



The Firestarter

Spruce Sands RV Resort

Celebrating over 50 years at the lake

Sept. 2, 2016

It is better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret.

September long weekend is here. This is the last weekend for Social Committee events, and have they got a weekend of fun planned for you! Check their newsletter for all the information on this weekend's events.

This is the last weekend for the store to be open. We want to give a BIG Thankyou to all of our staff who stayed with us to the end of summer. We appreciate everything you have done for us. **Store hours are Friday 9am-10pm; Saturday 9am-9pm (remember Fireworks will be just after 10pm); Sunday from 9am-9pm and Monday from 9am-6pm.** Thank you to all of our customers over the summer. We had beautiful weather, fantastic Beach Days and wonderful evenings to enjoy. We'll see everyone again next May. Have a great (and short) winter and an early spring.

Our fall leaf program will start next week and run through all of September. Remember to use compostable bags and place them at the front of your lot.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Arnes Farmers Market on hwy 222, is open every weekend. **Aspire Theatre (76-2nd ave, Gimli)**Showtimes are Friday & Saturday 8pm; Sunday 2:30pm, Tickets are \$15 each and are available at Tergeson's store.

Gimli Motorsport Park: Drag Racing on Sept 3,4, and 5th.

Winnipeg Beach: The Wave Artist Tour, all weekend; The Legion Fall supper from 2-6pm; Saturday from 7-10pm at the Bandstand will be "Biiver Band". Sunday 10-3pm is the Community Yard Sale. Sunday from 7-10pm at the bandstand will be "**Whole lotta Angus**".

Gimli: Farmers Market every weekend this summer. The Wave Artist Tour, all weekend as well as Gimli Yacht Club's annual "Commodore's Cup Regatta". Sunday from 7-11pm on Centre St. is "Taste of the Interlake".

Check the bulletin board for more info on events.

WHAT'S THE ANSWER

Last week's question: What famous company was founded in 1670? *Hudson Bay Company*

This week's question: Next question in May of 2017

Gimli Theatre will be playing "**War Dogs**", Friday to Thursday at 7:30pm.

THE WOOD BOX

What lies on the bottom of the sea and shakes? A nervous wreck.

YOU DON'T SAY

Holier than Thou: Police patrolling at 1:00 a.m. in Canton, Ill., noticed a car parked at the First Church of the Nazarene. The keys were in the ignition, and the engine was warm. Then they found a door of the church was broken in, and went inside to investigate. They caught a burglar red-handed as he was trying to pry open a safe in the office. Police identified the burglar as David R. Utt, the minister of the New Hope Community Church in town. "He needed money because he was behind on his church's rent," police Sgt. Josh Wages said. On the other hand, Utt, who used to be a pastor at another Church of the Nazarene, was able to post \$6,000 cash bail to be released the next day. (RC/Peoria Journal-Star)

THE COOKIE SHEET

Smoky Tomato-Bacon Pasta

Serves 4-6

½ pound Bacon (about 10 slices)

1 large yellow onion, chopped

One 28 oz. can diced tomatoes, undrained

Salt & Pepper

4 ounces cream cheese, cut into pieces

1 pound uncooked rigatoni

- In a large skillet, cook the bacon until crisp and brown. Transfer it to a paper towel-lined plate. Pour off all but ¼ cup fat from the skillet.

- Add the onion and cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until softened, 5-7 minutes. Stir in the diced tomatoes, then crumble in the bacon. Season with salt and pepper; simmer, stirring occasionally, until thick and chunky, about 10 minutes. Stir in the cream cheese until melted.

- Meanwhile, in a large pot of boiling salted water, cook the rigatoni according to the package directions. Drain and transfer to a large bowl.

- Toss with the sauce and serve immediately.

The Sands Beach Café and Bakeshop

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Spruce Sands: Where it's great between the lakes and life is always a beach.

Spruce Sands Social Committee

C54 Last weekend's Walk Around Bingo (or should we call it the Travel Around Bingo depending on your mode of transportation 🚗) was awesome. It was great to see the 35 trailers out and about the trailer park- sometimes travelling the bays more than once, to find some of the trickier displayed numbers! That was over 100 people searching to complete their cards. It was so much fun and the weather was perfect! Each trailer got a participation prize and there were 3 random gift card draws. The winners of the gift cards were: Naworynski from A42; Gwen from C21 and Sheldon and Lynn from C19! Congratulations and we can't wait to do this again next summer! Thanks to Nicole Lindblom & Maureen Bloodsworth as Team Leaders.

A few people have inquired – If you have “Trailer Authorized Guests” listed – they still need to be REGISTERED at the store and will need to pay \$5/person/night to be in the park. Once registered, they will receive a slip, to place in their front windshield.

