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This year's Housing & Active Lifestyles Expo put on by A & O: Support Services for Older Adults was full of surprises this year. What a great time it was!

Held on May 17 at the same location as previous years – the Victoria Inn on Wellington Avenue – and featuring some of the same privateroom sessions on various topics, and always having a varied selection of exhibitors, there were some new developments. First, the hours were from 10-6, two hours shorter than last year, and there was a stage for various activities in the main hall that included cookingfor-one demos, a fashion show, and fitness sessions that involved Drums Alive<sup>®</sup>, Tai Chi and Yoga.

It was a welcome change for the exhibitors and the visitors alike.

There were also about \$9000 worth of Silent Auction prizes!

Most importantly, this expo provided older Manitobans and their families with a variety of housing options, active lifestyle opportunities and support services necessary for successful aging. A variety of exhibitors were available to answer questions such as:

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1. Each team is asked to fundraise a minimum of \$1,500.00 in order to participate in the tournament. Most exceed this goal by using fun ideas to fundraise as a team, or by having each player collect 3 pledges of \$50.

- 2. Each team must have a minimum of 10 players (3 must be female.)
- 3. There are 3 divisions in this tournament: Recreational, Intermediate and Senior.
- 4. To qualify for top fundraising team and individual prizes, all funds raised must be submitted by 2:00 PM on Saturday, July 15/17.
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There was a great selection of over 85 booths at the **Housing & Lifestyles Expo** on May 17th at the Victoria Inn on Wellington Avenue in Winnipeg.









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Maureen Palsson getting lots of information at the Expo.



Above Right: Drums Alive® with Brenda Michiyo Moberg demonstrates drumming and Tai Chi and Yoga. Audience members participated from their seats. Little drummer boys getting in on the action as well.













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# Dealing with the whole notion of being 'Disabled" By Roger Currie

With my 70th birthday just a few short weeks away, I have become more mindful of the words of the 90th Psalm in the good book. "As for the days of our life, they contain 70 years, Or, if due to strength 80 years".

It's a sombre reminder to us front end Baby Boomers that while the end is not necessarily imminent, it looms as a larger possibility as the months and years go by.

We focus more on the quality of life in the time we have left and the issues that determine that. What will our *mobility* be like? We know that relatively few of us will be completing marathons, and some of us might even be worrying about getting from the house to the garage, or possibly more basic than that. Will we have difficulty getting around inside our home, particularly using the bathroom?

More than 30 years ago, I had a dramatic and very personal sneak preview of this as I cared for my aging parents. My father who had been a tremendous athlete in his youth, suffered a major stroke at age 74 and the final five years of his life were spent mostly in a nursing home. Visiting him there was very difficult indeed.

My mother was able to remain in her home in a seniors residence until she died at 83, despite significant challenges when it come to mobility. Her last years were spent using a walker in her apartment, and when I took her out she was in a wheelchair. Suddenly I had to plan such outings with questions like "What is the access like at that restaurant?" and "Is there convenient parking for people with mobility issues?".

Now, more than 20 years after mom and dad have both passed on, I myself am dealing with similar issues every single day. My mobility has been affected by several different issues including *spinal stenosis* and *arthritis*. For several years, I have been using a cane to assist me, particularly when it comes to navigating stairs. Needless to say, I avoid situations involving stairs as much as possible.

About a month ago I purchased a very basic walker. It's made of lightweight aluminum and it folds up neatly in the backseat or trunk of my car. I'm pleased to report that making this transition has been tremendously positive. My advice to



Lightweight aluminum walker.

other *Boomers*, dealing with similar problems - "*Get over it* ! *It*'s not the end of the road by any means". Using the cane, I found that crossing a large parking area or a long hallway was often stressful and exhausting.

A glance at the photo will tell you that I have never been a small man, and one of the greatest perils we have as we age is the danger of falling. I personally know of a number of people who were doing quite well dealing with all these issues, until one day they fell and suffered a broken hip or other similar injury. The downhill journey to the end of life seemed to accelerate after that, and I'm here to tell you that it doesn't have to be that way.

# **11** 'Get Over It!' There are lots of good times still waiting for us. **11**

I use my walker to navigate many different situations, including the swimming pool where my wife Janice and I regularly enjoy deep water aqua-sizing, as well as the large open shower at the pool where the danger of falls is perhaps the highest. I can go farther and faster using the walker. My legs are gradually getting stronger, and I feel a lot less stress getting around.

But I'm also fully aware of the biggest hurdle when it comes to making such a transition. Despite



Roger Currie utilizes his walker on a daily basis.

the huge percentage of the population that's now past the age of 60, our society still has a very different view of people who are dealing with mobility issues. I know because I'm sure I was guilty of it when I was younger and had no such issues.

Aside from being in a wheelchair, using a walker clearly identifies us as being *disabled*. The first time I went to a gathering using the walker, I became aware of sombre stares from some of the folks who were there.

We treasure self-reliance and independence at every age, and many of us recoil at the thought of needing such help.

I close by repeating those three simple and hopefully magic words .. *"Get Over It!"* There are lots of good times still waiting for us.

I will have lots more to say about mobility issues in the future.

I would also love to hear your stories and maybe share some of them.

Roger Currie is the news director of CJNU, 93.7 FM. He can be reached at .. rogerc@mymts.net



# At the Library By Lesley Smith

Stephanie, from the St. Vital Branch, came out to let the Vital Seniors in St. Vital know what new programs and services are being offered at our libraries. I had always borrowed books and a few years ago started to borrow DVD/Blu-Ray movies for a minimal fee (children's are free) when the large chain stores like BlockBusters and then the 'Red Box' kiosks folded. And last year I started to use the Internet (eMail / Google) at my branch's public use computers for up to an hour a day for free. I hadn't realized there are so many resources and wanted to share my other 'finds' with you. One of those finds would be taking your grandchild to a program or two just to use a construction set and make paper bag puppets. The free reference guide 'At The Library' is distributed at all libraries and is helpful in selecting what you are interested in, dates and times, and which ones require pre-registration, or visit eLibrary: winnipeg.ca/library. This guide is updated every two months and believe me it's worth exploring.

Besides books, movies, and free internet usage, there are eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, eMedia, Braille, and Daisy books (digital talking books). There is also a large selection of various video games including Wii which may appeal to those who would like to play a sport in the comfort of your home. There are Knitting book clubs, and Cookbook clubs. Last season writers-in-residence hosted song writing seminars. (Currently, a new inresidence is been sought). Last month, there were comedies and musical lunch specials. If you want to get outside now the weather is nicer, you can join a Literary Walk in Westwood or in the West End.

Depending on which library you visit there is usually an exhibit featuring different art groups. Last month, the Charleswood Art Group exhibited a selection of work, and Studio Central showcased art from community members. You never know what guest artist is being featured at the Blankstein Gallery located in the Millennium Library downtown.

