



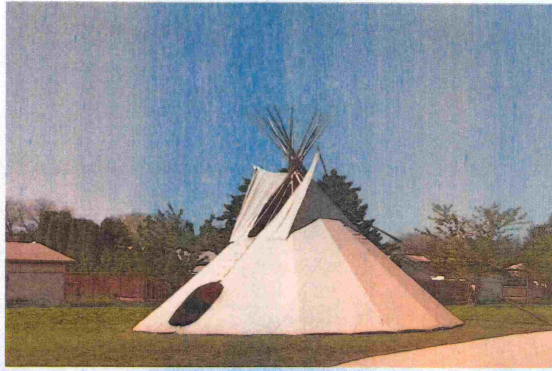
SEVEN OAKS
SCHOOL DIVISION
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June 2015 NEWSLETTER

ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Thank you to all our presenters, staff, students and families for helping make Treaty Days a fabulous Success! We look forward to continued learning about Treaty Education



*Dear Elwick Students and Families;
I just wanted to share that my family
and I are moving to Victoria BC for a
year. I will miss you all next year and
wish you a safe and happy school year!*

*Please take care of yourselves and
each other!*

*Love,
Carole Mcmillan*

Grade 8 Farewall Assembly

When: Tuesday June 30 @ 9:00am.

Where: Elwick School Gym

All Families are welcome!

Farewell

Grade 8 Farewell

The grade 8 students will be meeting at Harbourview on June 23 to celebrate their early/middle year Elwick experience.

Please Dress for the weather. Pizza and cake will be served at the park

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ELWICK ATTENDANCE

CALL BACK SYSTEM

At Elwick school we have an attendance call back system. If your child is going to be away from school due to medical appointments, illness or any other reasons we ask that you call the school office and speak to one of the secretaries any time after 8:00 am and by 1:00pm.

204- 633- 5641

If we do not hear from you and your child is not in attendance we will give you a call to make sure he/she is safe.



2014-2015 Important Dates to Remember...

June 29, 2015 -NO SCHOOL (ADMIN Day)

June 30, 2015- Last day of school – HALF DAY (AM ONLY)

Field Trips for June

June 3

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

June 4

Beaupre/Kaye – Assiniboine Park Zoo

June 9

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

June 10

Kaye/Catanese/Weekes/Shields – Kildonan Park

June 11

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

June 16

Crawford/Deprez – Deer Meadows Farms

June 17

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

June 18

Chin- Fort Whyte

June 19

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

June 22

Deprez/Crawford/Chin/Shand - - Kildonan Park

Ziegler/Conner/Cairns – Academy Lanes

Prout – Assiniboine Park Zoo

Kindergarten – Assiniboine Park Zoo

June 23

Grade 8 Farewell - HarbourView

Weppler/Manastersky – Kildonan Park

June 25

Grade 6/7/8 TAA

Middle Years' Hockey Program

This year, with the help of the Seven Oaks School Division, Elwick was given the opportunity to run a Hockey Skills program. It was a program offered free to any middle years' students that wanted to improve their hockey ability. Students in this program went once a week to the Maples Multiplex for ice time to learn more about hockey. The program ran from November 2014 to March 2015. We hope to continue and expand the Middle Years' Hockey Program for our next school year of 2015-2016.

The hockey program was really fun. We were given our own hockey equipment such as skates, a helmet and a hockey stick. I have learned how to stop. I did not know how to stop properly before and I improved on my puck handling. The coaches were really nice and helpful. We also got to do drills, games and played fun scrimmages on the ice. I hope to participate again next year!

By: Ashley W.

When I went to the Monday Hockey Program, I learned how to skate faster than I could before. I was not that good at skating before I went into the program but they taught me a lot. I never gave up when I was trying to learn things. I liked learning how to do different shots and learning to stick handle.

By: Elden M.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

June

Our grooming room and elevator project is moving along ahead of schedule, with completion set for fall. Foundations have been poured, the renovations have begun in the existing upstairs bathrooms, and soon the above ground structures will begin to take shape. Our support staff members have **graciously** temporarily given up their spaces in the downstairs offices, and work is moving along quickly with the new door facing the schoolyard, as well as the new offices. We are excited about Elwick Community School entering the age of "Universal Accessibility" in the very near future!

