

Community Development

Welcome

Welcome to the newcomers to Morden in 2006! We invite you to join in and take part in our community as we celebrate 125 years in 2007.

Greatest Mordenite

An idea has been brought forward to have a competition to decide "The Greatest Mordenite" in 2007 as part of the 125 celebrations. Much excitement and many benefits to Morden would be derived from such an undertaking. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist with this project, please contact me at 822-5088 or email cdigby@mordenmb.com.

New Business Ventures

As CDO, I learn of businesses or franchises that would like to start up in Morden. At times, they are looking for people with investment capital who are interested in managing the business. If this is of interest to you, or if you have capital, and a business idea, please contact me. With the population growth that Morden is experiencing, there is a lot of opportunity for successful business start-ups.

Tree Lighting

The Downtown lighting ceremony was a success on Nov 17/06, with an enthusiastic crowd in attendance. The MBIA is moving ahead in phases with a plan to have new LED lights throughout the downtown.

Santa Days

Santa Days will be held December 2, 9, & 16<sup>th</sup> at the Kenmor Theater, beginning each day at 1:00 PM. Free Matinees and a visit from Santa. You are invited to bring your youngsters for an afternoon of fun with Santa.

Congratulations

Congratulations to those businesses that opened in Morden in 2006. You are a welcome addition to the business community, and we sincerely wish you every success!

Seasons Greetings!

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, prosperous new year!

Cheryl Digby
Community Development Officer

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"BIZPAL" READY TO USE ON LINE

Morden is one of the first Manitoba communities to take part in a new program called "BizPal" This is a one stop website where people can get the full details of all the Local, Provincial & Federal Permits & Licences that would be required if they were to start a business in Morden. Visit:
Http://www.mordenmb.com/bizpal.htm



WELCOME WAGON

New Baby in Town?
Michelle Charriere on 822-5908
Got a new neighbour?
Elaine Carter on 822-1911



Welcome Wagon Baby Shower

Free Admission, Door Prizes
February 27th, 2007
6:30 to 8:30 PM
Call: 822-5908 or Email: babyshow1@mts.net

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Civic Centre, Public Works & Recreation Centre Offices



Friday - Dec 22nd - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Monday - Dec 25th - Closed
Tuesday - Dec 26th - Closed
Friday - Dec 29th - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Monday - January 1st - Closed

NOTE: For water/sewer emergency service contact the Public Works 24-Hour access line at 822-5119.

REMEMBER: Water Bills are due Thursday - December 28th, so we suggest you make a special note of the holiday hours.

WASTE COLLECTION: The 2006/2007 Waste Collection Calendar will be in with your December Water Bill and is available on the website at http://www.mordenmb.com.

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124 AND COUNTING

Morden, my favourite Town. Picturesque, serene, and historical. In a few short weeks, we'll be in to 2007 and Morden will become 125 years old. I've only seen 4.5 years of that, or less than 4%, and yet even in that small percentage I've witnessed tremendous change to our community. Over 330 new homes, meaning over 800 more residents. A third (67) of the municipalities in Manitoba don't have a total population of 800.

Along with our residential growth, we can expect to see growth in other areas. I much prefer to shop where I live, and expect to see existing businesses in Morden grow and new ones start up. Give me a good product at a fair price along with that friendly Morden service, and I'll keep coming back. More importantly, I'll tell others too. Try finding even half of what you need in a Town with fewer than 800 people in it.

I'm excited about Morden's future. Growth in our tax base means more funds for what we as a community want. Recreation and culture are very important to the health of a community. We are lucky to have what we do and be able to afford what we have.

Next year marks a milestone for our community. Having started with a few buildings, Morden has grown in to one of the best places to live. It's attractive, it has amenities, but most of all it has great people. And more are joining us every year. I look forward to seeing what history unfolds in the near future.

I wish everyone a joyous holiday season and all the best in the New Year!

Ernie Epp- Chief Administrative Officer



BOOK NOW ON SALE

A book celebrating Morden's people, places and events.

Available at;
Morden Civic Centre, Morden Library,
Morden Friendship Centre &
Pembina Hills Art Gallery.

\$15.00 each
(\$12.00 each for orders of 5 or more.)

