



### Multiplex Update

The Russell Regional Multiplex has entered into the final stages of construction. Most of the structural work has been done and the engineered base for the floor is being completed so that the ice slab can be installed shortly. Completion of mechanical, electrical and finishing work will be next. In fact as of the middle of June, over \$5,000,000 worth of construction has been completed on the project.

As stated in previous articles, the construction phase of the facility has not been without its challenges but the Multiplex continues to move forward with operation of the building to begin in September. It is hard to believe that in about 3 month's time our new multiplex facility will be a reality.

On the funding side, the Committee remains very active. The Personal Campaign is well into its former residents component. A couple of successful evenings were held over the last month to compile a list of names to contact. The Committee is now in the process of doing just that.

The Corporate Campaign continues with its approach to businesses both inside and outside the community. This part of the campaign has been very successful over the past 6 months raising in excess of a half million dollars.

The Special Events Group has been able to complete a successful Variety Concert, the new home on MacIsaac Crescent will soon be on site (see future article) and ready for sale, as well a Sportsman's Dinner scheduled for September 30<sup>th</sup> and an Auction event slated for November are well under way in terms of planning.

The Committee would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped with the campaigns and events to date. They would like to sincerely express their gratitude to all those who have contributed either in monetary amounts or as volunteers. Finally the Committee would like to encourage those who have pledged their support, to provide funding, and those still weighing their options to seriously consider contributing to this once in a lifetime opportunity to be part of local history. As stated earlier, construction costs continue to mount and if we want the project to be completed for use this fall, we need to have the resources in place to meet those demands.

For further information on the progress of the Russell Regional Multiplex please visit the Town of Russell website at [www.russellmb.com](http://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, Gerald Keating and Terry Rolfe.