I was interested in learning that the library hosts English conversation groups to help improve English speaking and listening skills. This past March, you could learn Ojibwe with Roger Roulette from Indigenous Languages of Manitoba. Then there were 'Seed Swap & Garden Talks', and Tax preparation clinics.

There is always something new at the library and not just in programming and services. There are ongoing branch renovations such as at the St. Vital branch and new libraries being built like Windsor Park and Transcona. Summer hours started May 23. So get your free guide now and start looking for your 'gems' at the library. ■



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Story by Scott Taylor Photos by James Carey Lauder and Jeff Miller

> o what do you have planned for

Canada 150?

This is indeed, the 150th Birthday of Canada's Confederation, and our friends at the federal government would love it if we celebrated from June 21 through July 3. At least, that seems to be the schedule for the "major events," in our country this year.

However, most Canadians - especially the ones who are aware that this is our 150th Anniversary - are celebrating summer anyway. After all, no matter where you live in Canada, summer is precious. No one wants to waste any time indoors on a great day.

So here's some food for thought as the official dates for Canada 150 approach and the unofficial celebration of summer is already underway...

The Manitoba Marathon will be held on Father's Day Sunday June 18. This year, the Marathon starts on Chancellor Matheson Blvd. at the U of M and finishes inside Investors Group Field. Besides the 26.2-mile marathon itself, there will also be – as always – the half-marathon, the Super Run, a  $10\mathrm{K}$ run, the Relay and the annual Fit Exp. There are plenty of way to get involved on Marathon Weekend. Run, walk, take in the Expo or just be a spectator along the route. It's a great way to celebrate Canada 150...

Another great way to spend a summer night is at a Winnipeg Goldeyes game at beautiful Shaw Park in downtown Winnipeg. The Goldeyes play at Shaw Park 13 times between now and July 3. Here's the schedule:

June 12 - 15: vs. Texas June 16 - 18: vs. St. Paul June 27 - 29: vs. Gary June 30 – July 2: vs. Šioux Falls





Blue Bombers quarterback Matt Nichols.



At the Manitoba Marathon, age makes no difference.

Weekday night games at 7 p.m., Weekday games at 11 a.m., Saturday games at 6 p.m. and Sunday games at 1 p.m.

And, of course, no summer in Winnipeg - 150th Anniversary of Canada or not – would be complete without taking in a Winnipeg Blue Bombers CFL football game. Between now and July 3, the Bombers play only once at Investors Group Field on the campus of the University of Manitoba, a pre-season game against Edmonton, but they do play a regular season game



The Legend, Gary Danelson.

at home on Friday, July 7 against Calgary at 7:30.

Make an effort to get out and support Winnipeg's tremendous professional sports teams and if you get a chance, give Assiniboia Downs a shot as well It's a great night out when you Do the Downs.

# **Danelson Closer** to His Goal

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Goldeyes star Reggie Abercrombie goes yard at Shaw Park.

year-old Gary Danelson, is one step closer to his goal.

Danelson, who is a legend at the track, wants to win 1,200 races by his 80th birthday on Aug. 25. He won his 1,193rd last weekend and when you consider the quality of horses he's been running this season, his dream is probably closer than even he would like to think.

Danelson hails from Scobey, Montana, and got his start in racing at age 14. According to Downs his-torian Bob Gates, "He rode thor-oughbreds in the 'bushes' for his father, Henry. Yes, he started off in the business as a not-too-short jockey weighing in at 130 lbs.

"In 1956, he bought his first horse, Coherence, for \$400, and won his first race at the Downs with that horse on Aug. 29, 1959. Coherence went on to win 24 races over the course of his racing career and is a horse that Danelson fondly remembers."

Danelson is a licensed owner/ trainer in 19 states and four provinces. Historically, he'll bring a modest-sized stable to the Downs, but as Gates suggests, "He has had a knack for picking up bargainpriced, broken-down horses, nursing them back to health and turning them into winners.'

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lan Millar.

Danelson became the Downs alltime leading trainer on May 26, 2001 when he made his 880th trip to the Winners' Circle. That night, Criso Como won the sixth race with Tim Gardiner in the irons. He recorded his 1000th win in August of 2004 with Brass Ruler.

And he has won three leading trainer titles -- in 1969 he tied with Bob Watt, in 1970 he tied with Clayton Gray and in 2003 he won the title outright.

This month, there will be live racing at the Downs on Friday, June 9, Saturday, June 10, Wednesday, June 14, Saturday, June 17, Sunday afternoon, June 18, Wednesday, June 21, Friday June 23, Saturday, June 24, Wednesday, June 28 and Friday, June 30. Get out and bet a few bucks on Gary Danelson's dream.

# Canada's 70-year-old Olympian

So if you aren't there yet, what do you intend to do to celebrate your 70th birthday? Ian Millar of Perth, Ont., was well past his 70th birthday, but he still gets a chance to churn up those competitive juices from time-to-time.

In fact, back on June 2, Millar and the Canadian Equestrian Association's National Show Jumping Team finished second in the \$100,000 FEI Nations' Cup at Thunderbird Show Park in Langley, B.C. With the outstanding finish, Canada qualified for the 2017 FEI Nations' Cup Final, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, in Barcelona, Spain.

It was a tight race to the end, but when the points were calculated, the United States and Canada earned their starting spots with scores of 280 and 250 respectively.

Team Canada is made up of 32year-old Tiffany Foster of North Vancouver, B.C., 30-year-old Chris Surbey of Calgary, 34-year-old Keean White of Rockwood, Ont. And the captain, 70-year-old Ian Millar of Perth, Ont. That's right, Millar is now 70 and he's still one of the greatest equestrian athletes in the world.

I first covered Millar at the Seoul Olympics in 1988. Now, nearly 30 years later, Millar is still a major part of Canada's national team. Earlier this month, Millar, 70, was the hero of the Nations' Cup. In fact, he produced a faultless second round performance riding Dixson. The pair had incurred eight faults the first time out, but the 10-time Canadian Olympian was cool under pressure, producing an age-defying performance riding a 14-year-old Belgian Warmblood gelding.

"We rallied in the second round; we have a great team vibe and that really pulled us through!" said Foster. "Everyone rode great, and 'Captain', Ian Millar, always pulls through for us when we need him to. The Nations' Cup Final in Barcelona is something that we aimed for this year with it being a non-Games year, it's great that we were able to get the job done and qualify."

Although he'll be 73 when the world gets together again in Tokyo, Millar is going to attempt to make Canada's Olympic team once again – it will, if he pulls it off, be his 11th Olympic Games. ■

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# How to break in your new tires Courtesy Canadian Super Shop - www.canadiansupershop.ca

Do you recall the last time you acquired a new pair of shoes? They might have been stiff to start with, but after a slight wear, they became more comfortable, with a remarkably softer ride and better grip. Well, you may not be aware of this, but the similar theory applies to the car tires as well.

Just like a new pair of running shoes, you need to "break in" your new tires for the excellent performance. Therefore, when you buy new tires, it is a brilliant idea to take it easy for some time.

