

Community Development

Shopping Locally (In Morden)

If you are concerned about strengthening the quality of life in Morden and the economic vitality of this great community in which you live, you need to consider the positive impact you have when you buy from local business.

Shopping locally does make a difference! It is a positive step towards connecting with your community, reducing your impact on the earth, and becoming a more engaged citizen.

As you know, shopping locally supports community businesses, and also helps to generate tax revenue for Town services. You can show your shopping "smarts" by contributing to your own community every time you shop or support local business.

It is not always possible to buy everything you need from locally owned businesses, but if everyone purchased one more item locally when they shopped, the effects would be tremendous.

I find the local merchants to be friendly, accommodating, and knowledgeable about the products they sell. While nearby cities struggle with achieving a human scale among mega shopping centers and big box retailers, Morden merchants continue to provide a high level of personal service.

Each local purchase you make - and each local service you use - builds our economy, helps plan for Town services, and affects the overall quality of life in our beautiful Town of Morden. Spending money locally results in businesses having the resources to create jobs. When a local business prospers and grows, the results benefit everyone.

The Town of Morden has an exciting "full-service" business community, offering a complete array of professions, trades, dining, and products from designer apparel to bargain



shopping and all close to home! By keeping your shopping dollars and using your buying power within the Town of Morden, you put money back into the community that serves you.

Greatest Mordenite

The competition to decide "The Greatest Mordenite" is still looking for a volunteer coordinator. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist with this project, please contact me at 822-5088 or email cdigby@mordenmb.com. It is a time of celebration for the Town of Morden as we celebrate 125 years, and I feel that it would be an opportune time to pay tribute to the men and women that helped shape Morden into the wonderful community it is today.

Cheryl Digby

Community Development Officer

SYMBOLISM OF MORDEN'S LOGO

What does the logo represent?

MORDEN: Elegant and classic, friendly, welcoming, healthy, pathways to walk, leaves of plants.

CLOCK TOWER: One clock face can represent the past and the other the future.

SUN: Rising sun of opportunity as well as "Sunny Manitoba"

SEE HISTORY UNFOLD: This is all encompassing with the young and old being a part of Morden. The Town's historic downtown, the museum with its history, the historic buildings and the exciting future of the Town of Morden.

COLOURS: The colours are warm and organic and spring from the prairie landscape.

WINDYGATES HAWK ECOTOUR



Sunday, April 1, 2007 10:00 am

Meet outside the Morden Friendship Centre

Watch the spectacle of migrating hawks and learn to identify the birds. To pre-register and for more information call Oak Hammock Marsh (204) 467-3300

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REGULAR WATER READINGS SAVE MONEY

On February 5th, 2007 the Town of Morden released a news release on water leaks. (if you missed it, a copy can be found on the website.) To further expand on this topic, you can start the process of helping yourself as well as the Town save money, by comparing the reading on your water bill to your water meter. Town employees were out during the month of February trying to obtain water readings for the water bills going in the mail this month. If you notice a note on your bill requesting a reading, please take the time to check your meter and give us a call. You may notice an asterisk(s) behind this note. Each asterisk represents 3 months or a billing quarter without an actual reading, meaning your previous bill(s) were estimates. It takes at least two years for regular readings to build a reliable consumption database for each property.

Developing the habit of comparing your bill reading to the meter reading can help you catch silent leaks in a timely manner. Nobody wants to pay for something they aren't using hands on. Routine reading checks can lessen the chances of this happening. I speak from experience. A toilet in our home had been leaking without our knowledge (unfortunately these are usually silent leaks). Luckily it was discovered quickly, and a simple low cost repair was all that was needed. A much preferred alternative to a high water bill that can quickly become hundreds of dollars.

If we all do our part to monitor our water consumption, we not only help ourselves, the environment, but the Town of Morden taxpayers as well. Reducing water leaks helps cut back on the level of water we need to treat and the associated chemical costs for the same. It's a win-win situation for everyone.