Treaty Days Middle Years' Softball

During Treaty Days, I participated in the Softball tournament. It was a really fun activity to play, especially with my friends. It was an enjoyable, exciting and cool experience. My favourite part of all was swinging the bat and hitting the baseball. It was great to play outside under the sun while a nice summer breeze blows and feeling the adrenaline shooting through your body. I learned how to bat properly and I learned the concept and the rules of the game.

By: Jesmar B.



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Community Coordinator News

As another year end is approaching, we would like to thank all of the families who have attended the preschool programs, the gym night, Treaty Days, the Welcome to Kindergarten program and Arts in the Park.

We would like to send best wishes to those children who will be starting Kindergarten in the fall. Remember to say "Hi" and let us know how great it is to be in "big kid school."

Our final week of preschool programming will be June 15 -

Our summer preschool programs will be held at:

Amber Trails School Tuesday

July 7, 14, 21, and 28

10:00 – 12:00 or 1:00 – 3:00

or

Victory School Wednesday

July 8, 15, 22, and 29

10:00 – 12:00 or 1:00 – 3:00



Summer programming will be a drop in format, but if you are going to attend this year, please call Dave by June 19th with your name and phone number. We need a rough idea of how many families are attending.

We look forward to another great year in the fall.
Until then, have a great summer.

Dave Mathers

Community Coordinator

ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL JUNE 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Day 2 K & Ms Chin's class to Oak Hammock Marsh 910-200 Gr 1s to Lower Fort Garry 915-200 Gr 4s/Gr 6 girls immunization 130 Sistema to Maples Collegiate 400-600 	2 Day 3 Gr 4/5 track & field @ Maples Collegiate Mr. Vaarmeyer & Mr. Raquin's classes to Aviation Museum 915-230 Sistema to Maples Collegiate 415-800 (family bus p/u at 5:45) final concert! 	3 Day 4 Rain Date for Gr 4/5 track & field @ Maples Collegiate WASAC Gr 2-6 presentation 230 	4 Day 5 Ms. Beaupre & Ms Thompson's classes to Assiniboine Park Zoo 915-200 MY group to 34 Higgins Ave 100-215 Divisional Pow Wow 	5 Day 6 MY group to Wpg Art Gallery 900-1130	6
7	8 Day 1 Patrols to Lake Shirley 1100-200  	9 Day 2 Softball League 	10 Day 3 Gr 4/5s to Kildonan Park 915-230 Gr 7/8 Softball tourney @ Little Mtn Park  	11 Day 4 Softball League 	12 Day 5 Softball League Week ends 	13
14 Father's Day 	15 Day 6 MY group to Wpg Art Gallery 900-1130 LAST DAY OF LIBRARY CLASSES- please return library books by June 22 LAST WEEK OF EDGE 	16 Day 1 Mrs. Deprez & Mrs. Crawford's classes to Deer Meadow Farms 900-200 MY Tabloid Day (Outdoor Fitness)  	17 Day 2 Gr 4/5s to Arts Camp at CMU 915-200  	18 Day 3 Ms Chin's class to Ft. Whyte 915-200 MY Tabloid Day (Outdoor Fitness) Rain Date Last Pre School Storytime for this school year 	19 Day 4	20
21 	22 Day 5 Mrs. Deprez & Mrs. Crawford's classes to Kildonan Park 900-200 K to Assiniboine Zoo 910-200 Ms Chin & Ms Shand's classes to Kildonan Park 915-215 Ms Prout's class to Assiniboine Zoo 930-200 Ms Ziegler, Ms Conner & Ms Cairns' classes to Kildonan Park 1230-200 	23 Day 6 MY group to Wpg Art Gallery 900-1130 Gr 8 Farewell @ Harbourview 930-200 Gr 1 to Kildonan Park 1100-215 	24 Day 1 	25 Day 2 Last TAA of school year for MY	26 Day 3	27
28	29 School Inservice No Classes 	Report cards go home LAST DAY (half-day) OF CLASSES!	 HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!! 			
Middle Years Band Day 1-3-5 Choir Practice Day 1(1220) & Day 4 (300) Fiddling Day 2-4-6 TAA Day 2 & Day 4	Every Monday Parent Drumming Group 100-200 Library EDGE Babysitter Course rm 21 	Every Tuesday Adult Beading/Jewellery 1000-1200 Conference Room Ms Lopez swim 1100-1210 Preschool Story Time 100-300 Mr. Weekes swim 145-315 EDGE Dance Styles rm 17 EDGE Cheer Start rm 19 	Every Wednesday MY Late Start 1000 Drumming 1220-100 Community Rm EDGE Poster Art rm 15 EDGE Pinterest Crafts rm 21 	Every Thursday MY Girls beading in Conference Room AM Preschool Story Time 100-300 EDGE Kids Can Knit rm 18 EDGE Nail Art rm 19 Open Gym 600-800	Every Friday MY Boys Beading Conference Rm 1015-1115 EDGE Jewellery Maker rm 15	Early Years Dance Day 2 & Day 4 Fiddling Day 2-4-6 