Proceeds to the Morden Historical Society

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## Morden Fire Department News

### NEW BUILDING

Where does one start to portray the activities of the Fire Dept? If anyone has built a new home or has moved recently, they may understand the work and energy that is needed to build and move a Fire Dept. With excitement, we are in that particular mode. The hall has been coming along just great and I would like to thank the contractors, large and small, that had anything to do with the construction. They have put up with our strange requests and have done a great job in bringing our dreams to a reality.

### OPEN HOUSE

As the public is interested as well, we are planning an open house sometime in the spring of 2007. A few things need to be completed in spring because of Mother Nature. Notices will be made as to the times etc.

### FIRE CALLS

With all this excitement regular duties and activities are still happening. Lucky for us the fire calls have been below average this fall, which means that people are being more careful and practicing fire safety.

### NEW MEMBERS

Four new members are taking part in a level one firefighting course this winter and will be ready for testing in the spring of 2007. It is a requirement to have all members of our dept at a minimum of level one. Further training is encouraged and a large number of members are trained to higher levels of firefighting and rescue techniques.



### CHRISTMAS SAFETY

This letter will be coming out prior to the Christmas season and I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in the Morden area a Happy and Safe holiday season. Candles seem to be used a lot during this time of year and can be a great thing. Remember to take special care while using candles, good holders and away from any combustible materials. Never leave a burning candle unattended and you should have a wonderful Christmas. May God richly bless you and your family this holiday season. From the Morden Fire & Rescue Dept., Merry Christmas.



*Andy Thiessen* - Fire Chief - Call: 822-3888

## WHERE HAVE ALL THE CATS 'GONE'?



Earlier this year I wrote about dogs, argued to be man's best friend by some. Based on the recent interest shown, I think some residents would suggest that cats are. This year, more than ever we've had calls and

around in the back yard, enjoying the sunshine and all that fresh (on smog free days) air. He seems quite content. Certainly more content than being caught in a cat trap on someone else's property or getting hit by a vehicle.

People that don't own cats get upset because they have to clean up after them. Parents have to cover the sandbox so it doesn't become a litter box for the neighbourhood felines. Gardeners get frustrated with all those 'surprises' they dig up. I no longer have a sandbox and I am not a gardener. I hear about this from those who do and are. I also see the Siamese cat that comes over to the Civic Centre for a 'visit' almost every day.

Many parents say no to children's requests to get a pet, thinking the children don't have the responsibility it takes to look after one. Based on the year the Town has had, it seems non cat owners are suggesting some of the adults don't take their own responsibility seriously. Most people who have a cat have a yard. We would all enjoy our piece of the outdoors more if all cat owners kept their cat in their yard. And non owners wouldn't have to ask for traps to set to catch the offender's pet.

*Ennie Epp* - Chief Administrative Officer

complaints about cats. Cat cages have been a hot commodity all summer and fall.

We don't have a cat anymore for a few reasons. We used to have two. When we moved from northern Manitoba to a four-lane street in Steinbach, one went to the parent's farm because he liked his freedom. The other one we kept because she always seemed to stay on our yard when she was out, except for the last time. She didn't come home one night. I found her body the next morning lying on the boulevard. A car had hit her.

The idea of putting a cat on a leash always seemed foreign to me. That is until we visited friends in Oakville, ON during Thanksgiving this year. They, along with their cat, moved from northern Manitoba to Langley, BC and now to Oakville. The cat used to have freedom up north, but since moving to Langley, when he goes out he goes out on a leash. He lazes

## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### PROGRESS REPORT

- A variety of children's playground equipment units have now been installed near the wading pool in Morden Park and a beach volleyball court has been constructed just south of the Morden Park bowl area.
- A slab has been installed to accommodate the construction of a new washroom facility in Morden Park. This new washroom facility will replace the old existing washrooms located in this park.
- Concession equipment has been received and the Recreation Centre concession operator is now using this equipment. This concession is now in full operation and it is largely staffed by volunteers.
- A new children's climbing wall has been installed in the Recreation Centre. This equipment is designed for children between the ages of 5 and 12.
- Preparations for the redevelopment at the Recreation Centre are underway, although actual construction is not expected to begin until the spring of 2007.

### OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Pembina Hills Arts Centre offers classes in banner design throughout the year and when completed these banners are displayed for a period of time along Stephen Street. A number of brackets have now been installed in the Recreation Centre to display these banners for a longer period of time after they have been removed from the street. Many of these banners are completed by local children and this is a great opportunity to showcase some of the talent that exists in Morden.

*Barry Elliott* - Director of Community Services

## SURVEY #1 QUESTIONS - We want to hear from you.

### WAKE TIMES

For the past number of years, "no wake" times were implemented on Lake Minnewasta on Tuesday and Thursday evenings throughout the summer. During these times, motorboats are restricted from operating at speeds that create a wake in order to allow non-motorized boats (such as canoes, kayaks and sailboats) to use the lake without interference. Because the use of non-motorized boats appears to have decreased, and the use of motorboats appears to have increased, the removal of these "no wake" times is being considered.

### OUTDOOR RINKS

There are presently two outdoor rinks located in Morden. One is located behind the Court House and it is maintained by the volunteer fire fighters. The other is located in Lion's Park and it is maintained by the Parks Department. A number of residents have indicated that they believe more outdoor rinks are needed, particularly in those areas that are furthest from the existing outdoor rinks. As with any facility, construction and operation costs are required to keep it going. These costs can be reduced dramatically through community involvement.

### WADING POOL

The wading pool in Morden Park is approximately 40 years old and it has reached the point where replacement is required. In 2004, the Town began investigating the possibility of constructing a spray park to replace the wading pool. The proposed spray park would include several different spray stations that create an assortment of unusual types of water streams. This spray park would not have any pools of water and therefore it would not need to be staffed, thereby reducing the annual operating costs.

Town of Morden, 100 - 195 Stephen Street, Morden, MB, R6M 1V3

Please complete this questionnaire and return it to the Civic Centre by February 28th, 2007. The questionnaire will also be available on the website at [www.mordenmb.com/Survey1.html](http://www.mordenmb.com/Survey1.html). Your information will remain confidential.

### WAKE TIMES

Are you in favour of eliminating "no wake" times in order to accommodate increased usage by motorboats?

YES  NO

### OUTDOOR RINKS

Are you in favour of developing more outdoor rinks in Morden?

YES  NO

If "Yes", would you be willing to volunteer your time to help maintain the ice surface at one or more of the outdoor rinks?  
YES  NO

### WADING POOL

Would you prefer to see the wading pool replaced with a modern wading pool or with a spray park?

WADING POOL

SPRAY PARK

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

The results of this survey will be published in the next Quarterly Newsletter. Your co-operation is most appreciated.

## Public Works Department

### PROGRESS REPORT

- Paving work has been completed for the year. We were able to finish this due to the good fall weather. *Note:* A strip of asphalt was added to the south side of South Railway where the sewer main was installed. Area residents will notice a lot less dust and muddy conditions.
- Concrete paving is complete. This includes: Wilcocks Rd, Jefferson St. and La Verendrye Blvd. (Boston Pizza)
- Remote water meter retrofit installations are ongoing. The goal is to eventually retrofit all the water meters to remote read capability, that way, meters can be read when needed and the resident's will not be inconvenienced. This program works quite well, the public has been very cooperative. Thank you.

#### Utility:

- The lagoon outfall project is completed, this will greatly improve operation of the existing facility and accommodate the expansion when it is constructed.

#### Bridges:

- Parkhill Bridge is finally done except for the pedestrian walk on the north side. This will be completed in 2007 when the paving contractor is in the area! A large culvert was added to the structure to allow for more flow when high water events occur. To a large extent, this will alleviate the flooding problem especially in spring. Due to negotiations with the supplier the project was put on hold till a settlement was reached. This was the reason the project took so long to complete. We appreciate the public's patience.

#### Snow Removal:

- The winter season has started and the snow has arrived.

#### REMINDER

The **NO PARKING BAN** is now in effect. We encourage residents to not park on the streets to allow us to properly clean snow off the streets. Otherwise we have to come back after the vehicle is moved, which is inconvenient and incurs costs. Thank-you.



If you have concerns please call 822-5119, when you have bouquets, which we appreciate, do the same!!

*Les Wieler* - Director of Public Works

### CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Christmas Trees may be dropped off at the compost site located at Mountain Street South or placed on the curbside for pickup on - **January 8th, 2007**

Please be patient as the team will be chipping the trees as they pick them up so the process of collection may take a while.

