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The Southern Manitoba Convention Centre is a 35, 000 Square Foot Facility, located only 30 minutes away, between Winnipeg and the Emerson/United States Border on Highway 75.

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# *Banquets*



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# *Meetings*



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**Audio Visual Charges**

Overhead Projector	\$50.00
LCD Projector	\$150.00
Screen (4 Foot Table Top)	\$5.00
Screen (10 Foot)	\$15.00
Flipchart & Markers	\$10.00
Easel & Dry Erase Markers	\$5.00
TV/VCR	\$100.00
Phone Line	\$25.00
Long distance charges additional	
Internet Access in office	\$35.00
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<i>Long distance charges additional</i>	
Photocopying	\$0.25 First 100 \$0.20 After 100
Faxing	\$1.00 First Page \$0.25 Additional
One Podium and Microphone	Complimentary
Additional Corded Microphones	\$5.00
Additional Cordless Microphones	\$10.00
Additional Lapel Microphones	\$10.00
Extension Cords	\$5.00
Power Bar	\$10.00

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## Additional Services

Table Setting (we set table)	\$5.00 per table
Centre Pieces	\$1.50 per table
Table Cloths (white only)	\$3.00 per table
Cloth Napkins (red only)	\$1.50 per table
Head Table Decorating	\$15.00 per table
Decorative Trees (White Painted)	\$2.50 per tree
Name Tags	\$0.10 each
Tent Cards for Tables	\$0.25 each
Tickets for Event	\$20.00 per 200

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## Banquet/Buffer Selections

### Beverages

Coffee/Tea or	\$6.50 per Carafe \$1.25 per Cup
Flavored Teas - Orange Pekoe, Earl Grey, Herbal, Assorted	\$1.25 per Cup
Hot Chocolate	\$1.25 per Cup
Juice - Apple or Orange	\$5.00 per Carafe
Soft Drink	\$1.75 per Bottle
Bottled Water	\$1.50 per Bottle

### Breakfast Items:

Muffins - Carrot, bran & low fat bran - Assorted Muffins (chocolate chip, raisin, blueberry)	\$6.75 per Dozen \$8.25 per Dozen
Cake Doughnuts - Plain, cinnamon, icing sugar, chocolate and sprinkled. - Specialty Doughnuts (Lemon Filled, Chocolate, Fritters)	\$6.25 per Dozen \$8.00 per Dozen
Pastries	\$7.50 per dozen
Bagels or English Muffins	\$8.00 per Dozen
Specialty Breads	\$4.00 per Loaf
Fresh Fruit	\$0.85 per Piece
Cereal	\$1.50 per Box
Yogurt	\$1.45 per person

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## Continental Breakfast

Two types of cold Cereal	
One Hot Cereal	\$7.75 per person
Assorted Fruits	
Assorted Toast	

## Hot Breakfast

Minimum 25 guests

Scrambled eggs	
Bacon, Sausage, or Ham	\$8.50 per person
Hash Brown Potatoes	
Fresh Fruit	
Milk and Juice	
Assorted Toast	

## Break Time

Cookies	\$6.50 per Dozen
- Chocolate Chunk, White Chocolate, Chocolate Chip Macadamia Nut, Double Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisin	
Sweet Tooth Break	\$4.35 per person
- Licorice, Candy and Chocolate	
Munchies Break	\$4.75 per person
- Nachos & Salsa, Assorted Fruit and Granola Bars	
Movie Break	
- Popcorn, Nibs & Licorice	\$2.75 per person

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### Sample Lunches

#### Ready Made Platters – Serves 8-10 people

**Party Platter**

- Selection of deli-cuts served on fresh bread with all the trimmings.  
 + Dessert \$9.00 per person

**Deli Sandwich Platter**

- Selection of assorted meats, cheese and all the trimmings.  
 + Dessert \$9.00 per person

**Wrap Platter**

- Wrap up your choice of meat cheese & trimmings.  
 + Dessert \$9.00 per person

**Giant Party Sub**

- Available with a combination of different meats  
 + Dessert \$9.00 per person

#### Make Your Own Sandwich

**Meat & Cheese Tray – customize your own sandwich**  
 + Dessert \$8.50 per person

**Italian Deli Tray – customize your own sandwich, Antipasto**  
 + Dessert \$8.50 per person

**Soup & Sandwich Buffet–Assorted sandwiches, soup of the day**  
 + Dessert \$8.75 per person

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### Soup & Sandwich Selection