PRESCHOOLERS AND PARENTS/ ADULT CAREGIVERS YOU'RE INVITED FOR SOME FREE SUMMER FUN!

In July

FREE parent-child summer preschool programs
for parents/adult caregivers and children
ages 0-5

Tuesdays at Victory School (395 Jefferson Ave.),
Or

Wednesdays at Amber Trails School (1575 Templeton
Ave.)

Each school will be open for drop-in on the following dates:

Victory School: July 7, 14, 21 and 28






10:00 am to 12:00pm or 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Amber Trails School: July 8, 15, 22 and 29

10:00 am to 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm



At summer pre-school programs we:

-  read interesting books
-  play
-  sing
-  create wonderful art
-  share a delicious healthy snack.

Note: To help us with the planning, please let a Community Coordinator know if you and your preschooler would like to join us at preschool summer programs. (You can also contact jacky.molyneux@7oaks.org/cheryl.rajfur@7oaks.org)



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What are you doing this summer?



BEEP!

(Balanced Experiential Education Program)

at ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL for
ALL Elwick Students (Grades 1- 8)

From July 6 to August 14

Field Trips!

Every week and free for all participants

Activities!

breakfast program, hands-on learning, sports, art, games, surprise visitors, and community outings

FREE Summer fun!

No charge for any BEEP programs

Registration forms will be sent home and available in the school office.
BEEP is a program of the 7 Oaks School Division, run by certified teachers

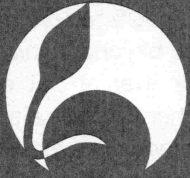
For more information contact:

Aaron Levere, Elwick BEEP Coordinator

204 232-4267

or

Cindy Burkett, 7 Oaks Summer Program Coordinator 204 894-1174



SEVEN OAKS
EDUCATION FOUNDATION INC.

Foundation

NEWS

Summer 2015

The Foundations of the Seven Oaks Education Foundation 3

Previous Seven Oaks Education Foundation newsletters have introduced (or re-introduced) members of the Foundation's volunteer board. Now it's time to hear from the remaining members and find out why they give their time to help give Seven Oaks students opportunities to further their education.

Theresa Hass-Speirs

Born and raised in the Seven Oaks community, Theresa's connection to the Seven Oaks School Division started with her attending school there. But it didn't end there.

Theresa has been employed by the Division since she graduated from the University of Winnipeg. She began

as a classroom teacher and, more recently, became Student Services Coordinator. Of course, she's also a Board member with the Seven Oaks Education Foundation.

"Seven Oaks has been my home and now it's time to give back," she said when asked why she volunteers for the Board.



While the work the Foundation does inspires Theresa to volunteer, she also draws inspiration from her fellow Board members, saying, "I enjoy the collegiality of being a part of a Board whose goal is to provide opportunities for students living in our community."

When she's not at work in the Division, Theresa might be at her year-round cottage or working out at the Reh-Fit Centre.

"My goal is to remain healthy and strong in anticipation of retirement in the next few years."

Until it's time to retire, Theresa will be doing her part to enhance education in the Division and beyond.

"My goal for the Foundation is always bigger and better," says Theresa. "The more scholarships we can offer, the greater the impact we have on the futures of our students."

Heather Janczyszyn

You may know Heather as a neighbor and parent in Riverbend whose sons attended Seven Oaks schools before graduating from West Kildonan Collegiate in 2010 and 2012, respectively.

