resources and services.

My endeavour is to ensure that our community remains viable and sustainable, also keeping our hamlets and rural areas alive and vibrant. Though solutions may not be easy or immediate, I will raise these issues consistently and am excited to be a part of the discussion towards meaningful progress.

I am ready to be a proactive voice for Ward 2, and to work collectively on enhancing the viability of Prairie View Municipality.

SUBMITTED BY ASHLEIGH WEBB

1. I'm a wife, mom, and a former Medical Lab Technician of just over a decade, now working in the financial services industry as a Member Service Representative for our local credit union Fusion. My husband and I moved our family here in 2022 from Ontario, so we could lead a more sustainable lifestyle. My family is my drive for running. We have made Prairie View Municipality our home. The place where our children will grow.



2. I have a long history of working publicly trusted positions. Positions that require collaboration as a team to provide smooth and efficient service for all. My coworkers always looked to me for guidance and support. I have a strong work ethic, good morals and a passion to help others. I foster inclusive environments, and I believe my drive and ambition to do good, make me a good fit for this role.

3. As a newer resident of Prairie View Municipality most of my focus has been spent on getting my family situated into our new place. Most people would probably recognize me as a face for Fusion and might see me out and about at some of Fusion's community events. Outside of these events I also volunteer for the Foxwarren Support Services to Seniors as Treasurer. As we get more situated, I look forward to further community involvement in the future!

4. I look to enhance our community, to drive change, and create a safer place for all our families to grow and flourish. I want to ensure the future for our younger generations while understanding and working for the needs of the current demographics of our community.

TIME TO VOTE, WARD 2!

Running for the office of Ward 2

Councilor in Prairie View Municipality:

- Bonchuk, Robert
- Flintoft (Scratch), Racheal
- Webb, Ashleigh

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. In fact, it's the only thing that ever has.

MARGARET MEAD



BIRDTAIL COUNTRY MUSEUM GRAND OPENING

Friday, September 13 was a beautiful day to celebrate the 40th anniversary and the grand re-opening of Birdtail Country Museum. Master of Ceremonies was Doug Sansom, a member of the museum board. He spoke briefly on the hope that our new displays and story boards would help visitors better understand how past history affects our lives today. There is an old saying "that you don't know where you are going till you know where you have been". Val Thomson then read the Land Acknowledgement.

Doug then opened the ceremony with O Canada played on the bagpipes. Next to be introduced were our visitors M.L.A Greg Nesbitt, Prairie View Municipality Reeve Roger Wilson and Municipal CAO Charlene Bonchuk. They all spoke of the importance of having a museum in our town. Museum President, Margaret Ashcroft, spoke on the history of the museum in the past years and our plans for the future. We especially enjoyed the off the cuff thoughts of Terry Wasteste. He told us of his life as a child, at home and at the Birtle Residential School. He spoke on his thoughts on Reconciliation and his hopes that the future will join together all the people of Canada.

Barbara, Mary and Janice Dalton joined in the ribbon cutting ceremony. Barbara recalled their days of growing up in Birtle. She spoke of her Dalton grandparents, her father, Jim and his life long involvement



with events in Birtle.

He was Vice President of the board when the museum opened and worked hard with many others to make the museum an important part of Birtle. A tour of the museum followed along with coffee and dainties. What a great day!

We thank our sponsors, our donors and our volunteers for the financial support, donations and the many hours of work that made it possible to open Birdtail Country Museum this year.

BIRTLER & DISTRICT FOUNDATION

2024 GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE NOV 1

Non profit organizations are asked to submit a letter that includes

1. Name of your organization
2. Project Description & Budget
3. How it will benefit the community
4. Most recent financial statements

You may be asked to attend a meeting to present your project.

Email CDC@MYPRAIRIEVIEW.CA OR
CALL TEXT Eleanor 204-847-0117 TO
ARRANGE FOR DROP OFF

We would like to invite you to an information meeting regarding "reactivating" our Age Friendly Initiative in our Municipality.

Presentation by Marg Fraser "our local Consultant with Manitoba Association of Senior Communities" followed by a discussion session.

Wed October 30th 2pm Birtle Drop in Centre

Why should you attend?

