



## Another Successful Year at Camp

It sure was. This year, Camp ultime was run a little differently than in previous years but the result was still the same: big smiles, lots of laughs and wonderful memories. With a great combination of returning campers excited to meet up with old friends and first timers anxious about living new experiences, the atmosphere at camp was buzzing with energy. Camp was also blessed with an enthusiastic staff whose love of the French language encouraged the notion that fun can be had in French.

Activities this year were a combination of memorable classics and unforgettable new games. Once again campers found themselves singing solos in the dining hall thanks to "Petit bois", living out silly consequences of goofy accusations in Kangaroo court, solving a mysterious disappearance in the game Clue and acting out in the improvisational games of "A qui le tour de parler? (Who's line is it anyway?)". Campers also found themselves in messy situations thanks to a series of games involving shaving cream, pudding, eggs etc. Various water games (wet shirt relay, fill the pop bottle ...) helped campers cool down on the hot summer days. The older campers were also able to share their French language skills and leadership abilities in a series of activities where they took control, and did they ever do a great job! Traditional activities also included horseback riding, archery, swimming, the mud pit, variety night and mini-golf. New additions included the trampoline, survivor series games, smores and a roasted hot dog supper.

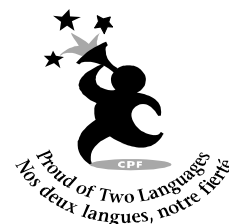


Numbers were up from last year and the feedback from staff and campers this year has been very positive. At the rate things are going I can only see camp getting better and better.

Thank you to all the parents for your support and for encouraging the development of the French language, thank you to all the campers for giving your counseling staff a summer full of great memories, thank you to Arlington beach staff for your help and the delicious food and merci beaucoup aux moniteurs et monitrices pour avoir dédié une partie de votre été aux bienfaits des jeunes, à la langue française et à la création de mémoires fantastiques. It was great working with all of you.

A la prochaine...I can't wait to see what next year will bring.

Lanette Daley  
Directrice de Camp ultime, 2006



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# New Board Members

## Elizabeth Moar

Elizabeth Moar is a Public Health Nurse in Prince Albert where she lives with her husband Sandy and daughter Alex, a grade 11 French immersion student. Elizabeth heard French for the first time many years ago when a francophone family moved to her hometown of Semans, SK. It was love at first sound, and she was fortunate to have a grade nine French teacher who was as enthusiastic as she was about learning to communicate in this beautiful language. During her more than 20 years as a military nurse, she became fluently bilingual, and is proud to have two bilingual grandsons as well as three bilingual daughters. Elizabeth has been actively promoting oral French for the past ten years in Prince Albert, as a tutor for three years, and as a judge for Concours d'art oratoire at various levels. Elizabeth has previous experience in the volunteer sector on local and regional library and church camp boards. She remains passionately committed to bilingualism, and eagerly anticipates the opportunity to serve as a director on the CPF-SK board.

## Cory Fengstad

Cory Fengstad grew up in Saskatoon where he met and married his wife Sheri. Sheri and Cory have been married for eleven years, and have a seven year old daughter who is currently in grade two French immersion in Nipawin. Cory has a diploma in Recreation and Leisure from S.I.A.S.T. and a certificate in Social Work from the University of Regina. Cory worked with young offenders for a number of years before transferring to Child Protection. He then opened up the Rosetown Pet Centre, and relocated the business to Nipawin in January of 2000 and has been running the Nipawin Pet Centre ever since. Cory has been actively involved with CPF since his daughter was in kindergarten.



*(Back row L to R) Jim Shea (CPF-National Executive Director), CPF-SK Board members Natasha Vetter, Gerri Barber, Rose-Marie Bouvier, Cory Fengstad. (Front Row) Valerie Miller, Suzanne Rollo, Elizabeth Moar, Georgette Chrispen.*

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# President's Message



Welcome to another school year! It is hard to believe that our busy summer is drawing to a close. These past few months have been filled with events such as the travelling Fête du soleil day camp, the very successful residential camp at Arlington Beach, the Chapter Planning Meeting and the Annual General Meeting.