Remember, water readings are always welcome, so please feel free to phone, email, or just drop in with your readings. For an accurate water bill contact us at these times; Feb 15-28 Aug 15-31 May 15-31 Nov 15-30

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your water bill, Rhonda will be happy to try and help you out. Together we can save water, and save money.



For more information on Water Leak Detection go to;

Http://www.mordenmb.com/TownAdministration/Finance&Admin/WaterLeaksDetection.pdf

Darlene Ehnes, CMMA - Executive Assistant

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

- A large children's playground unit has been purchased and is ready for installation in early spring. This unit will replace an older unit that is located near the wading pool in Morden Park.
- The new washroom facility in Morden Park is expected to be built during the month of March. When completed, this facility will be insulated and heated, which will allow it to be used in the future for year-round events. The old washroom facilities will then be removed.
- We also expect to begin a number of other Capital projects in the spring including:
 - Replacing the backstop on ball diamond # 6
 - Continuing with the upgrades to Suncatch Park
 - Beginning the design work for a new water park or wading pool in Morden Park
 - Continuing with lighting of pathways in Morden Park and at the Lake Minnewasta boat launch
 - Placing asphalt on the exit lane near the gatehouse at Lake Minnewasta
- Requests for Proposals have now been received from architectural firms and Town Council will shortly be making a selection of the architect for the Recreation Centre Redevelopment project. Once this is done, the detailed design of the renovations will begin.
- A design concept has been approved by Town Council for new bleachers in the East arena. The construction details are being put together by the engineer and this project will be sent to contractors for pricing as soon as possible. We are hoping to begin construction on these bleachers in the spring.
- A new rates and charges proposal, for facility rental and service fees is also being reviewed by Town Council. A decision regarding these rates and charges is anticipated in mid March, with the new fees expected to take effect in April. Once approved, these rates and charges will be posted on the Town website at www.mordenmb.com.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Community Service Department now has a net and volleyballs that are available for rent when anyone wishes to reserve the use of the new beach volleyball court in Morden Park, beginning this spring. Arrangements can be made by contacting the Community Services Department Office at the Recreation Centre or by phoning 822-5431.



90 pounds, 41 inches long (plus tail)

We have been using the services of a licensed trapper to help address ongoing problems with the local beaver population along Deadhorse Creek and in Lake Minnewasta. Over the course of the past few months, a total of 41 beavers have been trapped with the largest single animal tipping the scale at 90 pounds, 41 inches long (plus tail).

"I encourage anyone who has questions or concerns about the facilities or services that we provide to contact the Community Services Department Office at 822-5431 at your convenience."

Barry Elliott - Director of Community Services

SURVEY #1 RESULTS

The results of our recent survey are now in and we are both encouraged and enlightened by these results. Clearly we regard this posting of an informal newsletter/website survey to be very positive and we wish to extend our sincerest thanks to all of those who responded. It was of particular interest to find that 86% of the responses were from the internet survey form, and we look forward to posting the next survey in the near future.

Barry Elliott - Director of Community Services

WAKE TIMES

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

YES 35%
NO 59%
BLANK 5%

OUTDOOR RINKS

Are you in favour of developing more outdoor rinks in Morden?
YES 60% NO 36% BLANK 4%
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 21% NO 48% BLANK 32%
(23 people were willing to volunteer!)

WADING POOL

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

WADING POOL
YES 42% NO 56% BLANK 2%
SPRAY PARK
YES 57% NO 41% BLANK 2%

RECREATION ... What are the real benefits?

Supporters of recreation have been telling us for many years how important physical activity and "active living" are in our pursuit of personal health and happiness. We see this message time and again on television commercials and in magazine articles, and we hear this message time and again through our medical and education systems. Facilities and support systems exist in every community to help us maintain these healthy lifestyles, and Morden is certainly no different.