#### Soups

- Cabbage Borscht
- Chicken Noodle
- Beef Barley
- Beef Noodle
- Tomato Noodle
- Ham & Bean
- Green Pea
- Hamburger Vegetable
- Old Fashioned Potato
- Cream Soups (add \$0.50 per person)
  - Broccoli (with or without cheese)
  - Cauliflower (with or without cheese)
  - Carrot
  - Chicken
  - Potato w/cheese, bacon bits and green onions
  - Clam Chowder
  - Leek (in season)

#### Sandwiches

- Roast Beef
- Roast Pork
- Ham
- Ham & Cheese
- Tuna Salad
- Chicken Salad
- Egg Salad

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### Sample Dinners

Roast Beef, Sweet and Sour Meat Balls \$15.50 per person  
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy  
Peas and Carrots or any other vegetable  
Salad – Choose Two  
Dessert – Choose Two

Roast Pork with Apple sauce \$15.50 per person  
Sweet & Sour Meat Balls  
Baked Potatoes with Sour Cream  
Or Mashed with Gravy  
Buttered Carrots or Corn  
Salads – Choose Two  
Desserts – Choose Two  
Homemade Rolls or Buns

Chicken Breasts \$15.50 per person  
Mashed Potatoes with Gravy  
Vegetables: Peas and Carrots or your choice  
Salads-Choice Two  
Dessert-Choose Two  
Variety of Homemade White/Whole Wheat Breads or Rolls

Lasagna \$11.50 per person  
Garlic Bread  
Caesar Salad  
Dessert - two choices

Sweet and Sour Farmer Sausage \$11.50 per person  
Potato  
Vegetable  
Salad – choice of one  
Dessert – choice of one

Meat Loaf \$11.50 per person  
Potato  
Vegetable  
Salad – choice of one  
Dessert – choice of one

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**Salad (Choose Two)**

- Garden Salad or Caesar Salad
- Creamy Coleslaw
- Hearty Macaroni
- Jelled Fruit Salad
- 24 hour Fruit Salad
- Oriental Almond Salad
- Potato Salad
- Three Bean Salad

**Dessert (Choose Two)**

- Apple Crisp/Whipped Topping
- Angel Food Cake with Strawberries and Whipped Topping
- Cherry or Blueberry Cheesecake
- Carrot Cake with Cream Cheese Frosting
- Black Forest Cake
- Death by Chocolate
- Pineapple or Lemon Squares

**Additional Sweets for Lunches only**

3 types of Ice Cream with Toppings	\$1.50 per bowl
Brownies	} \$55.00 per 50 people
Matrimonial Cake	
Mystery Slice	
- cherries, coconut, walnuts with a pastry bottom & butter cream icing.	
Apple Slice	
Cherry Slice	
Blueberry Slice	
Nanaimo Bars	} \$55.00 per 20 people
Butter Tart Squares	

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## Sample Reception Menu (Minimum 25 People)

Fruit Platter - Fruit tray with dip.	\$50.00 per 25 ppl
Deluxe Platter - Cheese & meat with crackers & pickles.	\$55.00 per 25 ppl
Cheese & Cracker Platter	\$45.00 per 25 ppl
Vegetable Platter - Vegetables with dip.	\$40.00 per 25 ppl
Desert Platter	\$55.00 per 25 ppl
Hot Hors D'oeuvres	\$65.00 per 25 ppl
Cold Hors D'oeuvres	\$60.00 per 25 ppl
Spinach Dip in Bread Bowl	\$20.00 per Bowl
Taco Salad	\$20.00 per Dish

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### **History of the Town of Morris**

Originally known as Scratching River, Morris was named in honour of Alexander Morris, the first chief Justice in the Court of Queen's Bench in the new province of Manitoba and later the second Lieutenant-Governor of the province.

Fur traders initially settled the Morris area in the late 1700's because of its strategic location along the Red River. By 1801, there were two fur-trading stations at the settlement. Provisioning barges coming up and down the Red River, as well as the Red River Ox Carts traveling between Fort Garry and the Pembina Settlement, offered many opportunities for trade. By 1869, the ox carts began to carry settlers to the areas around the Scratching River (now the Morris River) and the population began to grow.

