

Southport

Newsletter
December 2022

Southport Helps Make a Wish Come True

On Wednesday, November 30, the Southport team tested their decorating skills to give a child facing a critical illness a magical Christmas experience!

This was the first year that Make-A-Wish held the Trees of Joy event in Winnipeg and Southport didn't want to miss this wonderful opportunity! Southport purchased a Tree of Joy and was paired with Nori, a wish child from Portage la Prairie.



Make-A-Wish gives children renewed energy and strength, brings families closer together, and unites communities.

In preparation for the event, the team from Southport set out into the community to shop for decorations, gifts, and candy, for Nori and her family! The office was filled with colour and joy as gifts were wrapped and readied for the trip into the city!



The Southport team headed to the Delta Hotel in downtown Winnipeg bright and early, along with many other businesses and organizations, to find their purchased trees, getting to work right away with decorating, transforming the trees into spectacular masterpieces!

Southport's tree was decorated following Nori's wishes with pink and purple lights, snowflakes, a star to top the tree, and more! Toys and additional surprises were



also placed in the tree for Nori and her siblings! Then the time came when all the Make-A-Wish children and families were invited into the hall where they found their trees and pulled out their magic wands. Using the magic wands, all of the children, with the help of their siblings and families, were able to light all the trees at once! All of the children also received a special visit from Santa Claus.

Following the event, the trees were moved to the children's homes for them to enjoy throughout the whole holiday season.

Southport was honoured to be part of Nori's wish and to spend the morning with her and her family.



Tenant Feature: Simplot & KF Aerospace

In coordination with Southport's Tenant of the Month, Southport staff dropped off a care package full of treats to the Simplot team for their flight home to Boise, Idaho.

Simplot has been a tenant of Southport's Hangar 5 since 2019 and continues to utilize it for aircraft storage as they travel to Southport from their main headquarters.



Southport staff also dropped off treats to the KF Aerospace team to enjoy before the holidays.



KF Aerospace is Southport's largest tenant and embraces Southport's proud military history while putting Southport on the map as they service the Royal Canadian Air Forces' primary flight training program.



Central Plains Cancer Services 24-Hour Relay

Join Central Plains Cancer Services for this unique and fun event that starts at 7:00 PM on Friday, February 10, and ends at 7:00 PM on Saturday, February 11, at Central Plains RecPlex.

As a community, we'll walk consecutively for 24 hours in support of the Kids Fighting Cancer Program! All funds raised from this event will benefit the families whose children are facing a cancer diagnosis in the Central Plains Region.

Why not get your co-workers together and have some fun participating in this fun event that will benefit others, or how about a team-building experience for local sports teams? What a great way to promote physical activity while raising valuable funds for a worthwhile cause.

Are you part of a book club? Join us! A community group? Join us!

Teams must raise a minimum of \$300 in pledges to enter and businesses will be asked to raise a minimum of \$500 to join. Bring your team, a maximum of six participants, to the Central Plains RecPlex for your allotted hour time slot and walk, or run, for ONE hour.

For more information or to pick a time slot, please call Central Plains Cancer Services at 204.857.6100.

Light Up Southport

Southport residents hung their lights and decorated their yards to participate in Southport's holiday decorating contest. Southport's Marketing Team drove around Southport and awarded residents whose yards were lit with holiday cheer a gift card to a local business. Three displays were selected and awarded gift cards to Prairie City Cinema and Mil Jeanne Flowers & Axcenz.

The winners were also given the opportunity to help Southport give back to the community during the holiday season and each chose a local, charitable organization to receive a monetary donation on behalf of Southport. It was a fun night of spreading Christmas cheer and celebrating the holiday season.



Stay in the Loop at Southport!

Stay informed through Southport's social media accounts for tenant information, events, and community news.