Your presence, your voice and your actions have the power to make a difference to encourage healthy lifestyles, inclusion, accessibility and a supported age group.

AGE FRIENDLY
Manitoba

For more info contact Martyn at 204-842-3460
recreation@myprairieview.ca

Manitoba

October 1, 2024

Provincial Minimum Wage Increases to \$15.80

Manitoba Labour and Immigration advises the new provincial minimum wage of \$15.80 is now in effect.

Updated annually, Manitoba's minimum wage is regulated through the Employment Standards Code. This year's increase of 50 cents per hour raised the minimum wage to \$15.80 from \$15.30, based on a consumer price index of 3.5 per cent.

For more information on the minimum wage and other employment standards, visit www.gov.mb.ca/labour/standards.

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MCC ANNUAL RINK SALE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 18 AT 6:30PM

SUPPER 6:00PM - RINK CANTEEN
CHILI & BUN, HOT DOGS, SNACKS

FOR PICK-UP OF DONATIONS CONTACT ANNA OLIVER AT 204-764-0038 OR DROP OFF BY THURSDAY OCTOBER 17

New Hours at the Birtle Value Shoppe

Monday - 1:30-4:30
 Wednesday - 1:30-4:30
 Thursday - 4:30-7:30
 Friday - 1:30-4:30

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LANDFILL HOURS AS OF OCTOBER 1ST

BIRTLE LANDFILL

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| TUESDAY | 1:15-3:15PM |
| WEDNESDAY | 3:00-5:00PM |
| THURSDAY | 1:15-3:15PM |
| FRIDAY | 3:00-5:00PM |
| SATURDAY | 10:00AM-12:00PM & 1:00-4:00PM |

ISABELLA ROAST BEEF SUPPER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

4:30PM

ISABELLA HALL



ADULTS \$20
10 & UNDER \$10
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IF NO ANSEWR, LEAVE A MESSAGE

Birtle FAMILY DANCE

FALL FEST
& Volunteer Appreciation

8 NOVEMBER 2024

DOORS OPEN 7:30PM
BIRTLE COMMUNITY HALL

JOIN US in welcoming our new residents and businesses as well as recognizing our wonderful volunteers!

PHOTO BOOTH - KID'S ACTIVITIES - MUSIC
DANCING - CASH BAR - & MORE

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10:00AM-12:00PM

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Prairie View Municipality and Birtle Miniota & District Development Corporation are pleased to announce a new grant incentive for local businesses!

COMMERCIAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Program Details:

- The CBIP is designed to assist property owners and business tenants to enhance commercial properties.
- Recipients will receive a reimbursement for up to 50% of the eligible costs to a maximum of \$5,000.00 per commercial property.
- Associated costs for building rehabilitation and facade improvements of commercial and mixed use buildings are eligible.



Check out www.myprairieview.ca/p/birtle-miniota-cdc or contact BMDDC Phone 204-842-3602 Email zjebb@myprairieview.ca



BRIDAL SHOWER

Please join us to honor
Bonny Franken (Stowe)
Daughter of the late Linda Stowe (Dushnicky)

Sunday, October 20th, 2024
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Beulah Community Hall

Please bring your favourite recipe for Bonny

Contact Melissa at 204-859-6996 for gift registry ideas

LANDFILL HOURS

AS OF OCTOBER 1ST

MINIOTA LANDFILL

| | |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| TUESDAY | 3:00-4:30PM |
| FRIDAY | 10:00-11:30AM & 3:00-4:30PM |
| SATURDAY | 9:15AM-12:00PM |

Donations Welcome

One of our Public Works Employees tragically lost his home in a house fire on October 1st, 2024.

MENS CLOTHES: LARGE
SHOES/BOOTS: SIZE 10
WINTER WEAR: LARGE

If you have any clothing or monetary donations, they can be dropped off at:

Foxwarren Leisure Centre, 312 Webster Ave
Birtle Fusion Credit Union, 681 Main Street
Birtle Municipal Office, 678 Main Street



Thank you!

BIRTLE PERSONAL CARE HOME



IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!!!