## LOOKING FOR THE OLD, OLDER, OLDEST PHOTOS OF MORDEN



### This challenge is part of Morden's 125th Anniversary in 2007!

The quest is to find the oldest photos of people, places and events in Morden. Dig around your basement shoeboxes and cupboards. Any and all photos will be scanned and preserved by the Historical Society for future generations to enjoy. Originals will be returned to their owners within a day or two, so there is no fear that you will lose your valued treasures.

There will be a prize (TBD) for the oldest image entered.

Images should be delivered, in person (NOT MAILED) between January 10th, 2007 and May 30th, 2007 to;

**Photography by Basil Holewka**  
333 Stephen Street, Morden, MB.  
Tel: (204) 822-9426

## LED SIGN IN PLACE

The LED Sign was installed Nov 29th & 30th, and is now promoting local community events. The administration is handled by the CRO - Carol Wilkinson. Local community organizations have been notified.



This project is possible thanks to the support of **Morden Council, Superior Propane, Coca Cola, Morden Area Foundation, and the Morden Lions.**

## BADMINTON PLAYERS WANTED

We want to hear from people who are interested in participating in a proposed Badminton Tournament that is being planned in the New Year.



The registration fee for this tournament is expected to be between \$10.00 to \$15.00 per person.

If you are interested in registering, please contact the Community Services Department at 822-5431.



**Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre**  
111B Gilmour Street, (Morden Recreation Centre),  
Morden, Manitoba R6M 1N9  
Telephone: (204) 822-3406 Fax: (204) 272-3303  
Website: www.discoverfossils.com  
Hours: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Daily



### FOSSIL NEWS

We are now entering our quieter winter season; this gives us time to catch up with our many reports and an opportunity for us to develop new paleo and museum programs for the next summer season of 2007.

#### PROPOSED NEW MUSEUM BUILDING

Our board of directors has now selected a Winnipeg architects firm - Stantec Architecture, to conduct the feasibility study as a first step for our proposed new museum building. We are hoping to have the study completed in the spring of 2007. That is when we begin the serious fund raising campaign towards the building of the new museum.

#### PROJECT BETSY

Our fossil crew has been working on the latest field jacket recovery of the *Plesiosaur*, 'Betsy'. They found some more teeth in the field jacket as well as the upper skull portion. The laboratory work on the main field jacket from 'Betsy' is still yielding more fossil material with some quite major fish vertebrae too. We hope to have a whole new 'Betsy' exhibit in our gallery space ready for next summer season.

#### NEW 'BRUCE' GALLERY

The 'Bruce' gallery with the special sound effects done for atmosphere and in an effort to make fossils fun, has been very warmly received by visitors. We hope that you all enjoy it.

#### GIFT SHOP

Why not check out our Gift Shop - we have some really neat stocking fillers. Well worth a visit!

#### HOLIDAY HOURS

The Museum will be closed on December 25th, 26th, and January 1st.

#### SANTASAURUS - December 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd

Every Saturday afternoon before Xmas during December we are running **Santasaurus**. We are offering a quality colour photograph of one child per every adult admission. The photo is taken alongside Bruce, who is wearing a festive 'Santa hat' for the occasion.



Thanks to all our board members and our great volunteers for a job very well done and very much appreciated. Thanks too to all the citizens of this great, small town of Morden, for your interest and for the support shown to us over the last year.

*Dave Wilkinson* - Executive Director &

*Anita Janzic* - Curator

Tel: 822-3406

Email: [director@discoverfossils.com](mailto:director@discoverfossils.com) or [curator@discoverfossils.com](mailto:curator@discoverfossils.com)

## By-law #23-2005

Recent letters to the editor involving cats have created some confusion with cat owners. I would like to remind all cat owners that under Bylaw #23-2005 states "the owner of a cat shall not permit the cat to be outside of the owners premises unless the said cat is under the immediate charge and effective control of a person competent to control it." Please consider your neighbors. Any person who wishes to obtain a trap to apprehend a cat running at large may do so by calling the Animal Control Officer at 822-9434. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



*Tracy Donaldson* - By-Law Officer

## NEW Town Logo Products

### Christmas is coming! Great Stocking Stuffers

New products have been added to our line of unique quality logo products. The new additions are - Manicure Sets, Traveller Coffee Sets, Toques, and Head Bands.