Following this AGM, it is with pleasure that I present your 2006-07 CPF-SK board: new members Elizabeth Moar (Prince Albert) and Cory Fengstad (Nipawin) join the returning members Gerri Ann Riehl (Battlefords), Georgette Chrispen (La Ronge), Valerie Miller (Yorkton), Suzanne Rollo (Regina), Natasha Vetter (Prince Albert) and myself, Rose-Marie Bouvier (Regina). A special mention must be given to outgoing member Amy Hadley. Her years of dedication to CPF-SK have been greatly appreciated. THANK YOU Amy.

The CPF-SK board is composed of individuals from around the province whose backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives are quite diverse. But, we share the common goal of promoting French Second-Language education and opportunities for the youth of this province. Although the board has transitioned over the summer we are preparing for a busy year. It is our desire as a board to represent the interests of members throughout the province, so please contact us with your ideas as well as your concerns.

## Chapter Planning Meeting

Representatives from CPF-SK chapters around the province gathered on Friday June 9 and Saturday June 10, 2006 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Saskatoon for the annual Chapter Planning Meeting. At the opening reception CPF-SK board members welcomed chapter representatives, CPF-National Executive Director Jim Shea, representatives from The French Education and Languages Branch (FELB, formerly OMLO) of Saskatchewan Learning, and from the Office of French-Language Coordination, in addition to Saskatchewan MLA Dan D'Autremont, and a representative from the office of The Honourable Carol Skelton, Minister of Western Economic Diversification. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Elmer Hynes Award to Maureen Young of CPF-Moose Jaw chapter.

Chapter and board members continued with their meetings on Saturday. René Archambault, Executive Director of FELB offered insight into how funding for FSL programs in Saskatchewan is distributed. Jim Shea spoke with enthusiasm of CPF-National initiatives and encouraged Saskatchewan CPF members to keep on working to promote FSL opportunities for the young people of Saskatchewan. The afternoon was spent reviewing chapter activities and initiatives.

### French... for Parents?

Are you lost and confused when your children bring home their homework in French? Do you wonder what they are learning in school? Perhaps a French for Parents class might be helpful. These classes are designed to introduce parents to basic vocabulary and sentence structure - the kinds of things your children will be learning in the early years of elementary school.

French for Parents classes are being offered this fall by chapters around Saskatchewan. Contact your local chapter president or the CPF-SK office for information about how you can participate. ★

The CPF-SK newsletter contains information about products and resources of interest to FSL students, their parents and teachers. Publication does not imply endorsement by CPF-SK.

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# Distance Education for French Immersion Students

*Submitted by Maria Chow, French Education and Languages Branch, Saskatchewan Learning*

Saskatchewan French immersion students have the opportunity to take distance education courses via eCOLE: l'école d'éducation à distance. Following the closure of Collège Mathieu's virtual school, the French Education and Languages Branch (FELB) perceived a need for this mode of delivery. Thus, in September of 2003 eCOLE was born. Originally offering 10 courses with 23 students enrolled, eCOLE has expanded in both areas. The 2005-2006 year had an enrolment of 56 students in 17 courses. For the current 2006-2007 academic year, students can choose among 22 classes. Not affiliated with Collège Mathieu, this secondary distance education school is housed within the French Education and Languages Branch of Saskatchewan Learning.

To be admissible, students must be enrolled in a Saskatchewan French immersion or regular stream school. Approval to attend eCOLE must be received from the school the student currently attends. The base school makes available a contact person who supervises the student and provides administrative support. In addition, the school must have Internet access and a computer with a CD Rom drive for the student's daily use. Most computers are already equipped with the software necessary for the class work. However, *FirstClass* is needed to enter the virtual school.

*FirstClass* is a communication and collaboration platform that features email, public folders, contacts, conferences, a centralized directory, group collaboration in conferences, instant messaging, and calendars. This software provides the virtual educational environment for eCOLE. Without it, students cannot receive assignments, communicate with others or complete the course. Licenses have been purchased on behalf of the students and schools need only to install it on the appropriate computer.

