

PARCS UPDATE #28 – AUGUST, 2012

I - A DOZEN REASONS TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCT. 12th /13th AT MANITOU BEACH

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1. The convention is centrally located

- 196 km south of Prince Albert
- 125 km SE of Saskatoon
- 165 km NW of Regina.

2. There are lots of places to stay

- Brown's Motor Inn, 946-2863
1-866-423-9504
- Harmony House B&B. 946-2707
www.harmonyhousesask.com
- Lakeside Country Inn
946-3456, 1-888-946-2211
- Manitou Nu Inn, 946-3350
1-877-343-5253
www.manitounuinn.com
- Manitou Acres B&B
1-800-946-4027
- Manitou Retreat Motel
946-33634
- Salty Surf Inn, 946-2905
1-800-946-2110
www.saltysurf.com
- Serenic View B&B, 946-3821
www.serenicviewbandb.ca
- Shady Rest Motel, 946-2741
www.shadyrestsask.com



3. Relax in the warm spa waters

- *We've allowed time on the Friday afternoon program for a relaxing swim.*
- *Or plan to stay for the weekend and enjoy some down-time with your family.*
- *Reserve now for rooms at the convention site at the Manitou Springs Hotel and Spa
946-2233, 1-800-667-7672
www.manitousprings.ca*





4. Dine at Danceland

- *An all-you-can eat smorg of Ukrainian perogies, cabbage rolls, sausage and turkey followed by a guest speaker who will make you fall in love with our province all over again.*

5. Take a walk along the beach

- *Relax, enjoy the remaining days of fall sunshine.*



6. If you are a newly elected Councillor . . .

- *Attend the new councillors workshop on Friday afternoon*



7. If you were unable to attend one of the summer workshops . . .

- *Attend the catch-up session on Friday afternoon to learn about the PARCS 2012 Position Paper.*
- *Learn how you can be part of the PARCS efforts to lobby for our causes.*

8. If you would like to do a better job of applying for grants . . .

- *Attend the grant writing workshop on Friday afternoon.*

9. If you worry whether your lake can withstand all of the new development . . .

- *Attend the Saturday session about lake capacity.*

10. If you enjoy hearing from other cottage communities . . .

- *Then you will want to be part of the Members Fair and hear how other cottage communities are meeting their challenges.*



11. Meet CTV's Jason Matity

- *Learn how he reels in those big catches.*

12. Stay the weekend and golf

- *Book a tee-off time on Sunday and then return to the spa for another swim!*

II - VOICES FROM THE SUMMER WORKSHOPS

The summer workshops in Wakaw (July 7th), in Spruce Lake (July 14th), in Katepwa (July 21st) were attended by 57 delegates from 36 communities. Not only did the workshop revenues cover all expenses, the workshop delegates had lots of great comments about the sessions:

"Very relevant content. We need and appreciate the efforts of PARCS. Many resort residents are sleep walking – blind to the issues that strategic to the well-being of our communities. It's nice to see new parts of the province. We really need help to maximize sharing among communities. I also enjoyed Tanya, as well as Murray and Rita." (Spruce Lake participant)

"Please post documents on the website or provide digital versions so I can post them on our community website." (Katepwa delegate) – **Note, the MCDP Power Point and the PARCS Position Paper will be up on the web site any day now. check out the Events Page.**

"Would like a copy of Tanya's presentation. Loved the info today. Great to see new places. Nice to have lots of information about Organized Hamlets. Usually we feel left out. I like having the workshops moved around. " (Spruce Lake participant)

III - FACES FROM THE SUMMER WORKSHOP IN SPRUCE LAKE



PARCS Directors Sherry Jimmy and Vern Seabrook listen carefully as Tanya Doucette of the Municipal Capacity Development Program explains how MCDP helps municipalities increase their capacity by working together. Tanya will be the presenter for the session on grant writing at the October Convention.



The participants (above) from Grieg Lake and Mowry Beach were intent on following every word of the presentation. The enthusiastic workshop delegates (left) are the McVitties from Sutton's Beach. Were they cheering for PARCS or for the Riders?



