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At left, MCpl Rob Nepinak, stopping the vehicle, conducts a check point on a chilly day during exercises for Op Podium. Above, media are briefed at another checkpoint.
Photos by Sara Cumming

Shilo trains for Olympics security

By **BRUCE PEEVER**
Shilo Stag

A lack of snow meant improvisation for CFB Shilo soldiers training for the Olympics as part of Operation Podium. On the day before the Dec. 1 snowstorm, a tracked BV206 used mounds of sand to stand in for the usual snow found here in abundance most years. For members of the media travelling in the bouncing BV carrier, choking sand dust added a certain realism to the overall operation.

Op Podium is this base's commitment to the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. Some 200 2PPCLI members will assist the RCMP in supplying security in the mountainous back country surrounding Olympic sites at Whistler. Troops from Shilo will spend up to 11 weeks in Whistler as part of the 3,700 person strong CF security commitment which also includes Navy forces patrolling the coast and Air Force personnel in the

skies above.

According to Maj Jay Adair, helping the RCMP with security at the Olympics shows how flexible our trained Canadian soldiers can be.

"The RCMP camp commander was just here and there were a number of lessons that were taught together. It's important we be able to do this kind of training face to face. At the end of the day it demonstrates how capable we are operating in Kandahar as well as at Whistler," Maj Adair stated.

Security training for the Olympics runs the gamut from searching for lost hikers, to unruly crowd control to a possible bomb threat. On the day the *Stag* and other media were invited, soldiers were training for bomb disposal and security measures resulting from that threat. Maj Adair said this exercise was a "worse case scenario, but that is what we train for." A veteran of three tours in Afghanistan, he indicated he's looking forward to taking Charlie Company to

the Olympics.

"We could be dealing with belligerents in a security zone, or a hostile crowd," Maj Adair explained.

During Op Podium, several BV206 units along with snowmobiles from CFB Shilo will be used at the Olympic site. MCpl Rob Nepinak of 2PPCLI said check stop training was also part of the exercise.

"Any training is of benefit to us. I have never done a domestic operation before but I have been in Afghanistan three times," he stated as he manned a checkpoint in the training area.

Capt Victor Mover showed media a command post that will be similar to that used at the Olympic site. He pointed out most soldiers will get a feeling of pride helping out in their home country.

"You can sit in Brandon and watch the Olympics on television. But to be there and contribute in a small way to the Olympics, that's probably something we will not be able to do again," he said.

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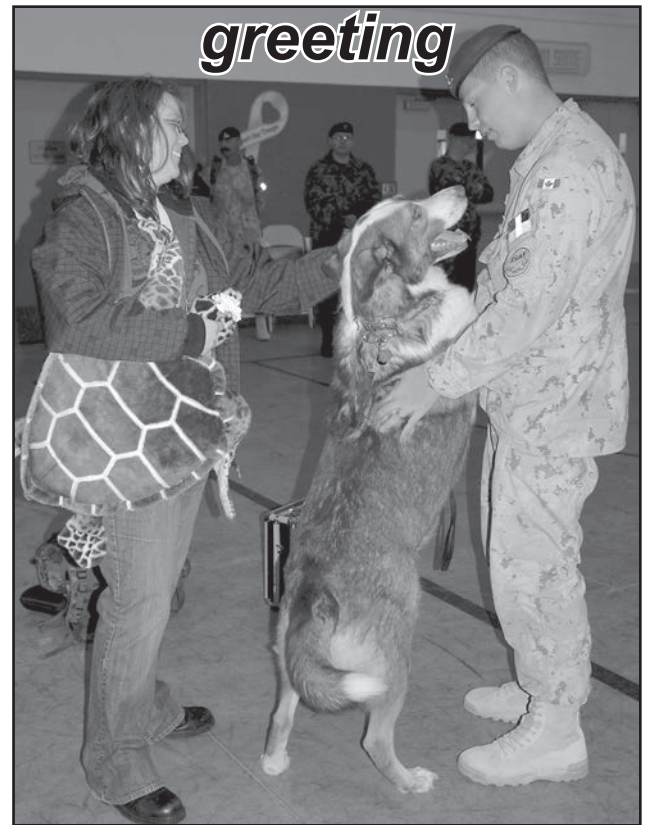


Left: MCpl Andre Haight accepts Soldier of the Year honours from Col Lamarre. Right: Barry (Wade) Miller is presented with an award for Civilian of the Year.