The distance education delivery mode meets a variety of student needs. eCOLE enhances and complements existing French programs by providing courses which may not be available at the local high school. The school can provide an option for timetabling conflicts and for students unable to physically attend a course due to illness. In instances where the French immersion secondary program has been eliminated, students can complete all of the courses required to graduate with a mention bilingue.

Elective and compulsory courses are offered on a semester basis. All have a definitive start and end date with no classes available in the summer months. eCOLE's classes cover the mandatory 100 hours of workload. Each meets the curriculum guide objectives and conforms to provincial requirements. Students can expect a variety of assignments for each course. These include group projects, reflective portfolios and independent assignments to name a few. As in a traditional class, students must successfully complete all assignments including final exams in order to pass. Final marks appear on the student's regular transcript with the appropriate amount of credits as determined by Saskatchewan Learning.

The French Education and Languages Branch of Saskatchewan Learning is committed to supporting French learning programs. This includes exploring new technologies and alternate modes of delivery. As Saskatchewan demographics change, more efficient and effective ways of accommodating students in their educational pursuits must be examined. At present, distance education neatly fills this niche. Further information regarding eCOLE is available at <http://www.defl.ca>.

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# Concours d'art oratoire 2006

## Provincial Final Results



Concours d'art oratoire is an annual French-language public speaking event sponsored by Canadian Parents for French. Students in French second-language programs prepare speeches and present them in their schools. Grades 6-12 students may represent their schools and school divisions at the provincial level, and Grade 11-12 provincial winners proceed to the national level of the Concours.

The 2006 edition of Concours d'art oratoire was a resounding success. Across the province 4,750 students presented speeches to their peers and teachers. School competitions were followed by divisional finals. The Provincial Final was held on Saturday April 29th at St Thomas More College at the University of Saskatchewan giving students and their parents an opportunity to visit the University and compete in a spacious and welcoming facility.

French immersion students were well represented. Organizers were pleased with the continued participation of core French students from around the province. Wawota, Nipawin, Carrot River and Lloydminster all sent speakers in the core French category. Saskatchewan was capably represented at the national finals in Ottawa on May 27, 2006 by Laura Laverdure (francophone), Katelyn Fréçon (Core French) and Janna Moats (French immersion). Congratulations to all the participants for their efforts, and to teachers, administrators, judges and parents for their support.

CPF-SK gratefully acknowledges St Thomas More College for the use of their facilities for the provincial final. Concours d'art oratoire is made possible with the support of the French Education and Language Branch of Saskatchewan Learning, and through the sustaining funds CPF-SK receives from the Department of Canadian Heritage.

### **French Immersion Grade 6**

First – Liam Bassingthwaite, Monseigneur Blaise Morand, North Battleford  
Second – Daniel Julien, St Matthew, Saskatoon  
Third – Veronica Finkas, Sacred Heart, Estevan

### **French Immersion Grade 7**

First – Aleina Haines, St Matthew, Saskatoon  
Second – Avnee Paranjape, W.S. Hawrylak, Regina  
Third – Denique LeBlanc, St Mary, Regina

### **French Immersion Grade 8**

First – Paul Harasyn, Holy Cross, Prince Albert  
Second – Alexis Brassard, St Angela Merici, Regina  
Third – Natalie Julien, St Matthew, Saskatoon

### **French Immersion Grades 9-10**

First – Linh La, Campbell, Regina  
Second – Amy Edwards, Holy Rosary, Lloydminster  
Third – Stephanie Fellner, Thom Collegiate, Regina

### **French Immersion Grades 11-12**

First – Janna Moats, Thom, Regina  
Second – Kathrynann James-Loth, Carleton Collegiate, Prince Albert  
Third – Sydney Marquarot, Campbell Collegiate, Regina

### **Core French – Grades 9-10**

First – Melanie Taylor, Wawota Parkland School  
Second – Trevor Chorney, Wawota Parkland School  
Third – Megan Berlin, Holy Rosary, Lloydminster

### **Core French – Grades 11-12**

First – Katelyn Fréçon, Carrot River High School  
Second – Tara Zwozdesky, L.P. Miller, Nipawin  
Third – Mario Gibney, Holy Rosary, Lloydminster

### **Francophone – Grades 10-11**

First – Laura Laverdure, Sacred Heart, Yorkton  
Second – Jordan Bolay, Carleton, Prince Albert  
Third – Pierre Hawkins, Campbell Collegiate, Regina

### Did you know...

National winners of Concours d'art oratoire are offered a \$20,000 scholarship to continue French studies at the University of Ottawa.

