



SASKATCHEWAN *Country Music Association*

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that you would like in the
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Voting is underway for this year's awards. Be watching your mail or email for the final ballot, on the way soon. Ballots will again be delivered via post mail, or via email in PDF format. If you don't have Adobe Reader on your computer, you need to download this free program. It is safe and quite small. Download it from: www.adobe.com

The 2010 S.C.M.A. awards will be held in Regina, April 16-18th, 2010. The Regina Inn & Convention Centre will be our designated host hotel with all events being held in their facility, with the exception of the Awards show, which will now be held at Casino Regina on Sunday evening. Registration deadlines are approaching, so check out the SCMA website at www.scma.sk.ca for details.

Hats off to the Host committee in Regina, who are working very hard to make this year's award weekend successful. They can still use volunteers in some areas. Please consider giving some time, it is our biggest event of the year for the S.C.M.A.

Contact host chair, Bernice Hiebert to find out how you can help. Email: b.hiebert@sasktel.net or call her at 306-586-2629.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday morning, April 17 at the Regina Inn. There will be many items that require the membership to vote on, including revisions to the constitution, and board elections. As well, this is your chance to voice your concerns or make suggestions on how we can improve the Association. As a SCMA member, you are entitled (and strongly encouraged) to attend. You have a voice and a vote with your membership! I urge and encourage you to forward your thoughts, concerns, or suggestions to your nearest Board member or myself, as well as attend this yearly meeting. **Open communication with our members on how we can improve the Association is something we need to hear.**

I thank you, our valued members, and the Board of Directors for your assistance and input in this, my first year as president. It has been challenging and interesting, and my goal for the second year of my term is to continue to increase the awareness and membership of our association.

Yours in Country Music,

Ken Landers, President

SASKATCHEWAN ARTISTS RELEASED



"Child of God"

DENISE GEREIN has released her latest gospel CD "Child of God". She is busy getting her CD out to radio and performing around Saskatchewan.

For more information about Denise's music or to purchase a CD, see her website: www.denisegerein.ca



The Prince Albert Country Music Association now meets quarterly. Meetings start at 7:30pm at the Log Cabin, Prince Albert Exhibition Grounds

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Vice President: Dave Baker
Treasurer: John Quinn
Secretary: Audrey Neubuhr

Prince Albert Country Music Association

It has been a fairly quiet winter for the PACMA. Just before Christmas, PACMA put on it's annual Christmas Concert with the proceeds going to the local SPCA building fund. The members involved put on an incredible display of music of the Season, and the turnout was good for the -35 degree day we had it on.

As a note, all PACMA members should be on the lookout for notice of the upcoming AGM, that will be held in April after the SCMA Awards. Interest seems to be declining in the organization, and your input and involvement is needed to take PACMA into the future. Consider, as well, becoming involved in the executive, as there are several spots that will be vacant and need filling.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the SCMA Awards weekend.

Until next time, keep it Country.

Larry Krause
PACMA President



The North East Country Music Association meets the last Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7:30pm at the Oasis Centre, 504 Railway Ave West, Nipawin. Bring your instruments and enjoy the jam after the meeting!

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Vice President: Brenda Chute-Olde
Treasurer: Susan Westgard
Secretary: Michelle Hart

Northeast Country Music Association

Our February Meeting was held Monday Feb 22nd. It has been quite awhile since we last met. December was far too busy for everyone and our January meeting was cancelled due to the huge storm that came through at the end of January.

Our group has purchased a Bowes Stick Sound system. Now we don't have to worry about sound for our Jams and small shows. We now own a sound system and a spot light, so we are all set up.

We are pleased to report that our Christmas show in Nipawin raised approximately \$3000 for the Oasis Center and the Tisdale Show gave the Salvation Army about another \$600. We also doubled our donation this year to the Nipawin and District Music Festival from \$100 - \$200. Another service we are very proud to be a part of.

The date of March 22 was set for our AGM. It will be held at the Elks Hall at 6:00pm with a Pot-Luck supper. Price is \$5.00/per person. Supper will be followed by the AGM, our regular March meeting, and then a social and Jam. Anyone wishing to come is welcome, just bring a dish for the Pot-Luck.

We would like to extend our best wishes to Regina for a successful awards weekend in April. We are looking forward to coming and just enjoying ourselves this year.

Yours in Country,
Brenda Chute-Olde, Acting President

Making Saskatchewan Proud - Stephen Maguire

One of our newest SCMA members, Stephen Maguire, has been invited to perform at the 2010 Belfast Nashville Songwriters Festival!

