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"As the patron of the CAF photography contest, I'm thrilled to help promote the important role that photography plays in our lives," said LGen Guy Thibault.
"Photography helps us share our stories and our per-

'Photography helps us share our stories and our perspective on the world around us.' — LGen Guy

Thibault

spective on the world around us, whether that's an in-depth look at a military exercise, or a great shot captured on a family vacation. I encourage all photographers in the CAF community to participate in this year's contest and share their best images of the year

New to the judging panel this year will be retired LCol Jean Lapointe, a talented photographer and fourtime CAF photographer of the year award winner. As a participant-turned-judge, he will bring a unique perspective and critical eye to judging this year's entries.
"Since the judges only have one or two seconds to

assess an image, it is important to choose photos that stand out," said Lapointe.

He will be looking for photos that surprise him, show creativity, and create emotion. "A photo can be technically perfect, but if it doesn't move you in any way, it doesn't stand much of a chance of winning," added Lapointe.

The CAF photography contest is open military members, veterans, Defence

Team employees, and their families.

Deadline for submissions is Sept. 15. For full contest details and to enter, visit www.cafphotocontest.ca



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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

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.

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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 sudest 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 le Base des Forces canadiennes

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Par ordre du Sous-ministre Ministère de la Dédense nationale

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CANEX barbecue winner

Ten family and friends will be enjoying dinner at Tammy Thiessen's home after she won the CANEX backyard barbecue contest. Every time you spent \$50 or more at CFB Shilo's CANEX SuperMart, shoppers received a ballot for their chance to win. And Thiessen did just that



after her ballot was pulled by CANEX manager Rick Kehler, who presented the Broil King barbecue to the winner. "Tammy said she is so excited that she actually won, as she hasn't ever won anything," said Kehler. The value of her prize is more than \$500, and included a propane tank plus food for 10 family and friends. "Thank you to everyone who entered this year's contest," added Kehler. Sponsors for this CANEX contest included Coca Cola, Tank Traders, Obermaiers Sausage and Meats, Frito-Lay's and Old Dutch Foods.

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Passing a stopped school bus in front of O'Kelly School (above) will cost you a \$673.65 ticket from the Military Police. Failing to yield to a pedestrian at a cross walk is another \$143.75 ticket. Cyclists are reminded to dismount from their bikes (below) and walk it across the cross walk.

Photos by Jules Xavier

Drive with caution near schools

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You will be lighter in the wallet if you happen to drive by a stopped school bus on the Base with its flashing lights on.

With the advent of another school year starting at CFB Shilo at two venues, Military Police want to remind motorists to continue to be prudent while driving

in and about the PMQ area — especially within school zones.

"This means respecting the speed limits, rules, and regulations while in the schools bus loading and unloading zones," said Sub-Lt Greg Ansley, the new platoon commander for Shilo Platoon 1 Military Police Regiment, in a Base release.

"To ensure the safety of the community, Military Police will be enforcing the Manitoba Provincial Highway Traffic Act dilignally.

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Examples of some of the offence fines are as follows:

• Passing a stopped school bus \$673.65

Failing to yield to a pedestrian (at a crosswalk) \$143.75

- 10km/hr over the posted limit \$181.50
- 20km/hr over the posted limit \$312.25
- 30km/hr over the posted limit \$442.75

To address any confusion regarding the safety advisory initially released prior to the first day of school Sept. 3, Shilo Military Police want to clarify the law when a bus has its lights flashing:

- Stop at least five metres behind a school bus when the upper red lights begin to flash;
- Do not proceed until the "stop sign" is closed and the red lights stop flashing;
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 - Motorists travelling in both directions must stop for the school bus.

"This law also applies to the loading / unloading zone in front of O'Kelly School," added Sub-Lt Ansley.





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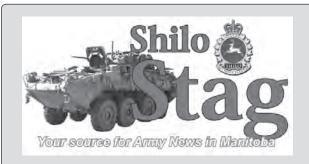
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als in the photo; what is taking place; and the name, rank, and unit of the photographer.



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Sgt Joseph Randolph (left) served in the Civil War with the Michigan infantry, while Hugh Robertson (right) saw action in the Spanish American War. Both war veterans are buried in a rural cemetery in Pewamo, Michigan.