Photos by Sara Cumming

An enthusiastic greeting



Bdr Matt Bonville is greeted by his wife Becky and dog Baxter at the MPTF on Nov. 25. Bonville was in Afghanistan for nine months with a group of about 20 Shilo soldiers who were part of the National Command Element.

Photo by Sara Cumming

1ASG commander names top soldier, civilian during address

By **BRUCE PEEVER**
Shilo Stag

It's rare that both the year's top civilian and top soldier hail from the same unit.

But as Col Charles Lamarre, Comd 1ASG pointed out at a town hall Nov. 27, CFB Shilo itself is a special place. A large crowd filled the Multi-Purpose Training Centre for the presentations and remarks from the support group commander.

Soldier of the Year honours were extended to MCpl Andre Haight of 731 Signals Sqn. His leadership, along with his involvement in the community and work with autistic children, were deciding factors in his receiving the award, according to the commander.

Civilian of the Year ac-

colades were forwarded to Barry (Wade) Miller of Base Maintenance. Col Lamarre pointed out that with various Task Forces postings, those left behind have to pick up the slack and this was something Miller provided frequently.

Also thanked for their long service was Robert (Gerald) Sear for 25 years of dedication and Ron McCulloch, Attendant at Gunner Arena, for his 15 years of service.

In his remarks, Col Lamarre said he recognizes the effort CFB Shilo makes to ensure the best trained soldiers are dispatched into troubled areas.

"I want to thank you for your support for getting Task Force 3-09 out the door. Tens of thousands of soldiers are being sent to the other side of the world and the end

result is every six months we are sending 2,300 to 5,000 of the best trained soldiers anywhere. This is all due to you folks back here, doing all the heavy lifting," Col Lamarre stated.

On the topic of finances, the 1ASG commander reminded the audience that infrastructure will have to suffer given the current budget squeeze. He likened some \$25 million in budget cuts to not being able to fix the roof on your house. The result might be bearable the first year or so, he said, but catastrophic in the amount needed to fix it five or six years down the road.

"Sending troops overseas is very expensive," Col Lamarre stated. "But we have to be conscious over infrastructure. We are conscious of your

buildings that needed to be torn down 10 to 15 years ago."

When asked a question regarding retention and junior ranks leadership, the 1ASG commander pointed out that each of us desires a challenging job.

"You need to have fun, for example adventure training. You also have to look at the fact right now, 70 percent of Canadians are without a good pension plan. Everyone in this room right now has that pension," he said.

Winding up his remarks, Col Lamarre urged soldiers to enjoy their Christmas leave and to remember the use of designated drivers.


"Thank you for all the work you do. We are extremely proud of you, especially those from this base," he concluded.

Manitoba's new premier visits Shilo



From left, Jim MacKenzie, FS&R Director, MWO Stephen Walsh, BCWO, and LCol Luc Généreux, BComd, greet Manitoba Premier Greg Selinger at the Shilo Community Centre on Nov. 25. Selinger met with the families of deployed soldiers during his visit.

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Everyone was beaming Dec. 8 as the 2009 United Way campaign wound down at L-25. A total of \$37,502.29 was raised on base this year, far exceeding the \$25,000 local goal. LCol Luc G n reux, BComd at left is joined by UW Chair Barry Cullen and Juno the army mascot.

Photo by Bruce Peever



Soldiers line up at the MPTF on Dec. 2 to receive Sacrifice Medals. The honour was created in 2008 by Queen Elizabeth II to recognize CF members, military or civilian, or those working for an allied force, who are killed or wounded under honourable circumstances as a result of hostile action or perceived hostile action. The following Shilo soldiers received Sacrifice Medals: Sgt J.D. Bickerton, Sgt S.A. Corcoran, MCpl D. Rostek, Cpl G.S. Kirkland, Cpl J.E. Kohinski, and Cpl C.J. Palahicky. Maj S.A. Grubb and Cpl S.D. Stoesz received the Sacrifice Medal and Bar, while Cpl Kirkland and Cpl R.B. Turner were presented with Commander Canadian Expeditionary Force Commendations.

Photo by Cara Czech

Junior Officer Course welcomes artillery members

By 2Lt Tegart and Lt Prymack

The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery's Junior Officer Course (JOC), which ran from November 18 to 21, saw junior officers from both the regular force and reserve units gather in Shilo to contribute to their professional development as leaders and expand their knowledge of their shared heritage as Canadian Gunners. The course also served to welcome newly qualified regular force members as well as reservists to the Artillery family.

