



JUST THE FAX

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MORDEN FARMERS' MARKET IT'S HERE!!!

The *Morden and District Chamber of Commerce* **Farmers' Market** started our new season yesterday at the **corner of 8th and Stephen Streets** and will continue every Thursday from 4:00 to 6:30 until October 8th

In 2009 you will find breads, pies, bison meat, spice mixes, fresh herbs, vegetables, wild rice, dry mixes, cupcakes, squares, truffles, cookies, jams, pickles, flowers, crafts, beef, pork, perogies, kitchenware and more.

Some added features include ice-cold Lemonade in the Kinsmen Sun Catch with the Arts Council. Some of their member artists will be on hand to demonstrate their craft on an occasional basis.

The market vendors are also planning some new customer appreciation events and activities throughout the summer to make your market experience more fun and rewarding.

Make it a point to come to the Farmers' Market every Thursday from 4:00 to 6:30.

BR+E SURVEYS CONTINUE

The *Morden Chamber of Commerce* continues to conduct the **Business Retention & Expansion Survey** and nearly 1/2 of the target businesses have been surveyed.

The **Business Retention and Expansion (BR+E)** project is a community-based approach to economic development. The objectives are to demonstrate to local businesses that the community appreciates their contribution to the local economy, help them to solve problems, assist in finding programs to help them become more competitive and to build community capacity to sustain their growth & development.

Please make time to participate when you are contacted.

FREE SEMINARS FROM COMMUNITY FUTURES HEARTLAND

Community Futures Heartland offers free video conferencing business seminars in the *Winkler Chamber* Board Room. To register call **1-877-472-7122**. Each seminar is described on their website: www.cfheartland.ca.

June 22 – Writing for the Web in the New Millennium; **June 23** – CBSA Customs Workshop; **June 24** – Interviewing Skills; **June 25** – How to Start a Business in Manitoba; July 6 – Things to Know Before Starting Your Small Business Website; **July 15** – Developing Proposals; **July 20** – Search Engine Optimization; **July 21** – Preparing a Winning Business Plan; **July 22** – CRA – Small Business Tax Information Workshop.

MORDEN POLICE ISSUE WARNING TO BUSINESSES

The *Morden Chamber of Commerce* is again assisting the **Morden Police Service** to warn the business sector to be more vigilant with larger bills during transactions. Police are seeing more incidents of **counterfeit currency** lately and a local banking institution was in receipt of a **counterfeit \$50 bill**.

The bill is obviously photocopied or scanned and a \$5 holograph was glued onto the bill to make it appear legitimate.

Please take time during your transactions to have a quick look at larger bills to verify they are authentic. Usually the counterfeit bills don't feel like legitimate money. Look for identifying marks while the person is still in the process of the transaction.

Look for:

TOUCH: The raised surface on the money.

TILT: Your money to look for the changing colours and images.

LOOK: Through the bill for a watermark portrait, the changing colours on the holograph, the see-through number, the solid vertical line on the right side of the bill when looking at the face of the bill and the fine line printing in the portrait and background patterns.

If you suspect you may have received a counterfeit bill please make note of the person that may have conducted the transaction and set the bill aside. Contact the Morden Police Service at 822-6292 for further assistance.

MANITOBA CRIME STOPPERS Anonymity and cash awards

1-800-222-8477

COMING EVENTS

- 24 Morden Collegiate Graduation – Community Centre
- 24 Essential Skills & Human Resources Workshop – Using Job Analyses & Profiles – Regional Connections Wklr – call 325-7261 to register for morning or afternoon session.
- 25 RBC Community Week – Morden branch
- 25 **Farmers' Market – 4 – 6:30**
- Jul 1 Beach Blast – Colert Beach
- 2 **Corn & Apple Committee Mtg – Friendship Ctr**
- 2 **Farmers' Market – 4 – 6:30**
- 9 **Farmers' Market – 4 – 6:30**
- 11 Morden International Triathlon – Colert Beach
- 12 Kids of Steel Triathlon – Colert Beach
- 14 **Chamber of Commerce Executive Mtg – MMI**
- 16 **Farmers' Market – 4 – 6:30**
- 17-19 Pembina Valley Fur Council Rendezvous – Stanley Park
- 20 Town Council Meeting – Civic Centre Chambers
- 23 **Farmers' Market – 4 – 6:30**

OF MEMBERS & MORE

Big or small, everything you do makes a difference. RBC is celebrating those committed to making their community a better place to live during Community Week June 21 to 27. On June 25th from 11 a.m. to 2:00 the Morden RBC branch will be paying tribute our local heroes for their accomplishments. All are invited to participate.

Thank you to all of our *Chamber Golf Tournament Sponsors: Best Sleep Centre, Agassiz Credit Union, Banister Pipeline, Braun Financial, Eldon's Furniture, Huron Windows, Pembina Valley Containers, RBC Dominion Securities (Patrick Rae) and Winning Advertising Company/Eagleye Printing & Design* and to all prize donors and Members who are participating. It's great to spend a Friday afternoon networking on the Golf Course.