But what are the real benefits of recreation and "active living"? The Canadian Parks & Recreation Association is a national advocate for the promotion of the benefits of parks and recreation services across the country. In 1997 they published a catalogue, which remains as valid today as it was 10 years ago, that summarizes the findings of available research into the beneficial outcomes of recreation. This article will be the first of a three part series that highlights a number of the outcome statements of the 8 messages contained within the "Benefits Catalogue". The information below is reprinted with the kind permission of the Canadian Parks & Recreation Association.

Message # 1 - Recreation and active living are ESSENTIAL TO PERSONAL HEALTH.

Including recreation/active living in your daily life helps to:

- add up to two years to your life expectancy
- prolong independent living for seniors by keeping seniors vital and involved in community life
- significantly reduce the risk of coronary heart disease and stroke
- combat osteoporosis (which affects 25% of women and 12.5% of men over 50 years of age), diabetes, and many different types of cancer
- prevent or help to rehabilitate back problems
- contribute to good mental and physical health and well being
- restore physical, mental and social capacities and abilities



Message # 2 - Recreation is a key to balanced HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.

- Recreation is essential to the development of our children and youth, as it helps them to learn motor skills, social skills, creativity and to develop intellectual capacities
- Recreation provides opportunities for adults to develop their full and holistic potential (physical, social, creative, intellectual and spiritual)
- Recreation provides exceptional opportunities for life-long learning
- Parks/natural environments and arts/culture provide opportunities to explore spirituality.

Message # 3 - Recreation and parks are essential to QUALITY OF LIFE.

- Recreation, sports, and arts/culture build self-esteem and positive self-image
- Recreation, parks, fitness, sports and arts/culture enhance life satisfaction levels
- Recreation, sports and arts/culture nurture growth, acquisition of life skills and independent living for those with a disability

"Every patient carries her or his own doctor inside."... Albert Schweitzer (1875 1965)

Barry Elliott - Director of Community Services

CRAFT SHOW & GARAGE SALE

Participate or visit the 2007 Craft Show
May 4th, 5th, 6th, 2007
Participate or visit the new Community Garage Sale
May 5th, 2007
For more information contact:
Tel: (204) 822-5431 Fax: (204) 822-6619
Deadline for entries is April 20th, 2007

HERE COME THE JUDGES



125 EVENT
A tribute to Morden's legal community.
Includes Dinner & Entertainment.
April 21st, 2007
Morden Recreation Centre
For Tickets Contact: Pat Plett 822-3555

HOW DOES COUNCIL WORK ?

It occurs to me there continues to be a misunderstanding, or at least a lack of understanding, of how Town Council operates. I continue to hear concerns about "closed door" decisions; and how being on Council may in some way be an advantage in business. That is not at all accurate. Over the past four plus years all Councillors repeatedly reminded citizens that both Council and committee meetings were open... But few if any people took up our invitations. What follows is the mechanics of a sample situation:

Let's say a "local organization" wants to apply for Town funding. A representative calls the Town office and requests to be included on the agenda...in this case it would be the agenda of Finance and Administration. The request must be made several days prior to the meeting date, which in the case of F&A is the third Tuesday of each month at 9am. (Works and Operations meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at noon. Community Services meetings are held the third Monday of the month at noon.) These meetings are open and the public is welcome, although they may not speak, unless they are the spokesperson of the group that is presenting their case.

The group is provided with an appropriate time allotment; they state their case...normally there is one spokesperson; Councillors and Administration staff ask questions and obtain clarification of issues. The group is thanked for their presentation and they withdraw from the discussion. The Committee then debates the issue at length; someone moves to approve the request; it goes to a vote. If it is passed, the issue is brought to the next meeting of the "Committee of the Whole"...which is as it sounds...a meeting of all Council. These meetings are held the same night as regular Town Council meetings, usually beginning at 5pm. Regular Council meetings are held the second and fourth Mondays of each Month, at 7pm.



Committee of the Whole meetings are open to the public.

There are usually members of the media in attendance. The public is WELCOME to come and listen to the proceedings, although they may not speak.