Volunteers Needed For:

- "Be a Friend" Volunteers spend time one to one with residents (visits, reading, walking, playing games etc.)
- Assist residents with bingo
- Assist residents with cards and games, bowling or crafts
- Assist recreation staff on hosting special events such as birthday parties
- Have a musical talent to share with the residents?



Do You:

- Have spare time and want to make a difference and enhance the lives of our residents?
- Enjoy socializing and helping others?

If this sounds like you and you are interested in making a difference at Birtle PCH please pick up a volunteer application from the facility or contact Marsha Forgue at 204-476-7550 or mforgue@pmh-mb.ca for more information.



2024 DISTINGUISHED VOLUNTEER BIRTLE/FOXWARREN/SOLSGIRTH AREA

The Birtle Miniota & District CDC invites you to nominate deserving candidates or Organizations for the Distinguished Volunteer Award. This is an award presented at the Birtle Family Dance/ Welcome Night in recognition of individuals or Community Groups demonstrating dedication and volunteerism towards the betterment of citizens in our community. Nominations are accepted in the Birtle CDC office until **October 29th, 2024**. Please include why you feel they deserve to be recognized.

We have applications in our office & the front lobby of the CDC building.

Please call us at 204-842-3602 or 204-847-0117 or email cdc@myprairieview.ca and we can email you one.



2024 Property Taxes

Due date is October 31st, 2024.

Payments can be made at Prairie View Municipality offices; accepting cheque, debit, cash.

Online payments and etransfers can be made to; paymentsmyprairieview.ca

Please include roll number.

Questions? Please call:

Miniota Office: 204-567-3683

Birtle Office: 204-842-3234

THANK YOU!

USED OIL PROGRAM



Bring in your used oil (pails, filters, etc) to the Birtle Landfill and enter your name in a draw! We have some great prizes!

- One entry for every 5 liters of oil dropped off (or equivalent number of filters) for the draw. Maximum 4 entries per drop off.

The draw is limited to residents of Prairie View Municipality (not open to Councilors, Staff & Immediate Family Members).

WEEKLY DRAWS MADE UNTIL END OF OCTOBER!

Shop Towels, Co-op Gift Cards, Gas Cans, Wiper Fluid, Drain Pans & much more!

BIRTLE LANDFILL HOURS

Tuesday - 1:15 - 3:15pm
 Wednesday - 3:00 - 7:00pm (until end of Sept.)
 Thursday - 1:15 - 3:15pm
 Friday - 3:00 - 5:00pm
 Saturday - 10:00am - 12:00pm / 1:00 - 4:00pm

BIRTLE NEWS - By Jan Fleury

Sept 24 2024

Sympathy to the family and friends of Lorraine (Lindenbach) Casson who passed away at Sunnyside Manor PCH on Sept. 16th at the age of 91. Lorraine was a long time resident of Pioneer Lodge before moving to Sunnyside.

Also extending condolences of the Birtle community to the family and friends of Elsie Noel of Birdtail Sioux First Nation who passed away on Sept. 17th at the age of 100.

Congratulations to the Birtle Collegiate Grade 7 girls golf team who captured 1st place at the Park West School Division Competition.

Sympathy is extended to Sherrie (Gates) and Peter Juba on the passing of Sherrie's daughter Sandra Gates on August 30th at the age of 46.

Congratulations to Margaret Ashcroft who celebrated her 90th Birthday on Sept. 21st with family and friends at the Birtle Drop In Centre. Joining the celebrations were her four children and their spouses, 10 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren and her sisters Marie Bartram and Irene Johnston and sister-in-law Nola Webb. Also eight nieces and nephews and their spouses along with friends. Sharing the Sept. 21st birthday with Marg were her nieces Vivian (Bartram) Salmon and Margaret (Webb) Gottfried as well as her neighbour Jean Kowal.

Oct 1 2024

The 2024 Reconciliation run was held on Sat. Sept. 28th starting on the north hill beside the site of the former

Birtle Residential School with the most runners in the history of this event making their way "home" to the Birdtail Sioux Dakota Nation.

The students at BCI celebrated the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day on Friday Sept. 27th as they engaged in a full day of learning and conversation. They were honoured to listen to Elder Terry Wasteste from Birdtail Sioux First Nation as well as a presentation from their Peer Helpers. They made the walk up to the former Birtle Residential School, had a hot dog lunch back at BCI, did a stained glass art project that will hang in their windows facing the Residential School and ended the day outside enjoying the land.

