

THE FIRESTARTER August 31st, 2018

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THE CURE FOR BOREDOM IS CURIOSITY. THERE IS NO CURE FOR CURIOSITY.

Its here!! This is it! The September long weekend has arrived. Lots of activities planned as well as the dinner and fireworks display, of which the social committee has been fundraising all summer for. If you get a chance, please say thank you to any or all volunteers involved with the events this summer. They are amazing and we are so grateful for everything they do!!

I would also like to thank our staff in the store for doing such a great job this summer. They worked hard serving all that ice cream, I'm sure they have the blisters to prove it! And also Eugene for helping us make the park look so great all of the time!

And we would like to thank YOU!... our customers for making this park beautiful and fun. Thank you, and have a wonderful fall/ winter! We will see you all in the SPRING!!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ARNES FARMERS MARKET: Saturday 9am-2pm, Sunday 10am-2pm

GIMLI: Commodores Cup Keelboat Regatta~ Gimli Yacht Club

September 1^{st} & 2^{nd} The Wave Interlake Artists Studio Arts Tour Along Winnipeg Beach, Lake Winnipeg & Gimli Area

ASPIRE THEATRE: August 31st - September 2nd *Double Bill* Kidnapping Katie & The Waiting Room by Dennis Thornton

WINNIPEG BEACH: September 1st Live on the Bandstand ~ Whole lotta Angus & Big Slick, September 2^{nd} The Biiver Band @ 7pm

WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

LAST WEEKS QUESTION: What was the original idea for the time machine in "Back to the Future"?

Answer: a refrigerator, but because Robert Zemeckis was afraid that kids would imitate the film and get trapped in fridges. They changed it to a DeLorean car.

GIMLI THEATRE

Momma Mia! Here We Go Again! August 31^{st} - September 6^{th} at 7:30pm

THE WOOD BOX

There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator.

Only a fraction of people will find this funny

YOU DON'T SAY

Being forgetful is not only normal, it makes you smarter. The main function of memory is to improve decision making, and forgetting irrelevant details helps you to be more intelligent and make informed decisions.

THE COOKIE SHEET

BAKED STUFFED APPLES WITH MAPLE CREAM

4 apples, peeled, 8 dried pitted dates, finely chopped, 1/4 cup pecans, finely chopped, 1 cup apple cider, 2 tablespoons butter, divided, 4 tablespoons brown sugar, divided, 1/2 cup mascarpone cheese, chilled, 2 tablespoons maple syrup

Directions: Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Use a spoon to scoop out apple cores and seeds. Place apples in a small roasting pan. Toss together dates and pecans, and divide stuff into apples. Press 1/2 tablespoon butter on top of each, followed by 1 tablespoon brown sugar each. Pour apple cider into roasting pan. Roast apples for 45 minutes, using a spoon to drizzle some apple cider over apples every 15 minutes to keep them moist. Five minutes before apples are done, whip together mascarpone and maple syrup. Remove apples from oven and place in individual bowls. Top with maple-mascarpone. Serve warm.

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SPRUCE SANDS: WHERE IT'S GREAT BETWEEN THE LAKES AND LIFE'S ALWAYS A BEACH

Spruce Sands Community Association

What a fun adult weekend last week turned out to be! The Horseshoe Tournament was 16 mixed teams with the winners once again as Terry H & Terry B and B side as Bob & Terry D. Thanks to Gwen & Alex for hosting. 50/50 to fund ringers for next tournament and Lisa won \$63. Up next was the afternoon Happy Hour Paint Party. Now that was a lot of fun! Thanks to Christie with Mary's help making us all artists – and they made it so easy! We ended the day with an evening walk about Poker Derby. Free winning hands were – 1st Flush \$75 Owen CBay, 2nd Straight \$50 Terri D Bay & 3rd \$25 3 of a kind Roy D Bay. Our option to buy cards for a 50/50 ended up at \$162.50 for the winners which was a tie. Instead of drawing for the high card, they decided to split the pot. So Wade B Bay & Brent/Val C Bay each took home \$81.25 with Flush A high hands. Thanks to Erin and her family for making this all happen! Looking for a Social Committee for 2019 - We started forming our committee for next year....we have volunteer leads for Silent Auction, Silent Auction Gifts, Sept Dinner & Dance, and Family Olympics and a booking co-ordinator. If you are interested in helping our team leads come and see Cheryl anytime this weekend! It's hard to believe that our final Summer Long weekend has arrived, and the kids are back at school next week. Leaves are starting to change colors and evenings come quickly, making it enjoyable to sit around a warm campfire. Saturday evening will be cool, bring warm clothing for the evening Dinner, Dance & Fireworks. Here are your_Labor Day Long Wknd Activities Saturday September 1st — Kids Bouncers...Draws, Dinner & Dance Fireworks

Saturday morning's all about the kids. We will have **BOUNCERS & a DUNK TANK** set up from 10-1 in the field – come out and join in the fun! Sun Rain date. We'll also have an array of Carnival Games and a water game as well.

Annual MEMBERS DRAWS start promptly at 3:00 pm near the big tent(every trailer in the park is a member)show up and see if you win a prize – approx 150 will be drawn!! 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 neighbor or friend can claim your prize.

Dinner will start serving at 5pm. Last minute tickets can be bought from VAL C37 til Saturday Noon. Even if you don't have a Dinner ticket, you can still join us for the Dance. Cabiner's are welcome as long as they are with someone from the park. We'll be giving out wrist bands for Dance attendees. From last years vote we are doing Ukrainian which Shelley D's from Gimli will be hosting. 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 neighbors and dance the night away! We're thrilled to have our very own music man this year THANKS to Darell Claeys for hosting. Music will play just after dinner until 10:15pm. Then we'll move into the field for FIREWORKS to begin around 10:30 of course weather permitting (Sunday would be the alternative day if it rains or the winds are too strong). Back by popular demand we'll do a 50/50 so bring some money to the dance – we'll sell tickets from 3-8pm and draw during the dance.

<u>Sunday September 2nd – Family Olympics & Bomber Game – starting at 1pm</u> 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, 3-Legged Race, Musical 'Dots', Potato Sac, Egg on a Spoon & Water Balloon Toss (yes we have 200 water balloons ready to go).

Registration begins at 12:30. We'll end the afternoon with the Kids Candy Scramble and Adult Grocery & Beer Scrambles (will that be ladies or men this year?). 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! At 2pm we're going to watch the Labour Day classic Bomber game under the tent. Thanks to this wknds 50 volunteers who make this all happen...we couldn't do it without you! Races rain date Mon.

Sunday September 2nd - Movie Night - 7:30 - 11pm Members only

Kids, join us in the field under the Big Tent – we've going to use our 80" TV this year. Kids will enjoy Popcorn, Hot chocolate & pop as a treat on us! 7:30-9pm ish – "Paddington Bear 2". Parents are to supervise your own kids for the early movie. 9:15-11:30pm – "Avengers Infinity War" PG13 – Adults welcome as well to both viewings. Thanks to a great group for hosting: Kent, Sean & Sharon and 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 Lake 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 every year. This weekend, don't forget to "Thank" the people who do these events. Special Thanks to Val & Brent for the countless hours of dedication.....Terry & Jocelyn(Chris too!) – you're simply just the best family anyone could ever haveI love you all!!