



## News Bulletin

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Dear Subscriber,

We hope you enjoy this edition of the AMM News Bulletin.  
A [PDF version](#) of the bulletin is available on our website.

## Latest News

### [Infrastructure top issue in Election 2016](#)

On April 14th, 2016 President Chris Goertzen was joined by Winnipeg Mayor Brian Bowman and Brandon Mayor Rick Chrest for a wrap-up of commitments on infrastructure resulting from the AMM's six-week Fair Share-Fair Say campaign.



L to R: Mayor Rick Chrest,

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President Goertzen also pointed to a recent [poll](#) conducted by Probe

President Chris Goertzen, and Mayor Brian Bowman

Research for CTV News and the Winnipeg Free Press indicating infrastructure was the most important issue on the minds of voters as they headed to the polls last week.

"Our goal was to engage Manitobans and our provincial parties in a conversation about the need for municipalities to receive a fair share of infrastructure dollars and a fair say in how they're spent," he said. "Clearly, the message resonated with both Manitobans and with our Party Leaders."

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## Coming Events

### Workshops: Creating an Accessibility Plan

The Disabilities Issues Office is offering an afternoon half day training workshop called, "Creating an Accessibility Plan" in order to meet compliance in respect to *The Accessibility for Manitobans Act* (AMA).

These workshops are scheduled for **May, June and September 2016, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on the Main Floor, United Way Offices located at 580 Main Street in Winnipeg.**

[Invitation Letter](#)

[Registration Form](#)

[AMA Brochure](#)

[Customer Service Standard Brochure](#)

If you would like to participate, please complete the Registration Form and email to the [Disabilities Issues Office](#).

### May 10<sup>th</sup> is National Census Day!



Our updated 2016 Census website is now available at: [www.manitoba.ca/census/index.html](http://www.manitoba.ca/census/index.html). Copies of the questions being asked for the short form (100% of households) and the long-form (25% of households) will be posted shortly.

Under Resources ([www.manitoba.ca/census/resources.html](http://www.manitoba.ca/census/resources.html)), you can find:

[What's new on the AMM website?](#)

### [Classified Ads](#)

Buy and sell your municipal equipment!

Post your ad [here](#).

### [Job Postings](#)

Post your municipal job [here](#).

### [Municipalities Trading Company of Manitoba Ltd. \(MTCML\)](#)

The MTCML offers AMM members lower prices on products and services through the power of bulk buying. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Visit the [MTCML](#) for current promotions from MTCML Official Suppliers.



### [Congratulations...](#)

to the 2016 Municipal Officials Seminar prize winners:

**GENIVAR door prize:** David Minish, Municipality of Swan

- Posters - available in English, French, Cree, German, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish and Tagalog
- Bookmarks - available in English, French, German, Russian and Tagalog

If you would like posters or bookmarks mailed to your office, please contact Wilf Falk at [WFalk@mbs.gov.mb.ca](mailto:WFalk@mbs.gov.mb.ca)

Thank you for support of the 2016 Census in Manitoba!

### **National Public Works Week is May 15-21, 2016**

The Manitoba Chapter of the Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA) would like to reach out to all Manitoba municipalities to thank all of the public works employees for their work which so many take for granted. Please consider passing a proclamation and sending it in for forwarding to the National office.

To pass a proclamation, use the [online How-To Guide](#).

Email your proclamation to:

Steve Blayney, Director,  
Canadian Public Works Association  
[sblayney@shaw.ca](mailto:sblayney@shaw.ca)

### **Commuter Challenge - June 5th to 11th**

Green Action Centre is asking Manitobans to join their co-workers in the Commuter Challenge. This national event encourages everyone to try new, sustainable modes of commuting during the week of June 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. Walk, run, bike, bus, rollerblade, carpool, or telecommute your way not only to work, but to a healthier community and a healthier environment!



Register your workplace, register yourself, track your commute, win prizes, and last but not least make Manitoba even better! Go to [www.greenactioncentre.ca](http://www.greenactioncentre.ca) or send us an email as [commuterchallenge@greenactioncentre.ca](mailto:commuterchallenge@greenactioncentre.ca)! We are happy to share tips with you and lend you support. and make this a great experience for you.

## **Notices**

**Seniors Guide now available**

Valley West  
**Grand Prize (Travel Certificate):** Betty Nykyforak, Municipality of Roblin

Thanks to the 555 delegates who attended this year's MOS!

### **Stay Connected**



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The Manitoba Seniors' Guide is now available to order.

The Seniors' Guide is filled with current and relevant information for seniors and their families. It offers quick access to listings of programs and services available to older adults in Manitoba that can enhance their health, independence and well-being.

To order a copy / copies of the current Seniors' Guide:

1) Mail or fax a completed Publication Order Form to:

Seniors and Healthy Aging Secretariat  
Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors  
1610 - 155 Carlton Street  
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3H8  
Fax: 204-948-2514

2) Call / e-mail the Seniors' Information Line:

Phone: 204-945-6565 (Winnipeg)  
Toll Free: 1-800-665-6565  
Email: [seniors@gov.mb.ca](mailto:seniors@gov.mb.ca)

3) Visit [www.gov.mb.ca/shas/publications/order\\_form](http://www.gov.mb.ca/shas/publications/order_form)  
and place order online

4) To access the document online, please visit

[www.gov.mb.ca/shas/publications/docs/seniors\\_guide.pdf](http://www.gov.mb.ca/shas/publications/docs/seniors_guide.pdf) and  
bookmark for future reference.

## 2016 Spring Fire Ban Tracking

In order to track fire protection efforts during spring dry conditions, the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) asks all municipalities to please inform the OFC immediately at [firecomm@gov.mb.ca](mailto:firecomm@gov.mb.ca) if you currently have a burning ban in place. We also ask that changes to the status of the burning ban be reported.

Should any member of the public ask, refer them to this website AND ask them to check with their municipal office for the most recent information. [www.gov.mb.ca/wildfire/burn\\_conditions.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/wildfire/burn_conditions.html)

**Consultations for MB's Battery Stewardship Renewal Plan** In 2011, Call2Recycle Canada, Inc. was appointed by Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship as the official battery stewardship program (collecting and recycling consumer batteries) in the province. As required by the government, we are submitting a five-year renewal plan (2017 - 2021) for review and approval.

As part of the plan review process, we are undergoing consultations with stakeholders and the general public prior to submission of the plan to the government in May 2016.

Please participate in the consultation process by reviewing the [renewal plan here](#) and submitting your comment(s) to [MBPlan@call2recycle.ca](mailto:MBPlan@call2recycle.ca).