If you're a customer at the Main and Semple Branch of the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), you might also recognize Heather from her work as a Financial Advisor. Oddly enough, it was her work at the bank that led her to volunteer for the SOEF Board.

"The branch managers at RBC Main and Semple have been Board members for several years, and I have attended the Bud Spuds in the past, so I was aware of the great work the Board does to raise money for scholarships," explains Heather. "When my manager asked me to attend a meeting on her behalf, I was happy to go, and ultimately volunteered to take the position when the opportunity arose."

"One of my sons received a scholarship

from West Kildonan Collegiate, so I want to ensure that this Board is successful in continuing to provide scholarships for high school children."

Ultimately, it's Heather's belief in the Foundation's work that keeps her involved. "I believe in the purpose of the Board, which is to raise funds for scholarships for post secondary education," said Heather. "I went to university and got my Bachelor of Commerce degree, so I know that education is important, and we have instilled that in our children." Because she works nearby, finding time to attend the Board meetings isn't too difficult for Heather. She even finds time to attend Manitoba Theatre Centre plays and the Royal Winnipeg Ballet. What she wants to find more time for is community involvement with the Seven Oaks Education Foundation.

"I have only been on the Board for a short time, but I would like to see greater involvement from the Community – perhaps with a presence at some of the high school events, maybe with a booth to show people what the Foundation is and does."

Brent Olynyk

If you live in either Winnipeg or the RM of West St. Paul, you definitely know Brent. He was project manager on several special projects for the City of Winnipeg, including the \$6.5 million Central Park rebuild and the transition of Assiniboine Park to the public sector. Today, he's the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) of the Rural Municipality of West St. Paul.

His roots in the Seven Oaks community run deep.

"My mother, Mabel Dobrinsky was born on Hartford Ave in 1926. She along with eight brothers and sisters attended school in the Seven Oaks School Division. Since then, there have been well over 60 descendants of this family who went through the same school division, including my cousin Randy Bachman," says Brent.

"In the early days, most students did not receive the encouragement or have the finances to go beyond high school. Financial help or even a pat on the back from a teacher can spur a student to go further in school. I never had that and wanted to change it."

Brent's own educational journey was challenging. He began working in 1977 at the age of 17. He attended university at night for over 35 years, achieving a Masters in Public Administration, as well as other diplomas and degrees. "All my family was very proud," he recalls.

"I want everyone in Seven Oaks School Division to have the opportunity for a post secondary education and for the community to be proud of us all."

His current role as the CAO of the RM of West St Paul keeps him busy, as does his work not only with the Seven Oaks Education Foundation but with the Platinum Jets Fundraising Group, the Seven Oaks General Hospital Foundation and the Robert Coffey Memorial Scholarship Foundation (of which he is currently President).

Busy as he is, Brent still puts his family first. He, his wife, Kim, and daughter, Jade, always make time to head out to their cottage at Grand Beach to enjoy summer with neighbours and friends.

His dedication to education – and the Seven Oaks Education Foundation – never flags. He credits part of that to the energy and enthusiasm his fellow Board members bring to the table.

"The other Board members are extremely dedicated, especially the members who currently or previously taught or worked at Seven Oaks School Division," says Brent. "The Board works very hard to provide opportunities to a diverse group of students. There is a lot of passion within this organization."

"I want this Board to be the model for all other school divisions that are trying

to move forward with scholarships. We want to pave the way for every child in the Seven Oaks School Division to have hope and achieve their dreams. And one day, I believe they will come back, tell us their success stories and then help the next generation to become even better.”

Edie Wilde

If you've spent any time in the Seven Oaks School Division in the last 40 years, you will almost certainly know the name Edie Wilde.

In 1975, Edie began her Seven Oaks School Division career as a teacher at Collicutt School. She went on to work at A.E. Wright, O.V. Jewitt, Margaret Park School, and Elwick Community School. to name just a few. She's also been an administrator and assistant superintendent, so it's no surprise that she became a member of the Seven Oaks Education Foundation Board.

“When the Board approached me to become a Board member, I could not say no,” says Edie. “I have a deep connection to the School Division and I care deeply about the students in this community.”

