

## Camp Ultime - The Ultimate Experience

What an experience to be had! This year, the age groups at camp were split into weeks; we welcomed a lively group of students entering grades 4 to 6 during the first week of camp and a more composed group of students entering grades 7 to 9 during the second. Although our numbers were down this year, the Camp Ultime team took advantage of the smaller crowd in order to familiarize themselves with each individual camper. The more intimate setting allowed us to discover the activities campers liked most and cater to their interests and abilities. I also found the team could individually mentor each camper more closely providing suitable challenges when it came to speaking French and having fun doing so!

Once again this year, the activities were a combination of the cherished old and the discovered new. Because of “Petit bois”, many campers and monitors were heard singing solos in French in the dining hall. Over the course of the week, many directed goofy accusations towards fellow campers and monitors who lived out silly punishments during Kangaroo Court. Lest we forget the amazing and sometimes astonishing talents witnessed during variety night and the fun and excitement experienced during night games like Mission Impossible, Capture the Flag and Under Siege (a.k.a. Invasion). Campers developed new skills during a plethora of workshops including bracelet-making, outdoor cooking, percussion and improvisational theatre. They put their minds to work designing marble tracks à la ‘Hot Wheels’ and identifying the secrets to science-based magic tricks. They also put their athletic skills to the test during the Camp Olympics activities; never before we have heard so much cheering for made-up countries on Arlington Beach!

From sand castle competitions, to messy games, water activities, Smore’s Night, wiener roasting, the mud pit, canoeing, swimming and hay rides, all campers and monitors were sure to have a fun-filled week making new friends and memories. Campers from week 1 may remember performances from up-coming stars during Air Band Night whereas campers from week 2 may remember being bundled up in blankets on the beach witnessing Mother Nature’s spectacle of shooting stars during the meteor shower.

Thank you to all the parents for encouraging your child’s participation in activities where they can practice their French. In doing so, it is easier for them to realize the importance and benefits of being bilingual. Thank you campers for making the week fun and exciting for the monitors and to Arlington Beach staff for helping the weeks fly by without a hitch! Merci à l’équipe fabuleuse de moniteurs et monitrices! Sans vous, les jeunes n’auraient pas eu la chance de s’épanouir en français avec nous. Vous-êtes fantastiques!

I look forward to see what the future holds for Camp Ultime and its campers!!

Alexis Normand  
Directrice du Camp Ultime 2007

## President's Message



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Chapter Planning Meeting

CPF-SK Award Winners



Grade 11-12 winners at the Saskatchewan Provincial Final of Concours d'art oratoire

## Concours d'art oratoire 2007

Concours d'art oratoire 2007 was another successful event for Canadian Parents for French – Saskatchewan and for French second-language students in Saskatchewan. This annual province-wide public speaking competition gives students the opportunity to research, prepare and present speeches in French before an audience of their peers, teachers, parents and judges. The judges provide positive commentary on the speeches which provides the students feedback and enables them to improve their speeches as they move towards higher levels of competition.

A survey was sent to schools and school divisions this year in order to determine an accurate count of students who participate in Concours d'art oratoire. According to the response there were 3890 students from kindergarten to grade 12 across the province who prepared speeches. In elementary school these students were strictly in French immersion programs, however in high schools students in core French programs competed in two categories; one for students who were in core French programs and one for students with additional French language experience. Furthermore, francophone students currently enrolled in French immersion programs participated in a francophone category.

This year four students travelled to Ottawa to represent Saskatchewan at the national finals of Concours d'art oratoire: Katherine Hayduk, Jennifer Dorr, Kyle Gamble and Jordan Bolay. CPF-SK would like to offer special congratulations to Kyle Gamble from Thom Collegiate in Regina who placed first in the extended core competition for his speech entitled *Une découverte du français québécois magnifique*. Kyle has been awarded a \$20,000 scholarship to continue in French studies at the University of Ottawa. Each of the national finalists who did not win the grand prize was awarded an entrance scholarship of \$2,000.

CPF-SK gratefully acknowledges Canadian Heritage and the French Education Branch of Saskatchewan Learning for the ongoing support of this event. Thanks also to the Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Division for the use of their facilities for the provincial final, and congratulations to all the teachers, parents, administrators, and judges for their support, and to the students themselves for all their efforts.