# Camp ultime 2006

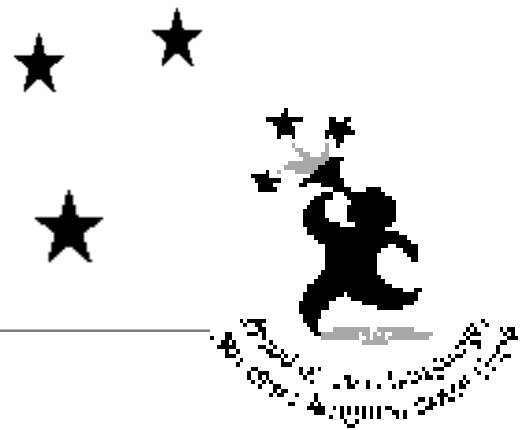


## Multimedia kits are available!

These kits are available for one 6-week loan period per Associate Member school each year. The Multimedia Kits consist of French-language videos, CD's, CD-ROM's, cassettes, books and games for the use of students in Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Host schools will be responsible for maintaining the contents of the kit in good order, replacing any items that are lost or damaged and sending these resources to the next school at the appropriate time.

*Please contact CPF-SK as soon as possible to see a sample inventory or book a kit for your school.*



## No Nuts Please!

The Board of Directors of Canadian Parents for French – Saskatchewan has approved a policy that relates to our youth programming including Mini Rendez-vous, Rendez-vous, Fête du soleil summer day camp, and Camp ultime. Due to concerns about allergies to nuts and nut products, the board has approved a peanut and nut free policy for all CPF-SK activities. Please do not provide snacks or lunches at any CPF event which may have peanuts, nuts or nut products in them, and inform parents not to send lunches or snacks which may place other children at risk.

Thank you for your assistance in making CPF-SK events safe for all children.

# Fête du soleil

Fête du soleil was a sensation this year taking place in 8 different cities (twice in Saskatoon) and touching the lives of over 200 core French and French immersion children. The young enthusiastic staff was able to share their love of the French language and teach new vocabulary through a variety of theme days pertinent to their lives and the children's lives. The superhero and pirate days allowed French experiences that played into the summer movie mayhem. Seasons day, transportation day and silly day (involving clothing) gave the children a chance to use vocabulary that can be used on a daily basis, while Mexico day and space day allowed the counselors to share their experiences using French vocabulary. Through out their days at Fête, the children practiced using their vocabulary while making various crafts, playing the parts of pirates, superheroes and aliens and participated in many physical activities which used the days theme words. At the end of each week the chapter representatives had great outings planned such as trips to the Diefenbaker Centre, spray parks and medieval day. What a great way to remind kids that French can be used outside a school setting and can be fun!

Rosemary, Tristan, Sean, Marie-Ève, Kate and Rachelle made up the team of hard working and caring day camp leaders. They never lacked in enthusiasm and showed much patience with each child, encouraging them to use their French. Great work guys! Thank you to all the chapter representatives as well for your hard work and for taking care of the team. They seemed to have a fun and unique experience in every town they visited.

Fête du soleil proved to be successful once again this year, allowing our growing French population to use their language in a non-scholarly fun environment and creating a link between the various French speaking communities in Saskatchewan. Bravo tout le monde et bon retour à l'école. Une autre été de fini avec pleines de nouvelles expériences à partager avec nos amis.

Lanette Daley  
Directrice Fête du soleil, 2006



## Elmer Hynes Award Winner



This year's recipient of the Elmer J Hynes Award, Maureen Young, has accomplished much on behalf of the children in her community in a relatively short period of time. She began as treasurer of the Moose Jaw chapter when her son joined Bonjour House Preschool, which at the time was a project of the Moose Jaw chapter. She served as treasurer for the chapter and looked after the books for the Preschool, which included payroll, applying for grants, and completing the government documents required for keeping the preschool running – all on a volunteer basis.

