

# LdB Foundation supports Seniors Lunch Program

By Arlene Davidson

The organizers, hosts, volunteers and diners at the Let's Do Lunch program at Park Manor welcomed Frank Terra of

the Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation, Inc. to join them for a meal on Feb. 12 to thank the philanthropic organization for the grant they received to purchase a new fridge for the program.



Frank Terra (left) and Diane Babiak check out the new fridge at Park Manor purchased for the Let's Do Lunch program, with a grant from the Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation, Inc.

Photo by Arlene Davidson

The common room at Park Manor was filled to capacity as visitors arrived for the social meal program established by Two Rivers Senior Resource Council. The menu for the day was a chef salad followed by lightly breaded pickled with boiled potatoes in butter and dill.

"The foundation supports grant requests for non-recurring capital purchases that enhance the lives of the people of Lac du Bonnet," explained Terra. "In addition to the excellent food served, the social aspect is really what this program is all about."

Pat Porth, Community Resource Coordinator for the Two Rivers Senior Resource Council was appreciative of the grant. Program cook, Diane Babiak said the features on the new fridge will provide more organized storage and add efficiency to the meal preparation.

Let's Do Lunch provides seniors and guests an opportunity to share a tasty and nutritious home cooked meal every Friday in a friendly social setting at a very modest cost.

"Everyone is welcome" said Porth.

Terra would like to remind nonprofit organizations that Lac du Bonnet & District Charitable Foundation, Inc. is currently accepting grant applications for new capital purchases, and that application forms are available on their website at [www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca](http://www.lacdubonnetfoundation.ca)

## City meetings survey flatlines

RM of Lac du Bonnet feedback on Winnipeg assemblies nonexistent

By Mark T. Boes

RM of Lac du Bonnet feedback on bringing back a council activity that has admittedly been a flop in the past and a financial bust for municipal taxpayers is going nowhere fast.

Council is garnering public opinion on hosting spring and fall meetings in Winnipeg in an effort to accommodate the number of Lac du Bonnet property owners living in the Manitoba capital.

The question has been posted on the RM's website since Dec. 18, but according to Coun. Cindy Kellendonk, the response has been almost nonexistent.

"It doesn't seem like anyone is interested," Kellendonk said, noting the RM also sent out hundreds of e-mails to individuals on the municipal mailing list.

Kellendonk said the issue of Winnipeg meetings came up in one of council's early budget meetings. She said she asked why it was stopped and would there be any value in revisiting it.

She said administration offered to take the action to put a survey on the municipality's website to gauge the level of interest in bringing it back.

According to RM administration, the last regular meeting held in Winnipeg was in April 2006 – an event that included minimal participation and a bill for \$266 to rent a room at Canad Inns, among other municipal costs.

"There hasn't been any interest, and that's one of the reasons they stopped it," Kellendonk said. "They were holding these meetings at a huge expense to taxpayers and nobody was showing up."

## The Biblio File

By Marg Stokes, Pinawa Public Library, [www.pinawapubliclibrary.com](http://www.pinawapubliclibrary.com)

### Jammin' @ the Library

A musical evening story time, Jammin' In Your Jammies will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m., with live music and a sing-a-long for kids (and kids at heart!). Children can come in their jammies, and a bedtime snack will be provided. Sounds perfect for a cold winter evening.

### Canada Reads

CBC's Canada Reads 2016 is coming up March 21 to 24. This year it's all about "starting over." The five panellists have chosen the Canadian books they feel best represent the trials and tribulations of making a new start in life. We have all five titles in the Library,

check them out:

Adam Copeland defends *Minister without Portfolio* by Michael Winter

Clara Hughes defends *The Illegal* by Lawrence Hill

Bruce Boon Tip defends *Birdie* by Tracey Lindberg  
Vinay Virmani defends *The Hero's Walk* by Anita Rau Badami

Farah Mohamed defends *Bone & Bread* by Saleema Nawaz

### New fiction

*The High Mountains of Portugal* by Yann Martel  
*The Wolf Border* by Sarah Hall

*Agates in a Darkening Sky* by Lauren B. Davis  
*Palace of Treason* by Jason Matthews

*Finders Keepers* by

Stephen King

*New crime*  
*The President's Shadow* by Brad Meltzer

*The Redeemers* by Ace

Atkins

*The Fall* by John Leacock

*The Fifth Heart* by Dan Simmons



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Chase the Ace	Friday	6-8:30 pm
Wing Nite 55¢/wing	Wednesday	4:00 pm
Bingo	Thursday	7:00 pm
Supper	Friday	6:00 pm
Jam Session	1st & 3rd Friday	7:30 pm
Meat Draw & Cribbage	Saturday	1:00 pm

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