Visit the Civic Centre to see the full line of products available.

Prices are reasonable and the same prices apply to everyone. Stocks are limited so don't wait till the last minute.

## Morden Police Service News



### CROSSWALKS

The Morden Police Service would like to remind people to be aware and be prepared to stop at pedestrian crosswalks. When the crosswalk lights are activated, vehicles must yield the right-of-way to the pedestrian by stopping their vehicle and allowing for the pedestrian to cross the intersection. It is important that the pedestrian be allowed to clear the entire roadway or passageway that a vehicle is traveling upon before the vehicle proceeds to drive past the pedestrian and through the intersection. This prevents vehicles from traveling too close past a pedestrian while they are in the middle of the intersection. It is advisable to allow the pedestrian to get to the other side of the street in safety. Once they are on the other side of the street, vehicles may proceed through, even if the lights are still flashing.

As well, pedestrians have a responsibility at crosswalks too. No pedestrian shall leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle that is so close that it is impracticable for the driver to yield. So, it is important that pedestrians do not activate the crosswalk lights and immediately walk out into the intersection. They are to wait and ensure that vehicles are coming to a stop in order for them to cross safely. Also, pedestrians should be prepared to cross when they activate the crosswalk lights. Some will press the button, the lights will flash, vehicles will come to a stop and then they decide to start talking to their friends or looking back and waiting for a friend to catch up to them to cross at the crosswalk with them. Not only is this confusing to the motorist and leaves them unsure what the pedestrian's intentions are, it is unsafe, as vehicles will start to drive through the intersection and the pedestrians cannot cross. Cyclists are to get off their bikes and walk them across the intersection when at a pedestrian crosswalk.

### NO U-TURNS



We would also like to once again remind motorists that there are no u-turns permitted on 5<sup>th</sup> street by Morden Collegiate. Signs are posted at both the south and north ends of the 300 block of 5<sup>th</sup> street prohibiting u-turns. The amount of traffic in this area, both vehicular and pedestrian during the school hours, presents a danger if vehicles are making u-turns. We are finding parents dropping their kids off at school and instead of proceeding down the street, they decide to make a u-turn. As mentioned in our last newsletter, we ask that motorists allow extra time to get to and from their destination and be extra cautious in the school zones. If anyone has questions, please call the Morden Police Service at 822-6292.

*Brad Neduzak* - Chief of Police

## Morden Friendship Centre

### WARM WITH FRIENDSHIP & FUN

It may be getting cold outside, with not a lot going on, but inside the Friendship Centre is warm with friendship and fun. All our programs and activities have been going at full capacity, and we are so pleased. Our **Fitness Classes** have as many as 25 in attendance, **Line Dance** has 10 to 12. There are new members signing up regularly and there are new people to challenge on the **Shuffleboard** courts. If you have never shuffled before come out Friday morning and learn to shuffle, for no cost. We have lots of fun activities planned for those "cabin fever" days of January and February. On January 9<sup>th</sup> we have a **Pajama Party** and supper, come in your jammies and housecoats and enjoy the entertainment, one of which is "This is Your Life". Evening starts at 5:30 and cost is \$7 for the meal. Tickets will be sold, but we also take drop-ins if we are not sold out.

We are inviting any interested seniors to a "**Values Forum**" all day at the Centre on Friday, January 12. Please come and share information, which will be recorded and used in a future book, on the values of you, your parents and grand parents. We will break for lunch at 12 noon, at a cost of \$5, which will be the only cost of the day. We will provide coffee breaks in the morning and afternoon. Call the Centre to register.



On February 13<sup>th</sup> we will be having a **Mardi Gras Valentine Supper**, at 5:30. One part of the entertainment will be a Newlywed Game. We will be selling tickets for this event. Revenue Canada will be here to train volunteers for the **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program**. If you are interested in helping seniors or low-income persons, call the Centre and register to take the training. Training date is January 12 at 9:00 a.m.