# Why Do You Need To Break In Your Tires?

Auto experts highly advise that motorists should allow their new tires to undergo a certain breakingin period.

The primary reason is to let all materials and compounds which are used in the construction of the tire to gel together and begin working together.

As the natural wear takes place under the dynamics and load of your particular car, the compounds and fibres will settle into place, and the tire will then begin to function efficiently.

When you start to drive on new tires for the first time, even if they're similar to the ones you're replacing, you may notice that they respond slowly. It's because the tread is pretty stiff and has not had an opportunity to wear into a surface pattern.

If we think of tires as running shoes for our vehicles, it makes a lot of sense that a shoe needs to mold to our exact foot type and our body weight and even our walking pattern.

# So, here are some tips to break in your new tires:

**1.** Easy driving for first 500 miles -During manufacturing, the manufacturers coat tires with a release lubricant to stop them from sticking to their molds after curing process.

Some of the lubricant remains on the tires' surface, and until it fully wears away, it can minimize traction. Nearly 500 miles of smooth driving (cornering, braking, accelerating) will allow a lubricant to wear out safely and entirely.

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Also, tires comprise of many layers of materials including fabric, steel, and rubber. Giving your new tire enough time to break in will let these distinct components to begin working together, delivering their usual ride quality and optimum performance.

**2.** Your new tires may feel different -If you have just replaced your tires, it is probably because the old ones had shallow treads remaining. Tires with shallow treads always tend to respond a bit faster, since there are fewer treads which need to flex during quick turns and cornering.

Tires with deeper treads tend to flex or "squirm" a bit more, so they may feel somewhat less responsive than the old tires, even if you replaced the old set with the exact brand and model.

There's usually a lot of debate

and discussion on this topic, and some may even consider the breaking-in period for tires as a myth of sorts. But, with the facts we've outlined above, it makes sense to adopt a break in period. This is the reason many tire experts will recommend you do it.

After all, what is a few careful kilometres initially when you have the potential to gain much higher performance and wear from your tires in the long run?

Therefore, while we know you are very excited to get out there and put your new tires to the test, it will be wise to take it pretty easy for the first few weeks and allow the tires to break in naturally. ■

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# IN WINNIPEG

#### **EVENTS**

Things To Do

#### 63rd Annual Coin, Stamp &

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The Manitoba Coin Club - meets 4th Wed. each mo. (except Dec, July & Aug), 7:00 pm (1-1/2 hrs approx.), at the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre, 625 Osborne. Frequently there is a Coin auction. Call Barré W. Hall: 204-296-6498

#### Red River Coin & Stamp Shows -2nd Sunday ea. month except July & Aug.,

10 am-4 pm, at the Charterhouse Hotel. Free adm. All welcome. Coins, Bank Notes, tokens, bullion, Canadian and Foreign, Buy or sell. Come with paper, leave with Gold. Call Andy Zook: **204-482-6366** 

**Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation -**Winnipeg Batting Against Breast Cancer -Round-robin charity slow pitch tournament, Sat. July 15, at Little Mountain Sportsplex. Teams can fundraise by getting pledges or selling raffle tickets. Take a swing at breast cancer and have some fun! For info contact Colette Toews: ctoews@mb.cancer.ca or 204-786-0618. Teams can register online at: www.cancer.ca/battingagainstbc

**Grands N' More Winnipeg -** Art from the Attic, Sun. Sept. 24, 10:30 am-4 pm, Norwood C.C., 87 Walmer St. (off St. Mary's Rd.) Through the Stephen Lewis Foundation, in support of the African

grandmothers caring for their AIDS-orphaned grandchildren. FREE Adm. Donations of art accepted 'til Sept. 1. www.grandsnmore.com or

#### www.stephenlewisfoundation.org

Forum Art Centre - Fresh Art Show, Jun. 22-25, 120 Eugenie St., St. Boniface. Thur. Jun. 22 & Fri. Jun. 23, 5-9 pm; Sat. Jun. 24 & Sun. Jun. 25, 10 am-4 pm. Original art, giclee prints, art cards, foot square painting fundraiser, art demonstrations every day, and choose your favourite piece in our People's Choice Award! Free parking, wheelchair access. www.forumartcentre.com or 204-235-1069. Enjoy our Art Gallery, or see art demonstrations and get a free gift. Free caricatures by Tom Andrich June 24. All art done by adult students over past year.

contacting Winnipeg Public Library - Summer hours now in effect: Closed Sundays. Some branches closed Saturdays. Visit http://wpl.winnipeg.ca for details. To view the programs, many which are free, view the May/June newsletter by clicking on Scope the 'At The Library Newsletter' link under 'What's Happening' along the left side of the home page. View the calendar under this link as well. The TD Summer Reading Club ior launches June 17. Sign up at any branch and receive a free reading kit for your child/grandchild. Online registration for other programs starts June 22. Note the St. Vital Library on Fermor will be closed for renovations, opening early 2018.

Fort Garry Womens Resource Centre -Fun, interactive Creative Self Care Series Art Project #15: Art Journaling 101, Thur. Jun 22, 6-8 pm, at 1150A Waverlev Street. In this workshop learn about the process of art journaling. Create your own art journaling pages using different art materials. Space is limited. Pre registration is required by calling **204-477-1123**. This is a women only event. Childcare is not available. All Supplies Provided.

Fort Garry Womens Resource Centre -AGM, Wed. Jun. 21, 6 pm, at 1150 A Waverley St. RSVP by Jun. 14 at **204**-**477-1123** or **info@fgwrc.ca** 

Slo-Pitch players invited - It's that time of year when great change happens to older men and ladies. SPINGTIME: Men and women become the boys and girls of summer and take up baseball for by fall they will be back to being men and women again. Call Bob: **204-261-3033** or Betty: 204-997-8043 for your yearly renewal.

Urban Retreats Garden Tour - Sat. June 17, 10 am-4 pm, rain or shine. Selfguided tour of beautiful Woodhaven gardens in support of St Matthews Maryland Community Ministry, sponsored by Ron Paul Garden Centre. New this year, guided tours of Sturgeon Creek at 11 am and 1 pm with an entomologist. Tickets \$15, available at Ron Paul Garden Centre, McNally Robinson Booksellers, Jensen's Nursery & Garden Centre, Lacoste Garden Centre or by calling the community ministry at 204-774-3957.

A Manitoba Tea and Craft Sale - June 17, 11:30-2:00 pm at St. Andrew's Woodhaven Anglican Church, 2700 Portage Ave. Ask a Master Gardener and Master Composter, plant sale, crafters, door prizes, gift bag to first 150, tea, bannock and jam. Tickets for the tea and craft sale are an additional \$5, available at the door. Garden tour tickets also available on June 17 at St. Andrew's Woodhaven Anglican Church. More info at www.stmatthewsmaryland.ca.