Photos by Jules Xavier

Exploring war history in American cemeteries

More than 4,600 kilometres later, I'm back on Canadian soil following a photo safari to the United States that saw my Ford Escape wheel across North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan.

The return trip was back through Northern Ontario,

via Sault Ste. Marie, after departing from Pewamo, Michigan was less exciting

The trip across the border south of Boissevain was memorable, and afforded this scribe cheaper gas, compared to my vacation trip back — besides scenic views of Lake Superior, Ontario's north is just rock, trees and muskeg between forestry and mining towns.

Not a cemetery to be found off of the highway, where the speed limit was a constant 90 km/hr.

Travelling in the USA, however, afforded this vacationer and his copilot Purdy — my 12-year-old Jack

Russell Terrier — a chance to explore American graveyards. These stops exposed me to plenty of history buried beneath the ground, with the information of their lives etched in the weathered grave stones.

Americans especially take pride in their history, moreso, with those who have served their country in countless wars, from their own Civil War from 1861 to 1865, to the US's declaration of war on Spain on April 25, 1898 following the sinking of the Battleship Maine in Havana harbour on Feb. 15, 1898.

I learned the war ended with the signing of the Treaty of Paris on Dec. 10, 1898. As a result Spain lost its control over the remains of its overseas empire — Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Philippines Islands, Guam,

and other islands.

The signing of the treaty in Paris, France established the independence of Cuba, ceded Puerto Rico and Guam to the United States, and allowed the victorious power to purchase the Philippines Islands from

Spain for \$20 million.

The war had cost the US \$250 million and 3,000 lives, of whom 90 per cent had perished from infectious diseases.

American war veterans, when buried on home soil, have a US flag and marker placed at their grave site. Cemetery visitors instantly know where veterans are interred.

Like Pte Hugh Roberson, who served with the Detroit 15th Bty when he fought in the Spanish American War.

Born on April 12, 1881, he died on Nov. 20, 1965, and is buried in the Village of Pewamo graveyard in Michigan.

Civil War veterans' final resting spots
— those who survived the carnage of
that four-year conflict — dot the landscape of this ru-

ral cemetery.

There's Sgt Joseph Randolph, with the 13th Michigan Infantry. Nearby, lies Robert Clark who was with

the 30th Michigan Infantry.

Their small weathered stones do not provide additional information, like birth or death dates.

This is unlike Capt A.W. Sherwood's tall monument

While which northern unit the then 35-year-old commanded is not engraved on the grave stone, it did tell me he was born on Dec. 29, 1826, and died on Aug. 29, 1895.

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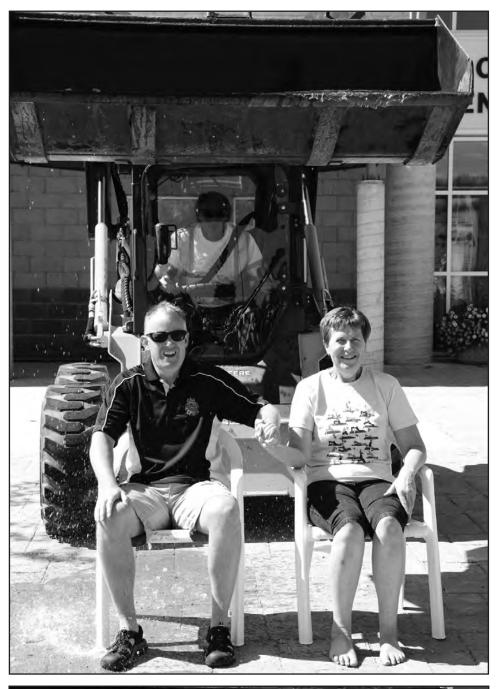
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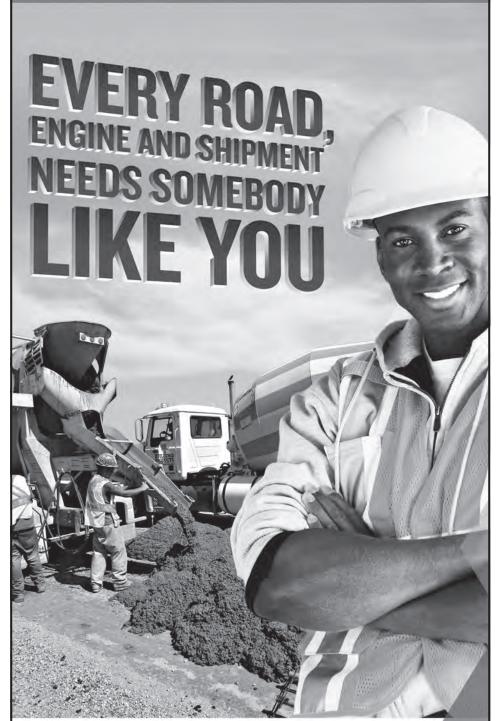
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New Base engineer ready for Army challenges