He will be opening for the Grammy award winning Nanci Griffith on Feb. 27 downtown Belfast. Recently receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards, one of Griffith's better-known songs is "From a Distance" by Julie Gold, which Bette Midler went on to cover. She has recorded with many artists from Jimmy Buffett to Garth Brooks to Willie Nelson.

Stephen is also getting set to release his new album back in Canada. Recorded at Saskatoon's Cosmic Pad Studios and produced by Ross Nykiforuk, the official CD release concert is the weekend before this year's SCMA's - Friday, Apr. 9 at The Refinery in Saskatoon, featuring The Stephen Maguire Project. www.stephenmaguire.com



Country Music Association of Saskatoon

The CMAS Executive would like to thank everyone who came out & participated in our Curling Bonspiel & Steak Night Fundraiser. The entertainment was awesome at Rodeo's with Kal Hourd & his band playing, as well as Wyatt & Marty Grambo jamming on stage later in the evening. They also let me get up there to sing a few songs which was so much fun! Thank you to everyone for helping make the event a HUGE success!

This year the CMAS Executive created a \$1000 Bursary Award to help give back to our participating CMAS members. We would like to congratulate our 1st Bursary Award Winner - Michelle Hourd! Learn more about Michelle & how she is contributing to the country music industry in Saskatoon by checking out her website at www.heedmedia.com.

Thank you to everyone who applied for the award & a thank you to our jury panel. If you would like to be considered for this award please go to the CMAS area on the SCMA Website for more information.

The CMAS is currently in the process of organizing our 2nd Annual Country Music Golf Tournament here in Saskatoon sometime this summer. If you are interested in attending or volunteering, please feel free to contact us by email at semasaskatoon@hotmail.com.

Congratulations to all the nominees for the 21st Annual SCMA Awards!

Tracey Monette
CMAS President



The Country Music Association of Saskatoon meets the 1st Wednesday of every month. Meetings start at 7:00pm at Beily's on 8th Street.

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Vice President: Crisly Beggs

Regina & Saskatchewan Country Music Association

The Regina Country Music Association **Annual AGM & Songwriter's Cafe** was held in November. SCMA President Ken Landers attended this event and emceed our Songwriter's Café. Outstanding performances were provided by our newest members to the Association this past year: Megan Nash, Amanda Jane Duncan and Tenille Arts.

A special Thank you is extended to each of our performers, Ken Landers for emceeding this event and to Baiton Brothers Western Pizza for the gift certificates provided for our performers and raffle prizes. Thank you as well to each of our Board of Directors for accepting your positions on this RCMA Executive.

Bernie Hiebert
President



The Regina and Southern Saskatchewan Country Music Association meet the first Thursday of the month. Meetings start at 7:00 pm in the board room at Access Communications, 2250 Park Street.

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Secretary: Bev Hallet

Saskatchewan Musician - JJ Guy

Nominated in the All Star Band fiddle category at the SCMA's in 2009, JJ Guy has capped off a very successful year headlining and touring with various groups. The launch of his third album appropriately titled "Fiddler" has received rave reviews from publications across Canada and the fiddle world. This latest album has also been receiving air play across Canada and made it on the "Sask Top 30" charts.

2010 will be another successful year for JJ Guy, as he works on a new album and published music book full of original tunes. JJ will continue headlining shows this spring along with touring with the bluegrass group Lone Tree Road, and Northern Lights Bluegrass & Old Tyme Music tour along with Gordon Stobbe and East Coast Music Awards winner Troy MacGillivray. For more on JJ Guy, and where to see him, visit his web site at www.jjguy.ca





S.C.M.A. Annual General Meeting

April 17th, 2010 at 9:00am.

To be held at the Regina Inn, 1975 Broad Street, Regina, SK.

Members of the S.C.M.A. are encouraged to attend to have their voice heard and vote on several key issues.

Get your SCMA Awards Weekend tickets reserved.

Print off the Registration form included in this newsletter & mail it in today!