When Bonjour House Preschool and the Moose Jaw chapter became two separate entities, Maureen became President of the chapter. Since then she has looked after several Mini Rendez-vous Saturday workshops as well as Fête du soleil. She has also established a French for Parents class in Moose Jaw. Maureen attended the national AGM in Quebec City in 2004 and was inspired by her contacts there to bring a showing of a French-language movie to the local movie theatre in Moose Jaw. Maureen

learned as she went and two showings of the movie were provided for local children.

Maureen continues to demonstrate leadership in her chapter. She received the Elmer Hynes Award based on her enthusiasm for taking on projects which might have proved overwhelming for others. Congratulations Maureen.

# French-Language Debate

Are you looking for a fun and engaging activity to get children and youth speaking in public, thinking critically and expressing themselves? Why not try French-language debate! The Saskatchewan Elocution and Debate Association (SEDA) is a non-profit organization with the mandate to assist anyone interested in learning more about debate and speech. SEDA promotes debate in English and French and offers free in-class workshops to any interested Saskatchewan schools – grades 6 to 12. A SEDA staff member or volunteer will spend the day in the school and visit a new class each period. Usually, each workshop session lasts about an hour and includes a presentation on “how to debate” followed by a mini-debate on a topic of the classroom teacher’s choice. Each student will get a chance to speak in a non-threatening atmosphere. Longer, more intensive workshop sessions with select groups of students or classes are also available.

Debate is an excellent teaching tool and addresses the following objectives:

- Encourages students to become empowered, critical citizens
- Engages students in subjects where the challenge is to deal with sensitive issues
- Uses language to communicate understanding, ideas, and feelings to assist personal development and self-expression
- Encourages thought about social values. Students hear both sides of an issue and develop opinions based on a multi-centric perspective, enabling solid value judgments
- Shows a constructive method of dealing with conflict and encourages respect for differing views.

SEDA coordinates extra-curricular debate for students in grades 5-12. Any school can form a debate club and participate in tournaments with other schools. In addition to holding debates in both French and English, SEDA offers a bilingual style of debate which incorporates both languages into the same debate speech. This exciting and uniquely Canadian strategic style is perfect for French immersion students. All a club needs to get started is two interested students to form the first team and a teacher or parent to be the coach/chaperone. Debate is often taught in school or students can get together with friends and ask a teacher, principal or parent to help them start a club. SEDA staff can come to the school for free and give a workshop to get started. From there they can put the debaters in touch with other coaches and debaters in the area. And resources are available from the SEDA website. Most clubs meet once a week and practice the skills of debate and prepare for tournaments. Each club pays a yearly membership fee of \$40 plus \$20 for each debater. The debate season starts in later September with training workshops. The regular tournament season continues until March with special events held from April to June. It’s up to the debater as to how competitive they wish to be. The important thing is that club meetings offer students the opportunity to debate and have fun!

Contact SEDA in Regina for more information at 306-789-9243, by email at [info@saskdebate.com](mailto:info@saskdebate.com) or visit the website at [www.saskdebate.com](http://www.saskdebate.com).



## Célébrons la Saskatchewan!

The mural made at CPF-SK camps in the summer of 2005 has been photographed and made into a poster. Bulk copies are now available. Contact CPF-SK for details.

The mural itself will be available for circulation this winter. If you would like to display it in your community please contact CPF-SK.

## Le saviez-vous?

In this newsletter you’ll find the third edition of “Le saviez-vous”. This publication is designed for high school students, and is intended to spark their interest in expanding their French second-language experiences beyond the classroom. The bulletin will be distributed in CPF-SK newsletters, and will be circulated to high schools in Saskatchewan. Look for it twice a year and pass it along to someone who might find it helpful.

