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Community Futures North Central Development ~ CLIENT FEATURE EDITION ~

Community Futures North Central Development is delighted to dedicate this edition of the North Central News to featuring our clients. It's always a rewarding experience to see business start ups and expansions in our region and we want to celebrate those successes. We hope you enjoy reading the stories of the passionate, innovative, dedicated entrepreneurs that CFNCD has had the pleasure of working with this year.

THE DESIGN TRAIL

Jenine Mowat (25) and Samuel Keeper (27) originally from Norway House had the dream to go into business together since they met, that dream became a reality this year when they opened *The Design Trail* in Thompson. The Aboriginally owned company specializes in graphic design, printing, signage and vehicle decaling & wraps. The business seems a perfect fit for the couple as Jenine, always having loved design, art and graphics graduated from the Web and Print Design program at Herzing College and is certified in



Jenine Mowat and Samuel Keeper are the husband and wife team at The Design Trail - a company specializing in graphic design, printing, signage and vehicle decaling & wraps.

3M vehicle decalling installation. Samuel is a graduate of the CDI Business Administration program.

Jenine reflects on working with CFNCD: *When we began the process of applying for loans Leann Brown from Community Futures North Central Development was one of the first people we were referred to. She helped us through the process*

step by step and made the experience a whole lot easier on the both of us. She was there whenever we had any questions or concerns. To this day she checks in to make sure things are well and business is running smoothly. We cannot express how grateful we are to have met her and how much she has helped us get closer to

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WABOWDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL SETTING LAKE WAYSIDE PARK

Since 1995, Wabowden Development Corporation has owned/operated the Setting Lake Wayside Park campground. The campground has seen an increase of demand over the last number of years and discussions took place with local council to invest in the expansion of the campground. Prior to financial assistance provided by CFNCD, the campground had 15 electrical seasonal sites and 17 non electrical sites. With the funds provided by CFNCD a new hydro line was installed which provided an opportunity for the Wabowden Development Corporation Wayside Park to increase the number of electrical sites to a total of 26 electrical lots.



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achieving our goals. She understands that every day is a learning experience and is there to make sure we get the help any new business owner may need.

Being a young Aboriginal woman I have always felt it was important to work hard to get where I wanted to be in life and I feel that we have defiantly found the right path. I hope our

story will help inspire other young Aboriginals to work hard, follow their dream and achieve their goals. Nothing is out of reach, the support is there. No matter where you come from, there are no limits on where you can go!

The Design Trail is located at 302-79 Selkirk Ave. in Thompson. Stop in, visit them on facebook or call 204-778-6255 to discuss your design needs!

**Nelson River Adventures,
up close and personal with
wildlife and cultural history.**

Photos courtesy of Clint Sawchuk.



NELSON RIVER ADVENTURES

Experience centuries of history when you explore the Hudson's Bay Company's Depot building at York Factory, capture photographs of breathtaking sunsets, white water rapids and northern MB landscape, stand next to a York Boat or a shipwreck and see beautiful northern MB wildlife - seals, moose caribou and the majestic polar bear.

CFNCD client Clint Sawchuk of Gillam can help you with adventure! Clint officially launched his business - Nelson River Adventures this summer and has started offering learning and discovery experiences via jet boat tours on the Nelson River system. Tours begin in Gillam and allow visitors to view and explore Port Nelson, York Factory, Gull Rapids and Kettle dam. Daily and evening tours are offered and vary in length, ranging from two to ten-hour trips throughout the summer months.



Clint accessed CFNCD's Regular Investment Fund for start up dollars and has been working with Tourism North to connect with tourism industry players to further promote this exciting new addition to northern MB tourism. The Gillam Marina Association accessed CFNCD's Growing Communities community economic development grant program in 2011 to upgrade the public dock. For more information on Nelson River Adventures call (204) 573-7942 or email NelsonRiverAdventures@gmail.com. Website coming soon! Check Nelson River Adventures listing under Tour Operators on www.visitnorthern-manitoba.ca.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

CFNCD PLANNING SESSION

Wed., June 19th & 20th/ 2013
9:00 am

Army & Navy Hall
80 Nelson Rd, Thompson

CFNCD AGM

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Wed., June 19th/ 2013
5:00 pm

Army & Navy Hall
80 Nelson Rd, Thompson
RSVP: 204-677-1490

CFNCD BOARD MEETING

Thurs., June 20th/ 2013
1:00 pm

Army & Navy Hall
80 Nelson Rd, Thompson

THOMPSON NICKEL DAYS

June 20th - 23rd, 2013
Thompson Regional
Community Centre

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

EVERYONE WELCOME!
Friday, June 21st, 2013
Thompson, Centennial Park

CANADA DAY 2013 MULTICULTURAL ENTERTAINMENT

Monday, July 1st/ 2013
Thompson Regional
Community Centre

11th ANNUAL CROSS LAKE FAMILY CAMPOUT

July 9 - 16th, 2013
Sand Bay - Cross Lake

COMMUNITY FUTURES CONFERENCE

September 17th - 19th, 2013
Morden & Winkler, MB



ALL TERRAIN BEAR HUNTS

Long-time client Cory Grant of Thompson, the owner/operator of All Terrain Bear Hunts and Johnson Road Outfitters worked with CFNCD this year through the

Regular Investment Fund and the Aboriginal Business Development Program on an expansion which added a resident moose hunting camp and large group fishing vacation packages to the opera-

tion. For more information on ATBH visit the website at www.atbh.ca or call 204-677-1109. Congratulations and good luck with your expansion Cory!