Back to my example. The issue from the "Sample Organization" is brought forward at the Committee of the Whole meeting and after discussion another motion is made. A vote is held. If it is passed, the matter is brought forward to the Council Chambers and after a very brief discussion of the issue, the matter is reaffirmed and passed. What the public in attendance in the Council Chambers hears is a very brief discussion of the issue, because all the details have been discussed at length previously as described.

All Municipal Councils must ensure transparency. But on occasion there are issues that must be dealt with in private...these are called "in-camera" issues and include matters dealing with Human Resource issues, possible legal actions, and certain on-going negotiations that must be kept confidential until resolved.

Conflict of Interest is when a person in public life puts himself, or herself in a position where a personal interest may, or may appear to, conflict with his or her public duty. This is a very serious issue, and this Council and Town Administration have been exemplary in guarding against any occurrence. The previous Mayor and Councillors were diligent in leaving Chambers when any such possibility arose. The individuals can be held to serious charges if conflict could be proven. An application alleging conflict of interest can be brought forward six years after the alleged event.

I've stated many times that one of the many things I like about this Town is how everyone is interested in and has an opinion of just about everything that goes on! I would encourage folks to come out and see for themselves their Council in action...to hear how and why decisions are made as they are.

I'll look forward to a "full house" at the next set of meetings.

Alex Fedorchuk - Deputy Mayor

WHAT COMES OUT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING?

Recently, Council along with the Management Team met with the intent of developing a strategic plan to outline our direction. The formal results are still being completed. I want to share a different perspective on the process.

In helping us work through that process, the facilitator broke us in to groups of two and asked us to share our stories of why we consider Morden home. The listener was then asked to answer the question "What are the life giving forces that emerge from a person's story about why they live in Morden?" The answers came from different perspectives, yet had a fairly common theme.

The majority of the answers were similar to "you know you are being personally looked after / peace of mind / tranquility." All the answers were written on a sheet of paper and put up on the wall. When we looked at the answers, it was interesting to note that there really wasn't any reference to the amenities in Town. The recreation centre, the parks, the lake were not mentioned. Not that those aren't great to have (and they are used by Council members and employees). What we realized was when it really comes down to it, people live in Morden because their friends, neighbours and relatives also living in Morden care about them. It's that wonderful sense of community that gives you a warm feeling, doesn't it?

Ernie Epp - Chief Administrative Officer



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FOSSIL NEWS

VISITATION UP

Normally the winter season is quiet for CFDC, but I can tell you that the visitation has increased threefold in January 2007 over the same time last year, due to more school tours as well as more general public visitors. This is all down to the marketing, and advertising program plus dramatically improved signage.

PROPOSED NEW MUSEUM BUILDING

The start date of the feasibility study has been delayed a little due to grant applications being still in the works - but I still hope that the study will be completed during the summer, so expect a major announcement then.

BEAST FEAST

Our annual fundraiser event - **The Beast Feast** - which has a prehistoric theme starts at 6pm on Saturday April 28th in the Community Hall of the Recreation Centre. Tickets are \$25.00 which includes the 3 course feast, disco dancing, licensed bar and both a live and a silent auction. **Drag** your partner along and come **clubbing!** There are some **stunning** prizes too for the best-dressed cave man and cave woman. This really is a fun event!

Dave Wilkinson - Executive Director & *Anita Janzic* - Curator

Email: director@discoverfossils.com or curator@discoverfossils.com

MORDEN HANDIVAN - The Facts



In the spring of 1984, the Town of Morden received one of the first five Handivans in the Provincial government. The Federal government made the purchase, covering 75% of the cost, and the provincial government and sponsors shared the remaining 25% of the total cost.

Those able to use our services are: individuals with illness, injury, age, congenital malfunction or permanent or temporary incapacity. User fees cover approximately 25% of the gross operational costs. Each year a government grant for \$20,000.00 is applied for through the Town of Morden, and the Town of Morden has graciously set aside up to \$10,000.00 to help cover any outstanding balance after our yearly audit by BDO Dunwoody. The actual vehicle is replaced every five years. It becomes expensive to maintain after that period of time. The Tabor Home has graciously allowed us office space in their main office.

