

Canadian Parents for French - Saskatchewan

Chapter Chat

May 2007



CPF-SK Chapter Planning Meeting 2007

The Chapter Planning Meeting and CPF-SK Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday June 8, and Saturday June 9, 2007 at the Radisson Hotel in Saskatoon. A complete package of information will be sent to all those who are registered. Chapter representatives are asked to prepare a report of no more than five minutes on chapter activities for the chapter planning meeting. It might be helpful to discuss this report within your chapter. There will be opportunity throughout the day for networking and discussion of chapter activities. The final plenary session of the meeting will focus on CPF-SK youth programming. What is working, what areas could be improved? We're looking forward to receiving your feedback and hearing all of your great ideas!

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Friday June 8, 2007

7:00-10:00 pm President's reception

Saturday June 9, 2007

7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30-9:30 am	Chapter Reports
9:30-10:00 am	Break
10:00 - 11:00 am	Workshop (Mary Reeves)
11:00-12:00	CPF-SK Annual General Meeting
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:00 pm	Workshop (to be confirmed)
2:00 – 2:15 pm	Break
2:15-4:00 pm	Plenary – review of CPF-SK programs
4:00pm	Adjournment

Concours d'art oratoire 2007

The Provincial Finals of Concours d'art oratoire were held in at École Holy Cross in Saskatoon on the afternoon of Saturday April 28th. Sixty grades 6-12 students from all over Saskatchewan came with their parents, grandparents and friends to participate. There was a lot of excitement as the six separate competitions began. Judges commented on the quality of speeches this year. The afternoon concluded with an awards ceremony which featured the winning speeches from grade 11-12 French immersion, core French, core Special and Francophone categories. These four provincial winners will be representing Saskatchewan at the national finals of Concours d'art oratoire in Ottawa on May 26th. Those who place first in each category in Ottawa will be offered a \$20,000 scholarship to continue in French studies at the University of Ottawa! Finalists who don't place first will receive a \$2,000 entrance scholarship. Good luck to Jordan Bolay and Katherine Hayduk from Prince Albert, and Jennifer Dorr and Kyle Gamble from Regina.

Congratulations to all the participants. If any of the winners come from your community you may want to congratulate them personally. A special thank-you goes to parents for all their support and to all those who volunteered their time to be coordinators, judges and masters/mistresses of ceremonies.

Provincial Final Winners

French Immersion Grade 6

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

French Immersion Grade 7

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

French Immersion Grade 8

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

French Immersion Grades 9-10

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

French Immersion Grades 11-12

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

Core French – Grades 11-12

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

Core Special – Grades 11-12

First Place – Jennifer Dorr, Thom Collegiate, Regina

Francophone – Grades 10-11

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

Non-trivial trivia about Volunteers!

Here are a few questions taken from the *2004 Canadian Survey on Giving, Volunteering and Participation*: See answers on page 4.

1. What percentage of the Canadian Population aged 15 and over volunteered during the one-year period preceding the survey?
a. 7% b. 26% c. 45% d. 73%
 2. How many hours did the average volunteer contribute over the year?
a. 56 hours b. 75 hours c. 123 hours d. 168 hours
 3. Why do people most people volunteer?
a. To get free travel and merchandise
b. To spend time with friends
c. To make a contribution to their community
d. To feel good about themselves
 4. Why don't people volunteer?
a. No one asked them
b. They don't know how to get involved
c. It costs too much money
d. They're dissatisfied with a previous volunteering experience
 5. Which province has the highest rate of volunteerism?
a. Quebec
b. British Columbia
c. Newfoundland
d. Saskatchewan
 6. What percentage of youth aged 15 to 24 volunteer?
a. 10%
b. 33%
c. 45%
d. 100%
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Reminders

Rendez-vous 2007 was cancelled in February due to poor traveling weather, but has been rescheduled for the weekend of May 25-27th. If you're receiving this by email there is still time to register! The deadline is **Friday May 18th**.

Speaking of email, if you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please contact Lindsay at lindsaymatheson@sasktel.net and save a few trees!

Hopefully you've seen the posters and brochures for Camp Uptime this summer. The early bird registration deadline is **June 15, 2007**.

Programming for **Fête du soleil** will be developed towards the end of June. Please send as much information as possible about your event to CIncluding copies of registration forms, plans for an excursion, location and registration numbers. In order for this activity to be successful we need to have good communication between the chapters and the office. No amount of information is too much!

Calendar of Events



May 2007

- 25-27 Rendez-vous (rescheduled)
- 26 Concours d'art oratoire National final (Ottawa)

June 2007

- 8-9 Chapter Planning Meeting and Annual General Meeting (Saskatoon)

July 2007

- 3-6 Fête du soleil (Saskatoon)
- 9-13 Fête du soleil (Swift Current)
- 16-20 Fête du soleil (Yorkton and Regina)
- 23-27 Fête du soleil (Lloydminster, Battlefords and Moose Jaw)
- 30-August 3 Fête du soleil (Nipawin and Estevan)

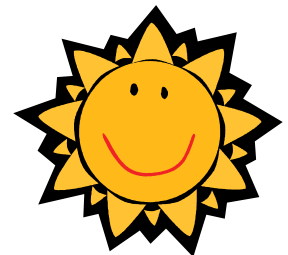
August 2007

- August 6-11 Camp ultime (Arlington Beach Camp, Last Mountain Lake) for boys and girls entering grades 4-6
- August 12-18 Camp ultime (Arlington Beach Camp, Last Mountain Lake) for boys and girls entering grades 7-9
- 20-24 Fête du soleil (Saskatoon)

Answers to
non-trivial
trivia

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2. d
3. c
4. all
5. d
6. c

End of year gifts for teachers, secretaries, administrators are available from CPF-SK. Call CPF-SK for ideas.



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