## **BUILDING FOR TOMORROW...TODAY**

RCMP Gala

On Sept. 21, the Neepawa RCMP detachment and the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation celebrated the 50th anniversary of the RCMP in Neepawa. The event was a fundraiser for the BPCF, a throwback to the foundation's first ever major fundraiser, which celebrated the RCMP's 25th year in the community.

Pictured: Superintendent Darcy Fleury (left) and Staff Sgt. Mark Morehouse preparing to cut the cake



Giving Challenge

Rovember 16, 2019

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## On Nov. 16, you can help the Community Fund GROW

The 24 Hour Giving Challenge gives
Manitoba community foundations the
opportunity to leverage their donations.
That day, each \$5 donation to the BPCF's
Community Fund will become \$7, thanks to
funding from the Winnipeg Foundation and the
Manitoba Government.

Donations must be made that day, either at the Foundation office or online at www.endowmanitoba.ca.

#### SUSAN DRAYSON

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Susan Drayson has supported the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation since before it even existed. A member of the group that established the foundation

tion, Drayson and her late husband, Elgin, have supported the foundation in numerous ways over the years. "It's the community supporting itself for the future," she said of the Foundation.



Susan Drayson and the late Elgin Drayson

From individual donations, to family funds, to memorial contributions, to donations of an event's excess funds, "There are so many different ways to contribute," said Drayson. "It doesn't need to be a big amount, other [donations] can generate more and more," she added.

"When you look at what has been achieved, it's mind-boggling," said Drayson of the Foundation's success. Though no longer actively involved, she continues to follow the organization's growth, as well as supporting it through donations, in particular as a way to memorialize those who have passed. "It's a vehicle to honour someone," she explained.

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### In memoriam

BPCF says farewell to these community-minded individuals who recently passed away and chose to have donations made in their memory support the BPCF.



**Elgin Drayson** 



Clifford Ross Birch

Are you involved with a local not-for-profit? Contact us about some special grant opportunities as part of our 25th Anniversary

## In the Community



From left: BPCF board members Mark Morehouse, Jack Falk, Shelley Graham and Jeff Miner presented a cheque to Landon Cameron, of the Neepawa Golf and Country Club. The \$8,000 grant was used to reshingle the clubhouse.

# What is the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation?

The Beautiful Plains Community Foundation (BPCF) is a non-profit organization whose goal is to preserve and advance the quality of life in the community. Individual donations are pooled and invested and a portion of the interest is given out in annual grants—your original donation is never spent. Each year, the Foundation distributes grants to organizations in the Town of Neepawa, the Village of Brookdale, Rural Municipalities of Rosedale and Glenella-Lansdowne and the Langford area of North Cypress-Langford.

2019-2020 board: President Brad Walker, Vice President Keith Jury, Treasurer Ian Thomson, Ann Kuharski, Shelley Graham, Ashley McCaughan, Marilyn Crewe, Mark Morehouse, Jack Falk, Brent Sorenson and Jeff Miner.



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