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# Glenboro Community Development Corporation

## Annual General Meeting

Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Glenboro Community Hall – 7:00 pm

The Annual General Meeting of the Glenboro Community Development Corporation was held Saturday, March 17, at 7PM at the Glenboro Community Hall. Approximately 35 members of the community attended the meeting, which was co-chaired by Earl Malyon and Wayne Davidson.

Mr Malyon addressed the efforts undertaken by the GCDC over the past year and upcoming efforts for 2012, which included:

- ⟨ The water damage at the Burrough of the Gleann Museum during last year's flooding. The museum has received funding to repair this damage, and with the efforts of volunteers and the museum committee, will be opening for the celebrations of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
- ⟨ Glenboro Community Hall now has a new storage unit, allowing the coat room to be used for coats and boots during community events, rather than for storage. In 2012, painting and repair of the wallboard in the hall will be undertaken. The hall has seen increasing frequency of use, and the biggest fundraiser of the year was the dance with the Fugitives, which raised \$2100.
- ⟨ Camel Park: last year's flooding left little room for work there, but it will be more closely managed this year.
- ⟨ Efforts will be ongoing to raise the funds necessary for the projector upgrade at the Glenboro Gaiety Theatre. As of March 16, 2012, \$25,500 has been raised toward the upgrade, and it is hoped that this level of success continues so that the upgrade can be achieved prior to the late 2012 deadline, after which movies available for showings will only be available in the new digitized format.
- ⟨ 2012 will see an upgrade in the Glenboro website (<http://www.glenboro.com>) which has been operating for nearly 10 years now. Linda Rankmore was thanked for the time and effort she volunteers to keep the website current and running.
- ⟨ On August 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> a “Welcome to Glenboro” weekend will be held. This effort is funded by a government Excess Moisture grant available for communities which were impacted by last year's flooding. A schedule of this weekend of free activities will be made available closer to the dates, but will include jump and play inflatables, a street dance,

fireworks, Chuckwagon races, a golf tournament, and movies at the Gaiety theatre, as well as a Ford “Drive a Ford” event, where Ford will donate \$20 to the community for every test drive taken from an available fleet of new vehicles. Money raised from this event will be divided between the Development Corporation and Minor Sports.

- ⟨ Another dance at Glenboro Community Hall featuring the Fugitives has been planned for June 9, 2012

Mr Malyon then addressed the need for a Chairman for the GCDC. The duties of chairman have been shared on a temporary basis between himself and Wayne Davidson, but a permanent solution needs to be found. Members of the community who are interested in joining the Development Corporation are encouraged to come forward.

Wayne Davidson then introduced Agnes Witherspoon, who announced the 2011 Glenboro Resident of Distinction. The award was initiated to recognize persons in our community who have made significant contributions, making Glenboro and area a better place in which to live. Past recipients of this award include Don Foster, Stan Oleson, Roy Wallis, Ellen Rawlings, Theodore Jonsson and Garth McIntyre.

This year's recipient of the award is **Lorelie Mitchell**.

Having been educated at Baldur and graduating from Glenboro High School, Lorelie then took teacher training and taught in Manitoba schools for several years. She then returned to university, in Guelph, Ontario, and attained her Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine. After working in veterinary research for many years, Lorelie returned to Glenboro in 1999.

Her contributions to the local community include her role as the Treasure of the Raystone Centre, as well as Treasurer for both the Glenboro Lutheran Church and the Argyle Lutheran Parish. She organizes the annual bird count in the Glenboro area and is a member of the Brandon Bluebird society, through which she is responsible for the setting up and maintenance of blue bird nesting boxes throughout the area. She has also given her time to the Manitoba Breeding Bird Atlas project.

Her strong belief in education for all youth drives her work as the Secretary Treasurer of the Glenboro Area Foundation, through which she has been instrumental in establishing a scholarship fund for the youth of our community.

“In short,” says Agnes Witherspoon, “Glenboro is a better place to live since Lorelie has returned. She is a community-minded individual that gives generously of her time and financial resources to ensure that Glenboro is the best small community it can be.”

A commemorative plaque, listing the names of all past recipients with room for the names of future award winners was donated to the community by Glen Witherspoon, who operates a small engraving service locally.

Chris Tanasichuk, Treasurer for the Glenboro Community Development Corporation, then presented the financial report for the year ending October

31, 2011. The GCDC would like to thank Lorna Hamilton for reviewing this financial record. The full report is available for review by the public at the Development Corporation office at 408 Railway Avenue.

Gail Foster made a motion for the ratification of the report as given. Michelle Hanson seconded. Motion was carried.

Tim Moore and David Jones, representatives from Spruce Woods Provincial Parks, then gave a short informational presentation. Mr Moore addressed what has been happening in the park in the months since the flooding, and what their steps will be going forward. The first priority will be the day-use area and reopening the park access from highway #5.

“This is all weather-dependent,” he says. “But we’re working hard to get it done. As our plans come together, there will be public consultation, and we encourage the residents of Glenboro to come out and get involved. The town of Glenboro and the RM of South Cypress have been very helpful, and we appreciate that.”

Wayne Davidson then thanked the attendees and speakers, and the meeting was adjourned.