### Provincial Final Winners

April 28, 2007

#### French Immersion Grade 6

First – Joshua Balius, École Massey, Regina  
Second – Thomas Fransoo, École Monseigneur Blaise Morand, North Battleford  
Third – Edward Heinrichs, École St Pius, Regina

#### French Immersion Grade 7

First – Kayden Tonita, École Sacré Coeur, Estevan  
Second – Bronwyn Edwards,  
École Saskatoon French, Saskatoon  
Third – Rebecca Bend, École St Pius, Regina

#### French Immersion Grade 8

First – Sarah Hognestad, École St Andrew, Regina  
Second – Aneri Garg,  
École Sister O'Brien, Saskatoon  
Third – Avnee Paranjape,  
École W.S. Hawrylak, Regina

#### French Immersion Grades 9-10

First – Linh La, Campbell Collegiate, Regina  
Second – Shelby Sinclair,  
Vanier Collegiate, Moose Jaw  
Third Place – Jessica Bonish,  
Thom Collegiate, Regina

#### French Immersion Grades 11-12

First – Katherine Hayduk,  
Rivier Academy, Prince Albert  
Second – Kathrynann James-Loth,  
Carleton Collegiate, Prince Albert  
Third – Emily Norton, Campbell Collegiate, Regina  
Third – Lacey Brown, Thom Collegiate, Regina

#### Core French – Grades 11-12

First – Kyle Gamble, Thom Collegiate, Regina  
Second – Melanie Taylor, Wawota Parkland School

#### Core Special – Grades 11-12

First – Jennifer Dorr, Thom Collegiate, Regina

#### Francophone – Grades 10-11

First – Jordan Bolay,  
Carleton Collegiate, Prince Albert  
Second – Laura Laverdure, Sacred Heart, Yorkton  
Third – Joseph Withick-Hans, Campbell, Regina



New CPF-SK Staff Member





## Calendar of Events 2007

### March

- 31** Nominations due for Elmer Hynes and Inspiring Teacher Awards
- 31** Mini Rendez-vous (Estevan)
- 31** Institut français Bursary application deadline

### April

- 12** Deadline to register for the Fransaskois Games
- 21** Mini Rendez-vous (Prince Albert)
- 25** *Francofièvre* and French for the Future (Regina)
- 28** Concours d'art oratoire Provincial Finals (Saskatoon)
- 28** CPF-SK Board Meeting, (Saskatoon)

### May

- 10** Mini Rendez-vous (Yorkton)
- 11-12** Fransaskois Games (Regina)
- 25-27** Rendez-vous 2007
- 26** National Concours d'art oratoire (Ottawa)

### June

- 8,9** Chapter Planning Meeting and CPF-SK AGM (Saskatoon)

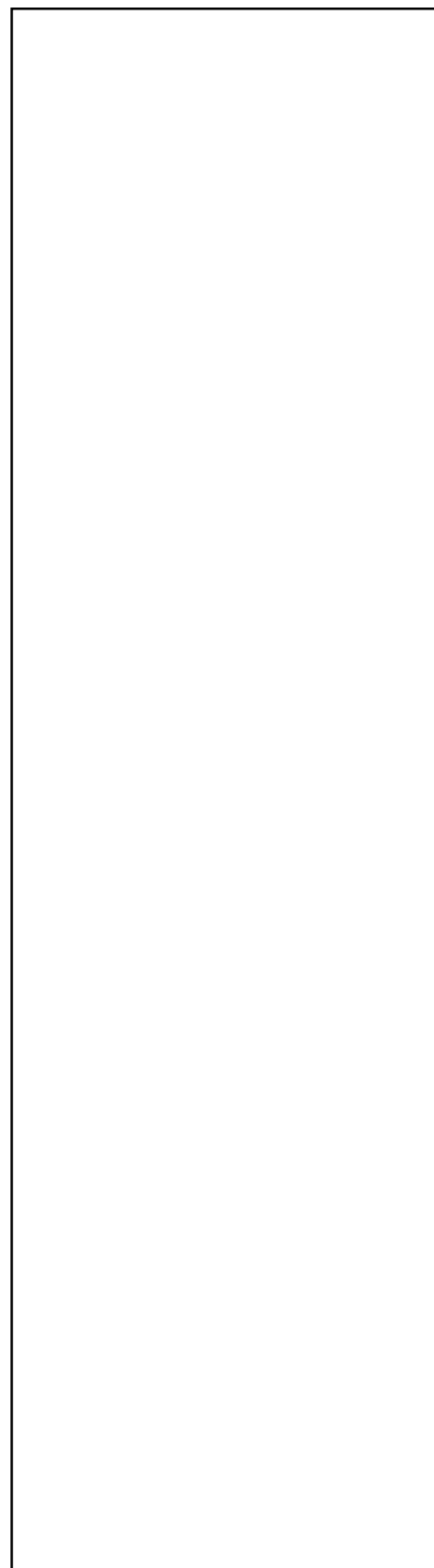
### July

- 3-6** Fête du soleil (Saskatoon)
- 9-13** Fête du soleil (Swift Current)
- 16-20** Fête du soleil (Yorkton and Regina)
- 30-August 3** Fête du soleil ( Estevan)

### August

- 6-11** Camp ultime week 1 (grades 4-6, Arlington Beach Camp)
- 12-18** Camp ultime week 2 (grades 7-9, Arlington Beach Camp)
- 20-24** Fête du soleil (Saskatoon)

Additional Fête du soleil dates to be confirmed



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