It's hard to believe that our final Summer Long weekend has arrived and the kids are back at school next week, how time flies when you're having fun! A few of the leaves are starting to fall off the trees and evenings come quickly, making it enjoyable to sit around a warm campfire. Saturday evening will be cool, bring warm clothes for the evening Dinner, Dance & Fireworks.

Labor Day Long Weekend Activities

Attend all functions at your own risk.

Saturday September 3rd – Kids Bouncers.....Draws, Dinner & Dance Fireworks

Saturday morning's all about the kids. We will have **BOUNCERS** set up from 10-2 in the field – come out and join in the fun! Sun Rain date. Something for every age group from under 5 to 18 years of age. Yes even the teens will be amazed at the Giant slice – a 3 storey 28' tall monster! As well, an Obstacle course where you can challenge your friends and even 14" tall waterslide with pool on the bottom! Come check out the SUMO suits! We'll also have an array of Carnival Games and FREE Cotton Candy.

Annual MEMBERS DRAWS start promptly at 3:30 pm under the big tent.....show up and you WILL WIN a prize!! Even if you are not attending dinner, every Trailer name/number has been entered into the draw bucket. Only one stipulation – every prize must be claimed during draw time. A neighbour, friend or relative can claim a prize for you.

Dinner will start serving at 5pm. **As of Friday we are sold out of Dinner tickets.** Even if you don't have a Dinner ticket, you can still join us for the Dance. Cabiners are welcome as long as they are with someone from the park. We'll be giving out wrist bands for Dance attendees. The Gimli Volunteer Fireman's Association will once again be cooking dinner. They are our area Firemen and this is how they fund their squad – it's great that we are able to support them once a year. They always do a great job! Dinner, same as last year NO standing in line for dinner – the line is just too long. Instead we will be calling ticket numbers. People who are eating in their trailers can line up at 5:30 to get their dinner. Come down to the tent throughout the evening and enjoy the company of your friends and neighbours and dance the night away! We're thrilled to bring back the BAND “The Other Side” as a tribute to our friend “Jan - The Candy Man”. Music will play from 6-10pm for the Dance portion. The dance will end this year at 10pm and we'll move into the field for **FIREWORKS** to begin between 10:15-10:30 of course weather permitting (Sunday would be the alternative day if it rains or the winds are too strong). NO need to fundraise for a 50/50 as we did so very well on August Long weekend.....let's give our volunteers the night off to enjoy with their families.

Sunday September 6th – Family Olympics – starting at 1pm

Members Only

Members (all trailers in the park are members & paid Cabiners) join us in the field for Family Olympics – we'll do races – Running, Potato Sac, Egg on a Spoon & Water Balloon Toss (yes we have 200 water balloons waiting for you). Registration begins at 12:30. We'll end the afternoon with the Kids Candy Scramble and Adult Grocery & Beer Scrambles. Will it be the Ladies or the Men who run for beer this year.....let's see who participates in the other races and cheers the loudest... sounds like a challenge to me! Bring your lawn chairs, sit on the side lines and join in a race or two – **It's a lot of fun – a real Family event.** Bring your own water bottles – we'll fill them up for you – let's do our part in saving the Planet! Thanks to the 20 volunteers who make this all happen...we couldn't do it without you!! Rain date Monday.

Sunday September 6th – N.E.W Movie Night – 7:30 – 11pm

Members only

Kids, join us in the field under the Big Tent – we've got an 18' blow up movie screen coming. Kids will enjoy Popcorn, drinks with a treat on us! Adults can purchase your treats for \$5. 7:30-9pm Angry Birds for ages under 13. 9-11:30pm – “the Huntsman – Winter's War” PG13 – Adults welcome as well to both viewings. Thanks to a great group of chaperones: Kent, Sean & The Hutters. Bring your own Lawn Chairs and/or blankets. Members ONLY (Everyone in the park is a Member).

Thanks for another Great Year

Although there is one family((ies) who host each event – in other words “runs the event”, it always takes a team effort to make these events happen. These “hosts” are helped by Family and Friends...so a **BIG BIG Thank YOU** to everyone who helps throughout the year. Everyone who volunteers simply does it, for the FUN OF IT...but it couldn't happen without **ALL OF YOU!!** It's great to see that we have “hosts” from every one of the bays and that many of you continue to do events year after year. This weekend, don't forget to “Thank” the people who do these events. **Special Thanks to Val & Brent – couldn't do this without you.....Terry & Jocelyn – we couldn't do this, if we didn't do it together...LOL!!**

Thanks again for an awesome year. ...See you in the Spring. ...Cheryl Bartos C54 (2016 Association President)