Congratulations to Griffin Bell who placed 2nd in the Park West School Div. Grade 6 Boys golf tournament last week.

Sympathy of the community is expressed to the family and friends of Tom Chubey who passed away last week at the age of 73. Tom will be missed by his partner of 33 years, Irene Houle and step -children Gordon and Jessica Houle and family. Tom worked at the Twin Valley Co-op Grocery in the meat department and at the Home Centre for 40 years.

The extended great weather through to the end of September has allowed many farmers to complete their harvest. The Birtle Lions Club harvested their crop last week to complete another year of this fund-raiser.



ISABELLA NEWS - By Linda Clark

October 1 2024

Lisa Eastley attended the Basketball of Fame evening in Winnipeg this past weekend where her high school team, the Brandon Neelin Spartans were inducted for their years 1999-2010. The Neelin Spartans won 10 Triple A championships within those years. Congratulations Lisa on being a member of this strong basketball team!

An Isabella Community Women's meeting was held at the home of Bernice Still with the business item to decide whether we could continue to cater our roast beef supper. The decision was made to proceed for another year enlisting the help of men, women and children in our small community. This same group of women then met to compile the food lists and workers stations, with the hope that our supporters from surrounding communities will be able to attend our supper the end of October.

Watch for our ad in this paper.





BIRTLE & DISTRICT FOUNDATION

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Learn more at endowMB.org



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684 MAIN STREET**

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25 OCTOBER | 7-11 PM


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Free hot dog and drink with admission

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best
costume 



BIRTLE COMMUNITY HALL



Fall YARDSALE

AT THE BIRTLE UNITED CHURCH HALL
19 OCTOBER, 2024

CLOTHING/SNOWSUITS/WINTER SPORTING
EQUIPMENT AND MORE

MULTI FAMILY SALE
9 am to 3 pm
LUNCH PROVIDED



VALLEY SERVICES for SENIORS

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 9-4pm PH: 204-842-3296

Valleyserviceforseniors@gmail.com

Facebook: Valley Service for Seniors-Birtle

Weekly Activities

Tuesday 9-10 Walking
10-11 Exercises
11 Coffee
Wednesday 9-10 Walking
9-4 Office and home visits
Thursday 9-10 Walking
10-11 Exercises
1:30 Floor Curling

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Serving the needs of our Community Seniors



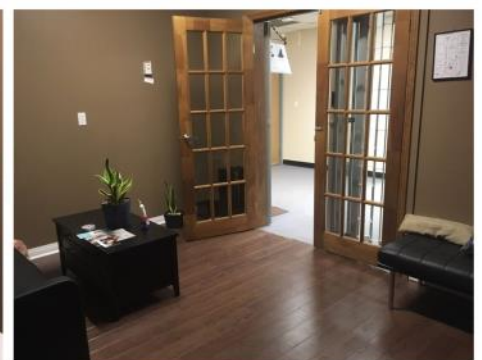
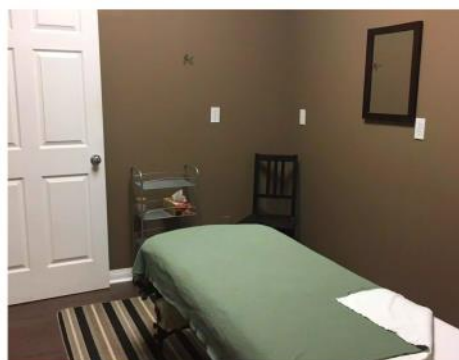
The Birdtail Country Museum would like to send a big thank you to everyone who donated pies for the Museum pie auction and to all the bidders. An amazing \$940 was raised.

Greetings from the Birtle Breakfast Group in Brandon. We meet at Smitty's (north hill) first Tuesday of each month. 9 am
Come join us for some great reminiscing.



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Contact us to view

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cdc@myprairieview.ca

Foxwarren Leisure Centre is fundraising!

Hats are available for \$20.00 each.