PARTY HART RENTALS

Amanda Hart owner/operator of Party Hart Rentals was a client on the Self Employment Program who took her idea of starting a party rental business and turned it into reality. Party Hart Rentals includes: three commercial bouncy houses, cotton candy machine, popcorn machine, snow cone machine, face painting and has expanded to include balloon animals and balloon arches. Amanda's target market is parties or events that include children under the age of 12.

Amanda has booked many parties over the last year for birthday's, events held by the local Steelworkers Union Hall, YWCA Walk A Mile event and participated in CFNCD's 4th Annual Artist, Crafters & Small Business

Expo. Party Hart Rentals operates as a home based business, with full set up, tear down and staffing services. To get in touch with Amanda phone 204-679-5787 or visit her website: www.partyhartrentals.com

Amanda Hart of Party Hart Rentals can transform your next children's event with Commercial Bouncy House Rentals, balloon twisting & cotton candy!





LABAN FITNESS

Pictured left are Chris Byrne and Mitch Nicolas of LABAN Fitness. CFNCD was pleased to assist in the expansion of LABAN this year, not only is this the place in the north for Martial Arts but it is now a fully equipped fitness centre with more than 15 brand new, top quality machines, personal training and a variety of fitness classes. The next transition for LABAN will be shifting to a 24-hour facility accessible to clients by key cards. Clients of LABAN (now including many North Central staff members!) can attest to the friendly, positive atmosphere in the expanded facility. Well done Chris & Mitch! Expansion dollars were provided through CFNCD's Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program. Stop in to LABAN to check out the changes at 16 - 50 Selkirk Avenue or visit the website for more information: www.labanfitness.com.

MADELAINE MUNROE

Madelaine is a long-time CFNCD client hailing from Split Lake. Madelaine has created self-employment by selling her beautifully handcrafted beaded moccasins, slippers and gauntlets. She has participated several times in CFNCD's loan program designed specifically for artists and crafters - the Peer Lending Program and has showcased her work many times in CFNCD's Artist, Crafter and Small Business Expo held annually in November. It is not uncommon for Madelaine to display her work in the office, so be sure to stop in if you're looking for some new boots!



BUSINESSES SUPPORTED BY CFNCD IN 2012/2013:

CROSS LAKE:

Michelle Memorial Ambulance

GILLAM:

Fox River Outfitters

THOMPSON:

The Design Trail
Ripple Rock Meat Shop Inc.
North Centre Mall
Laban Fitness
Thompson Autowash
Greg's Painting
All Terrain Bear Hunts
Party Hart Rentals

Aurora Dance Academy
& Fitness Centre
Arctic Signs
6588884 Manitoba Ltd.

WABOWDEN

Wabowden Ice Cream Parlour
Donna Sanoffsky
Wabowden CDC - Wayside Park

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SHANNON MICHELLE
YOUTH BUILD PROGRAM
WORK PLACEMENT

Thank you! CFNCD was pleased to have Shannon, a Youth Build Program (Boys & Girls Club) participant join us to do a 5-week work placement. Shannon assisted with community development administrative tasks as well as working with the Northern Manitoba Sector Council.

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AURORA DANCE ACADEMY

Ashley Cormier has been involved in dance as a student and teacher for many years and this year added entrepreneur to that list when she opened Aurora Dance Academy in September 2012. Some styles offered at the Dance Academy include: Tap, Modern, Ballet, Jazz and Acro. Future plans include offering Zumba classes as well as sports strength training and conditioning. This year Ashley had a total registration of 140 students from ages 2 and up.

This business has proven its success due to Ashley's history and commitment and passion for dance. At the time the venture opened there were no other dance operations in Thompson and CFNCD was pleased to assist in the start up by providing financing for studio renovations through the Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program. Ashley has an excellent support team behind her with family who is very involved

in the community and are entrepreneurs themselves. CFNCD would like to congratulate Ashley and her family on a very successful year one!

Aurora Dance Academy is located at 23 Station Road in Thompson. Early registration for the fall is taking place June 17-19th at the studio. Call 204-307-0569.



It was a beautiful two days at the Letkemann Theatre when Aurora Dance Academy held their first dance recital this June.

FRIEND Community Futures North Central Development on FACEBOOK!

CFNCD recently created a facebook page for the organization. Visit our page to find

upcoming event information and general information on what we're up to!

COMMUNITY FUTURES NORTH CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT MISSION STATEMENT...

Community Futures North Central Development will endeavour to bring together to support, develop, and promote communities, individuals, organizations, business and other appropriate stakeholders within the north central region (of Manitoba) to encourage self reliance and viability of the social and economic quality of life.