Edie recently retired, and is spending her time with family and friends, travelling, cooking, studying art history, doing home renovations and – of course – volunteering, an interest that naturally includes the Seven Oaks Education Foundation Board.

“The Board commitment is a small investment of time,” says Edie. “And being on the Board is a way to stay connected and to give back to a community that has been an integral part of my life.”

“I have not been able to attend every event or meeting, but when I do, my contributions are always welcomed. The people around the Board table want to make a difference in the lives of students as they transition into post-secondary education, and I am proud to be associated with this dedicated

group of community members.”

Edie's years with the Division have provided her with a particular appreciation for the Foundation's work and its increasing importance to the community.

“The costs of post-secondary education keep rising,” notes Edie. “I believe that the Board needs to continue to fundraise in order to expand scholarship opportunities.”

Mario Coquete

For Mario, the Seven Oaks Education Foundation isn't just a worthwhile organization; it's a valued client.

Mario is both a Branch Manager and Mutual Fund Representative with the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) at the 1795 Henderson Highway location. Because the Seven Oaks Education Foundation is among RBC's clients, Mario knows first-hand how seriously the Board takes its fiscal responsibilities.

Add the fact that he has two children attending Edmund Partridge School in the Division, and it's not all surprising that he's on the Board.

“I had been a Board member for a while before but left for a period,” explains Mario. “When the new President, Kraig Hillis – a good friend of mine – asked me to return, I felt the time was right. And I was more than happy to because I think it's important for us to do whatever we can do to help students get an education.”

Like his fellow Board Members, Mario makes time for the Foundation amidst a busy schedule. He balances his Board duties with the bank, his role as Chairperson of the Financial Committee at his church, his involvement with the Manitoba Movement Centre and – of course – his family.

Two things inspire him to schedule time for the Seven Oaks Education Foundation. The first is his belief in what the Foundation is doing for students. The second is his fellow

Board members.

“These are people dedicated to making a difference,” says Mario of his fellow Board members. “Many of them work or have worked in schools, so they know first-hand what children need for their education. And they make the decisions that, in turn, help the Foundation meet those needs.”

“My own children are fortunate in that they don't need the financial help. But there are many who do, and that's what makes the Foundation so important.”

As for the future of the Foundation, Mario would like to look at taking some new directions.

“I'd like to see further expansion into scholarships for our Aboriginal community,” says Mario. “It's a rapidly growing community in the Seven Oaks School Division and I think we need to find ways to support those students.”

“I'd like to take a look at how we can better distribute funds overall. There's limited funds, so the more we can explore ways to use those funds better, the better it is for all students in the Division.”

Mario would also like to expand the partnerships between the Foundation and the Seven Oaks community.


“We have great community partners – individuals, businesses, all committed to helping students through the Foundation,” says Mario. “I'd like to see us adding even more community partners. Because the more we get involved in education, the more we are able to move forward and improve the opportunities for students.”

Visit 7oakseducationfoundation.org for more information on how to donate or to make an online contribution.

The Foundation provides tax receipts for donations of \$10 or more.



SEVEN OAKS
EDUCATION FOUNDATION



Join the Graduation Celebration!

Graduation is a culmination of hard work and dedication. It's the recognition of promise realized and potential yet to be explored. It's about taking time to enjoy a sense of personal accomplishment and pride – and of sharing that moment with the people who have been there to provide support and guidance along the way.

We invite you to join family, friends and other well-wishers in saying congratulations to this year's Seven Oaks School Division graduates at their ceremonies:

2015

- **The Seven Oaks Graduation Powwow**
Thursday, June 4, 2015 - 7pm
West Kildonan Collegiate Gymnasium
- **The MET School Graduation**
Wednesday, June 17, 2015 - 1pm
Garden City Collegiate Gymnasium
- **Garden City Collegiate Graduation**
Monday, June 22, 2015 - 7pm
Centennial Concert Hall
- **Maples Collegiate Graduation**
Thursday, June 25, 2015 - 7pm
Centennial Concert Hall
- **West Kildonan Collegiate Graduation**
Friday, June 26, 2015 - 7pm
Centennial Concert Hall
- **Adult Education Graduation**
Monday, June 29, 2015 - 7pm
Maples Collegiate, Judy Silver Commons