The "KP Ladies Who Golf" club - is now accepting new members. Mondays starting May 8, 8-9 am at Kildonan Park Golf Course. 18 holes, prizes, banquet. \$40 plus green fees. For info: Anita - 204-Thank 654-0209, cinita@shaw.ca; Lynne - 204-231-0279, Iducharm@live.ca

### VOLUNTEERING

South Winnipeg Seniors Resource -Seeking Meal Program Volunteer Assistant, Mon., Wed. & Fri. 11 am-1:45 pm, at Delta Manor, 100 Adamar Rd. Call Samantha **204-478-6169**.

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University of Manitoba - Looking for volunteers over age 60 to participate in the approved study "Age and Spatial Reorienta-tion" at U of M. Study consists of a few questionnaires and a virtual reality based task. Participants receive \$15 as a token of appreciation. Call Megan Siemens: 204-390-1171, email: siemen17@myuman itoba.ca or web: http://home.cc.uman itoba.ca/~kellyd/agingstudyrecruit mentposter.pdf

Victoria Lifeline Home Service Representative - Volunteers needed to explain and set up the Lifeline equipment in people's homes in Wpg. Must have car, mileage reimbursed. Melissa: 204-956-6773 or email msitter@vgh.mb.ca

Bethania Group - Volunteer Opportunity for a casual Administrative Assistant to process deposits and receipts for both Bethania Mennonite Memorial Foundation and Mennonite Benevolent Society, plus other administrative duties. 1-2 days/wk. Contact Dianne Nixdorf, Director of Recreation & Volunteer Services at 204-654-5035, Dianne.Nixdorf@bethania.ca

Deer Lodge Centre, 2109 Portage Ave Volunteers needed to assist with daytime recreation programs: manicures (simple), playing piano, visiting, outings, coffee, cards (rummy, crib, bridge), bowling, bingo, etc. Call Joy: **204-831-2912** or email: itanchuk@deerlodge.mb.ca

## Meals on Wheels - If you got the wheels,

we got the meals! We are looking for volunteers in the following areas: Downtown, Point Douglas, Seven Oaks and Transcona. Drivers receive an honorarium. 204-956-7711 or www.mealswinnipeg.com

Centre. Provide helpful advice, recommendations and directions to the province's top tourist attractions/destinations. Email: sbason@travelmanitoba.com

Kildonan MCC Thrift Shop - Volunteer in a professional environment and have fun! Located at 445 Chalmers Ave. Call or email: meaganvarndell.kmts@gmail.com and 204-668-0967

Manitoba Institute for Patient Safety -Volunteer opportunities. Visit mips.ca 'About Us' to learn about our Volunteer Program. admin@mips.ca or 204-927-6477.

**Gwen Secter Creative Living Centre -**(1588 Main) Looking for Bridge Players, Tuesdays, 1-3 pm. **204-339-1701** 

Middlechuch Personal Care Home -Volunteers needed to visit residents, assist in the rehab dept., hair salon and with the pet therapy program. Call: 204-336-4138 or matt@middlechurchhome.mb.ca

Southeast Personal Care Home volunteers needed to assist with recreation programs at 1265 Lee Blvd - days, eve's, wknd's. Call 204-269-7111 Ext. 2225

Vista Park Lodge Personal Care Home in St. Vital - Volunteers needed. Contact: Caitlin Liewicki: cliewicki@extendicare.com

HSC Winnipeg - Volunteers welcome in patient and support areas, 7 days a week. Free parking or bus tickets. Call 204-787-3533 or email: volunteer@hsc.mb.ca

South Winnipeg Seniors Resource Council - Volunteers needed for Meal Program in Osborne Village 2-6 hrs/wk. Call 204-478-6169 or email swsrc@mymts.net

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Parkview Place, Long Term Care by Southeast Personal Care Home is looking for volunteers during the day, evening or the weekend to assist with the recreation programs. Call **204-269-7111 ext. 2247** 

# **PROGRAMS/SERVICES**

#### Fibromyalgia Support Group of Winnipeg - For info: 204-975-3037.

Good Neighbours Active Living Centre -Are you a senior 55+ in the Elmwood/East Kildonan area who is feeling bored, isolated? Call the Outreach Worker for various activities and functions the Julie 204-996-0750 ties and functions that are available to you:

Wpg Polish Legion Br 246 - 1335 Main St. Tues. Senior Luncheon/Dance, noon-3 pm, Kareoke, Fridays, 8-midnite. Happy Hour Mon-Thur, 3-6 pm, Fri-Sat, 3-7 pm. Upstairs Hall Rental avail. Call Br 204-589-5493

Pembina Active Living 55+ (PAL) -Spring classes end June 16. Summer activities (membership required - must register): PALputters (golf), PALpedallers (cycling), Yoga class in the Park, Lunch PALS, movie PALS. Special events: Still Bloomin' gardening club (June 29). www.pal55plus.com, office@pal55plus.com or 204-946-0839

**Gwen Secter Creative Living Centre** - (1588 Main St.) Shuttle Bus runs every Wed. morning for only \$15 from the north end and \$15 from the South End (members). Transportation from Seven Oaks, Garden City, West Kildonan & Maples & South End. Get lunch, bingo, entertainment, refreshments & transportation home. 204-339-1701

Archwood 55 - Come and join us for yoga, fitness classes, line dancing, or art instruction. Drop in for a board game, pickleball, floor curling or billiards. Visit our web-site or pick up a 2017 Spring Program Guide from the office for a list of luncheons, social activities, informational sessions and bus trips. 565 Guilbault St. Office hrs: Mon-Fri, 9 am-3 pm. 204-416-1067 or archwood55mail@gmail.com www.archwood55plusinc.weebly.com

Dementia. Transportation and hot lunch provided for \$8.85/day. Call 204-784-1378. Referrals for the program made through the WRHA home care case coordinator.

Prendergast Seniors Club - 906 Cottonwood Rd. Rm.20 - Crib Mon. & Wed., 1-3:30 pm; Whist Thurs., 1-3:30 pm; Mon. luncheons 4th Wed., 12-1 pm. All welcome. Call Joe/Mary: 204-254-8390

Ukrainian Cdn Veterans Br # 141 -Dance to a live band every Sat., 1-4:30 pm. Adm. Includes lite lunch. Chase the Ace Draw ea. Sat. Tickets on sale 3:30-4:25 pm. Draw 4:30 pm. Also 60/40 draw. Call 204-589-6315 ext 103 for future events and information.

Seine River Seniors - at Southdale CC. Bridge, Indoor/Outdoor Walking, Creative Writing, Games, Canasta, Monthly Birthday Lunches and Brunch, Trips to South Beach, Bingo at the Downs, Celebrations Matinees, Floral Arranging, Health Workshops, Stonewall Quarry Choristers, A Trolley City Tour, A Walkabout in the Exchange, and visit to PineRidge Hollow. Call 204-253-4599

Fraternal Order of Eagles - 3459 Pembina Hwy. Cribbage Tues. 1 pm. \$100 for a 28 or better hand. Free Coffee; Wed. Bingo, doors open 11:30 am, games 12:55 pm; Sun. Bingo, doors open 5:30, games 6:30 pm. **204-269-4332** after 4:30 Mon-Fri.