# Institut français Bursary Winners 2006

For several years, Canadian Parents for French has been awarding \$500 bursaries to two students who have completed French 30 or a Type B immersion program in a Saskatchewan High School, and who are registered full-time in their first year at the Baccalauréat en Éducation française or in the Certificate in French as a second language program. These bursaries, administered by the Institut français at the University of Regina, are distributed once a year. The selection committee keeps track of academic achievement during the first semester of studies (50%), personal commitment to studies and extra-curricular activities in French (25%), and financial need (25%), and awards the bursaries based on these criteria.

This year, the recipients of these bursaries were Jeanette Peters, registered in the French second language certificate program and Kyla Schmiedge, first year student in the Baccalauréat en éducation program. Canadian Parents for French – Saskatchewan would like to congratulate both these students. Applications for this bursary are available from the Institut français.



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# Calendar of Events

## September 2006

16 CPF-SK Board Meeting, (Saskatoon)

## October 2006

13 Grades 6-9 grant application deadline for projects taking place between January 1 and March 31, 2007

20 Launch of the State of FSL Report, CPF-National (Ottawa)

20-22 CPF National Conference and AGM (Ottawa)

26-28 National Conference CAIT, CASLT, and SATF (Saskatoon)

## November 2006

4 Mini Rendez-vous, (Prince Albert)

## February 2007

3 CPF-SK Board meeting (Saskatoon)

16 Grades 6-9 grant application deadline for projects taking place between April 1 and August 30, 2007

23-25 Rendez-vous

## March 2007

18 CPF-SK Board Meeting, (Saskatoon)

## April 2007

28 Concours d'art oratoire Provincial Finals (Saskatoon)

28 CPF-SK Board Meeting, (Saskatoon)

## June 2007

8,9 Chapter Planning Meeting

9 CPF-SK AGM (Saskatoon)



*For more information about these events and others please see the CPF-SK website at [www.cpfask.com](http://www.cpfask.com) or call the office at 1-800-561-6151*



## Rendez-vous 2006

Canadian Parents for French-Saskatchewan is pleased to announce a new edition of Rendez-vous in Saskatoon on February 23-25, 2007.

French second-language students, in grades 6-8 from all over Saskatchewan are invited to participate in this fun weekend. All the activities, workshops and meals are provided in a French environment. Watch for further information and registration forms from schools, the CPF-SK website at [www.cpfask.com](http://www.cpfask.com) or the next edition of this newsletter.



## Cultivons le français de demain

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## Organizations Can Also Receive Our Newsletters

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# French for the Future/Le français pour l'avenir 2006

2006 marks the tenth year since the idea of French for the Future/Le français pour l'avenir became a reality. With the event now being held in 19 cities across Canada and with over 3000 French immersion and Francophone high school students participating, one can only conclude that this program continues to be highly successful and an excellent venue to demonstrate a commitment to bilingualism and French language education.

Along with Calgary, Charlottetown, Edmonton, Fredericton, Halifax, Iqaluit, Kelowna, London, Montreal, Ottawa, St. John's, Sudbury, Toronto, Vancouver, Whitehorse, Winnipeg and Yellowknife, Regina and Saskatoon also participated in French for the Future. Events took place across Canada simultaneously on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

In Regina, more than 80 students from Thom Collegiate, Campbell Collegiate, Martin LeBoldus and École Monseigneur de Laval participated. The event, held at Institut français on the University of Regina campus, included workshops in music, dance, radio and drawing. A tour of the University of Regina campus followed.

The Saskatoon group spent the day at Champêtre County, a French family-run ranch/event centre just north of St. Denis. Twenty-five students from six Saskatoon French immersion high schools were given an opportunity to spend a very unique day doing activities such as rope making, log sawing, nail pounding, egg throwing, buggy pulling – activities that are no longer commonplace. There was a hayride and a scavenger hunt. These activities were mixed in with more serious discussions on topics such as the French Identity in Canada. A person did not have to read the student's evaluation forms to confirm how much fun they had ... and the students enthusiastically spoke French all day!

French for the Future/Le français pour l'avenir carries a great deal of momentum as it moves into the future. The organization will continue to look at new methods to increase inclusivity, enhance programming, encourage Canadian youth to celebrate French language and culture, and emphasize the positive career potential resulting from French - language education in Canada.



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