Jillian Driessen

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For some, military postings are tough to tackle. For Maj Andrew Wall — Shilo's new Base engineer they're an opportunity to see new things, meet new people, as well as expose yourself to new adventures.

This was my first time in the prairies, really. I had done a brief stop in Winnipeg travelling once," recalled Maj Wall of his journey west from Ottawa.

"When the career manager told me I was going to Shilo, I took it as an opportunity to see part of the country I wouldn't have otherwise seen. For my wife, myself, and my children, it's a great opportunity for us to see the country."

Growing up in a military family, Maj Wall is familiar with the joys and challenges of postings. His own father served as both an infantier and an image tech (formerly photographer).

Although the engineer didn't walk directly in his father's footsteps, he did still find himself joining the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) after his third year at the University of Western Ontario.

"I joined three quarters of the way through my degree. Initially, I had applied to RMC and got into the ROTP program. I turned it down. I wanted to go out and experience life less regimented," explained Maj Wall of his choice in post-secondary education.

"In the summer, I was looking for work. I was wanting to do something outdoors and physical while using my degree. I decided to join the military. I joined the reserves and after I graduated, joined the regular

He added, "It was one less tuition bill, but it was something that had always been on my mind."

Following his basic and phase training, Maj Wall saw postings to 2 Combat Engineer Regiment in Petawawa, Meaford, and Ottawa. He also deployed on TF-308 to Afghanistan.

Throughout his military career, Wall has made the jump from combat engineering to infrastructure, gaining experience and qualifications along the way.

'A lot of members stay on the field side throughout their career," offered Maj Wall. "They don't get much opportunity to learn the other side of the ousiness.

Before his posting to Ottawa, Maj Wall was the Base engineer at LFCATĆ Meaford, Ont.

"I dealt with a lot of the same issues I have to deal with here," said Maj Wall of his posting to Meaford. "A lot of the buildings were built in the 90s. But we had some built in the 50s and 60s that had some maintenance issues.'

Prior to arriving at CFB Shilo, the major's position allowed him to be part of a planning committee for the upcoming Assistant Deputy Minister Infrastruc-

ture and Environment [ADM(IE)] transformation in Ottawa — knowledge he hopes he can share with this Base to help implement the transformation.

"I really hope within the next couple years we can move things along and set the conditions for success for ADM(IE) transformation. That's slotted for 2016 and in order for Shilo to have a seamless transition, I would like to start adapting now," he said. "Having first-hand knowledge of ADM(IE) is a valuable asset for me. I would like to make it as easy as possible for the staff here and the Base as a whole.

Postings for the Base engineer position are a great deal shorter than other typical postings to Shilo. Maj Wall will likely only be here a couple of years, which

is a fairly average posting for the major and his family. "The longest posting I have had was about three years. It becomes the new normal. After a while, I find I am antsy in a position. I want to start the next chal-



Maj Andrew Wall

lenge and to keep moving forward," he said of his past posting experience.

"When you stay in one position for too long, you become stale and stagnant. You don't learn to do business better. Moving forward is particularly important in an infrastructure program. If you're not up to speed with current technology and processes, your program won't move forward. It limits

Thankfully, his family was keen on

tagging along to CFB Shilo.
"My wife and my oldest daughter were keen on coming to Shilo to have a new experience," said Maj Wall of his family. "From the people who were posted to Shilo before, I heard I would love it. We're still exploring and getting to know the area and the people."