The Friends of Library Book Club -Seeks new members. Meet 3rd Tue. ea mo at 10:15 am on 2nd Floor of Millennium Library. Books chosen are available through the library. Membership is free. Call: 204-452-3369 or 204-254-6697 for info.

Lion's Place Adult Day Program - Social × Than day program for seniors. Transportation & hot lunch provided. Members \$8.75/day. Call 784-1229. Referrals made through ຮູ WRHA at 788-8330, or call Case Coord.

ŝ The PROBUS Club of Winnipeg is a group for the retired or semi-retired. erti Info: **204-489-2882**, or ę

winnipegprobus85@gmail.com

Dakota 55+ Lazers Senior Centre -Various programs: Cribbage, line dancing, floor curling, quilting, fitness programs, etc. Call: **204-254-1010** ext. **206.** WHIST, ō Ð Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, contact Bob or Fran: **204-257-3172.** Jonathan Toews ntactin Centre, 1188 Dakota St.

Manitoba Christian Writer's Assoc. -Writers of all levels welcome. Various activi-ties. Membership \$25. Drop-in \$3/mtg. 204-256-1614 or 1-204-326-7286

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ş Manor Adult Day Cub - 320 Sherbrook St. We are a pacesetters adult day program specifically for seniors who live in the community who have mild Alzheimers/Dementia. Tues-Fri. \$8.65/day includes lunch. Email: <u>jo</u> keziatoews@hotmail.com for info. Seni

The St. James-Assiniboia 55+ Centre -3-203 Duffield St. The Centre offers a variety of different programs and services to adults Ч 55+. Visit www.stjasc.com to view programs and services. 204-987-8850

55+ Men's Club - meets Wed. & Thur. afternoons, 1-4 pm, at 3172 Portage Ave. Various activities: art and hobby classes or just enjoy a cup of coffee. **204-987-8850** 

Fort Garry Legion - Hard Card Bingo -Tues. 1:15, Paper Bingo, Fri. eve, Early Bird 7:15 pm, and Sat., Hard Card and Ladies Auxiliary Lucky Star. All Welcome. Kitchen open for Lunch. 1125 Pembina Hwy.

St. Chad's Anglican Church - Services at 472 Kirkfield St. Service of Holy Eucharist and Sunday School, Sunday at 9 am. Fellowship with tea and coffee after service.

McBeth House Centre - 55+: Tues Quilting, 9-2 pm; cribbage; Thur.: porcelain painters, etc., 10-2 pm; Fri.: whist, 7-10 pm; Sat.: bridge, 1-4 pm. Bridge players needed: 204-334-0432. House avail. for rental.

Farmers Hall Old Time Dance Schedule (formerly United Farmers Community Hall) - HWY 231, 2miles west from HWY turn off. Dances last Wed. afternoon each month, Jun. 28, Jul. 26, Aug. 30, Sep. 27, 1-4. Adm. \$15 includes light lunch, tea and coffee. All dances feature Country Pride live band. 204-296-0540.

The Stroke Recovery Association of Manitoba Inc. (SAM) - Annual Wheel and Walk, Sun. Jun. 25, rain or shine at Provencher Park in the Notre Dame Recreational Centre, 271 Avenue de la Cathédrale. 9 am: Registration and coffee and bagels (free). 10 am: Wheel and Walk starts. 11 am: BBQ - hot dogs, chips, drinks \$5. Silent Auction to follow. Proceeds support SAM's programs and services. Call 204-942-2880 or visit www.strokerecovery.ca for more info.

Westminster United Church - hosting Land of Lakes Choirboys of Minnesota, Wed. Jun. 14, 7:30 pm, 745 Westminster at MarylaInd. Free-offering will be taken. Call 204-784-1330 or Rita Menzies 204-489-7686. Learn more about the Choirboys, celebrating its 41st season, at www.lolcb.org

The Bereavement Care Program of Concordia Hospital - seeking Grief Support Volunteers to provide telephone grief support to family members of people who have died at the Hospital. Ideal for a person with a health care, ministry or counseling background. Flexible 4 hrs/wk. Work from home. Bob Milks: **204-661-7402**, bmilks@concordiahospital.mb.ca

Misericordia Health Centre - Volunteers needed to escort and stay with residents while attending spiritual services inside the same building, Thur. or Frils, 10-11:30 am. Parking provided. Call **204-788-8132**, or apply in person or online at **www**. misericordia.mb.ca/volunteer

Caregiving with Confidence (formerly Rupert's Land Caregiver Services) -Volunteer drivers needed to take clients in SW Wpg. for appt's, shopping, etc. Compensation for gas/pkg provided. Also volunteers needed for "Time-out for Caregivers Program." 2-3 hours. Call 204-452-9491 (non-profit)

**Travel Manitoba Visitor Information** Centre at The Forks - Come volunteer this spring and summer in the Visitor Information Brooklands Active Living Centre -Zumba Gold, Aqua-fit, Line Dancing, Floor Curling. Drop-in fees avail. Bingo Mondays, pm. #License LGA 1143-B1. FREE Games. 204-632-8367

Golden Rule Seniors - Fort Rouge Leisure Centre, 625 Osborne St. Mon. Bingo 1 pm. Tues. Bridge 2 pm. Thurs. Singalong 10 pm. Floor shuffleboard 1 pm. Bridge 1 pm. Fri. China painters 10 pm. Carpet bowling 1 pm. Wanted Cribbage players for Wed. 1 pm. Call Terry: **204-453-1085** 

Charleswood Adult Dav Program -Social Day Program for seniors Transportation and hot lunch provided. Members \$8.85/day. Referrals made through WRHA. 204-889-4608 or call your Case Coordinator

Lions Manor Adult Day Program

(Pacesetters) - 320 Sherbrook Street. A social program Tues-Fri for isolated seniors in the community living with Alzheimer's/

**The Friendly Settlers Senior Citizens** Club - 400 Day St. (Transcona), Meet Mondays, 10 am for cribbage, lunch and Special events /group trips offered. 204-222-7504 or ganyadel4@mymts.net

Senior Achievers - Meet 3rd Thur. 1-3 pm at 406 MacGregor St. Bingo, 50/50, meat draws, door prizes, coffee. Call Pat: 204-414-5360 for more info.

Vital Seniors - Monthly Book Club: 204-257-4014, Monthly Board Games: 204-261-8236, Bridge: 204-256-3832, Carpet Bowling: **204-452-2230**, Line Dancing: **204-334-3559**, Exercise Class: **204-253-0555** (Judy), Monthly Luncheon: **204-255-7508**, Scrabble: **204-257-4014**, St. Mary Magdalene Church, 3 St. Vital Rd.