Over the four day course, students attended lectures and discussed topics as diverse as the role of an army officer in Canadian society, the artillery's role in Canadian history, and artillery transformation. We were exposed to more of the Regiment's tradition and history during a tour of the RCA Museum and took part in a mess dinner. In addition to junior artillery officers, we also welcomed two EME

officers, the Technical Adjutants of both 1 and 2RCHA. They brought a different perspective to discussions, making for a more holistic dialogue with a broader perspective from the personnel that keep the artillery going. This mix of officers, combined with the variety and experience of the speakers, provided for excellent discussion throughout the course. The course was very eye-opening from the perspective of a junior officer because it revealed to us the rich and colourful heritage of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery.

The amount of experience we were exposed to was immense. Notable speakers included MGen Beare, LGen (Ret'd) Jeffery, WWII forward observation officer (FOO) LCol (Ret'd) Baker, the Honourable LGen (Ret'd) Dallaire, and numerous other special guests. We listened how LCol (Ret'd) Baker landed in Normandy, and after training for years to be a command post officer (CPO), was

suddenly promoted to FOO of an armoured squadron. We were educated on RCA involvement in the Oka Crisis, Gulf War and beyond. Also we were able to get some advice from a troop commander (TC) and a FOO who had just returned from Afghanistan. That was particularly important for us as many of the students on the course will be deploying to that theatre of operations in the near future.

On November 21 the students also attended the Canoe River Memorial and the firing of LGen Arp's last round by M777 in the Shilo

training area. The firing of a round to mark the end of a Gunner's active service is a tradition within the RCA. LGen Arp retired after nearly 35 years of service to the CF; serving in 1RCHA, 2RCHA, and 3RCHA and commanding 1RCHA before serving in a variety of positions in Ottawa, and with NATO. LGen Arp's last position was Chief of Staff, NATO Headquarters Supreme Allied Command Transformation in Norfolk, VA.

By the end of the four days, which was crowned by a mess dinner, students left Shilo

exhausted, but filled with the warm and fuzzy feeling that they are indeed part of the family that is the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery. All participants benefited greatly from the experience and as a result, are more aware of what it is to be

a part of the Royal Regiment and what part the Artillery has played in our country's military history.

2Lt Tegart and Lt Prymack are junior officers with 1RCHA and took part in the Junior Officer Course.

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Family, timely snowfall made this Christmas memorable

Christmas is a wonderful time of the year, full of joy and happiness and giving.

My favourite part of Christmas is the first snow fall. Sometimes it snows in September, sometimes in October and rarely on Christmas Day — but that has happened. Miracles happen at Christmas. Christmas is such an awesome holiday.

One year, I was awakened by an excited eight-year-old. As I tried to wipe away the sleep in my eyes, my sister frantically danced around. I stumbled my way to my brothers' room to wake them. My sister was more than happy to jump up and down on my mom's bouncy, comfy double sized bed.

After I saw that my brothers were up I checked to see if Santa really did come. I rushed to the kitchen and on our counter was an empty glass of milk and some cookie crumbs and a half eaten cookie. I quickly looked under our lighted, beautiful

Christmas tree and what I saw was four nicely placed stockings and four wrapped presents from Santa. Next to four presents was a single movie with my mom's name on it. The tag read to: Mary, Love: Santa!

Ever since my mom had seen an old preview for 'Monsters Inc.', she had been determined to find it in one of the stores, but she just couldn't. My mother had decided to ask Santa Clause for it, and on Christmas Day, next to our four gleaming presents, was my mother's nicely placed movie, 'Monsters Inc.'

Mom gave us our stockings and we all pulled something out one by one. I grabbed our video recorder and gently handed it to my loving and caring mother. As she taped and watched us smile with happiness and glee she looked happy and grateful.

Mom tries every year to put lots of presents under our tree and she succeeds. But what she doesn't know is that we

are just happy to be able to be together on Christmas Day each and every year.

My dad used to always say "It's a piano," when he handed us our presents. But since he left when I was 10, my older brother now says "It's a piano" and hands us our presents. Now, no matter what the size of the present, my brother always says it with happiness in his voice and a smile on his face.

After we were all done opening our presents, we all opened and played with our toys and games. My little brother was busy playing a video game. My little sister was eating the chocolate she got in her stocking, and my big brother was already testing his PsP games. So I was stuck helping my mom pick up all the wrapping paper off our smooth and soft carpet. When I was picking up all the wrapping I found my self peeling off the tape on the carpet as well.

