

TOWN OF GRETNA – APRIL 2007 NEWSLETTER

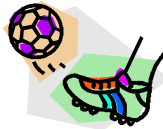


DEBBIE OWEN LPN/CERTIFIED FOOT CARE NURSE

Debbie will do a complete assessment of your feet, and check for how your circulation is, any kind of foot problems and let you know how to manage it. She will do in home visits or call her for an appointment in her home and cost at 327-5357.

SPORT MANITOBA

There is some financial assistance available to help children ages 5-18 who would like to be more involved in sports, but need some financial help. The sport activities must be affiliated with organizations recognized by Sport Manitoba. Applications can be picked up at the Town Office, but there are 2 deadline dates which is **April 30/07** (for late spring/summer sports between March 1 – August 1, 2007) and **October 15/07** (for late fall/winter/early spring sports between August 1, 2007 and February 29, 2008).



OAKVIEW DRIVE

This is the name chosen for our new street in town just off Seventh Street to the east.

BUILDING PERMITS

Spring is slowly approaching and with the nice weather, comes building projects. Please come to the office to fill out a building permit (the cost is \$30) when any construction will be happening on your property.....decks, additions, garages, etc. If you're not sure if you need one, we will try to help and there are fines in place to anyone NOT applying for a permit.

DOG OWNERS

Please when taking your dog for a walk, please clean up after your dog.....we have had a number of complaints of dog droppings on edges of the street, and on the sidewalk when people are out walking. It is up to the pet owner to clean up after their pet when out for a walk. Let's try to keep our streets and sidewalks clean. Thank you!

FLOWER BEDS

The Town of Gretna has a large flower bed on the corner of 7th and Hespeler that will again this year be full of flowers....if anyone is interested in taking a turn in watering them during the summer, please let us know at the town office and we will put your name down and let you know when you would be asked to water.....or call 327-5578.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Gretna Prairie Senior Centre is having an Ice Cream Social as a fundraiser for the centre. Anyone in the community is welcome to attend and you don't have to be a senior to come. It's an evening to meet some of the people that live in this town, plus there will be all the fixin's to make your own banana splits. Mark **Friday, May 18 at 7:00 p.m.** on your calendar, and we hope to see you there. Any donations will be issued a tax receipt, if requested.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Anyone interested in taking a turn in watching the town during early hours of the morning, please let us know. If enough people sign up, there might only be one night a month that one would have to be up.....call the office if you are interested.

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Spring Yard Clean-up

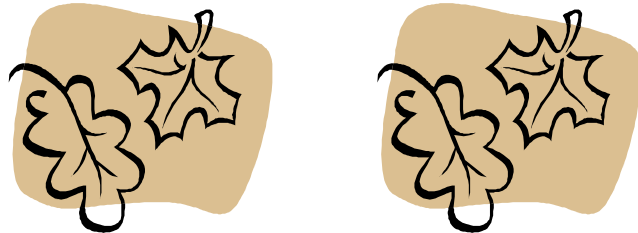
April 26, May 3, & May 10

We would like to encourage all residents to make use of these services. Only leaves, grass clippings, and other compostable materials will be picked up. We would also remind you that the leaves/debris must be **bagged or bundled** and brought to the curb to let us know you want them picked up.

Please be kind to our Public Works Dept., and remember that bags and bundles must be kept to a reasonable size and weight so one man can easily handle them. Any bags that are over 40 pounds will be left behind. **Thank You!**

Grass clippings, leaves and garden debris can also be taken to the compost site, west of the municipal shop. Branches can also be brought to the shop yard and placed by the **BRANCHES ONLY** sign. Remember cut trees or unused lumber is **not allowed**.

In addition to our service, Bob Davis has advised us that he would like to pick up all bagged leaves available. Bob Davis can be reached at 327-5540.



COMMUNITY FUTURES TRIPLE R

The Town of Gretna has a seat on the board of Community Futures Triple R, which is a business development service. They will work with individuals and groups to better define business goals and help in obtaining assistance by providing:

Non-Financial Assistance

- Facilitating Business Plan preparation
- Assisting to access available Government programs
- Assisting with Market, Financial, and Human Resources needs analysis
- Access to resource material and referrals to additional professional services

Financial Assistance

- Repayable business loans and loan guarantees (up to a maximum of \$150,000)
- Rates comparable to other financial institutions
- Flexible terms and conditions

Resources

- C/MBSC satellite business library site
- Video conferencing
- Services Canada Satellite site

WEST NILE VIRUS

Mosquito season is just around the corner. Check door & window screens that they fit secure, use mosquito repellent, wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing, and reduce the time spent outdoors during peak mosquito hours between dusk & dawn.