

DONOR PORTRAITS



Norma Forsman and Pat Traill of the **Neepawa & Area History Book Committee** accept a Donor Club Plaque from Barry Hockin. After the completion of the history book "The Beautiful Plains Story" for Neepawa's 125th anniversary, remaining funds were donated to the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation. This donation will help to generate extra grants for other community organizations.



Samantha Cluett, Nikki Burton and Elizabeth Mandziuk are shown accepting a \$1,000 donation to the Youth Advisory Committee from Marla Boyd (r) of the **Beautiful Plains Credit Union**. The YAC has been in existence for seven years and consists of students from NACI who are interested in learning about philanthropy and want to help organizations in our community. The YAC interviews groups in the community and then decides on the grants that they give out. In seven years the YAC has distributed \$16,500 in grants to organizations such as the Roxy Theatre, Viscount Cultural Centre, Neepawa Library, Neepawa Handyvan and the New Beginnings Grief Support Committee. Over the past two years the YAC has held two raffles and donated the proceeds of \$2,000 to the Salvation Army Christmas Cheer. The donation from the Beautiful Plains Credit Union will support the important work of the YAC, and is only one of the many contributions that the Beautiful Plains Credit Union makes to our community.

NEED MORE INFORMATION

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BOARD SPOTLIGHT



Sandra Unger was born and raised in the Arden/Neepawa area and attended Arden and Neepawa Schools. After graduation she worked at the Neepawa Co-op office before staying home with her children. She is married to Roland and they have a son Craig, daughter-in-law Amber, grandsons Dillan and Gauge, and a daughter Twyla. Roland and Sandra have a mixed farming operation which includes grain, cow-calf and a feedlot. She has been involved over the years with her children's activities, helping on the farm and church activities.



Board Members for 2009-2010

BR: Barry Hockin, Bert Lowry, Pat Guilbert, Steve Goudie, Darryl Gerrard, Daryl Yarema **FR:** Donna Huck, Lesley Skibinsky, Sandra Unger, Lorraine McCannell. Thank you to board members whose terms are complete: Jackie Pollock, Rick Evans and Marg Allen

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- The *Youth Advisory Committee* at Neepawa Collegiate for 2009-2010 has started meeting for the year.
- In June 2009 the YAC gave out \$1,500 in grants to 8 community organizations
- YAC members are planning a raffle before Christmas with proceeds to go to the Neepawa Salvation Army Christmas Cheer
- Mrs. Linda Hart and Mrs. Lorraine McCannell are the advisors for the YAC.

COMING EVENTS

- **Ladies Night Out** ~ May 2010
- **Shane Hnidy Charity Golf Tournament** ~ July 2010

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

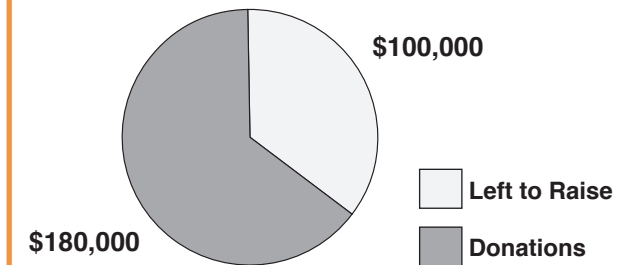
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Lesley Skibinsky	476-3769
Steve Goudie	476-5903
Daryl Yarema	476-5078
Lorraine McCannell	476-3218
Sandra Unger	368-2421
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www.mts.net/~bpcfinc

BEAUTIFUL PLAINS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NOVEMBER 2009 - NEWSLETTER

MILLION DOLLAR CHALLENGE



- The Million Dollar Challenge continues. The BPCF is trying to increase the Community Fund to \$ 1 million.
- Over \$180,000 has been raised in donations, pledges and fundraising since the launch in November 2007
- The Community Fund is approaching the \$900,000 mark.
- Consider a donation by year end and receive the tax benefits of donating to a charity.



Sean Brooks(l), manager of BMO Bank of Montreal, accepts a Donor Club plaque from Rick Evans in recognition of their \$25,000 pledge to the Million Dollar Challenge.



Barry Hockin presents a Donor Club plaque to Kathy Jasienczyk, Reeve of the RM of Langford. The RM of Langford donated \$5,000 to the Million Dollar Challenge.

DONATION / PLEDGE FORM



**BEAUTIFUL PLAINS
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION INC.**

Mailing Address
Box 486 Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0

Office Address
487 Walker Ave, Neepawa, MB

DONATION

I am pleased to support the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation. I enclose my donation of \$ _____.
It is my/our direction that this and all subsequent gifts be deposited to the capital of the Foundation and held in perpetuity. Only the income that the donation generates is to be available for disbursement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

PLEDGE

I am pleased to support the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation with a _____ year pledge of _____ \$10/yr. _____ \$20/yr. _____ \$50/yr. _____ \$100/yr. _____ \$200/yr. _____ other per yr.

DONOR RECOGNITION

The following supporters have made donations/pledges since the June 2009 newsletter.