When everyone was cleaned up and ready

to eat we all sat down to our juicy turkey and melt-in-your-mouth potatoes. We had gravy, cranberry sauce and vegetables — all that Christmas dinner needs.

After we all finished eating our delicious supper we all gathered into the living room and covered up with 'blankets'. Mom put on 'The Elf' and we all watched and laughed together

as a big happy holiday family. My sister fell asleep half-way through and my little brother fell asleep towards the end. My older brother left to go to his room to play his games and mom fell asleep on the couch.

As for me, I watched the movie again and then decided to go to bed. But before I did I looked at my little sister and smiled. My brother

and mom looked happy too.

As I laid my head down to sleep I thought about all the great things that happened that day: food, gifts, family, happiness, trees ... And then I look out the window and see a light snow fall.

Merry Christmas! :)

Savanah Lepine
Sprucewoods

Christmas Recipe winner

Pecan Pie Ginger Cheesecake

Here is an easy, yet yummy recipe:

Pecan Pie Ginger Cheesecake

- 1 refrigerated pie crust, softened
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup finely chopped crystallized ginger

Topping

- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 3/4 cup firmly packed

- brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 2 cups pecan pieces


Heat oven to 350°F. Prepare pie crust as directed on package for one crust filled pie, using a nine inch glass pie pan or deep dish pie pan. In a medium bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar, 1/2 tsp vanilla and one egg; beat at medium speed until smooth. Stir in ginger. Spoon and spread filling in crust-lined pan.


In large bowl, combine flour and butter; mix well. Add brown sugar, 1 tsp. vanilla and two eggs; mix well. Stir in pecans. Carefully spoon mixture evenly over filling.

Bake at 350°F for 40-50 minutes or until centre is set and crust is golden brown.

Cool one hour. Refrigerate two hours or until thoroughly chilled. Store in fridge.

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Torch Run through Shilo Jan. 8

By **BRUCE PEEVER**
Shilo Stag

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Some 20 members of the Canadian Forces based here, both military and civilian, will run the torch from one end of Royal Avenue to the other, with hundreds expected to cheer on from the sidelines. Runners will enter the South Gate and travel north the length of Royal before heading off towards Sprucewoods and the 340 Esso. The torch run then proceeds into Brandon where it will stay the night.

According to local organizer and BPAO Lori Truscott, area students should be out in full force cheering the flame on. All others are urged to attend as well, with the torch expected around 4:30 p.m. in Shilo that Friday.

"Everyone is invited to cheer this on. This is a rare opportunity," Truscott stated.

Among the lucky few nominated for the Shilo torch run is MWO Donald Askeland of 2PPCLI. Four members of his battalion including Capt Chelsea Braybook, MCpl Adam Cyr and Cpl Glen Kirkland were all nominated by superiors for the local run.

"We will be out there on Jan. 8. My kids will be there as well and I'm sure all members of the battalion too," the MWO informed.

Currently busy training for Op Podium, the CF security force for the



This poster shows the parade route the Olympic Torch Run will take through Shilo on Friday, Jan. 8, 2010.

Vancouver Olympics, MWO Askeland says he has not thought a lot about his new role. But he has noticed others asking him about his part in the Canada-wide torch relay.

"I have not had the time to really think about it, to take it all in. I do know we are going to a dinner that day, sponsored by RBC, with other runners in the area and we will have a little 'how-to' and then we'll run. It's about 300 metres," MWO Askeland stated.



The Showband from Air Command Band played its annual Christmas concert at the General Strange Hall theatre on Nov. 27. The Air Command Band, based out of 17 Wing Winnipeg, is a full-time ensemble that performs throughout Canada and in various countries around the world. The Showband performed everything from Christmas standards to Taylor Swift and Lynyrd Skynyrd covers to a delighted audience made up of mostly students from Douglas School, École La Source, and O'Kelly School.

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- To think clearly and avoid potential problems, plan to drink minimally or not at all so that you can stay in control and look after your guests.

- Keep non-alcoholic beverages on hand for non-drinkers and designated drivers. Fruit juices, pop, mocktails, non-alcoholic punches are proven favourites with non-drinkers.

- Serve drinks yourself or designate a bartender instead of having an open bar as guests usually drink more when they serve themselves. Avoid serving doubles and keep a shot glass next to the bottles – good measurement makes all the difference.

- Put the liquor away at least an hour before

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If you can't get your guest home safely, insist that he or she stay overnight. A little embarrassment is a small price to pay to avoid a drinking and driving tragedy.