Bleak House Senior Centre - 1637 Main St. - Mon. 1 pm whist, Tue. 10 am coffee and conversation, 11.45 am Lunch, 1 pm Bingo - Ceramics Thur. 1 pm Cribbage, Friday 9:30 am Quilting. Info: **204-338-4723** 

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thirty-one CREATIVE JOURNEY writers

# EARTSPACE WRITING SCHOOL



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#### Joanne Klassen, founder of Heartspace, home of Transformative Life Writing, is the author of Tools of Transformation and many other books. Heartspace classes are popular in Canada and Europe. For information on Transformative Life Writing classes, please visit the Heartspace website: www.write-away.net or contact Joanne Klassen at: jklassen@write-away.net

## **Excerpts from CREATIVE JOURNEY:**

## BEGIN By Alison Lock (AML)

I have to come back to a beginner's mind, the first way I thought and felt about writing. In a sense, the beginner's mind is what we must come back to every time we sit down and write ... Each time is a new journey with no maps.

#### (Natalie Goldberg, Writing Down the Bones)

How to begin?

A new notebook. I open the first page. The smell of the fresh-cut paper and the clean-lined page taunt me, saying, "well, go on, what are you waiting for?" But somehow I cannot put my pen to the paper. For one thing, I know my handwriting is untidy and only vaguely constitutes anything that can be considered legible.

In fact, if I ever want to read aloud what I have written in my writing circle, I will need to look for my most up-to-date spectacles with the highest magnification just to see the words.

And then there's the problem of the page being the very first in the notebook and the feeling that I should begin with something profound—some wise words, a flash of clarity that will light up the world.

But actually I am writing, not on the first page—I turned over a page before I could set down these words, these less than impressive words, on this insignificant second page. (AML)

I cherish every beginning, allowing new opportunities into my life, wherever they come from, whenever they arrive. I will begin again. No excuses.

#### **BIO: Alison Lock (AML)**

Alison Lock is a poet and author from Holmfirth (UK). She finds inspiration in the moorlands and the natural environment of the South Pennines, which is often reflected in her writing. She is currently working towards a Ph.D. in Creative Writing. She believes that Transfor-mative Life WritingTM is a unique and powerful tool that can transform our personal journalling, giving us new insights, and encouraging the development of our writing journeys. http://www.alisonlock.com/

# TRUST By Farrukh Akhtar (FA)

A depressing and difficult passage has prefaced

every new page I have turned in life. (Charlotte Brontë)

I am drowning. My body half decayed, half immortalized in globules of stress. All of me increasingly dead as I struggle to get through another day at work. Another day in which I try to find a way to leave my current job, the interminable commute that sucks the dregs of life out of me. I feel sick at heart. I no longer want to be a part of this profession.

So I write. I hope writing will save my life. I write it all out of my system; cleansing, detoxifying. I am these feelings, but I am more than just these feelings. Through writing I re-connect with an essential me, a me at peace with myself.

I hold the vision of where I need to get to: living, working, breathing harmony. My life is a synthesis of all I hold to be true. There is no incongruence. At some point I will

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jump, from one cliff over a chasm to another. The writing and running that I do now is building up the momentum for the leap of faith. I trust it will happen. (FA)

I trust that every step I take leads me where I need to go. That is my leap of faith.

#### **BIO: Farrukh Akhtar (FA)**

Farrukh, a senior lecturer at a London university, has been involved in the helping profession for over 25 years. As a Transformative Life WritingTM (TLW) facilitator, she runs workshops at the university and in the community. She is the TLW Facilitators' Co-ordinator for Europe and edited their training manual. Farrukh is founder of an incognito but internationally acclaimed book club. She loves writing, the theatre, communing with vegetables on her allotment, and having friends over for dinner.

E-mail: farrukh.akhtar786@gmail.com





# **ATTENTION!** All Dragon Boaters

Denyse Walker, widow of Scott Walker, has announced the untimely passing of her beloved husband from FMG Dragon Boat.

Scott had lost his own battle with cancer last month in May after helping to raise millions of dollars for cancer research through the Dragon Boat Festivals he and his family operated in Winnipeg over the years. They also helped raise funds for the Heart & Stroke Foundation in Saskatoon through the Festivals they held there.

A small private celebration of life in honour of Scott has taken place. However, Denyse has a message

for all Dragon Boaters...

"In September at the Manitoba

legacy of Dragon Boating. Please join us as we celebrate Scott's legacy and join together to raise more funds for CancerCare.

Paddles Up... Take it away!"

## So, please get your teams together and come and celebrate Scott's life and legacy this September and help find a cure for cancer.

Senior Scope had featured a story of Scott Walker, written by Scott Taylor, in October, 2013. If you'd like to read this fascinating story of how Scott became involved in the Dragon Boat business, go to www.seniorcope.com and click on the 'Archives' button. then click on the link in the last column (2013-2014): V12N4 Oct 10/13.

Dragon Boat Festival, FMG Dragon Boat together with CancerCare will look at recognizing Scott and his

NOTE: If you'd like to participate in the Dragon Boat Festival but don't have a team, submit your name, email and phone number to Senior Scope by email to kelly\_goodman@shaw.ca and we will try to match you up with a team that may need members. If you have a team that needs more members, check with us by email. We may be able to help you out.

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# URRIE'S CORNER



By Roger Currie

Roger Currie is a Winnipeg writer and broadcaster. He is heard regularly on CJNU, Nostalgia Radio

#### Prime Memories

The first week of June is always filled with lots of personal memories, especially about guys named Andrew. My wonderful Dad, the Boy from

Balgonie, was born on the 5th of June in 1911, in Brandon. Andy Currie was known for football, and isn't it interesting that the city of Winnipeg where he once played the game and later coached, has not brought home a Grey Cup since 1990, the year that Papa died.

The first of June marked my 47th anniversary as a working journalist. My first of three lives at CJOB in Winnipeg began on that day in 1970. My starting salary was \$325 a month, and my first official task was to read the race results from Assiniboia Downs.

Over those 47 years I have had the privilege of meeting many of the people who have served as Canada's Prime Minister. Among them was Lester Pearson who was my very first interview, two years after he had retired from politics.

In 1979, during my first life in Regina, I was live on the air for a full hour with Joe Clark, shortly before he began his brief time as The Right Honourable. Almost exactly 30 years later, I had the good fortune to be seated at a dinner beside a young man who may yet become Prime Minister of Canada.

Andrew Scheer was not yet 30, and we talked a lot about football as I recall. He was born and raised in southern Ontario, but his wife is Jill Ryan of Regina, and her brother Jon Ryan kicks footballs for the Seattle Seahawks. Andrew and I also talked politics that night, but I can't say there was much that stands out in my memory from our conversation. He definitely did NOT say that he intended to be prime minister by the time he reached the age of 40. Hey, wasn't that Joe Clark's age when he got the job, by defeating a guy named Trudeau.