Having only made a brief stop on the prairies prior to his posting here, Maj

Wall has never experienced the bitter-cold Manitoba winter Shilo's residents are all too accustomed to.

"I am looking forward to seeing what a Manitoba winter is all about. We've heard the stories. I want to see it first-hand. I need to see if the hype is really justified," said Wall of the impending winter. "It's just the experience. I am sure I will complain as much as evervone else once it hits us. Just to say you've been where it's minus-40 or minus-50 degrees Celsius is an experience in itself.'

Other than surviving a Manitoba winter, Maj Wall hopes to leave his mark on CFB Shilo.

"I would like to start looking at the future. If I can get people thinking about two, three, or 10 years down the road, I would say I am successful," he said. "My goal is to make a difference. If there is nothing tangible or different when I leave, I haven't done my job well enough."



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It was a hive of activity at O'Kelly School when parents and students arrived for the first day of school. Besides backpacks, many students were laden down with heavy bags of school supplies. First day of school photos were also taken before entering the classroom. Summer vacation starts in another 10 months.





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Cyclists out with their children for a summer ride take a break across from the Base Engineering building.

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He served with a Michigan unit during the Civil War, but Chester Phillips is buried in a North Dakota cemetery (right), while Father David Keister served with a Ohio unit, but his final resting place is in Pewamo, Michigan (left). US graves of war veterans, from the Civil War to current wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Photos by Jules Xavier

War veteran graves feature US flags, special markers

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Civil War veterans laid to rest here also came from other states during that battle between the north and south. Like Father David Keister, who was with the 40th Ohio Infantry. Born in 1838, he was just 23 during the Civil War, and lived to age 67.

At a stop in Grand Forks, North Dakota, just off US Hwy 2, I stretched my legs and explored the Niagara cemetery which was established in 1882.

I came across one Civil War veteran, Chester Phillips, who actually fought with a Michigan unit. Again, the tiny marker did not give the onlooker any details as to date of birth, or death.

This was not the case for a First World War veteran, who died seven days before the Great War ended. Born in Niagara, North Dakota on June 23, 1897, John English died at Camp Lewis, Washington on Nov. 4, 1918. His large tombstone lying on the ground said he was with the U.S. Signal Corps, assigned to 1st Class, Coy B, 213 Field Bty.

Nearby, large white metal crosses marked adjacent graves with no bodies beneath for two Second World War soldiers who died in France in 1944. Tech 5 Lloyd McLean was 27 when he died on July 25. He's buried in Cherbourg, France. PFC James Knutson was just 21 when he was KIA on Dec. 2, his body buried in a military graveyard in Limey, France.

Fosston, Minnesota goes a step further recognizing American men and women who serve their country,

and sometimes pay the ultimate sacrifice. The town established a veterans memorial garden, with a tank and helicopter on display beside a cairn and memorial stones, which are laid out individually or in large

This location is "dedicated to our area veterans who gave their lives in our nations conflicts — Lest We Forget." And the USA has been in many conflicts, with its soldiers seeing action in two world wars, Korea, Vietnam, and of late, the Gulf and Afghanistan.

There are countless names, ranks, and where these soldiers fell in the defence of their country. Like Sgt Matthew Harmon of the US Army, who died in Afghanistan. Or two brothers, both army privates from Fosston, who died in the First World War, at the same battle in the Argonne Forest in 1918 — Severin and Ole Tangen.

Soldiers who died in Korea from 1950 to 1953 are well represented at this memorial, with PFC Bill Berry, Cpl Robert Roysland and Pte 1st Class Miles Hultberg losing their lives fighting the Communist North Koreans with the US Army's infantry.

The US involvement in the Vietnam War (1959 to April 30, 1975) does not go unnoticed with soldiers who called Fosston home losing their lives in the dense jungles of that country. Like WO Harold Lowell, Sgt Carl Kappedal, Cpl Daniel Grandbois and Cpl Harold Berglund.

Besides my US cemetery excursions, prior to driving south I was also able to visit PPCLI Victoria Cross

recipient Sgt George Mullin's grave in Moosimin, Sask. He survived the Great War, returned home, and died at age 71 in the spring of 1963.

While Canadian cemeteries often have designated burial areas for war veterans, like Brandon's graveyard, there is no consistent recognition of the final resting places for our military like what is done in the United States.