Source: Host: MLCC's Guide for Responsible Entertaining



"A" Battery wins Kingston Cup



A player from "B" Battery (far left) chases after the puck in an effort to defend his net from two "A" Battery players. The two batteries competed against each other for the Kingston Cup, with "A" Battery winning the game 4-2.

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photo by Sara Cumming

By Wanda Janssen

On December 2 the volunteers of the MFRC were given a desert theatrical presentation from Spotlight on Shilo. The evening started out with 27 volunteers enjoying conversation with each other when all of a sudden the helpers who were hired to serve started arguing and fighting quite loudly. The main problem was Linda B., who always has to be the boss of everything, finely met her maker and ended up dead! We tried really

hard to find out who the killer was and finally one of the volunteers came up with the killer.

The volunteers enjoyed a great selection of desserts and we wrapped up the evening with a gift exchange. I would like to thank everyone who attended and to thank all the volunteers of the MFRC for all your time and dedication that you gave to this event. I wish you all the best over the holidays.

Wanda Janssen is the Volunteer Coordinator for the MFRC.



Saskatchewan Scholarship of Honour for CF

By Karen Burton

In March of 2009 the Premier of Saskatchewan announced the Scholarship of Honour to recognize Saskatchewan men and women serving in the Canadian Forces. The value of the scholarship is \$5,000 and is available to returning soldiers and their families (spouse and children) and all may apply for the scholarship concurrently.

The Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Labour is responsible for administering the Saskatchewan Scholarship of Honour through the Student Financial Assistance Branch. To be eligible for the scholarship, a candidate must be enrolled in a post-secondary institution anywhere in Canada with a program of study start

date on or after March 2, 2009; and a returning soldier who actively served in designated military operations in the Canadian Forces (regular or reserves), after January 2001; and a returning soldier who is a current or former Saskatchewan resident; or the spouse or child of a permanently disabled or deceased soldier who served in designated military operations after January 2001 and who is or was a Saskatchewan resident.

If you have any questions about the Saskatchewan Scholarship of Honour, please visit their website at www.student-loans.sk.ca or call toll free 1-800-597-8278

Karen Burton is the Outreach & Information Coordinator for the MFRC.

Supernanny secrets revealed

By Karen Burton

The Shilo MFRC has once again partnered with Child & Family Services of Western Manitoba to bring the Supernanny Secrets Revealed parenting program to Shilo. The Supernanny Secrets Revealed program, which includes the keys to successful parenting and which secrets work, is a six week program starting January 14. The program aims to teach parents effective skills to create an environment in which their children can learn respect, instill courage and build self esteem.

"We ran the program in the spring of 2009 and had an overwhelming response from the community," said Dana Thompson, Children's Services Coordinator for the MFRC. "The participants found the individual attention to challenging issues and solution based tools very effective to increasing their parenting skills and the overall happiness of their children."

The foundation of the program is to help individuals become more effective parents. It is often difficult for parents to know what style of par-

enting works best and this program aims to take the guess work out of being a good parent.

Through the use of communication to encourage cooperation and respect and the right ways to use natural and logical consequences, parents will develop a sense of responsibility and cooperation with their children. The course will also cover effective discipline techniques, teaching children how to manage their anger and the pros and cons of rewards and punishments.

The program will take place at the Shilo Com-

munity Centre on Thursdays starting January 14 - February 18 from 1:15pm - 3:45pm. The program will be presented by Val Caldwell of Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba.

For more information or to register please contact the MFRC at 765-3000 ext 3352 by Friday, December 18th.

Free childcare will be provided upon request at the Shilo Occasional Childcare centre. Spaces are limited so be sure to book ahead.

Karen Burton is the Outreach & Information Coordinator for the MFRC.

www.shilomfrc.ca

What's on Your Agenda?



Shilo Al-Anon

Family Groups (for family and friends of alcoholics)
Every Thursday 7 p.m.
Our Lady of Shilo Church
For more information call
724-9222 CONFIDENTIAL

Shilo Sports Day

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2009
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Place: GSH
Age: 6-12 years
Date: December 30, 2009
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Cost: GSH Members - FREE
Non-GSH Members - \$5.00
Register: Community Centre/
Recreation Office
Phone in registration:
765-3000 ext. 3588/3317
(Credit card ONLY)
Deadline: December 18, 2009

H1N1 Flu Clinic Update

The Brandon RHA is encouraging people not on the original priority list to wait for future clinics already set for the next 3 weeks with extended hours:
Those clinics will be at the Town Centre as follows:
Dec. 10 - 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Dec. 12 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