Like many of my fellow journalists have said, the view of the world is never dull from the 'ringside seat' that we are blessed to occupy.  $\blacksquare$ 

We know that prairie people are very generous, even when they leave the land of their birth far behind and make bushels of money elsewhere. A prime example is 88 year old Jimmy Pattison, Canada's 4th or 5th wealthiest person, depending on how the markets are doing at any given time.

He spent his very early years in the village of Luseland Saskatchewan, in the depths of the great depression. Vancouver has mostly been Jim's home since then, and even today he says what he enjoys most in this world is 'going to work'. His companies employ more than 40,000 people in several countries, and total revenue generated this year is expected to be just over \$10 Billion. A few days ago, Pattison travelled to Saskatoon and wrote a cheque for \$50 million. It will enable the government of Brad Wall to finally finish the province's long-awaited Childrens Hospital.

Saskatchewan is one of only two provinces in Canada that does not

### Stepping up

have such a special place to take care of our most precious loved ones. When the doors finally open, it will have Jimmy Pattison's name on it. They broke ground for the hospital in Saskatoon more than 5 years ago, but it's still barely half finished.

Quite frankly this is a major league 'disgrace'. In the capital of Regina, the Roughriders have already moved into their brand new stadium, a facility that was seen as 'desperately needed', by almost nobody.

Yes, Taylor Field was the oldest playpen in the Canadian Football League, but it could easily have sufficed for a couple more seasons, while higher priorities were taken care of.

God bless the Jimmy Pattisons of this world, but Uncle Brad, if you don't realize that a childrens hospital is a higher priority than a football stadium, you just don't have your eye on the ball.  $\blacksquare$ 

## IN WINNIPEG, cont'd from page 11 Da

Elmwood-East Kildonan Active Living Centre - 180 Poplar @ Brazier in Elmwood. Membership \$15/yr. Wood shop, Floor Curling, Scrapbooking, Darts, Carpet Bowling and other activities. Call 204-669-0750 or 204-890-3282

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Dufferin Senior Citizen Inc. - 377 Dufferin Ave. Mon: shuffleboard 9:45 am, Bingo 1 pm; Wed noon: soup and perogy lunch. All welcome. Perogies for sale. Every 2nd Sat: noon-3:30 pm dance with a 4-piece band (full lunch). 204-986-2608 The Salvation Army Barbara Mitchell Family Resource Centre - Seniors 55+, 51 Morrow Ave, St.Vital. Tues S.T.A.R.S. 9:30-11:30 am, FREE Tea/Coffee, Snacks, Games, Outings. Wed. 10 am-noon FREE Steppin' Up Exercise Class. Thur. 10 am-noon FREE Pickle Ball. 204-990-2339

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Mensheds Manitoba Inc. - peer run program by men for men at Woodhaven Community Club, 200 Glendale Blvd, Woodhaven in St James, Tue. and Wed. afternoons, 1-4 pm. Call Doug: 204-832-0629 or 804-5165

Good Neighbours Active Living Centre -Lunch and Bingo. Lunch \$6, Bingo 5c per card. Transportation provided within the RiverEast (Elmwood, E.K., N.K. areas) Call Julie at Seniors Outreach: **204-996-0750**.

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East Selkirk - Manitoba Highland Gathering - June 24-25, Legacy Park, Hwy #59 & PR 212 (Kittson Rd) behind East Selkirk Arena. 204-794-6587

<u>Ile-des-Chênes</u> - Knights of Columbus Council #5979 - 50th anniversary celebration, Sat. Jun. 24, Ile-des-Chênes. Commemorative Mass - 5 pm in the Notre-Dame-de-la-Miséricorde Catholic Church; Reception to follow 6 pm (cocktails, cash bar) at the TransCanada Centre, 1 Rivard; Dinner 7 pm (wine included); Live entertainž ment: Carmine La Rosa. Tickets 40 \$ ea -Call Armand **204 878-3358**; Gaëtan 204 Thank 793-1035; Philip 204 781-5557, Roger 204 818-0415; Roméo 204 791-3151.

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PROGRAMS / SERVICES Beausejour - Beau-Head Senior Center -Mon. Chi Gong, Chair Exercise, 10 am. Crib 7 pm; Tues. Crib, 1 pm; Wed. Line Dancing 10 am. (beginners welcome) Bingo 1 pm; Thur. Whist 1 pm. 645 Park St. Beausejour

204-268-2444, beauhead@mymts.net **Dauphin Multi-Purpose Senior Centre-**

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## Springfield Seniors Community -

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Congregate Meals are available to all com-munity seniors. <u>Oakbank</u>: Mon/Tues/Fri - 5 pm. Wed/Thurs, noon. Call **204-444-3132**. <u>Dugald</u>: Mon/Wed/Fri - 5 pm. <u>Cooks Creek</u> Mon/Wed - 11:30. Call **204-444-6000**. <u>Creek</u>:

St. Andrews Church - Two by Two celtic music group at Old St. Andrews on the Red Sun. July 23, 3 pm. Adm. \$10. Refreshments -served. Their repertoire is O to traditional folk music from long ago. The four musicians play fipples (similar to flutes and penny whistles), gothic harp, percussions, banjo and ukulele. In addition to their instrumentals, they include favourite songs that invite participation singing.

Stonewall - South Interlake 55 Plus -374-1st Street W. Events: Jun. 14 - Monthly Luncheon, Noon; Jun. 15: Bus Trip · AcPhillips Street Casino; Jun. 22: Bus Trip -Assiniboine Park Zoo; Jul. 10: Afternoon Cribbage Tournament, 1 pm. Call Kim at Cribbage Tournament, 1 pm. Call Kim at 204-467-2582

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<u>Ritchot</u> Senior Services - (serving seniors 50+ in the RM of Ritchot and Lorette) - Need people to be on our list of available drivers, friendly visitors, housekeepers etc. Call Janice: **204-883-2880** or email: Ritchotseniors@mymts.net

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contacting Anola: Mon-Fri, 11:45 Call 204-866-3622

Springfield - Support Group for Caregivers. 3rd Thur. of month 1-3 pm at that Springfield Library. Call Jackie at 204-268-4752 or email alzne@alzheimer.mb.ca to register

Springfield - Service to Seniors -Additional volunteer drivers needed in all areas of Springfield. Fees avail. to help cover costs. Call 204-853-7582 or email: springfieldseniors@mymts.net to arrange to pick up an application package.

<u>Stonewall</u> - South Interlake 55 Plus -Line Dance Classes, Tuesdays 6:45-9 pm, and Thursdays 11 am-12:30 pm at Odd Fellows Hall, 374 - 1st St. W. Stonewall. Fee \$2/class plus yearly SI 55 Plus membership. Call SI 55 Plus office: **204-467-2582** 

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# **Burgers with Shallot Sauce**

Metric	Ingredient	Imperial
500 g	lean ground beef	1 lb
10 mľ	peppercorns	2 tsp
15 ml	vegetable oil	1 tbsp
15 ml	shallots, finely chopped	1 tbsp
15 ml	red wine vinegar	1 tbsp
50 ml	plain yogurt	1/4 cup
15 ml	fresh parsley, minced	1 tbsp

Divide meat into 4 portions and shape into patties. Sprinkle crushed peppercorns onto patties.