It was the site of fur-trade rivalries in the early 1800s and later a landmark for cart brigades moving between St. Paul, Minnesota and the Red River Colony. By the early 1870s Ontarians were homesteading in the area. Morris soon became a busy stagecoach stop between Fargo, North Dakota, and Fort Garry. With the advent of the coming of the railroad, excitement and promise was in the air. The pioneers knew that this would mean transportation for produce, the influx of settlers, and a better means of communication for themselves. Every settlement was vying for the railroad, assured that progress and growth would follow. When they learned the CPR (1882-83) railroad would bypass Morris by 6 miles, a "bonus" of \$100,000 was offered for the railway to relocate here.

It was discovered that the municipality could only offer \$.25 per acre under the law so they could only offer \$45,000. The citizens of Scratching River decided to withdraw from the municipality and incorporate as a town as a way of having the railway relocate here. In 1882, the province was petitioned for the incorporation of Scratching River as a town. The official date of incorporation was January 9, 1883, with the acreage listed as 6,100 and an assessment of \$26,100. By 1884-85 the town had collapsed under its debt load; it only recovered in the mid-1890s. In 1906, 4000 acres were removed from the town and incorporated back into the RM of Morris.

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## Location of the Town of Morris

Morris is situated in the hub of the Red River Valley, at the crossroads of PTH #23 and #75, which connects with numerous Midwestern U.S. interstate highways. The shallow valley spreads for many kilometres to the east and west, but only raises a few metres at most. Repeated flooding in the past has left the valley floor covered in rich river silt. The fine textured black soils are some of the best producing agricultural soils in the world.

PTH #75 runs from Winnipeg through Morris and becomes I-29 in the United States and extends to Mexico. Morris is the *only* Canadian community on this artery in which PTH #75 serves as the town's Main Street. Morris is strategically located to capitalize on the emerging north/south trading alliance called the Mid-Continent Trade Corridor, which is one of the fastest growing north/south trade routes between Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. The Canadian National, Canadian Pacific and Burlington Northern Rail lines also serve the community. Canadian trucking firms that are both national and international carriers increasingly use HWY #75. Annual traffic flow is in excess of *two million* vehicles and, according to projections, is sure to increase.

## The Rivers

The Red and Morris rivers have greatly affected the town, especially during floods in 1950, 1966 and 1979. On March 31, 1966, the Premier of Manitoba, Duff Roblin, called a flood meeting in Morris. Here he and his Ministers personally informed the public of what to expect and what measures to take. The towns of Morris, St. Jean and Emerson began moving earth and hastily constructing ring dykes. On Easter Monday, 1966, the dyke was starting to shift due to the high waves and nearly 20 feet of water was pushing against it at the lowest place. The dyke was saved thanks to the help of the local people, the Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) and a contingent of Canadian Army Engineers, who together braced bulldozers against the base of the dyke on the dry side, placed a boom of hydro poles on the wet side and added weight to the top of the sandbags. Since then, a permanent dyke has been erected around the Town of Morris and we were safe during the "Flood of the Century" in 1997.

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**Prairie Room:** Named for the place we live. The Prairie room is a 312 Square foot room with an attached coffee room. This room is located on the South West side of the building, with its own private entrance if needed. This is the perfect room for planning sessions, board meetings or small receptions.

**Stampede Room:** Named after our world famous Manitoba Stampede. The Stampede Room is a 616 Square foot room. Located upstairs on the south end of the building. This room has a viewing area overlooking our Bison Room as well as the Manitoba Stampede Grounds. This is the perfect room for your training seminar, classroom or viewing area.

**Bison Room:** Named after our Provincial Animal. The Bison Room is a 6248 Square foot room located at the south end of the building. Enter our main lobby and use your own private & complimentary cloakroom. There is easy access to the Bar, Kitchen and Washrooms.

**Crocus Room:** Named after our Provincial Flower. The Crocus room is a 4260 Square foot room located Midway through the building. It as well has its own separate entrance, Washrooms, Bar and Access to the Kitchen.

### **Exhibition Hall**

Between the months of November and March, this area is our Curling Rink.

**Exhibition Area:** The perfect place to hold your Tradeshow with over 14,560 square feet. A large overhead door allows for access for vehicles, heavy-duty equipment and oversize displays.

**Main Lounge:** A great place to hold parties, small banquets and meetings. The canteen is available upon request.

**Corral:** This room is directly above the Main Lounge, overlooking the curling rink/exhibition area. The Corral has the same dimensions as the Main Lounge and has a dance floor. This is the perfect room for your small wedding or Christmas party. It also has a canteen that is available upon request.

**Basement:** This multi-purpose room contains a change room. The cement floor makes it an ideal place to construct large backdrops or art projects. It has also been used as a rehearsal area for local plays and as an archery range.