The Morden Community Handivan employs one full time driver, Mr. Harvey Friesen, and one office coordinator, Paulette Peters. Four wonderful volunteer drivers help drive the van after hours, weekends and holidays. They are Denis Magotiaux, Jim Hunt, Wayne Deamel and Anthony Dueck. Spare volunteers are Doug Lone, Paul Olafson and Ken Peters. All you need is a kind heart and a class 4 license to join our volunteer team. We are always searching for more volunteers. If you are interested please call the office during business hours: Monday through Friday 8am - noon and 1pm - 5pm.

The cost of a trip in Town one way is \$5.00, to BTHC (hospital) one way \$9.00, to Winkler one way \$14.00. Other destinations \$0.70 per km. Special group rates are offered. Please fee free to call Paulette for details, 822-5047.

Our fundraisers consist of selling advertisements on the Handivan and our annual "250 Raffle" tickets priced at \$100.00 each, sold in January and February. Prizes are: first draw \$150.00, second draw \$150.00 and the third draw \$500.00, each month till January the next year..

In 1984, 1035 trips were taken, traveling a distance of 8102 kms., carrying 1260 passengers. 2006 boasted 5168 trips traveling 39,172 kms, carrying 8044 passengers.

Please help us continue to offer individuals and groups an opportunity to live a full active life. By using the Morden Community Handivan, you are showing us and others that our services are valued in our community. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for using our service and for purchasing a "250 Raffle" ticket to help us keep the Van an affordable means of transportation as well as raise funds for our next Handivan. **Contact: 822-5047**

Morden Fire Department News

GRAND OPENING SOON

While writing this report, the snow is flying and we are in the midst of a prairie blizzard. Hard to imagine that spring will be coming. People say that it comes every year. I know I'm looking forward to spring myself for a couple of reasons. Personally it means Golfing is near and Fire Dept wise it means that our Fire Hall Grand Opening is near as well. The final date has not been set at this time. We need to complete a few outside construction details before we can host the event. We will keep you posted in the local media venues.

MOVED AND READY TO SERVE

Since the last newsletter we have moved into the new Fire Hall with lots of excitement from our fire fighters. We have ROOM - something that was lacking for a long time. There is still some organizing that we need to do but we are ready for emergency calls.



FACE LIFT FOR FIRE HYDRANTS

This spring the Public Works Dept will be doing some work on the fire hydrants in Town. If you are one of the lucky ones to have a fire hydrant on your front lawn (cheaper Fire Insurance too) you may see some activity in the next couple of months. The plan is to take off the old paint and replace it with a fresh coat of paint to spruce it up a bit and to do some regular maintenance. This is a good time to remind the residents who have hydrants on their property, that they do need to be kept clear of shrubbery, flower gardens etc. As you can appreciate easy and quick access to the hydrants in an emergency is very important. Some residents have done a great job in highlighting the hydrants with flowers and plants. This in itself does not cause a major problem, however - they may get trampled from time to time, by Firemen or the Public Works Dept. when doing maintenance or drills. This is just a little heads up for the petunia patch. Speaking from experience, keeping plants alive at the best of times can be a real chore, never mind guys stepping all over them. Anyway - enough of that stuff - time to go and shovel some snow. Hope to see lots of you in spring on the golf course.... I mean at the Open House. Take care and be SAFE.



Andy Thiessen - Fire Chief - Call: 822-3888

Morden Police Service News

EMERGENCY VEHICLE COMING?

Emergency vehicles will activate their lights and siren when responding to emergency calls. When you are driving and see or hear an emergency vehicle approaching from behind, you are required to yield the right of way to that emergency vehicle by **pulling off to the right** and allowing the vehicle to pass. Failure to yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle can result in a fine under the Highway Traffic Act of \$247.00 and demerit points. Again, valuable time can be lost if emergency personnel are held up by traffic when attending an emergency.



