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TUESDAY, APRIL 20

WINNIPEG CONVENTION CENTRE

For more information or to nominate someone in your community, visit www.volunteermanitoba.ca.

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Deadline date for nominations is February 26, 2010.

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Mayor Sam Katz with Susana Scott and her daughter, Victory, announcing a \$25,000 donation to the Sponsor Winnipeg program.

More books for kids with disabilities

By Bartley Kives

OLLARS are finally flowing into Winnipeg's troubled sponsorship program, as a company that advocates on behalf of the disabled plans to help the Millennium Library purchase specialized books.

The first official donor in the Sponsor Winnipeg program is Brematson & Associates, a company that helps people with disabilities gain access to funding. Brematson is donating \$25,000 to Winnipeg's largest library so it can build a collection of "adapted books,"

which combine images with text to help kids with disabilities learn to speak more functionally.

Brematson president Susana Scott, whose daughter Victory has spina bifada, said she was proud to donate the first \$25,000 toward a program that the city hopes will generate \$1.5 million a year in sponsorship money.

In 2009, the program failed to raise a cent for the city, placing the program in a \$1.6 million deficit position at the end of the year, once the cost of a consulting contract was taken into account.

This year, the program is on track, said Mayor Sam Katz, adding he is "100 per cent" positive the fundraising goals will be met.

More Sponsor Winnipeg announcements are coming, promised St. Charles Coun. Grant Nordman, the council representative responsible for the fundraising program. Some will be along the lines of Brematson's contribution and others might be larger, he said.

"Although this is a small way to start, this is an appropriate way to start," he said, noting Scott's close personal connection to the cause her company is supporting.

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PROVINCIAL BY-ELECTION

Concordia, March 2

Tuesday, March 2 is provincial by-election day in Concordia, but if you choose, you can vote any day the week before.

Vote in advance February 20 to 27

Advance voting for the Concordia by-election will be held Saturday, February 20 to Saturday, February 27, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday).

Advance voting places in Concordia

Returning Office

480 Chalmers Ave. (Chalmers Community Centre)

Morse Place Community Club 700 Munroe Ave.

Advance voting will also be held at

these locations on these days only: **East Elmwood Community Club**

927 Beach Ave. Feb 20, 8am - 8pm, Feb 21, noon - 6pm

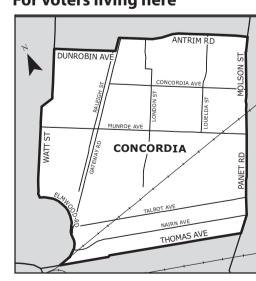
Church of God

705 Concordia Ave. Feb 22 & Feb 23, 8am - 8pm

Advance voting places are accessible to all.

You must bring your ID.

For voters living here



Concordia Provincial Boundaries south of Dunrobin & Antrim, west of Molson & Panet, north of Thomas, east of Watt

Questions?

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ANNOUNCEMEN'

Leo Ledohowski, President and Chair, is pleased to announce the appointment of:



Steve Bartlett

General Manager Radisson Hotel Winnipeg Downtown by Canad Inns

Steve has been in the hospitality industry for over 20 years, working in Winnipeg, Edmonton, Seattle, Mississauga and St. Albert, AB. Steve has been with the Canad Inns family since 2009, as the Assistant General Manager, then General Manager, of Canad Inns Destination Center

Steve attended the Hotel and Restaurant Administration program at Red River Community College and obtained his Masters Degree in Business Administration -Hospitality and Tourism Management - from the University of Guelph. He received his Certified Hospitality Administrator (CHA) from the American Hotel and Motel Association in 2007.











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