



# E-Mail Newsletter

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## Office hours:

### **Springhill Farms:**

*Mondays*

*And*

*Wednesdays*

*11:00 – 5:00*

*In the cafeteria*

### **Neepawa:**

*Resource Centre*

*290 Davidson*

*Monday to Friday*

*11:00 – 6:00*

### **Minnedosa:**

*and*

### **Gladstone:**

*Please call for an appointment*

## Neepawa & Area Immigrant Settlement Services

*Services for people from around the world*

### **What we do:**

We provide assistance to people who are learning to live in a new country. Settlement services help people develop skills and knowledge to participate in a new society.

### **Settlement Assistance:**

- Information and orientation about life in Canada and your community
- Help filling out forms such as: Manitoba Health, SIN, Manitoba Provincial Nominee, Permanent Resident, Criminal Record Check, etc.
- Support, information and assistance concerning immigration issues
- Advocacy
- Referrals for education, employment and housing
- Cultural Diversity Training
- Commissioner of Oaths and Notary Public services

### **Rental Housing:**

**Neepawa** – suites available at Churchill Block – utilities not included. \$571.00 per month; contact Debbie at 841-1298.

**Minnedosa** – 3 bedroom fully furnished house available now. \$595.00 (negotiable) per month plus utilities. Contact Darcy at 867-3131 or 867-4658.

**Minnedosa** – 2 bedroom fully furnished house available now. \$495.00 (negotiable) per month plus utilities. Contact Darcy at 867-3131 or 867-4658.

**Neepawa** – sublet in Churchill Block. Large 2 bedroom suite (can accommodate 4 people) \$811.00 per month. Contact Alain at 212-2422.

**Neepawa** – bedroom in shared house \$250.00 per month, everything included. Call 212-0689 for more information.

**Gladstone** – 4 bedroom house; fridge, stove, washer and dryer included. Contact James at 204-612-1451.

**Neepawa** – 4 bedroom house, 2 bathrooms; 12 miles north of Neepawa. \$300.00 per month plus utilities. Call 476-3088 or 841-0442.

**Neepawa** – half a house; fridge, stove and heat included. \$400.00 per month, contact Marian at 476-2055.

### **St Dominic's Winter Fest at Lake Irwin**

Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 4:00. Ice fishing, skating, snow mobile rides. Hot dogs, coffee and hot chocolate! **Meet at St Dominic's at 1:00.** Dress warmly!! Bring chairs or stools and whatever equipment you have. Some equipment will be available. If you want to fish, you must buy a fishing license – available at True Value Hardware.

**Services available in:**

**English**

**French**

**Korean**

**All services are free of charge**

**Program paid for by the Province of Manitoba**

## **Income Tax Time!**

Income tax is based on how much money you earn in a year. The tax year is from January 1 to December 31. You must complete an income tax return once a year. It must be mailed in by April 30, 2010. If you file it later than this you will have to pay interest on any amount owing and benefits may be delayed until the return is filed.

As a resident of Canada, you must report your world income (**income from all sources both inside and outside of Canada**) on your Canadian income tax return and you must pay the correct amount of taxes according to the law.

Even if you have no income to report or taxes to pay, it is important to file an income tax return as you may be eligible for credits or benefits. In order to receive these benefits, you must file an income tax return.

Your employer must provide you with a T4 slip by the end of February. You will need this information to file your income tax return. You must keep copies of all your tax paper work for at least 7 years.

## **Lost and Found**

Someone left a blue lunch bag with a container in the office. Please come and get it, if it is yours ☺

## **Useful Information Links:**

[www.cmhc.ca/newcomers/english/renting.html](http://www.cmhc.ca/newcomers/english/renting.html)

This website has information on renting an apartment, buying a house and looking after your house. The information is available in many languages.

[www.consumermanitoba.ca/guide/guide.html](http://www.consumermanitoba.ca/guide/guide.html)

This website has information on banking, credit, shopping, cars, utilities, housing, and identity theft.

[www.myenglishonline.ca](http://www.myenglishonline.ca)

Improve your English at home by studying online – check it out!

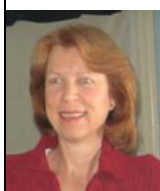
[www.immigrantsandcareers.mb.ca](http://www.immigrantsandcareers.mb.ca)

Get advice from other immigrants who know what it takes to succeed in Manitoba. This website has personal stories from immigrants who have settled successfully in Manitoba.

## **Message from the Editor:**

I hope you are all staying warm and dry through this cold snowy winter! Please let me know what kind of things you would like to see in this newsletter and I will try to find it for you.

I am still looking for people to share their story...don't be shy!



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