ANNUAL BIKE SALE

We will be having our annual bicycle auction in April to sell off all unclaimed bicycles. We have a number of unclaimed bicycles currently in storage. If you are missing your bike, please check with us to see if we have it. Have the make, model and number of speeds of your bike when you come in and if possible, a serial number, or some descriptors that would identify your bike to us.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

The police rely on the public to report criminal or suspicious activities that go on in our community. We cannot be everywhere and see everything, so your help is greatly appreciated. If you would like to report any such activities, please call us anytime at 822-4900. Please dial 911 **only** in an absolute emergency. Crimestoppers may also be used and can be reached at 1-800-782-8477.

If anyone has questions, please call the Morden Police Service at 822-6292.

B.J.(Brad) Neduzak, Chief of Police
Morden Police Service



Morden Branch of the South Central Regional Library
514 Stephen Street
(822-4092) morden@scribrary.mb.ca
www.scribrary.mb.ca

Regular hours:

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

LIBRARY NEWS

Changes! Changes! Nothing ever stays the same. I am pleased to announce that there are enhancements at all of the libraries. Each branch now has **wireless Internet** connectivity. Bring in your laptop, find a seat, click on your Internet browser and surf to your heart's content. If you have a document you would like printed in colour, we now have that service available as well at a cost of \$.50 per page. All you have to do is select the **colour printer** from the printer options. Each branch also has a **large screen projector** available at a cost of \$50 per use.



Don't get complacent. There are more changes coming. The staff will be attending a training session on March 5 for the new **Insignia Library Program**. I don't have the exact implementation date yet, but it will be shortly after that. This new program will allow you to do renewals and reserves from your home computer.

By the beginning of April we are planning to have a greater selection of cassette audio books available for you. Public Library Services has distributed their audio book collection to the libraries. South Central Regional Library has received 80 boxes of cassette books. They will be catalogued as soon as possible.

Recent Additions (Adult Fiction)

- Alexandria Link by Steve Berry
- The Viking Funeral by Stephen Cannell
- The Cloud of Unknowing by Thomas H. Cook
- Family Tree by Barbara Delinsky
- Thirteen Moons by Charles Frazier
- Dust by Martha Grimes
- Wolf of the Plains by Conn Iggulden
- Web of Evil by Judith Jance
- An Unexpected Song by Iris Johansen
- The Suspect by John T. Lescroart
- Hell Hath no Curry by Tamar Myers
- High Profile by Robert B. Parker
- Step on a Crack by James Patterson
- Exile by Richard North Patterson
- Star Wars : Allegiance by Timothy Zahn

Recent Additions (Christian Fiction)

- Lord Foulgrin's Letters by Randy C. Alcorn
- Grave Risk by Hannah Alexander
- Abraham's Well by Sharon Ewell Foster
- Hot Tropics & Cold Feet by Diann Hunt
- In Search of Eden by Linda Nichols
- What She Left for Me by Tracie Petersen
- Some Wildflower in My Heart by Jamie Langston Turner
- White Chocolate Moments by Lori Wick

Public Works Department

WINTER SEASON UPDATE

The winter season has been pretty good overall. We did have a major snowfall in early January, however we had no wind which made snow clearing a lot easier. We have not had the icy conditions that we experienced the last 2 years.

UTILITY

We have had one major water break this winter, this occurred in February. Gilmour St. was affected for a period of approximately 18 hrs. Unfortunately the Department cannot notify residents ahead of time due to the unforeseen aspect of this. Residents in the affected area were quite understanding, which is appreciated.

NOTICE:

Due to the somewhat colder than average weather we experienced in the first part of February, quite a few reports of

water lines freezing and some substantial damage occurring as a result, I would stress to the public the importance of ensuring that water lines are heated adequately. One home had several feet of water in the basement, when the occupant was not home.



If you plan on leaving for a winter vacation we recommend that you contact your insurance company. Most require that you shut off the water service line at the meter as well as have someone check the property on a daily basis.

If you have concerns please call 822-5119, on weekends leave a message as personnel on call will answer the call. Thank-you

Les Wieler - Director of Public Works