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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 **Morden Chamber of Commerce Spring Golf Tournament** will be held on **Tuesday, June 10th** at **Minnewasta Golf and Country Club**. Golf at 9:00 and Lunch at Noon.

Head Pro Chris Worley has assured us that the Clubhouse will be ready so we are looking forward to being one of the first community events to be hosted there.

Our event coordinators **Connor Holenski** and **Sarah Dyck** will soon be out contacting members for sponsorships and prizes for this event so please consider how you would like to be involved.

We are also in the process of contacting a very good speaker on a topic that hits close to home in Morden.

Other highlights will include a semi-annual report of Chamber activities, introduction of new members and an update from the Corn and Apple Festival, The Minnewasta Golf Course & Clubhouse projects and Chautauqua Spirit.

To register for this exciting, fun event, contact the **Chamber of Commerce office** at **822-5630** or email **chamber@mordenmb.com**. Watch for further updates.

HOW CAN WE HELP LEDCOR

Morden Chamber members were treated to an excellent presentation by **Trans Canada Pipelines** (TCPL) and their contractor **Ledcor Pipelines** on Thursday at noon.

A major commitment from both of these companies is to use local suppliers for all their needs as much as possible.

They are also looking for assistance with providing accommodations for their workers. We have a listing form at the Chamber office if you or someone you know is interested in providing a room or room and board for pipe liners. Each wave of workers will be here between 4 and 6 weeks at a time starting in June with a peak of about 500 in about September.

To provide any supplies or accommodations, contact Ledcor at **keystone@ledcor.com** or call **1-866-963-8686** to advise them. Also they will be setting up an office on the south side of Jefferson in the Morden industrial park.

SERVICE CANADA CENTRE FOR YOUTH OPENS FOR ANOTHER SEASON

The **Service Canada Centre for Youth** (SCCY) at **158 Stephen Street** is now open for the season! We welcome the return of **Dustin Rainkie** who did a great job last year and welcome **Janessa Friesen**, the new coordinator.

The SCCY is involved with the community at many different levels including helping students find jobs, résumé building, interview techniques and tips, and recruiting employer support through successful job placements.

Their goal for this year is to place as many youth as possible in jobs that will increase their self-confidence and sense of accomplishment. They hope that the community will be strengthened by this initiative, and that employers will have a positive experience hiring energetic staff! Call Dustin or Janessa at **822-7383** or stop by their office anytime.

COMING EVENTS

1. May 22-25 – MB & NW Ontario United Church Conference – Rec. Centre
2. May 26 – Town Council Meetings – Civic Centre
3. May 26 – Western School Division Mtgs – Div. Office
4. May 26 – Blood Donor Clinic – Rec. Centre
5. *May 27 – Fundraising Tips Workshop – Legion Hall*
6. May 31 – Morden & District United Way Day of Caring
7. *May 31-June 1 – Back 40 Festival – Morden Park*
8. June 6 – Thresherman's 40th Annual Heritage Day – Pemb. Thresherman's Museum
9. June 7 – Baseball Hall of Fame Game – Buhler Field
10. June 7 Morden Fire & Rescue Open House – Fire Hall
11. *June 7 – Story of the Stones Walk/Skits – Art Gallery*
12. June 7 – Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Banquet – Rec. Centre
13. June 9 & 23 – Town Council Meetings

HAVE YOUR SAY ON BILL 17

Recently the Government of Manitoba introduced Bill 17 – The Environment Amendment Act (Permanent Ban on Building or Expanding Hog Facilities). The bill is available on the Manitoba website at <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/bills/sess/b017e.php>

The public can make comments on Bill 17 when it goes before a Standing Committee of the Manitoba Legislature in the next few weeks. If anyone is interested in making a presentation, call the **Office of the Clerk** at **945-3635** as soon as possible to register. Presenters are allowed 10 minutes to speak and 5 minutes to answer questions from the Committee.

When legislation is at the Committee Stage, it is important for citizens to bring forward concerns and ideas. This legislation could have far-reaching impacts beyond the pork industry and careful consideration needs to be made. **For more information call 204-945-3709.**

FUNDRAISING TIPS WORKSHOP

The next Chautauqua event will be a Fundraising Tips Workshop on **May 27th** at the **Legion Hall**. Cost is **\$15** for the workshop and **\$12** for lunch. Call **822-3406** to register.

The Committee is honoured to have top class presenter **Pat Hardy** of The Tunnelwood Group. Ms. Hardy has practiced fundraising since 1982 and started her own company in 1992. She has experience with annual, capital and endowment campaigns; board development, major gift solicitation, fundraising analysis and evaluation and campaign planning. She is experienced in several techniques including appreciative inquiry.

Ms. Hardy holds a Masters in Philanthropy & Development; is a member of the Assoc. of Fundraising Professionals, the Cdn Assoc. of Gift Planners & the Assoc. for Research in the Non-Profit & Voluntary Sector.

OF MEMBERS AND MORE

The Morden Chamber of Commerce welcomes two new members this month. Please join us in welcoming **Randy Falk of Hi-Tech Agro** and **Southend Truck Wash** at 51 Jefferson, call him at **822-9955** and **Boundary Trails Taxi** is under new management. Please welcome **Trevor J. Meredith 362-1325.**