Call 204-847-2080 to have your name added to the list, or stop by the Foxwarren Leisure Centre in person!

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-4:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-12:00pm



Birtle Library Hours

Monday 4:30 PM – 7:30PM

Tuesday 1:30 PM – 6:00PM

Wednesday 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Saturday 10:30 PM - 2:30 PM



WE'RE HIRING!

MORNING STAR DAYCARE

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- Preschool Program
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Miniota Community Hall

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MUSEUM PRESIDENTS SPEECH AT GRAND OPENING

Marg Ashcroft's speech (President) - Submitted

Welcome to our invited guests and to Our friends of Birdtail Country Museum. It is a pleasure to be able to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the museum. When I speak to you of our museum... yes it is a museum for all people. The seed for the start of the museum came when a young lady arrived to work in the Royal Bank.

She married a young man from the area, raised her family and lived in Birtle for the rest of her life. That lady was Sylvia Doran. She had a love of old things and had a large collection of antiques and collectables. She had a dream of having some place right on Main St., in the centre of town, where she and others could share their articles with everyone. Sylvia was a persistent lady who never took No for an answer so with a large group of like minded people and an old empty Royal Bank building right on Main street, Birdtail Country Museum came into being. Think about this... the building where Sylvia came to work as a young lady became the building of her dreams later in life.

Over the past forty years many thousands have signed the guest book and enjoyed the displays. Many volun-

teers have kept the museum tidy, arranged displays, catalogued the many articles given or loaned, arranged farmers markets and welcomed the people who came to enjoy what the museum had to offer. This covered more than 200 years of local history. Cataloguing was done by hand in these years, now all the records have been computerized. There were operating grants to apply for, and other means of fund raising to be done. Welcoming the groups of school children over the years was a sheer delight. There were many questions to be answered. little fingers to keep track of and cookies to pass out when the tour was finished. The usual question asked so often these days "but how did they talk to each other without cell phones?"



A past highlight to show what museums were about was the Millennium fashion show in 2000. The show was organized by members of the museum featuring over 100 costumes from our museum with over 35 models from a baby to 70 years.

Backed by a choir of over 30 voices the concert not only highlighted the fashions from the late 1800's to 2000 but also the talent of the people of our area. The two night concert was a rousing success.

As the collection of articles grew it became evident that more space was needed. With the gift from the estate of Frank Crew a building was purchased and placed behind the museum. With repairs to be done, with having to store many of the artifacts, the building has been well used in the last months.

When Covid shut down the world our museum could not open for the summer as usual. When the time finally came to get the building ready for opening day we found that a recent wind and rain storm, along with a leak in the tin clad roof, had caused major damage to the walls and ceilings of part of the top level. What a huge disappointment. So many of the artifacts had to be moved to safety. So much work. The museum could not open.

The Miniota Facility Enhancement Committee invites you to join us for a fundraising event at the inaugural

MINIOTA COMMUNITY CENTRE SPORTSMAN'S DINNER

Saturday, October 19th
Miniota Community Hall

Meal catered by Little Kitchen On The Prairie

EVENING ITINERARY

Cocktails - 4:30pm
Dinner - 6:30pm
Guest Speaker - 7:30pm
Hat Auction to Follow

-No minors
-Cash bar

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Featuring Guest Speaker
JEFF ODGERS

Jeff Odgers is a former professional hockey player who played over 800 games in the NHL for San Jose Sharks, Boston Bruins, Colorado Avalanche and the Atlanta Thrashers. Odgers served as captain for the Sharks for the second half of the 94-95 season and the entire 95-96 season. Jeff retired in 2003 and currently lives in Spy Hill where he runs his family farm.

Tickets available from:

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Please note that ticket sales will close on
Wednesday, October 16th
and will not be sold at the door.

All proceeds from the event will be going to MCC for the facility enhancement project.

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When the repairs to the walls and ceilings were finished, the board members, including several new members, did a tour of the building. We realized that our old building needed many more repairs. We needed a little help. A person was hired to clean the museum from top to bottom. Many hours were spent sorting, cleaning and storing artifacts. Experts came from Winnipeg to give us advice.