Josie Carswell	Diane Biehl
Jack & Lorna Veale	Sharon Edmunds
Derry & Katherine Moulson	Margaret Janz
Evelyn Holmstrom	Mary Weiss
Marlene Siatecki	Jack Boyle
Helen Poole	Elgin & Susan Drayson
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Diane Martin	Muriel Fleger
Marg Allen	Brian & Jan Bailey
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Lloyd Sirett family	Judith Gabler
Elgin & Susan Drayson	Don & Susan Schmall
Mary Weiss	Don & Joyce Fraser
Phyllis Stewart	Stoney Creek Smoker Committee

Donations have been made in memory of or in recognition of the following:

Dr. Wallace Cram, Fran Cram, Norm Siatecki, Lloyd Sirett, Irma Sirett, 50th anniversary Jim & Donna Schmall, Lloyd Briese, Mac Murray, Amy Wilson, Ryen Wareham, in appreciation of the HMK support staff, Peter Reimer, Ruby Hockin

NEW SERVICE OFFERED

- The Beautiful Plains Community Foundation is now able to accept donations and payments by Visa, Master Card or Debit Card. We have the Point of Sale terminal at the office at 487 Walker Ave. in Neepawa.
- For out of town donors, the Foundation can still accept credit card donations online at www.CanadaHelps.org. This is a secure website that accepts donations by credit card for many Canadian charities. You simply choose the charity you wish to donate to, enter the amount of the donation with any special designations, and checkout. Once the donation has been paid for, the donor receives a secure tax receipt issued by CanadaHelps by email. CanadaHelps then disburses the funds (less a 3% fee) to the designated charity.

HOW TO GIVE

Donations to the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation are held in perpetuity, generating earnings to support the Community now and in the future. A charitable tax receipt is given for each donation. There are many ways to make a gift:

- Cash
- Life insurance policy
- Charitable Remainder Trust
- Securities
- Memoriam donations
- Bequest through a will

SHANE HNIDY CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Shane's parents, Ed and Diana Hnidy, hold a Minnesota Wild jersey which was one of the auction items. Shane will play for the Minnesota Wild this year.



Triston Grant is holding his Milwaukee Admirals jersey that was up for auction. Triston is the son of Rick and Sherry Grant of Neepawa.

The Shane Hnidy Charity Golf Tournament was held at the Neepawa Golf Course and Yellowhead Hall on July 9, 2009. 190 golfers participated and the weather co-operated until the end of the day when the rain came down for a short time. Over \$19,000 was raised for the Community Fund of the Foundation. The whole community will benefit from increased grants to local organizations. Thank you to all the sponsors, participants, celebrities and the organizing committee for making the day such a great success.

HOLIDAY ALTERNATIVE GIFT IDEAS

- Do you have one of those hard to buy for individuals on your Christmas list or someone who has "everything" already?
- Alternative giving** is a form of gift giving in which the giver makes a donation to a charitable organization in the recipient's name, rather than giving an item. 84% of those surveyed in a recent survey said that they would prefer to have a donation made in their name to a charity rather than receive a traditional gift.
- Another idea is to donate the cost of your Christmas cards and postage to a charity and send your Christmas greetings by e-mail with a link to the charity.
- It's always fun to unwrap a little something, so consider buying a small item to go along with your alternative gift.

BEAUTIFUL PLAINS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS JUNE 2009

2009 Community Fund Grants

Langford Recreational Trails	\$500
Margaret Laurence Home	\$1,000
Neepawa & District Medical Committee	\$1,500
Roxy Theatre	\$1,000
HMK/NACI	\$1,500
Beautiful Plains AG Society	\$500
NACTV	\$1,500
Polonia School Cairn Committee	\$250
Glenvilla Senior Centre	\$1,000
Neepawa & Area Lily Festival	\$1,000
Yellowhead Centre	\$1,389
Total	\$11,139

2009 Youth Advisory Committee Grants

New Beginnings Grief Support	\$150
Home Assistance Neepawa & Area	\$100
Viscount Cultural Council	\$200
Neepawa Handyvan	\$250
Bird Sanctuary	\$250
Neepawa Recreation	\$250
Neepawa Nursery School	\$200
Country Meadows Personal Care Home	\$100
Total	\$1,500

2009 Designated Fund Grants

Contact MB '95 (Roxy Theatre)	\$70
Naomi Chapter (Neepawa Hospital)	\$65
Touchwood Park	\$340
Kin Club Scholarship	\$100
Neepawa Health Centre	\$15,175
Country Meadows Personal Care Home	\$2,330
Roadside Park	\$15
Butcher Scholarship	\$1,650
Eden Scholarship	\$65
Beautiful Plains Museum	\$1,530
Alan Lytle Memorial Fund	\$40
Jeff McCannell Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$250
NACI Alumni Reunion Fund	\$788
Country Meadows Personal Care Home Courtyard Fund	\$548
Whitmore Family Scholarship	\$1,000
Total	\$23,966



Lorraine McCannell presents a \$1,500 grant to Ivan Traill for NACTV. The grant will be used to purchase a computerized mixer plus accessories for the local Access 12 TV.



Bird Sanctuary Committee members accept a grant of \$250 from the Youth Advisory Committee for bird feed. Left to right: Perry Snedden, Jake Birch, Elizabeth Mandziuk, Samantha Cluett and Kayla Hanke.



Brent Hunter accepts a grant of \$1,000 from Lesley Skibinsky. The grant helps pay the wages of the community gardener for the Neepawa Lily Festival.



Grants presented in June 2009 totaled \$36,605. Grant recipients are shown in this group picture.

BR: Bruce Francis, Allan Drysdale, Bob Durston, Brent Hunter, Ivan Traill, Perry Snedden, Jake Birch
MR: Kelvin Hollier, Lorraine McCannell, Judy Gabler, Susan Chartrand, Velma Clayton, Janice Sumner, Janice McCracken
FR: Joan Popkes, Marjorie Marciski, Grace Single, Marilyn Dietrich, Gladys Anderson, Kathy Jasienczyk