On the other hand, the Bensons from Spruce Lake and Rick Albert from Crystal-Bay Sunset (right) took matters very seriously.



AGENDA – PARCS CONVENTION 2012

FRIDAY OCTOBER 12th

1:00 to 1:30 pm – *First registration at the Manitou Inn, Manitou Room*

1:30 to 5:00 pm – Two Concurrent Strands

| | <i>Manitou Room</i> | <i>Renown Room</i> |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| 1:30 - 3:00 pm | <p>New Councillors' Workshop</p> <p>This workshop will cover Module 1 of the Municipal Leadership Program: <u>Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities</u> - Council procedures and policy decision-making.</p> | <p>PARCS Position Paper 2012</p> <p>This workshop is designed as a catch-up session for those cottage communities that were unable to attend one of the summer workshops.</p> |
| 3:00 - 3:30 pm | <i>Nutrition Break</i> | |
| 3:30 - 5:00 pm | <p>New Councillors' continued</p> <p>For more information about the Municipal Leadership Program visit their website at www.mldp.ca</p> | <p>Grant Writing Workshop</p> <p>This workshop is offered by the Municipal Capacity Development Program.</p> |

6:30 to 7:00 pm – *Late registration at Danceland*

7:00 pm – President's Banquet at Danceland (*complimentary bus to and from Danceland*)

- After Dinner Speaker - **Hamilton Greenwood's** Photo Essay on the Glory of Saskatchewan

SATURDAY OCTOBER 13TH - *All sessions, Manitou Room at the Manitou Inn*

8:00 a.m. – *Complimentary hot breakfast*

9:00 a.m. - PARCS Business

- Report on the 2012 Summer Workshops
- Members' role in lobbying government
- Revised PARCS bylaws
- Regional Meetings

10:00 a.m. - *Nutrition Break*

10:30 a.m. – PARCS Annual Meeting

11:30 a.m. – Luncheon speaker – **Jason Matity** producer and reporter of CTV's "Reel Em In"

Noon – *Complimentary lunch*

1:00 to 2:30 p.m. – Members Fair

- A panel of representatives from selected cottage communities will present a selection of **Ideas worth Sharing**. Presentations will be followed by questions from convention delegates

3:00 to 4:30 p.m. – Lake Management Plans

- Those members who attended the keynote session by Leslie Tuckek at Convention 2009 will recall her definition of the **carrying capacity of the environment** as the maximum pressure that can be sustained without causing permanent environmental damage.
- **Dr. Bob Patrick** of the University of Saskatchewan will speak about the **capacity of a lake** to withstand the pressures of development along the lake's shoreline and the role that cottage communities can play in protecting our lakes.
- **Ralph Leibel** from the Planning Branch of the Ministry of Government Relations will explain how cottage communities' Development Plans can include bylaws to protect lakeshores.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Community: _____

Contact email: _____

Contact phone number: _____

Registration includes all workshops, banquet, Saturday breakfast and lunch.

Number of attending **members**: _____ x \$120 = \$ _____Number of attending **non-members**: _____ x \$220 = \$ _____

Number of extra banquet tickets: _____ x \$20 = \$ _____

(no spousal convention packages available)

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Names of voting delegates:

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|---|
| <p>Don't forget to phone and reserve your hotel rooms!</p> |
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Friday concurrent sessions: Number attending:New Councillors' Workshop: _____ **OR** PARCS Position Paper catch-up : _____

Grant Writing Workshop (MCDP): _____

Register SOON:

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DID YOU APPLY?

This year's **Community Initiatives Fund** (CIF) annual report boasts a GREAT year for Saskatchewan communities. Here are some features:

- Almost \$3.8 Million through 378 grants were awarded to Saskatchewan communities to enhance the health and well-being of vulnerable children, youth and families in Saskatchewan ... under CIF's flagship *Community Grant Program*.
- Almost \$4 Million through 213 grants were also awarded to Saskatchewan communities to support small capital projects and community pride projects and events ... under CIF's *Community Vitality Program*.
- CIF's total investment this year was \$12,291,363 through 634 grants to Saskatchewan communities.
- For more information visit: www.cifsask.org .