



## **GenNext Dodgeball Tournament Smashes Their Record**

Saturday March 26 marked the 4<sup>th</sup> Sun Life Financial GenNext Dodgeball Tournament. Over its 3 year history this event has brought in almost \$39,000. In the 2011 Tournament alone over \$29,000 was raised bringing the total since the event's inception in 2008 to \$68,000!!

25 teams of 8-10 players took part in the March 26th event at the Sports Dome. The teams had been raising money since the beginning of March and competed for top spot & titles:

Tournament Champions were the Winmar Warriors, followed by 2nd Place: Ridiculously Good-Looking People Who Are Good At Other Stuff Too and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Great Dodgeballs of Fire.

Top Individual Fundraiser was Natalie Posmituk of the team "Cook 'n' Balls" who raised \$515 and was rewarded with a 16g Ipad from Futureshop. Sun Life Financial's "Gluteus Smackimus" took Top Fundraising Team raising \$1,474.50.

Coming in 2<sup>nd</sup> place of the Last One Standing competition was Dan Burrell. The Last One Standing was Mitch Drabek who took the coveted title and prize of a 40" LCD TV donated by Futureshop.

Other awards included Best Dressed – "Where's RBC" (who looked like the infamous Where's Waldo character) and Team Spirit went to the "Loose Cannons".

We cannot say thank you enough to our generous sponsors to who made this event possible; Sun Life Financial, Winmar, Future Shop, the Sports Dome, OLG Casio Thunder Bay, The Kembel Group Inc, Chronicle Journal and Rock 94. Thanks also goes out to the White Fox Inn – Fox on the Run for catering and to the many other supporting sponsors.

We are very excited to see so many people coming together for such a great cause and thank all participants for their efforts. Together we are making change in our community.



**Tournament Champions Winmar Warriors**



Canadian Mental Health Association, Children's Centre Thunder Bay & Thunder Bay Counselling centre are 3 of our 27 Funded Agencies. These agencies are part of a mental health network which is hosting Mental Health week in our community May 1-7. United Way of Thunder Bay encourages you to check out their website for more information on sessions, events and supports which are taking place during Mental Health Week.

[Click here](#) or go to [www.mentalhealthnetwork.ca](http://www.mentalhealthnetwork.ca) to learn more.

# Pennies From Heaven

Pennies were a' rollin' this April! United Way volunteers are busy emptying the big collection cartons and counting the coins. Thank you to the many individuals, schools, businesses and groups who collected & dropped off their pennies and other change. We would also like to thank our generous sponsors & drop-off locations for their help this year—it will make great change in our community!

If you haven't dropped off your pennies yet it is not too late! Pennies can be brought to the United Way office, at 1093 Barton Street, all year long. Please call Rose at 626-1764 if you have any questions or comments.



Penny Wars at Weiler, Maloney, Nelson



Students of Hyde Park & Kingsway School

## **GREAT BILLBOARD RESCUE MAY 19TH**

Join us for the exciting 2011 Great Billboard Rescue, presented by Investor's Group & Lowery's Basic/SRC. As our major fundraising event, this annual event has continued to raise much needed funds for programs and services for the United Way's 27 local agencies.

We are issuing a challenge for you to board the scissor-lift on Thursday, May 19th and spend twenty minutes calling all of your friends and associates for pledges. We are looking for teams of four, but can accommodate smaller or larger teams and individuals. There is still room for more teams. Call Rose today to find out more 626-1764.

A barbeque sponsored by Remax First Choice Realty will also be on site from 11:30 –2:00pm at Investor's Group parking lot -1113 Jade Court. Buy a Hamburger & Pop for just \$5 and help support United Way!

[http://www.unitedway-tbay.on.ca/event\\_billboard.htm](http://www.unitedway-tbay.on.ca/event_billboard.htm)

For more information go to [www.unitedway-tbay.on.ca](http://www.unitedway-tbay.on.ca) or find us on FaceBook.





## **Regional Food Distribution Association**

*Providing food to city and regional food banks*

The RFDA's' new facility, The Paterson Family Food Centre is celebrating it's Grand Opening with open house tours on Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. Please bring a donation to 570 Syndicate Ave. South and see the new site. You are invited to tour the accessible warehouse, walk-in freezers, commercial & community kitchen, and training centre. Meet and talk with member organizations, the food banks and meal programs in Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario.

*See how we can better work together and  
"Let No One Go Hungry In Our Midst."  
[www.foodbanksnorthwest.ca](http://www.foodbanksnorthwest.ca)*

**You are cordially invited to the  
UNITED WAY OF THUNDER BAY  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday May 17th  
5:00—6:00pm  
Thunder Bay Art Gallery  
1080 Keewatin Street**



Get your running shoes on - the Royal LePage Lannon Realty Women's United Run, Stroll or Roll is back.

Saturday May 7th women of all ages will take to the path at Boulevard Lake in support of United Way and other charities in this annual event. For more information or to register please call Royal LePage Lannon Realty or check out their website [-click here.](#)

## **Bearskin Airlines Charity Golf Classic (June 2nd, 2011)**

Bearskin Airlines is pleased to announce the 13th Annual Bearskin Airlines Charity Golf Classic. They take pride in their role as a community supporter and remain committed to investing in the communities we serve and as well, to assist organizations and charities in need.

Your participation will help United Way as it continues to help create opportunities for a better life for everyone in our community. Last year the tournament was a great success raising over \$50,000.

Enjoy a day of golf along with a reception, dinner and silent auction at the Nor'Wester Resort Hotel while supporting the community.

Thursday, June 2nd, 2011 - Chapples Golf Club - 8:30 am Shotgun Start  
Deck Party/Reception at Nor'Wester Resort Hotel 3:30 p.m. - Dinner: 5:00 pm

**For more information Contact Margie Boyechko at  
Bearskin Airlines 474-2676.**