It would be nice to see a Canadian flag at each grave for those soldiers/sailors/airmen who survived our wars, and returned to Canada to live out their lives. Versus what's done in the graveyards for our fallen soldiers in Holland, Belgium, France or Korea.

We no longer bury our war dead where they fell alongside their comrades as was done in the First and Second World Wars, or Korea. Now they are brought home and are laid to rest in hometown graveyards or the Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa.

We can take a lesson from our neighbours to the south and how they pay homage to their war veterans. Perhaps we could lay a Canadian flag and marker to let those standing over the grave know when and where this person served their country.

I know students place Canadian flags once a year to mark Remembrance Day in Kingston, Ontario, and in Edmonton, Alberta. I've also seen special markers at graves in Saskatchewan rural cemeteries. But what about the other 364 days in the year? Just a thought based on what I observed during my summer vacation.



Lloyd McLean and James Knutson have metal crosses over their North Dakota graves, but are actually buried in France where they died in 1944 during the Second World War.



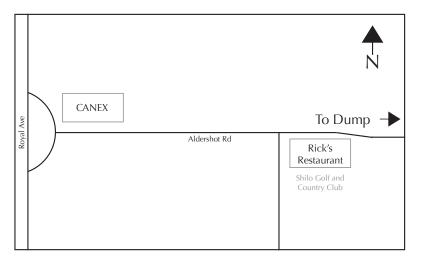


US cemeteries use different markers to signify which graves belong to war veterans. In some states the marker will even signify which war the deceased soldier fought, including the War of 1812 to the country's own Civil War from 1861 to 1865. The American flag (left) is also included at the grave. Some cemeteries in Saskatchewan use the above marker at the graves of Canadian war veterans.

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Got Bulk Garbage?

Bulk items, yard waste, tires, and electronics may be disposed of Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Shilo dump located 2 km east of Rick's Restaurant on Aldershot Road.



Items may be placed for curb-side pick-up the following date ONLY: October 14, 2014

Items are to not be placed earlier than the evening prior to pick-up.

STARTING OCTOBER 1, 2014

Announcing a minimum wage increase for

Security Guards

Starting October 1, 2014, Manitoba's minimum wage for security guards will increase for four consecutive years at which time it will reach and remain at \$2.25 per hour higher than the standard provincial minimum wage.

The minimum hourly wage for security guards will be set according to the following schedule:

Date of Increase	Amount of Increase	Security Guard Minimum Wage
October 1, 2014*	\$0.25	\$10.95
		* (based on minimum wage of \$10.70/hr. As of October 1, 2014)
October 1, 2015**	\$0.50	
October 1, 2016**	\$0.75	**in addition to the provincial minimum wage during this time
October 1, 2017**	\$0.75	

This means that after September 30, 2017, the minimum wage for security guards will be set to remain at \$2.25 higher than the provincial minimum wage.

For more information

To learn more, please visit our website at www.manitoba.ca/labourstandards, or email employmentstandards@gov.mb.ca. You may also call 204-945-3352 or toll free 1-800-821-4307.





After enjoying a pancake breakfast at L25, riders embarked on their relay ride.



Relay ride raises \$1,390

Stag Special

The 1 MP Regt Det Shilo's Military Police National Motorcycle Relay Ride (MPNMRR) pancake breakfast and draw held Aug. 12 was a huge success.

All funds raised were donated to the MPNMRR in support of the Military Police Fund for Blind Children.

This event raised, \$1,390, with more than \$600 in prizes awarded during the draw held at the pancake breakfast.

The support we received for the

MPNMRR pancake breakfast from the CFB Shilo community was outstanding.

The participation from all units on Base contributed to the success of the event and we would like to thank the community for their support.

Lastly, we wish to once again thank our 2014 sponsors: Shilo and Region Service Club, Forbidden Flavours Shilo, CANEX, Shilo Automotive, Shilo Country Club, Westoba Credit Union, HMS Insurance, Rick's Restaurant and SISIP FS. Sponsors provided food and beverages for the pancake breakfast, and prizes for the draw.