In large skillet, heat oil over high heat. Add patties and cook over high heat for 2 to 3 minutes or until browned; turn and cook other side for 1 to 2 minutes or until browned and no longer pink inside. Transfer to serving plate.

Pour off fat in pan; add shallots and wine vinegar, cook over medum heat, scraping up brown bits from bottom of pan. Remove from heat; add yogurt and stir to mix well. Stir in parsley. Pour sauce over patties.

Serves 4

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Very much unintentionally I have created a small-animal theme park on my kitchen patio. It start-

ed when I was late in getting my hummingbird feeders hung up. Boy, were they steamed. They buzzed me while I read. They sat on an overhanging branch and stared at me. They did everything but knock on my kitchen window. Nature's little helicopter, I love to hear their hovering motors.

So with the hummingbirds happy, I toss a handful of sunflower seeds near the fire pit for the chipmunks. Hate squirrels, love chipmunks, love cardinals, hate starlings, so sue me PETA.

The year before it was just one chipmunk and now it's two adults and a small one. I think they must be family because they're constantly fighting with each other.

The house wrens nesting in the hanging flower pot was not my idea. And the female with the bent beak and long tail? Man, has she got a mouth on her! Her shrill screaming could only be considered a song if it was heard at a Celine Dion concert.

I toss more seeds away from the fire pit to keep the chipmunks and wrens from fighting over the initial offering and all is calm ... until a squirrel rushes onto the patio to take a run at one of the chipmunks

# **NATURE - Biting the Hand That Helps**

and gets a haircut from the protective female wren as well as a really loud lecture.

By the time I get back with my slingshot the squirrel is gone but a Baltimore Oriole has descended on the hummingbird feeder. The bird is heavy and awkward so that the feeder is now swinging side to side and spilling sugar water on the patio. I scare the Oriole off by clapping my hands loudly which the mother wren mistakes for applause and she begins an ear-splitting aria that drives me into the house.

As I plod around the patio from crisis to crisis, I can hear the scattering chipmunks and the fluttering wrens screaming: "The giant is coming! The giant is coming." And I must say, as someone who does not have a lot going for him these days, I feel rather powerful.

Before I can clean up the spill, an army of ants has beat me to it and bees are now swarming the feeder which is still dripping with liquid sugar. I sweep away the ants and spritzer the bees with a water bottle until they too send me running through the kitchen door.

This once friendly patio arrangement is now going south faster than a Mideast ceasefire and I'm forced to watch it all behind the safety of my kitchen window thinking, man, would I ever make a lousy game warden like on Africa's Serengeti's

Plain where crocodiles pick their teeth with the antlers of wildebeests.

As I head for the lake for a swim, I notice the bees are gone, the ants are dead, the Oriole has not returned but the hummingbirds have, all the while pooping on the feeder's arm to display their considerable displeasure that their feeder has become a multi-use drinking fountain.

After a swim, I'm about to dip my feet in a bucket of water I keep at the top of the beach steps to rinse off the sand when I notice a large toad in there treading water. Discolored, he's been there for a day or two and I now suspect one of my ungrateful patio dwellers pushed him in but I can't prove it. I dump the bucket onto the lawn and although still alive, it's hours before he actually hops away.

Meanwhile back at "Critter Kingdom" all three chipmunks get into a real knock-down donnybrook over the sunflower seeds and the wrens are dive-bombing them from above because they're getting too close to the flower pot nest. The ants are back, the yellow jackets have returned, angrier than ever, both wrens are screaming bluebloody murder and the Oriole and two hummingbirds are sitting on an overhanging maple branch waiting for United Nations peacekeeping observers to arrive. The only good thing to come of all this is that the

toad lived and I'm hoping he will go on to eat his weight in ants.

Completely disillusioned by attempts to give nature a helping hand I bring in the hummingbird feeder, hose down the patio, relocate the flower pot to the far side of the house and start throwing sunflower seeds over the fence in order to get the chipmunks to relocate to my neighbour's patio, like refugees fleeing a war zone.

Instead of being heartened by the magical sounds of birds and small animals in my man-made menagerie, I have learned that no good deed goes unpunished and nature per se, really is an ungrateful little world just past my kitchen door. Suddenly I'm a big fan of the food chain. The next time I have an urge to interact with critters, I'm going to do the drive-thru at African Lion Safari and let the monkeys throw poop at my car. At least those evil little primates let you know where you stand ... which by the way, is not with your head out the sun roof.

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#### WORDSEARCH - Solution





Thank you to Mary Harms of Steinbach, MB for sending in this lovely picture of waxwings taken in Gimli, MB.

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**ANNUAL CONTEST** Semior Stone in Celebration of Senior Scope's 15th Birthday and Canada's 150th both on July 1st. GREAT PRIZES Two Draws, **Two Prize Packages!** C ■ L ■ B R A T 1 Draw Dates: July 1 & August 1 2017 **CANADIAN TRIVIA** ONE ENTRY PER PERSON. OPEN TO MANITOBA RESIDENTS ONLY. For this year's draw, we want to Quiz you on your knowledge of Canada. Name 1. What Huron-Iroquois word was the name 'Canada' derived from? Address 🗆 kanasta 🗆 kantata 🗆 kanata 🗆 kanada 2. Who was Canada's first Prime Minister? 🗆 Ronald McDonald 🗆 Louis Riel 🔅 Sir John Franklin 🔅 Sir John A. Macdonald Phone 3. How many ocean's does Canada touch?  $\Box$  Five  $\Box$  One  $\Box$  Three  $\Box$  Two

Senior Scope - June 7/17

## Mail entry to Senior Scope Box 1806, Stonewall, MB R0C 2Z0 Or enter online at: www.seniorscope.com

# Prize #1: (Value appox. \$280)

Two tickets to Little Shop of Horrors - Rainbow Stage (June 22-July 14/17) (approx. value \$180)

One \$50 Gift Certificate - Eliminator RC Hobby Supply

One \$50 Gift Certificate - Assiniboia Downs (Terrace Dining Room or Club West)

# Prize #2: (Value approx. \$1010)

Trip for Two for 2 day trip to Temple Gardens Mineral Spa in Moose Jaw, SK Red-White & Blue Get-A-Ways (Value \$630.00) (transportation included) Two tickets to Mama Mia - Rainbow Stage (August 10-31/17) (approx. value \$180) One \$100 Gift Certificate - Eliminator RC Hobby Supply One \$50 Gift Certificate - Assiniboia Downs (Terrace Dining Room or Club West)

4. How many provinces and territories does Canada have?  $\Box$  11 + 2  $\Box$  10 + 3  $\Box$  9 + 3  $\Box$  10 + 2

5. How many time zones are there in Canada? □ Six □ Three □ Two □ Four

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