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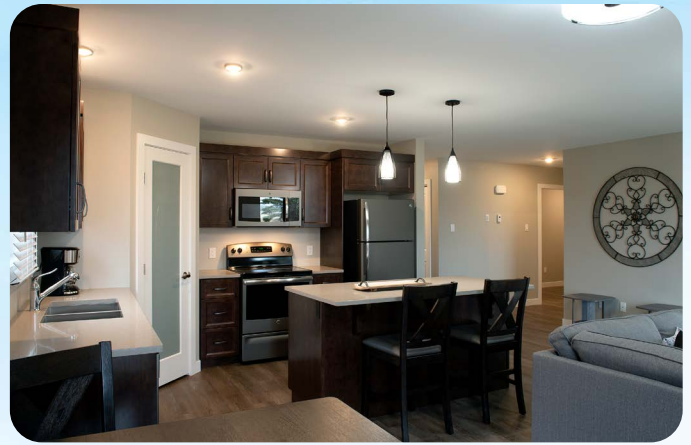


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Residential Garbage and Recycling Information

Residential Tenants: The 2023 Garbage and Recycling Calendar is now available. Click below to view the calendar and review the pick-up information.

[Learn More ▶](#)



Living at Centenaire South

Centenaire South's newly built units offer the best of new home construction and quality finishes in a safe, peaceful country setting just minutes away from the conveniences of Portage la Prairie.

With stunning prairie views, these pet-friendly homes are steps away from scenic walking paths, and within walking distance to Central Plains RecPlex, a recreation facility with a fitness centre, rock climbing wall, and bowling alley.

Southport residents receive priority for the on-site daycare and 10% off one-year memberships at Central Plains RecPlex.

If you are interested in calling a Centenaire South unit home, visit Southport's website or contact Southport's Property Management Team to apply today!

Southport Helps a Special Guest Safely Land

Southport staff and their families participated in the Annual Rotary Santa Parade of Lights in Portage la Prairie. The Southport float was recognizable with the CYPG Air Traffic Control Tower with a special guest landing!



Climate Smart Initiatives

At the end of November, Assistant Manager, Properties, Dean Rennie attended the 2022 MEIA Emerging Issues Cleantech Conference. The conference showcased new and upcoming technologies and solutions to help businesses be more profitable through sustainability. The highlight of the conference was keynote speaker, Dr. David Suzuki.

In December, Southport renewed their annual membership with BMO Radicle Climate Smart. Southport is committed to tracking their carbon emissions and creating short and long term reduction plans.



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'Hello Winter' Southport Embraces the Holiday Season

Last year, Southport installed banner poles along Centenaire Drive featuring different elements of Southport, including some businesses throughout the community.

Just in time for the holidays, Southport has switched the banners up and now features lovely winter scenery.

On your next visit to Southport, continue down Centenaire Drive to see them all!



Winter Savings are Here!

Now until February 5, 2023, reserve your 2023 Adult Membership to Southport Golf Club and receive your membership for only \$430!

Don't hesitate to contact Central Plains RecPlex at 204.428.6050 to take advantage of this Early Bird Sale! Click the link below for the purchasing details!

[Learn More ►](#)

Facilities Update

The month of December saw winter return! Since the first snow fall, the Facilities Maintenance Team has been busy clearing snow throughout Southport's commercial and residential areas.

The team also worked hard on renovations in the Southport Building and Southport Office. The team transformed the printing room into an office to better accommodate Southport's growing team!

Southport appreciates the team for their continuous hard work in maintaining the community, making it a beautiful place to live, work, and play.



Stay in the Swing of Things!

Stay informed through the Southport Golf Club's social media accounts for facility updates, events, specials, and promotions.



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Welcome to the Southport Team

Welcoming New Staff

Southport would like to welcome two new and returning employees to the team, and also congratulate employee promotions. Each of these employees bring experience and talent that will serve them well in their new positions at Southport. If you see one of these new faces around the community, be sure to give them a wave. Welcome all, to the Southport team!



Cameron Metcalf
Cleaning Service Technician



Jaxen Hyra
Customer Service Representative,
Central Plains RecPlex

Southport Career Opportunities

It's an exciting opportunity to be a part of Southport!

Southport provides a competitive benefits package to its full-time, salaried employees. Employees plus one family member may receive a membership to use the whole facility at the RecPlex. Southport hosts monthly staff events to promote corporate culture and engagement, along with providing fun, family activities throughout the year for all employees.

