



February 2026

Annual cribbage tournament adds a 'Doubles' event

For several years, the TSCRC has hosted a cribbage tournament during Winterfest. We started with six players but numbers increase every year. We now have more than two dozen crib players vying for the humble prize.

In addition to growing numbers of cribbage players, there have been several requests for a doubles tournament. So, this year, we are adding a doubles event.

Both singles and doubles events will be held Saturday, February 21 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the TRCC. The tournament is open to all ages, with the singles event in the morning and doubles in the afternoon.

Here is how we are hoping it will work:

Singles registration between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. Singles event begins at 10:00 a.m. and runs until the winners are declared.

Doubles registration will begin at noon. The Doubles event will begin at 1:00 p.m. and runs until the winners are declared.

As in the past, there will be a \$5 per person entry fee. The prize money is split as follows:

Winner of the A Side takes home 60% of the entry fees. Winner of the B Side takes home 40% of the entry fees. This will be the same for both Singles and Doubles events.

You are invited to a tea party — with a difference!

February is 'I Love To Read' month and Juniper School Library is inviting seniors to a tea party on Wednesday, February 11 in the afternoon.

Students can read to you; or you can read to them! And, of course, you will get to enjoy some goodies.

The event can accommodate 20 seniors, so you must register with TSCRC in advance. Just call 204-677-0987 or email thompsonseniors55@gmail.com.

A joke from the email bag:

I haven't kept up my Scrabble Club membership. Now they're sending me threatening letters.

Thank you to our supporters and contributors

Thompson has many older people who are living below the poverty line and who have mobility challenges. Our food security program helps them make it between shopping trips with small hampers. This reduces having to choose between buying groceries, paying for medication or paying bills.

We have been most fortunate to receive financial support and in-kind support for our food security program for the past few years. The United Steelworkers Humanitarian Fund, Knights of Columbus, employees from the provincial building and School District of Mystery Lake, churches, student groups and others have helped us sustain the program.

Recently 17-year-old Shenaya Dassanayake

(pictured here with her mother Anusha Kankanamalage) donated enough items to fill one of our trolleys. Shenaya donated these items using her own money!

Shenaya and her mother are from Sri Lanka and say this is the kind of thing they naturally would do in their country of birth.



EVENTS

Congregate meals: At A & W every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. during February.

Seniors Drop-ins at the TRCC on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga at Rotary Place on Wednes-

day afternoons at 1:15 p.m.

Free snow removal: Fill out an application at City Hall.

Victoria Lifeline medical alert service:
Call 1-888-722-5222.

Your help is needed

There are some volunteer opportunities, as well as paid opportunities suitable for seniors:

◆ Thompson Immigrant Services (TIS) is looking for people to help newcomers practice or learn English. You do not need to be a teacher, just someone who likes to talk and listen. For more information, call 1-431-754-8653. Ask for Abby.

- ◆ Manitoba Winter Games still needs volunteers March 1 to 7. Call Bryan at 1-204-250-2166.
- ◆ Statistic Canada is conducting a census in May. They are looking for people to help collect data, which is vital for planning and evaluating programs and services such as health, housing, roads, public transportation, emergency and more. Visit their website: census.gc.ca/jobs.



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