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A LITTLE HISTORY

Elm Creek Co-op has been serving Members since 1928.

The Original Purpose of Elm Creek Co-op was

"To provide the residents of Elm Creek and the Surrounding area with Goods and Services for their consumption and use on a Co-operative basis"



LOCAL DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIPS

- Elm Creek Minor Hockey
- St Claude Broomball
- Elm Creek Curling Club
- Central Manitoba Holstein Club Dairy Days
- Haywood Community Hall
- Ted Tkachyk Memorial Golf Tournament
- St Claude Library
- Portage Turf Club
- St Claude Historical Society
- Elm Creek Fun Raisers
- Elm Creek School Athletics Program
- Elm Creek Parent Advisory Committee
- 7-6 Ranch (Children's Wish Foundation)
- Elm Creek Stay & Play
- Manitoba Co-operative Youth Camp
- Elm Creek Canada Day Committee
- 4H Clubs Elm Creek, Graysville & Treherne
- Fannystelle Harvest Fest
- St Claude Minor Hockey
- Pembina Valley Hawks
- Elm Creek Fire Fighters
- Elm Creek Dart Tournament
- Scotswood Links Golf Tournaments
- Sperling Fire Fighters Dart Tournament
- Cross Country Snow Drifters
- Elm Creek Scholarship
- Carman Beavers
- Carman Cougars

CO-OP WEEK October 15-20, 2018

Co-op week is the opportunity for Canadian co-operative and credit union members to celebrate the fact that they have collectively helped to build this country

GENERAL REPAYMENT \$163,067

**Minimum Cheque is \$10.00 and
the largest cheque was \$10,979.00
701 Cheques were issued**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is amazing that despite being busy we are usually able to stand back and take a breather to reflect on what happens around us each day. This holds true for all of us involved with our Coop. Whether this includes the staff, the board or you the customers, the days, weeks and year keep moving right along with anticipation of what will tomorrow bring. We all reflect on what was accomplished, or how have we been provided for, we may conclude that we are fortunate and should be thankful. May we truly celebrate this on Thanksgiving Day.

As you notice in this newsletter preparation is being made for the annual Coop Week. You may ask why this special week? Members, you are the answer. Your exemplary local support to the Coop together with our diligence to provide goods and services you require, allows Elm Creek Coop to capitalize on opportunities that come our way and implement them in an effective way for your benefit and for the benefit of the community. We celebrate this with you. As has been mentioned previously from these pages, this is a process where retail development continues to be measured, where sustainability and stability of the operation should remain our focus. When a team approach is utilized for what needs to be accomplished, the efficiencies and the effectiveness of them will ensure the desired results.

We value your continued support.
Ron deRuiter

ELM CREEK CO-OPERATIVE

Putting Communities First

October 2018



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Mission Statement

"To provide our members with quality products and services in an environmentally responsible way, promoting sustainable community development."

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Serving Members Since 1928

MANAGER'S REPORT Dave Henderson

Fall is sure here early this year. You can feel it in the air with the cool mornings. Our neighbours to the west in Alberta already have snow in several areas.

We all had another successful harvest with some crops better than expected and some not quite what we were hoping for, but overall pretty good.

Our year has been about the same. Some areas have done well and some not quite meeting expectations .

Looking forward to Co-op Week, we are handing out over \$163,000 in Cheques to our members. The Garage Sale which runs Friday & Saturday creates a lot of excitement. We have approx. 15 pallets of product that we received from FCL to clear out—much of it at savings of 50% or better to our members. Stop in on Monday to save on Gas, Tuesday to try some samples and test out some **Makita Tools**. Wednesday is our popular Pop a Balloon Contest, Thursday is Free Coffee & Donuts. Saturday we are having



Beef on A Bun this year with the silver collection going to 2018 Graduates.

You have probably noticed quite a change in staff again this year Rick Tkachyk, our Fuel Truck Driver for over 25 years, retired in April and was replaced by Zac Janzen, Helen de Ruiter moved in June and was replaced by Carolyn Gelderman, Catie Brown replaced Carolyn as the Front-end Supervisor. I hope that we can count on your support and patience as these young people move forward in learning their roles & responsibilities.

Fuel Good Day was another success raising 326.42 for our Local Soccer

teams. Thank you to all the Customers who supported them and us on this day.

It makes us proud when customers come into our store and are amazed at all the products we carry. We believe in shopping Local First and appreciate the effort our members and customers make to make us their first choice when purchasing products. These Customers help us to support the local Donations we make as well.

In closing, I would like to thank you, our loyal Members and Customers, for your continued support .

