

HUGH'S NEWS

For January 2012



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On Dec 10th a Christmas party was held at the Fort Whyte Centre for kids 12 and under.



As you can tell we are not sure who had more fun, the adults or the kids. They (the kids) had face painting, a toasted marshmallows,



bonfire and buffet supper and of course Santa, (Roy) and his happy little elf (Amanda) handed out presents at the end.



On Dec 16 our Annual General Meeting was held with the foremen/supervisors and after a buffet lunch in the shop, Roy's friend provided the entertainment. For Roy's birthday his friend sent him a singing telegram. I think it is Roy's month to be in the spotlight. What do you do



for an encore, Roy?



Congratulations to Grandma Leona (accounts Receivable) and family. Noa Elizabeth, daughter of Chris (SOS Safety) & Rachel was born Jan 16 and weighed in at 7 lbs 15 oz. She just didn't want to be a New Year's Baby.

Thank you to Leroy and the guys in the shop for giving a hand when it was needed. Much appreciated.

Lake St. Martin

By Carla

We are moving forward with the project, as we have finally got some cold weather on our side. Brad and a small crew have been onsite since early December getting access and preparing the camp. Camp is now operational and we currently have approximately 40 people onsite. Excavation of the channel extension has commenced. We have also just started up a nightshift as of this past weekend, Jan 14 & 15th. There is currently approximately 30 pieces of equipment onsite. We are working hard to involve the local first nations in the area and are happy to report that we have reached an agreement with Lake St. Martin First Nation for their participation on this contract. We look forward to reaching similar agreements with the other 3 bands in the near future.

News from Freddy regarding **the Fisher River** completed project:

Job 1129: Fisher River Cree Nation

South Road Upgrade: 2.0 Km's of Road were upgraded.

Keith and the Seal Coat Crew will be going back to finish seal coat operations in June 2012.

Chief and Council along with consultants (JR Cousins) were very pleased with the work and the involvement of local resources.

Local Resources Included:

1. Locally Owned Equipment
2. Band Owned Equipment
3. Diesel and Fuel
4. Accommodations
5. Labour and Operators

Items of Work:

1. Excavation
2. Supply and Place Granular Material "A" and "C" Granular
3. Surface Treatment
4. Supply and Place Culverts



We had a 2 day **seminar presented by Linton Sellen**. Linton's past experience in the military and in flight made for very interesting stories to back up the points he was making. His willingness to critic sports coaches also brought some meat to the discussions. The delivery of some very good points was all done in a very interesting manner. Just one point that I will repeat:

When you listen passively in 24 hours you will remember 10% of what you heard. If you discuss it in 24 hours you will remember 50%.

And if you tell someone else about it in 24 hours you will remember 90%.

I heard that part!!

What was confirmation bias?

Hugh Munro Construction has once again decided to support **Children's Safety and Entertainment Resource Guide Canada** with a donation of \$400.00. With this we help get the word out to kids on how to be safe in many situations they find themselves in. Gang strategies, Child Predators, Using the Buddy System, and Internet Safety are just a few problems that Children's Safety Guide will teach kids how to avoid or deal with.

A donation was made to the **Ontario Scott Tournament of Hearts** on behalf of our Ontario employees. Tis the season for curling. Good luck!

Also a donation was made to the Salvation Army on behalf of Rae Munroe who passed away early in January. She was Mitch's mother-in-law. She was blessed to be together with her family for Christmas. Our condolences go out to her family and friends.

Dennis and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you for your mother's speedy recovery.

Here is a recap of the fundraising done for 2011.

Habitat for Humanity

Alonsa School

Grace Lutheran Church

Beausejour Hospital

Scouts Canada

Winnipeg Humane Society

Children's Hospital Research Foundation

Children's Wish Foundation

Kidney Foundation

Canadian Diabetes

Portage Services for Seniors

Downtown Winnipeg Biz

Heart and Stroke

Help Baby Dylan

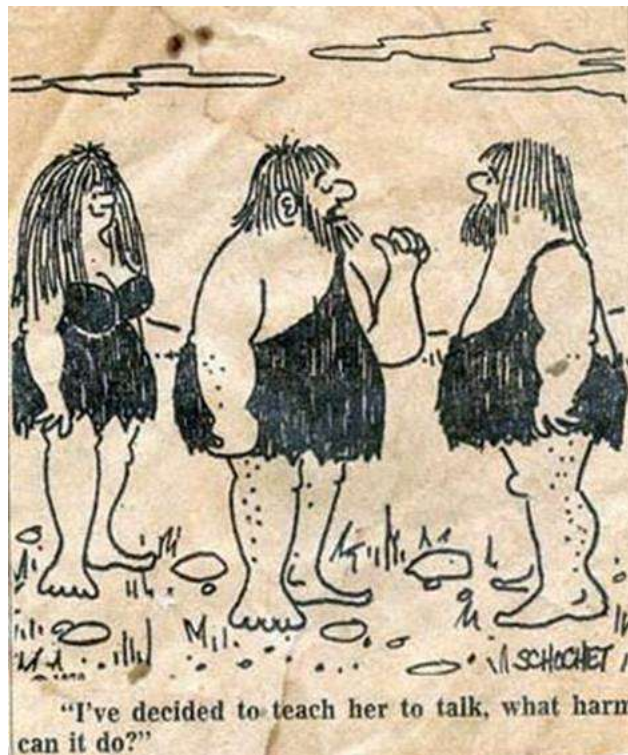
Bethesda Foundation-Bethesda Cancer Care
Calvary Temple
Polar River fundraiser for local boy who is battling cancer.

You can call your Employee Assistance Program toll free 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

REMEMBER THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO HUGH'S NEWS is the end of the first week in the month. OR Just call Kathy at the office, anytime! Kathy@hmcl.ca

**NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY,
ABSOLUTELY NO ONE CAN TOP THIS**

THE ORIGINAL SIN



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There I was sitting at the bar staring at my drink when a great huge, trouble-making biker steps up next to me, grabs my drink and gulps it down in one swig.

"Well, whatcha' gonna do about it?" he says, menacingly, as I burst into tears.

"Come on, man," the biker says, "I didn't think you'd CRY. I can't stand to see a man crying."

"This is the worst day of my life," I say. "I'm a complete failure. I was late to a meeting and my boss fired me. When I went to the parking lot, I found my car had been stolen and I don't have any insurance. I left my wallet in the cab I took home. I found my wife with another man and then my dog bit me."

"So I came to this bar to work up the courage to put an end to it all, I buy a drink, I drop a capsule in and sit here watching the poison dissolve; then you show up and drink the whole thing! But enough about me, how's your day going?"