Butt out in DND vehicles

Shawn O'Hara

Stag Special

When it comes to smoking in Department of National Defence (DND) vehicles, Military Police are urging drivers and passengers to butt out.

According to DND driver policies the issue is pretty cut and dry, says MCpl Jodi Woolridge, who handles community relations for the Military Police.

"It's a one line thing. 'Drivers and passengers are not permitted to smoke in DND vehicles'," he says. "It doesn't come up too often, but it's still needs to be

While there are no rules against smoking while inside personal vehicles on DND property, it is prohibited in all DND-owned vehicles at all times.

Aside from the health risks and possible distractions associated with smoking while driving, MCpl Woolridge says in some cases it is a safety hazard as well. "A lot of it is common sense," he says. "For instance, if you're driving a fuel

tanker you probably should not be smoking. Too much can go wrong, no matter how unlikely it may seem."

While MPs enforce the bylaws on Base, anybody can report a driver smoking in a DND vehicle to the respective unit's chain of command. MCpl Woolridge says individual punishments are left up to the unit.

"We'll write up the report, but for discipline it comes down to the violator's leadership," he says. "It can be anything from a fine to the revoking of driving

While the law comprises a fairly small part of the driver policies, MCpl Woolridge says it is just as important.

"Especially in an organization which is founded on discipline, it's important to remember to follow the rules.'

Have parents gone to the extreme with their kids?

Dana Thompson

MFRC Special

When I was a kid I could not wait to arrive home from school, change my clothes and go outside to

play.

Once I got outside it was a matter of freedom, I could play anything and do anything. The only break my friends and I would get would be for dinner and homework. I still learned to skate; was in 4-H for many years; played baseball and volleyball, but these were generally saved for the weekends.

Weekdays were not about schedules and commitments — they were about downtime and play.

I understand life is not that way anymore. There are more opportunities in our communities and parents have more money in the households to spend on extracurricular activities.

They want the very best for their children and in some cases want to give them what they didn't get to do when they were little. Parents have the best of intensions for their children because they want them to have a rich childhood with happy memories.

But have we gone to the extreme? While we are busy filling every waking hour full of activities are we sacrificing time to play in a natural creative way?

Are we making time for our family relationships? Does your child have time to read, write, build, create, fantasize and explore?

Children do not function well in an environment where they have lots of responsibilities. Their anxiety levels can increase.

In some cases, children get burnt out by the time they are in their teens. Even a sense of boredom can set in is one is not kept busy.

Always make sure your motivations are true.

Take time to think about the reasons and what will

they get out of the activity.

Is it for your needs or has your child expressed an interest? Set limits, allowing them to pick one or two things. This will create a balance which is key to a well-rounded child.

For more information on the programs and services offered at the Shilo MFRC visit www.familyforce.ca/sites/shilo

Dana Thompson is director of children's service at the Shilo MFRC



We want you on our team

The Shilo Stag is looking for another sales consultant for its team. It's posting season, which is the perfect opportunity to sell the Brandon business market on adertising in the Stag. They have a captive audien people are new to the community after being posted here from elsewhere in Canada. Where do you shop for new glasses; groom your dog; take the wife out for an anniversary dinner; buy a new car or have winter tires put on the van with the advent of winter; shop for back to school clothes and supplies? Working on commission, you can set your own hours. The more you hustle and sign advertisers up to promote their business in the Stag, the more you earn. Drop by the Stag's office in CANEX and see Jillian or Jules about the job. Or call 204-765-3000 ext 3013/3093. Be part of the award-winning Shilo Stag team.



Taking aim during RIMPAC

1RCHA Z Bty Forward Observation Officer, Capt Andrew Curr, runs through a scenario in the Supporting Arms Virtual Trainer during Ex Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC).

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Wednesday 12:05 p.m.
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Looking for crafters/vendors
- CFB Shilo's Little Big One
Craft Sale & Tradeshow Saturday, November 22.10 a.m.- 2
p.m. Tables are \$15 each or \$20
with power

Call 204-765-3000 ext 3588/3317 to book your tables.

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46th Birthday....

And what's a birthday without a party?

Join us Saturday Sept. 20th from 11am-2pm for a free BBQ

games, bouncy rides, cotton candy, popcorn, face painting, prizes, vendor booths on site, car show, and more

... and cake



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