PSP Recreation

is looking for an energetic person to teach a children's skating program. The program will run every Monday night for ten weeks starting Jan. 2010.
For more information please contact the Recreation Office at 765-3000 ext. 3317/3588

Christmas Display Contest

1st Prize - \$ 150.00
2nd Prize - \$100.00
3rd Prize - \$75.00
Decorate NOW! Judging on Dec. 16 at 6:00 p.m.
Starting Sept. 8
Dr. Stephan Engelbrecht will be coming to the Shilo Clinic from 9 a.m. - noon. For appointments call 765-2302

The RCA Museum

Due to popular demand, the temporary exhibition "Light Armour", featuring a Stuart Light Tank, has been extended until June 30, 2010.
The museum will be closed from December 19 until January 3 for Christmas holidays. Happy New Year!! To ring in 2010 the RCA museum will be open free of charge January 4-31 with all visitors eligible to win a copy of the special edition "Passchendale" DVD and a movie poster signed by Paul Gross.
The museum will provide a historic vehicle to escort the Olympic Flame through CFB Shilo on Jan. 8.

Thank You

A most sincere thank you to all our family & friends who gave their condolences, gifts of flowers, food and helped us through this difficult time. Special thank-you to Dr. Sietz & Shelley for the excellent care and kindness they gave to Leanne. Thank you to all the volunteers at Sprucewood Community Hall for all their help in organizing the lunch.
Jack Rody & Family

It's that time of year again!!

Winter is upon us and that means the Waterfall of Lights in Brandon is ready for the season! The lights will be turned on at dusk, Dec. 4, and will be on every evening throughout the winter season until 11 p.m.
The opening of the skating oval is dependent upon the weather; stay tuned for more details on the opening date. Please note that due to bridge construction the winter lights road will be two way traffic. Please use care and caution.

National Lifeguard Service Course (NLS)

Fri Jan. 22 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Fri Jan. 29 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Fri Feb. 5 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Fri Feb. 12 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Fri Feb. 16 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Registration deadline Friday, Jan. 15, 2010
Proof of all pre-requisites are required at the first day of the course
Bronze Cross (does not need to be current), Standard First Aid (needs to be current), 16 years of age by exam date
Cost: \$350
(Includes course manual, whistle, barrier device and exam)

The Brandon & Area Suicide Bereavement Support Group

is for people who have lost a loved one to suicide. All are welcome. 4th Wednesday of every month 7-8:30 p.m.
The group meets at the Manitoba Farm & Rural Stress Line office Unit 1,
217 10th St. Brandon (across from Westoba Credit Union)
571-4183

Daly House Museum

122 - 18th Street Brandon has been decorated for Christmas. Give your friends and family a unique Christmas experience by attending the History of Christmas celebrations from years gone by.
Tour guides are in period costume.
Pre-booked tours will be held on Saturday Dec. 12.
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tickets are \$10.00 each and now on sale.
Open Tuesday to Saturday.
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
To order tickets and for more info, please call 727-1722.

Volunteers Needed

The Canadian Cancer Society has volunteer positions available for every interest and time constraint, including data entry, phoning, poster delivery and organizing events. Call Kristen at 571-2804.

BINGO

Sprucewoods Community Hall every Thursday evening
• Share The Wealth at 6:30pm
• Early Birds at 7:00pm
\$Win Cash\$
\$1000 in 52 numbers
Canteen open!

CLASSIFIED ADS

**\$10 for first 20 words,
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**Deadline for next issue:
January 14, 12:00 PM**

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Email: stag@mts.net • Phone 765-3000, ext 3013 • Fax 765-3814

For Rent

2BR apartment for rent in Wawanesa. \$500 + utilities. 824-2248 or 729-7608

For Sale

2001 SIR Mobile home to be moved, open concept design with vaulted ceilings in kitchen and living room, large master bedroom with ensuite, jacuzzi tub, and walk-in closet, spacious kitchen with oak cupboards and walk-in pantry, electric forced air, blocking and skirting included, appliances negotiable, home is in great condition, call for viewing at 763-4139 or cell 724-5072.

Wawanesa area 160 scenic wooded acres with beautiful 2008 sq ft - 2 year old home - attached double garage, lovely yard area - mature oak trees located 10 miles South East of Wawanesa MLS # 291-7638 Dave Mooney 824-2094 Countryland Realty.

Star Choice/Shaw Direct Receiver box Motorola DSR 205 Perfect for that extra TV. \$50 call 763-8776 after 4:30

For Sale

For sale: Large dog kennel \$100. Kitchen table & two chairs & extension \$75. Computer desk and chair \$75. Small wooden shelf \$20. Black wall unit \$100. Call 765-4556.