Submit your resume to Human Resources and Southport will contact you when a position becomes available that matches your experience and skills set.



The benefits and opportunities of working at Southport Aerospace Centre Inc. are endless!



Rock Climbing Memberships

Get your adrenaline pumping with Central Plains RecPlex's new Rock Climbing Membership!

Various memberships are available – perfect for the avid climber or someone looking to get started!

For further information, visit the Central Plains RecPlex today or call 204.428.6050.



Stay on Track!

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Member of the Month

Every month at Central Plains RecPlex, we'll be featuring a Member of the Month who shows dedication to their fitness goals.

The Member of the Month for November was Darien Schaan!

Darien has been an active member of Central Plains RecPlex for the past two years. Darien's fitness journey started while training for hockey when he was 12 years old. In the last two years, Darien converted from training as an athlete to more conventional bodybuilding training! Once he made the switch, he saw what lifting could do for your body and fell in love with being in the gym and the atmosphere!

HIT THE LANES

BOOKINGS & WALK-INS AVAILABLE



12 Days of Fitmas

The month of December saw the return of 12 Days of Fitmas to the Central Plains RecPlex's social media.

From December 12 – 23, followers were asked about their gym habits, holiday favourites, and more! Each day a prize was given away to those who followed the steps and engaged with the post. A variety of prizes were given away during the giveaway including Portage Terriers tickets, Central Plains RecPlex swag, and packages from Supplement King Portage la Prairie!

Thank you to all members and followers for participating in and making 12 Days of Fitmas a continued success!



Open Gym Night for Southport

Residents of Southport are invited to enjoy complimentary drop in at the Central Plains RecPlex gymnasium on the first Sunday of every month from 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM!

Residents are allowed to bring their own equipment or use the equipment provided by the Central Plains RecPlex.

Residents using the gymnasium during Open Gym Night will be asked to sign in at the Central Plains RecPlex reception desk. Please note that children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Residents are allowed to bring guests with them from outside their household; however, non-household members will be asked to pay the regular drop-in fee.

The first Open Gym Night was Sunday, January 8, 2023. Please contact the Central Plains RecPlex if you have any further questions!

*Open Gym Night is exclusive to the Central Plains RecPlex gymnasium – it does not include complimentary drop-in to the fitness centre or rock climbing wall.



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Every month at Central Plains RecPlex, we'll be featuring a Member of the Month who shows dedication to their fitness goals.

The Member of the Month for December was Sarah Drain!

Sarah has been an active member of Central Plains RecPlex for the past five years. Sarah's love for coming to the gym has become her escape to challenge herself, which has benefited both her mental and physical health. Her goals for 2023 are to continue improving her strength training and cardio!

Corporate Social Responsibility

What is Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)?

CSR is a business approach that contributes to sustainable development by delivering economic, social, and environmental benefits for all stakeholders. Southport takes pride in its ability to support various community organizations and initiatives through donations, sponsorships, volunteerism, scholarships, and much more!



CFPD Advertisement Sponsorship

The Community Foundation of Portage and District (CFPD) has expanded its article in the Graphic Leader to share the impact of its grants in the community.

This month highlighted the grant awarded to Yellowquill School. Yellowquill submitted an application to assist with the purchase of educational centres, such as a grocery store, kitchen unit, dress up centre, and more. All of the centres are designed to stimulate learning and help students develop oral language and communication skills. Southport proudly sponsors these monthly advertisements, as the CFPD is one of Southport's key community partners.



Remembrance Day Wreath Donation

On November 11, The Portage Legion held a Remembrance Day Service at Stride Place. Dan Bolton, board member, attended the service and laid a donated wreath on behalf of Southport.

Southport proudly supports The Portage Legion and the Remembrance Day Service through an annual donation to the Poppy Trust Fund.

The Poppy Trust Fund helps support local Veterans and their families. Southport honours military personnel and those who gave their lives to fight for our freedom.

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FOUNDATION

Over \$63,000 Invested in the Community!

