



WHERE ARE WE NOW

As of the end of March the Russell Regional Multiplex has surpassed the \$3,000,000 in funds expended on the project. As we near the prime months for the construction season both activity and costs will ramp up. This escalation is a necessity as the Multiplex continues on schedule for completion by September of this year.

Recent changes to the west end of the facility have been significant with the shell of the concourse level nearing completion. The true scope of the project is much clearer now that one can see just how big the new Multiplex building is. On the inside preparations are being made to begin work on the ice surface floor and renovations of the east side continue at full speed.

The recent winter has not been kind to us as Manitobans and although it did not affect the schedule which was established for completion of the project it has impacted the budget. We do not have a final dollar value yet but heating and hoarding costs have been significant and are anticipated to be higher than originally budgeted. The project has been well managed and somewhat fortunate since there have been few cost overruns that were not accounted for. Unfortunately one cannot predict the length or the severity of winter weather and as such the winter of 2010/11 will have an impact on our project financially.

On the fundraising side the residents and businesses of our community continue to step up and support the project. Nearly \$600,000 has been donated or raised at events. We should be very proud of what we have been able to accomplish to date and as we move ahead with the campaign the Committee looks forward to continued support for the project.

The Committee would like to express its sincere gratitude to all those that have contributed to the project to date. The Committee wants to ensure that everyone receives the recognition they deserve and desire. To that end the Campaign Committee would ask people to review their contribution level and compare it to the permanent recognition levels outlined by the Campaign in its corporate booklet and personal pamphlet. Many contributions are only a few dollars short of permanent recognition or enhanced recognition within the facility. For those who would like to review their options or make additional contributions regarding permanent recognition, please call one of the Committee members. The Campaign Committee would like to note that all contributions from a single person or business are accumulative and so previous contributions would be added to any new contributions to determine recognition levels.

For further information on the progress of the Russell Regional Multiplex please visit the Town of Russell website at www.russellmb.com. If you have any questions or comments regarding the facility please don't hesitate to contact a member of the Multiplex Funding Campaign Committee. The Committee members are Chris Radford, Bruce Christopher, Alan Stanchuk, Symantha Dunn, Keith Popp, Eldon Montgomery and Terry Rolfe.