Dave Henderson

Celebrating Co-op Week 2018 See Inside for Details

IF YOU DEAL AT CIBC, RBC, BANK OF MONTREAL OR ANY CREDIT UNION
YOU CAN PAY YOUR BILL ONLINE, PHONE THE ADMIN OFFICE FOR DETAILS

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MONDAY

15th

**SAVE
5
CENTS**

**Per Litre on
Pump Gas**

Will be Deducted at Till

TUESDAY

16th

Makita

**DEMO DAY
SAVE ON SPECIAL
DEALS THIS DAY**

In-Store sampling of 'Made In
Manitoba' Products Available in
Our Store

Notre-Dame CREAMERY LTD.
It's Better With Butter

BOTHWELL
CHEESE

HEARTLAND MEATS

WEDNESDAY

17th

Pop-A-Balloon Day

OVER \$600.00 IN PRIZES

**ONLY 150 BALLOONS
AVAILABLE SO GET HERE
EARLY**

MIN \$15.00 PURCHASE
REQUIRED TO RECEIVE
A BALLOON

**We will Start at
9 AM UNTIL
BALLOONS RUN OUT**

TRY USING SOME OF OUR DELICIOUS LOCAL
PRODUCTS IN THE FOLLOWING RECIPE:

EASY SKILLET BEEF LASAGNA
INGREDIENTS

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- * 1 lb 4H lean ground beef
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/2 tsp each salt and pepper
- 2 cups tomato sauce
- 1 1/2 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1 cup canned diced tomatoes
- 8 oz lasagna noodles, broken into 2-inch pieces
- * 1 1/2 cups shredded **Bothwell Cheese Mozzarella**, divided
- * 1/2 cup grated **Bothwell Cheese Parmesan**, divided
- 1/4 cup finely chopped fresh basil, divided



DIRECTIONS

Preheat broiler and position rack in center of oven. Heat oil in large ovenproof skillet set over medium heat; cook beef, onion, garlic, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper for 5 to 8 minutes or until beef starts to brown.

Stir in tomato sauce, chicken broth and tomatoes; bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and cook for 8 to 10 minutes or until sauce is slightly thickened.

Stir in lasagna noodles; cover and cook, stirring occasionally, for 10 to 12 minutes or until noodles are tender.

Stir in 1/2 cup mozzarella, and half of the Parmesan and basil. Sprinkle remaining mozzarella and Parmesan over top; place in oven and broil for 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese is golden brown and bubbling.

Remove from oven and sprinkle with remaining basil. Let stand for 5 minutes before serving.

BOTHWELL
CHEESE

Have You
Made Your
Shopping List?

EQUITY EXPLAINED

Our earnings are distributed annually to members as equity, a portion of which you receive as 'Cash Back' - the remainder is retained by the co-op to help finance the business, and maintain and upgrade assets to ensure ongoing success.

Each commodity is allocated a percentage annually and your total Equity & Cash Back is calculated based on the total amount of qualifying purchases you made, using your member number, the *previous* year. In other words, the equity cheque you receive *this* year, will be based on the purchases you made *last* year. If you only purchased a membership this year, you will not receive your first equity cheque until next year.

Depending on the nature of your purchases, there may be a withholding tax paid on your behalf. This will be noted on your statement.

Equity is only paid out 'In Full' if you a) move away from the trading area, b) reach 70ys of age, or c) pass away, at which point the equity is paid to your estate.

A more detailed explanation (including current allocation % and example repayments) will be available when you pick up your Equity cheque in-store during Co-op Week.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

**FALL SUPPER
SATURDAY
OCTOBER 20TH
4:30—7:00 PM**



HERITAGE MANOR AGM—OCTOBER 23, 2018 @ 7 PM
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

- On The Agenda - 3 Directors are to be Elected
- Financial Results for 2017/2018
 - Bylaw Changes
 - New Business

We are looking for new Ideas and towards the future of the Manor so please come out and maybe even put your name in to run as a director.

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE
OCTOBER 24, 2018**

**PAY YOUR CO-OP BILL ONLINE
CONTACT SHERRI**

ARE YOU READY?

Cub Cadet

**UNRIVALED STRENGTH.
CUB CADET HD SERIES**



**DEALER
EXCLUSIVE
STEEL
CHUTE**

ELM CREEK COOPERATIVE

THURSDAY

18th

**Free Coffee & Donuts
10am to 3pm**



FRIDAY

19th

**GARAGE
SALE
9 AM TO 4 PM**

All Week Long you can
**Pick-up Your
Equity Cheque
At the Admin
Office**

SATURDAY

20th

Beef-on-a-Bun



11am to 1pm
Silver collection for
Elm Creek 2018/2019
Graduating Class