Noble Lake - South of Wasanesa 7 miles. 2 level log home over 2500 sq ft. This beautiful home is located on 4 large lots 3 are lakefront total of 290 ft on the lake. Very private - beautiful spot come take a look at this special place. Dave Mooney 824-2094 Countryland Realty.

Beautifully treed half acre lot for sale in Sprucewoods, asking price is 20,000. Feel free to call or email me for pictures at 765-5108 or cell 721-1738 or email kira_ledarney@hotmail.com.

Beautiful River Front Property

7.25 Acres only 10 minutes from Shilo Asking \$75,000 Call 204-724-6719

Wawanesa 3BR bungalow - finished basement - new garage - asking \$145,000 - willing to deal with agent - call 720-8768 or sendareply2@gmail.com

Free

FREE to a good home! 4 kittens, 3 black females 1 orange male tabby. Call local 3409 or 765-4975

Services

Childcare space available immediately. Please contact Rachael Taylor 702-0003 at \$30/day per child.

Housecleaning svcs. avail. Call Trish @ 763-4507 to make an appt. Criminal record check avail.

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Services



St. Barbara's

Protestant Chapel

Sundays @ 1030 with Sunday School & Nursery

Rev Wilson - ext 3088

Padre King - ext 3381

Padre Olive - ext 6836

Our Lady of Shilo

Roman Catholic Chapel

Sundays 1030 hrs

Confession 1000 hrs

Weekday Mass - Wednesday

to Friday, 1205 hrs

Padre Boyden - ext 3089

Wanted

Nursery Attendant Needed for St. Barbara's Chapel. Hours: 10:00 to 12:00 Every Sunday. First aid course an asset.

Female personal attendant. No experience needed. Location Shilo. Perm/PT 765-2542

Wanted

It's that time of year again, time to start thinking about the holidays that are fast approaching. Let "Baking by Crystal" take some of the preparations off your hands. I do homemade pies, cakes, cookies and squares. I have dozens of recipes to choose from and can also do dessert/cookie trays. Call 765-2484 to place and order or for more info. Get your orders in early to guarantee they will be able to be filled.

Our Lady of Shilo Chapel is looking for a full-time music coordinator for Sunday masses. We are looking for someone to sing and play piano and/or guitar. Should be able to engage both younger and older church members. The Position is full-time, beginning the first Sunday in October or as soon as possible. Mass is 10:30 am each Sunday with additional hours on religious holidays. If transportation to CFB Shilo is required, it can be arranged. Pay is \$60 for each Sunday or other engagement. This will in all likelihood be increased to \$100 in the new year. Interested parties may contact Father Kelly directly at: Kelly.Boyden@forces.gc.ca Cell: (204) 573-5035

Wanted

Shilo GSH Swimming Pool is looking for casual lifeguards to commence employment immediately. Applicants should be NLS, first aid and CPR qualified. Starting wage is \$11.05-\$12.20, depending on qualifications and experience.
Please submit a cover letter and resume to NPF Human Resources, PO Box 5000 Station Main, Shilo, MB R0K 2A0, by fax at (204) 765-3815, by email to nairn.dana@cfpsa.com or online at www.cfpsa.com.

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O'Kelly
News



Celebrating the holiday season at O'Kelly School

By Jordan M.

Hello from O'Kelly School!

December is here, and with it comes snow and colder weather. Please, please remember to send students dressed warmly in their hats, coats, mitts, boots, scarves and ski pants.

December is the Christmas season, and O'Kelly has many fun activities planned for the students (and parents) to celebrate this time of giving.

On Dec. 4, the students and teachers enjoyed our annual Christmas Dinner of turkey, buns, celery, carrots, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and whatever else was put in front of us.

The annual Christmas Concert will be taking place on the Dec. 11, at 1:00 in the gym. All families welcome. NOTE: please remember that there is a \$1.00 admission fee per person!! The primary grades will perform, followed by the musical "It's Christmas, Carol" performed by students

from grades 3-7. Kudos to Mrs. Nikolaison, the music teacher.

We will be having not one, but two carol sings this year. The first will take place on Dec. 16 at 10:45 a.m. in the gym. Parents welcome.

The second carol sing will take place on the Dec. 18, the last day of school, at 9:30 am. Again, parents welcome.