CFPD Giving Challenge

In November, one of Southport's key community partners, Community Foundation of Portage and District (CFPD), held the Giving Challenge once again!

\$5 donations made to the CFPD during the Giving Challenge, were stretched to \$9! Stretch funding was provided by Southport Aerospace Centre, the Cardinal Foundation, The Winnipeg Foundation, and the Province of Manitoba.

Thanks to everyone's generosity during the fundraiser, Southport was able to contribute \$2,000 through the stretch funding! The event was a great success with over \$63,000 invested in the community!

Corporate Social Responsibility



Make-A-Wish Trees of Joy

Ahead of the holiday season, the Southport team was in Winnipeg, helping make a wish come true!

The Southport team decorated Nori's Tree of Joy with her favourite toys, colours, and presents. Nori and her sisters helped light her tree with the rest of the Make-A-Wish families and got a special visit from Santa!

Southport was honoured to be part of Nori's wish and to spend the morning with her and her family.



Jingle Bell Breakfast

At the beginning of December, Southport gave a special gift to The Salvation Army Jingle Bell Breakfast campaign.

Southport donated a cheque of \$1,000 and a collection of non-perishable food and toys to The Salvation Army!

Southport is proud to support our local Salvation Army in its mission to supply food to those in need in our community.



2022 Business Award Gala Sponsorship

In November, Portage la Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce celebrated the business community with the 2022 Business Awards Gala.

The award categories were for Outstanding Business of the Year, Outstanding Not-for-Profit of the Year (sponsored by Southport), Outstanding Contribution to the Community by a Business, and Outstanding New Entrepreneur of the Year.

This year The Portage Junk Yard Dogs and the Portage Terriers both received the Outstanding Not-for-Profit Award of the Year.

Southport is proud to support the Portage la Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce 2022 Business Awards and congratulations all local businesses on their achievements this year!

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Southport Sponsors Jets Alumni Game

The Portage Terriers held a Winnipeg Jets Alumni fundraising event from November 9 – 10 in partnership with the Portage Rotary Club and Central Plains Cancer Services.

The newly formed Winnipeg Jets Alumni group sent 13 former Jets and NHL players to play an exhibition game against Terrier Alumni at Stride Place and then held a banquet on the ice the next night.

The 11-5 game, in favour of the Alumni Winnipeg Jets, helped raise funds for the Portage Terriers organization.

As an active supporter of the Portage Terriers in our community, Southport provided accommodations to the alumni Jets team for their stay!

Light Up Southport Spreads Holiday Joy

Southport's residential decorating contest provided winners with the opportunity to choose a local, charitable organization to receive a monetary donation on behalf of Southport. There were three local charities that were supported. Those chosen included Portage Animal Welfare Society (PAWS), The Salvation Army, and Central Plains Cancer Services.

Southport is proud to support local organizations and do so with the help of caring residents.



Southport Holiday Party Donation

Southport staff and Board of Directors came together, along with commercial tenants and Portage la Prairie delegates, to share in the joy and spirit of the holidays at the annual Southport Holiday Party!

A trivia game was played before supper with the winning table receiving the opportunity to support a local charity during the holiday season. On Southport's behalf, this year's winners decided to select Portage Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) to receive a \$500 donation to bring much-needed holiday cheer and funds to the stray and abandoned companion animals in our community. Consider adopting today!



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Southport Aerospace Centre's Scholarship Opportunities

Southport Aerospace Centre is a proud sponsor of the community by committing to donate 1% of all annual revenues earned back into the community and throughout the region at large by way of a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Program.

In part of this CSR program, Southport distributes thousands of dollars every year to students pursuing post-secondary education.

Southport is pleased to announce that Nicole Peters has received the 2022 Southport Indigenous Scholarship, and Shae-Lynn Buhler has received the 2022 Southport Employee Scholarship!

Congratulations Nicole and Shae-Lynn, and all the best as you both pursue your post-secondary education!



Recipient of the 2022 Southport Indigenous Scholarship Nicole Peters



Recipient of the 2022 Southport Employee Scholarship Shae-Lynn Buhler

106,851.00
Total 2022-23 Contributions