



MORDEN & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Business Talk

Upcoming Events

Sept 3-5 Pembina Valley Challenge
Aggie Buhler
1-877-324-6645

Sept 16 Chamber Executive Meeting
12:00 - 1:00
RSVP to 822-5630

Sept 21 Lean Mfg Simulation
Workshop
Presented by Value Flow Systems & Morden Chamber of Commerce

Oct 14 Chamber Awards Gala
5:30 Cocktails & Live Music
6:00 Dinner
Guest Speaker and Business Awards to follow.

Oct 18 Essential Skills for Women In Transition
6-week course
Mon & Fri: 9am - noon
Morden Library

Oct 19 All Candidates Forum
Morden Friendship Centre

Oct 27 Election Day



MEET a **GOLD** MEDALIST



Michelle Stillwell
Paralympic
Gold Medalist
PRESENTED BY
**Morden & District
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE**

Thursday October 14, 2010
Timbers At Minnewasta

Michelle Stillwell will be the guest speaker at the Morden Chamber Awards Gala. This will be a black tie event where four businesses will be presented with awards. The categories are: Innovation, Best Marketing Campaign, Customer Service Excellence and Community Influence Award. We will be sending a list of people who have been nominated for the awards in the next week, nominations will remain open until September 16, 2010. The following is a brief bio on Michelle Stillwell, she brings a message of determination and success.

Michelle is the 2008 Paralympic Champion and World Record Holder in the 100m and 200m and is trading her sprint training in for marathon for the 2012 Paralympic Games.

Outside of her sport, she works to promote opportunities in the workforce for people with disabilities, she loves to swim and ride her bike with her husband and son.

At the age of 17 Michelle was rendered quadriplegic after falling from a friends back while piggyback riding. Prior to her injury Michelle was involved in many sports. She excelled at track, basketball and ringette. Her injury has not put a stop to her enjoyment of these sports...just a few alterations.

A gold medalist at the 2000 Paralympic Games in Wheelchair Basketball, Michelle Stilwell is no stranger to athletic success. However, Michelle was forced to quit basketball shortly after the games. She moved to a whole new sport and channelled her competitive drive and passion for sport into making one of the most meteoric rises for any Canadian athlete evergoing from a novice Wheelchair racer to World Champion in just two years. In fact, in 2006 she won a Gold medal and set a new games record at the World Championships in the 200m and captured silver in the 100m.

Michelle actively speaks about the stages of her life, the circumstances that brought her to become a wheelchair athlete, her major victories, and her minor disappointments.

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New Location:
385 Main Street
ALG Professional Centre
Winkler, MB
R6W 4A9

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Community Announcements



A Fresh Look At Marketing Your Business

Thursday, September 23, 2010
Morden Motor Inn, 8:30 & 10:30 am

We know that communicating effectively with your customers and potential customers is critical for any business. Very often, successful advertising is what separates growing and profitable companies from the rest. Simmons Broadcasting has invited national marketing consultant, Tom Pierce to host a series of one hour marketing workshops to help local businesses. In this hour, Tom will give you new ways to get the most impact from your marketing efforts. More than 8,000 businesses in more than 70 cities across North America have learned innovative marketing solutions. Give him an hour, and he'll give you some ideas to take home that will boost your marketing effectiveness every day, in any medium!

RSVP to: Dantin Reimer 822.8000 Mav105Info@mts.net
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Developing Skilled Labour & Training

Partnering Regionally to accomplish more. Announcement presented Winkler & District Chamber of Commerce.

Working together with the Business Communities in Providing Skilled Labor and Training Opportunities in southern Manitoba, we hope you will share this email with your memberships.

Attached please find Industrial Electrical Maintenance Certificate Course being offered at Red River Winkler Campus on October 4, 2010 December 31/2010. This course is considered full time by Employment Manitoba, perhaps your business will support an upgrade of employees. Currently there are 3 candidates registered, course requires 6 candidates to deliver.

Contacting Apprenticeship Manitoba to ascertain the accreditation process we are advised;
Once the candidates have completed the course and have secured a position as an apprentice they can request a level placement exam to exempt them from level 1 of technical training.

Should you have any questions, please contact Red River College Winkler Campus at (204) 325-9672 or www.rrc.mb.ca

Or Apprenticeship Manitoba at 1-877-978-7233 or email apprenticeship@gov.mb.ca or <http://www.manitoba.ca/tradecareers/>

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Investors Group

204-729-2000

Local Consultants: Thor Thorleifson, Brian Callum, Dale Dobson, Bill McKittrick and Darren Zarn.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morden Area Foundation wants to remind you that the next round of grant applications are due October 1, 2010. Talk to a board member or contact Thor Thorleifson at mdnfdn@mts.net. Board members of the Morden Area Foundation are: Kathie Richie, Andreas Maier, Randy Kehler, David Weiss, Carla Warkentin, Linda Knight, Earl Lautenschlager, Ron Westfall and Jamie Hartry.

Understanding Good Governance

Article 1

As we head into elections at the end of October, I thought I would include a series of articles that discuss what GOOD GOVERNANCE looks like. Below is an excerpt from: "Governance Barometer: Policy guidelines for good governance" Website of South Africa's National Party

"Efforts to create an enabling environment and to build capacities will be wasted if the political context is not favourable. Ultimately, better governance requires political renewal. This means a concerted attack on corruption from the highest to lowest level. This can be done by setting a good example, by strengthening accountability, by encouraging public debate, and by nurturing a free press. It also means ... fostering grassroots and non-governmental organizations such as farmers' associations, chamber of commerce's, co-operatives, and women's groups".