



E-Mail Newsletter

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Office hours:

Neepawa:

Resource Centre

290 Davidson

Monday to Friday

11:00 – 6:00

Minnedosa:

and

Gladstone:

Please call for an appointment

Services available in:

English

Filipino

All services are free of charge

Program paid for by the Province of Manitoba

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:

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

Neepawa – suites available at Churchill Block – contact Debbie at 841-1298.

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

Neepawa – 1 bedroom in shared house; everything included \$375.00 per month contact Jake at 476-2182.

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$300.00 per month, everything included. Call 704-0114 for more information.

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$225.00 per month, everything included. Call Andrea at 841-0842.

Important Note about Email:

CIC very often will communicate with you through email. It is very important to make sure you can access the email address that you put on your PR application. If you have changed your email, you must update it at CIC so that you do not miss important messages regarding your status!

Lily Festival:

We would like to encourage you all to attend the Lily Festival in Neepawa on July 22nd to 24th. For a full description of activities, please visit the special events page on our website. This year we are giving away coupons that are worth **\$10.00 off the price of admission**. If you would like a coupon, please ask at the Settlement Office.

Canada Day Celebration - FREE EVENT - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

Event will be held at the Neepawa Fair Grounds, located at the south end of Third Street on Friday July 1st starting at 5:00 p.m.

Free swimming at Neepawa community pool

Kids activities from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Free hotdogs and balloons for children under 12 years old

BBQ chicken supper from 5 p.m.
(adults: \$10, children: \$7, under 6 years: Free)

Dog shows; performances at 6:30 and 7:45 p.m.

Free entertainment starts at 7 p.m.

Fireworks at dark

New e-passports for Filipinos:

When: Saturday, July 09 at 9:00am - July 10 at 9:00pm

Where: Canad Inns Garden City

2100 McPhillips Street

Winnipeg, Manitoba

SCHEDULE

Saturday – 09th July, Sunday – 10th July

- 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 1:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- 5:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRONIC-PASSPORT (ePassport) APPLICATION:

- Applicant should have a VALID passport;
- If passport has expired, applicant must present a VALID work permit or a VALID permanent resident card (PRC), or any proof that Canadian citizenship has not been granted/ obtained;
- Photocopy of the data page of latest passport where picture is affixed;
- Standard-sized pre-paid NATIONAL Xpresspost envelope (to be used to return your new and old passports; a letter-sized National Xpresspost envelope will be required for a family/group of more than 4 applicants);
- Fee of C\$69.00 can be paid by cash, money order or bank draft, payable to the Philippine Consulate General
- Applicants are requested to accomplish their application form for passport application prior to coming over. Forms can be downloaded from this site http://www.philcongen-toronto.com/consular/consular_passport.php

The biometric capture of data, fingerprint/s, photo and signature of each applicant is a long process. We ask for your patience while waiting for your turn.

Due to technical difficulties and the huge number of applications for the ePassport, the applicant will receive the ePassport no earlier than four (4) months or more after applying.

Applicants will be accommodated on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

- There will be a separate line to accommodate those who live far from Winnipeg (Addresses will be verified.)
- Please follow instructions/signs, observe silence and avoid littering and loitering in the Hotel!

Register for school dates:

Newcomer families are required to register their children at Beautiful Plains School Division Office (located at 213 Mountain Avenue).

Registrations for newcomer families will not be accepted at the schools.

Summer registration will be available for those children who have arrived over the summer and want to start school on September 7, 2011.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to register your child during this time as the registration process can be a lengthy one and late and last minute registrations can result in a delayed school start date for your child.

Early Registration for a September 7th school start date will be available at the School Division Office on the following dates and times:

August 22 to August 25:

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM.

August 29 to September 1:

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM.

To schedule an appointment please phone 476-2388

Please bring your child and the following documentation with you when you register.

- Proof of Status of both parents and of children (Permanent Residence Card, Work Permit, Student Visa, Passport, etc)
- Manitoba Health Card
- Record of Immunization
- Report cards
- Birth Certificate (child's)

Useful Information Links:

Please visit our website for these and many more resources.

Message from the Editor:

I hope you all get out and enjoy some nice summer weather!

Please remember that if you have been drinking alcohol to never drive your car. In Canada you can not talk, bribe or buy your way out of a criminal record! If you are charged and convicted, you will most likely lose your status and have to leave the country. Please drive responsibly!!!



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