The Centre produces a monthly newsletter, free to anyone interested, just drop into the Centre the last week of the month, and pick it up in the stand across from the reception desk. The Friendship Centre puts all its special events on the Town of Morden website under the Calendar of Events. If you are planning an event, and want to make sure it doesn't conflict with anyone else's, it is wise to view this website. Also, if you are wondering what is going on in the town, this is a great place to find out all the activities. Thanks to Carol Wilkinson for doing such a great job. You can call or email the Centre for more information at 822-3555 or [piplett@mts.net](mailto:piplett@mts.net)

*Pat Plett* - 822-3555



Morden Branch of the South Central Regional Library  
514 Stephen Street  
(822-4092) [morden@scribriary.mb.ca](mailto:morden@scribriary.mb.ca)  
[www.scribriary.mb.ca](http://www.scribriary.mb.ca)

**Regular hours:**  
Tuesdays and Thursdays - 10 am until 8:30 pm  
Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays - 10 am until 5:30 pm  
Closed Mondays

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> (1-3 p.m.)** - This is going to be a very busy afternoon at the Morden Library. Make sure you put this date on your calendar, as it will be an exciting event!

- First of all, you are welcome to drop by for a "Christmas Cheer" afternoon. You will be able to enjoy a cup of hot apple cider and visit with your neighbors. All proceeds will be donated toward the local Christmas Cheer program.
- Diana Wiebe, author of *Waltzing through the Century: The Life and Times of Ruth Doern-Winkler* will be at the Morden Library to sell & sign copies of her book. This same book will be on sale at the library with proceeds going toward Ruth Doern-Winkler Memorial Fund.
- 125 Historical Committee will also be at the library to promote & sell their new book *125 Stories About Morden*. This book was compiled by the members of the Morden Historical Society. Proceeds will be used for future Morden Historical Society projects.

**Winter Session Pre-School Story Time** -  
Registration - January 16 to 27, 2007  
Sessions - January 31 to March 7, 2007

**Family Literacy Night Pajama Party at the Library!**  
Thursday, January 27, 2007



Recently, Agassiz Medical Centre was chosen as a demonstration site, one of only four in the province, for a new Manitoba Health initiative, The Physician Integrated Network. This venture is referred to as "The PIN Project". The goal of this project is to improve patient's access to **Primary Care**.

The definition of Primary Care is:  
"First-contact assessment of a patient and the provision of continuing care for a wide range of health concerns. This includes diagnosis, treatment and management of health problems; prevention and health promotion, and ongoing support, with family and community."

-Canadian Medical Association

Primary Care Providers are often doctors and nurses, but

### Morden Library Christmas Hours

The library is open during it's usual business hours this holiday season.

### LIBRARY NEWS

#### Recent Additions (Adult Fiction)

- *The Collectors* by David Baldacci
- *Whitethorn Woods* by Maeve Binchy
- *It's Not Over 'Til the Size 12 Chick Sings* by Meg Cabot
- *Echo Park* by Michael Connelly
- *Skeleton Coast* by Clive Cussler
- *Finding Noel* by Richard Paul Evans
- *What Came Before He Shot Her* by Elizabeth George
- *Secrets from the Vinyl Café* by Stuart McLean

#### Recent Additions (Christian Fiction)

- *A Woman's Place* by Lynn Austin
- *Monday Morning Faith* by Lori Copeland
- *A Carol for Christmas* by Robin Lee Hatcher
- *Freefall* by Kristen Heitzmann
- *Castles in the Sand* by Sally John
- *Family* by Karen Kingsbury
- *Widows and orphans* by Susan Meissner
- *Possibilities* by Kimberly Stuart
- *Mountain Top* by Robert Whitlow

this project will also focus on Interdisciplinary Collaboration as a key feature of this evolving approach. As well, there will be an emphasis on Chronic Disease Management.

As a community-owned clinic, this project fits very well with the direction that Agassiz Medical Centre is heading. Not only has the community provided support by taking ownership of the clinic and, through their donations, created a state-of-the-art facility, there will now be opportunities to participate in the development of services and programs that truly meet their healthcare needs.

Congratulations to the Town of Morden for having vision and the spirit of collaboration. Agassiz Medical Centre was chosen for this project, in part, because it is a community-owned clinic. People's health needs are best met by an active partnership between the people who use health services and the people who offer them.

*Susan Hunter* - Development Officer