Evergreen superintendent receives
good citizenship award from MCIC

By Roger Newman

Evergreen School Division Superintendent Paul Cuthbert is one of the first four winners of the new Global Citizenship Award launched recently by the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation (MCIC).

Cuthbert received his award from MCIC official Zach Gross at last Wednesday’s meeting of the Evergreen board of trustees. The Winnipeg-based council is a coalition of more than 40 organizations involved in international development and emergency relief and rehabilitation projects. Besides distributing Manitoba government funds for international development, it also encourages Manitobans to understand and become engaged in international issues and work.

MCIC established the Global Citizenship Award to recognize Manitoba educators and administrators who are leaders in promoting and supporting active global citizenship. Nominated by their students and peers, the three winners with Cuthbert were Lois McGill-Horn, principal and humanities teacher at Balmoral Hall senior school; Naomi Harley, a Grade 5-6 teacher at Centennial School; and Jennifer Lehman, a teacher at Green Valley School.

The recipients received certificates and a donation to be made to a charitable organization of their choice. They were recognized not only in their own divisions, but also at MCIC’s annual meeting in early June.

Cuthbert said he feels “very honoured” to be chosen for the new award. Under his leadership, Evergreen has developed curriculum and activities that focus on environment-friendly sustainable development, good citizenship and social justice and inclusion. As well, Evergreen was the first Manitoba school division to recognize and endorse fair trade products.

“The award reflects well on Evergreen staff for their work in implementing these programs,” Cuthbert said, noting that the division’s mission statement calls for it to produce contributing citizens to a democratic society.

Gross was accompanied to the presentation by a group of Gimli High School students active in humanitarian programs.

“One of the things I admire most about the superintendent is his support for student-led initiatives,” said student Heida Arnbjonsson. “Mr. Cuthbert will take into consideration anything a student has an opinion about. He doesn’t just talk the talk, he also walks the walk.”

By Les Stoodley

The internationally acclaimed RCMP Musical Ride will be making two stops in the Interlake next month.

As part of a 12-stop tour of the province, the Ride will be in Lundar on Aug. 2 and Teulon Aug. 4. The Mounties and their horses will appear in Winnipeg between the two stops in our region.

The 32 riders plus the rider in charge will appear at the Lundar Fair Grounds.

Tickets up to July 14 will be $8 for adults and $4 for youth. After July 14, the price goes to $10 and $5, respectively. Tickets can be purchased from the Manitoba Agriculture office at 204-762-5649.

A shuttle service has been arranged to carry the audience from the center of Lundar to the Fair Grounds. The exciting entertainment begins at 6:30 p.m.

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