Research on line answered some of our questions. Visits to other museums gave us new ideas. We developed a five year plan. I am pleased to say that the first year's plan is finished and we were able to open the museum this year. The walls of the main room were covered with gyprock, a new tiled ceiling installed, electrical work done with new lighting and an inline water heater, bright light paint, new and repaired show cases and a whole new modern display. If you have not done so, I invite you to tour and see what has been accomplished this

first year. Needless to say many hours and many dollars have been spent to get this far in our plan. Local organizations and our municipality have been generous and we thank them for that. Grants have been applied for, some yet to be received. Many more will be needed.

We are now deciding what can be accomplished on a limited budget. There is work that can be done over the winter months. Our office building still needs to be emptied, articles catalogued and cleaning done. There is still much to do before starting our second year's plan in the spring. We plan to finish the back area on the main floor. Next will be getting the upper floor, that was in the past the home of the bank manager and his family, ready for visitors. There are ongoing plans for fund raising. We have 200 Club tickets for sale right now. If you haven't bought one I ask you to do so.

We have been able to recruit some new volunteers but more members are needed to help keep the museum open for the next many years. Some people think that with our modern communication, museums will become obsolete. You can help us prevent that by becoming a member. It is a joy to us to celebrate the reopening of our museum today, too think of the past, the present and to wish for a successful future for Birdtail Country Museum



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2 Min. Silence 11:00

Birtle Legion Branch #55

MINIOTA HAPPENINGS

Sept 24 2024

Congratulations to Brett and Kim Clark on the birth of their twin daughters, Ashtyn Skye and Isla Evelyn, born on September 15th in Brandon. Ashtyn and Isla are also welcomed by grandparents Barry and Dianne Clark, and Kim's parents, Ferne Bayerle and Marty Johnson of Saskatchewan, as well as many other family members eager to meet these tiny little ones.

The morning of September 20th was a beautiful day for students and staff of the Miniota School holding their annual Terry Fox run around town.

The Miniota Valley is a beautiful picture these days as the colors of our landscape change. Summer activities are coming to an end and autumn/fall activities have begun. Many of our youth are participating in the power skating lessons being held at Elkhorn, as they gear up for another hockey season.

"There is nothing too small for gratitude." Mary Davis

Oct 1 2024

The Miniota Discoveries Learning Centre held an successful fundraising evening entitled "Little Darling Fall Formal", a night for children and their parents, complete with a candy bar, photo booth to capture everyone dressed up, and a dance with some dance competitions. Possibly the highlight of the evening for the staff might have been when the song 'Sleeping Bunnies' was played and the children all lay down on the floor, for they recognized the song and the meaning it held from their time at the daycare centre. Wonderful successful evening!

And that's a wrap on another successful season for the Miniota Golf Club. They wrapped up with a men's tournament on Saturday and the Miniota Fire Department holding a tournament on Sunday. The Golf Course and Clubhouse are closed as of September 30th.

Chris and Amanda Lonson, Merek and Briar from Medicine Hat visited with Darcy Oliver and family and attended Amanda's Grandma Jan Robertson's celebration of life service on Friday at Elkhorn.

Just having had our first frost and several days of howling winds, thought this quote appropriate as we enter the month of October - "I am most radiant and full of energy when the leaves are falling and there is a ghost of change in the air." Anna Madsen

Oct. 7 2024

From the desk of Linda Clark

Deepest sympathy is extended to Jon, Deanna, Peyton, Ashton and Addison Hawtin on the death of Jon's dad, Victor Hawtin. Vic had been a resident of the Moosomin Personal Care Home.

Congratulations to Dan and Mariah Bryant and big brother Harlo on the birth of Beau Richard on October 3rd in Brandon. Congratulations also to the grandparents and great grandparents and all extended family.

Family are pleased to share that Mae Watters is now a patient at Assiniboine Centre in Brandon, having returned from the hospital in Winnipeg. We wish Mae the return of good health!

Be sure to let me know of your Thanksgiving visitors for next weeks' news.



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Each ice session will include: Skating, Passing, Puck Handling, & Shooting Drills Before each session, there will be a proper off-ice warmup
Cost: \$50 per player for 2 sessions

Email tatum.e.amy@gmail.com to register!

Birtle Lab Hours

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