Last but not least, the thing that has most students jumping for joy... CHRISTMAS VACATION!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The last day of school is Dec. 18, and classes will resume on Jan. 4th.

Also, congratulations to the new student council, Cody, Taylor, Nick, and Tamara. They are currently planning a hot dog day to raise money for student council.

Well, that's all from me, the O'Kelly correspondent for the Shilo Stag. Until next time, Happy Holidays!

Jordan M. is a Grade 8 student at O'Kelly School.

SISIP's 40th anniversary



Photo by Bruce Peever

SISIP insurance representative Bernard Savoie, right, and Maj Neil Gregory, Shilo Chief of Staff, cut the cake to celebrate SISIP's 40th anniversary on Dec. 4.

Correction

A photo published in the Nov. 26 *Shilo Stag* contained some incorrect information.

It should be noted that Health Support Services Manager Sylvia Budd was recognized for her work with the Employee Assistance Program, not the H1N1 crisis as stated. According to Maj Paul

Caines, the commendation to Budd was "In recognition of exceptional leadership, dedication and professionalism as Employee Assistance Program Chairperson which had greatly enhanced the welfare of CFB Shilo personnel."

The *Stag* regrets any confusion.

CANEX holiday hours

CANEX SuperMart holiday hours
Dec. 14 - Jan. 3

Monday to Saturday:
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
MiniMart 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday:
Noon - 5:00 p.m.

Regular hours will return Jan. 4, 2010.



WARNING SHILO RANGES

Day and night firing will be carried out at the Shilo Ranges until further notice.

The range consists of DND controlled property lying approximately 32 kms SE from Brandon and N of the Assiniboine River in Townships 7, 8 and 9; Range 14 WPM, Townships 8, 9 and 10; Ranges 15 and 16 WPM and Townships 9 and 10; Range 17 WPM in the Province of Manitoba. If required, a detailed description of the Shilo property may be obtained from the Base Construction Engineering Office at Canadian Forces Base Shilo.

All boundaries, entry ways, roads and tracks into the Range are clearly marked and posted with signs indicating that there is to be NO TRESPASSING. Hunting is no longer permitted on the Shilo Ranges.

STRAY AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVE OBJECTS

Bombs, grenades, shells, similar explosive objects, and their casings are a hazard to life and limb. Do not pick up or retain such objects as souvenirs. If you have found or have in your possession any object which you believe to be an explosive, notify your local police and arrangements will be made to dispose of it.

No unauthorized person may enter this area and trespassing on the area is strictly prohibited.

BY ORDER
Deputy Minister
Department of National Defense

OTTAWA, CANADA
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AVERTISSEMENT POLYGOUES DE TIR DE SHILO

Des tirs de jour et de nuit seront effectués aux polygones de tir de Shilo jusqu'à nouvel ordre.

Les polygones de tir sont des terrains sous le contrôle du MDN situés à environ 32 km au sud-est de Brandon et au nord de la rivière Assiniboine dans les cantons 7, 8 et 9; polygone 14 OMP, cantons 8, 9 et 10; polygones 15 et 16 OMP et cantons 9 et 10; polygone 17 OMP, dans la Province du Manitoba. Au besoin, une description détaillée de la propriété de Shilo peut être obtenue du Bureau du génie construction de la Base des Forces canadiennes Shilo.

Toutes les limites, voies d'accès, routes et sentiers menant aux polygones sont clairement marqués et ornés d'écriteaux d'ACCÈS INTERDIT. La chasse est dorénavant interdite aux polygones de tir de Shilo.

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Les bombes, grenades, obus et autres engins explosifs similaires et leurs enveloppes peuvent causer des blessures ou entraîner la mort. Ne ramassez pas ces objets et ne les gardez pas comme souvenirs. Si vous avez trouvé ou si vous avez en votre possession un objet que vous croyez être un explosif, signalez-le à la police locale, qui prendra les mesures nécessaires pour l'éliminer.

Aucune personne non autorisée ne peut entrer dans ce secteur où tout accès est strictement interdit.

Par ordre du
Sous-ministre
Ministère de la Défense nationale

Ottawa, Canada
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Women's Resource Centre -
Town Centre Mall
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• 3409 Victoria Ave
Forbidden Flavours
• 1060 18th Street
• 3300 Victoria Ave
ANAF - 31 14th St.

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General Store
Minnedosa
Minnedosa Legion

Shilo

CANEX Mall
Forbidden Flavours
Shilo Community Centre
GSH
Country Club (Rick's)
All Messes

Sprucewoods

The Shilo Inn (Crang's)
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