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**2010 Schedule of Events for the 21st Annual Saskatchewan Country Music Association Awards
April 16th - 18th Regina, SK**

Hosted by the Regina/Southern Saskatchewan Country Music Association

Event	Date	Time
Kickoff Party	Friday April 16	8:00 PM
A.G.M.	Saturday, April 17	9:00 AM
Seminar #1	Saturday, April 17	10:00 - 11:30am
Seminar #2	Saturday, April 17	12:30 - 2PM
Adult Showcases	Saturday, April 17	2:00 PM
President's Banquet (Industry Awards)	Saturday, April 17	5:00 PM (starting with Cocktails)
President's Banquet-Post Party	Saturday, April 17	9:00 PM
Gospel Brunch & Showcases	Sunday, April 18	11:00 AM
Youth Showcases	Sunday, April 18	1:30 PM
Songwriter's Cafe'	Sunday, April 18	3:00 PM
Awards Show- At Casino Regina	Sunday, April 18	7:00 PM
Post Awards Party	Sunday, April 18	Following Awards Show

The host hotel for the 2010 SCMA Awards is the Regina Inn, 1975 Broad Street in Regina. Call now and ask for the S.C.M.A. Awards weekend rate of \$120.00. Other discounts may be available if you have access to Corporate Rates through your workplace, so please inquire when booking. **Call: (306) 525-6767 or**

Toll Free at: 1-800-667-8162 (North America)

Saskatchewan Artist News

Saskatchewan's **Codie Prevost** is among a diverse group of independent artists named as Winners of the 9th Annual Independent Music Awards (IMA) headquartered out of Clifton, New Jersey, USA.. Prevost's single "Spin" from his current album bearing the same title was named the winner in the Country Song of the Year category.



Roots/Country Duo "**Saskia & Darrel**" are just winding up an extended tour of British Columbia's west coast and Vancouver Island, with some good productive songwriting retreats added in. Leaving March 1st on yet another tour of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces where we meet with Gary Fjellgaard for a few theater dates.

In April we tour again through Alberta and B.C., playing our last date 2 days before we leave on a month long trip to Europe where we are playing the Roots/Americana circuit through Holland, Germany, Belgium, and Switzerland. Busy but fun, and hope to see you in Regina!

Chasity Dawn's self titled CD will be released March 1st, 2010. Listen for a brand new single on the airwaves this spring! Chas has been busy writing & co-writing new tunes, working on new promotional photos, a new website and creating a dynamic 90 minute show for her fans.

She is looking forward to the SCMA's in Regina this year & gearing up for her upcoming spring & summer shows. Check out www.chasitydawn.com for a full list of upcoming shows and expect some exciting news very soon!





2010 SCMA Award Show Host Committee Report



The RCMA has effectively turned our attention to hosting the **2010 SCMA Awards Weekend**. The Awards weekend will be April 16th to 18th, 2010 with the Regina Inn as our host hotel. The Awards Show has been relocated to the Casino Regina.

Canada's "new sensation" Victoria Banks will be our celebrity host over the course of the weekend. Victoria will emcee our Awards Show on Sunday night and will perform during this event, as well as provide an acoustic performance at the President's Banquet and the Songwriter's Café.

The SCMA website displays our Sponsorship Package, Registration Form, Showcase Applications, etc. for the Awards Weekend. Please check the website at www.scma.sk.ca for all your information needs.

As we don't have a Sponsorship Committee, each member of the host committee is assisting with this position. If you are interested in purchasing a sponsorship, please check out the **Sponsorship Package** on the SCMA website. Please complete the application of the final page and forward as soon as possible to 2101 Wascana Street, Regina, SK S4T 4K1. If you have any questions, please contact Bernie @ 306-586-2629 or e-mail b.hiebert@sasktel.net or any member of our Board or host committee.

For those of you not yet registered for the weekend, our **1st Early Bird Registration cut-off date is February 28th**; so please register now to receive this lower-price.

Are you interested in performing at the **Youth** or **Gospel Showcase**? Please forward your applications as per the applications to the respective Chairperson.

Carol Selinger is seeking your assistance with the Silent Auction. All donations of items are welcome. Please contact Carol at 586-0458 or e-mail cfselinger@hotmail.com.

The "**SCMA Stubble Jumper's Song Circle**" will be a fundraiser event to raise money for the SCMA Awards Weekend and to raise awareness about our Association. Mark your calendars for March 12th & 13th to attend at Chillers Brew Pub, 510 Home Street West in Moose Jaw. A \$15.00 charge provides you with a roast beef dinner at 6:00 pm with the shows to begin at 7:00 pm each night. With a spectacular line up, this is an event you won't want to miss. Friday, March 12th includes Alex Runions, Catherine Lewans, Mark Ceaser, Steve Gibson, Quentin Weibe and Lexie Tytlandsvik; and Saturday, March 13th features Amanda Jane Duncan, Dean Kush, Samara Yung, Ray Whitton, Blake Berglund and Codie Prevost.

If you would like to volunteer to work with the 2010 SCMA Host Committee or volunteer for the Awards weekend, please contact Carol Selinger @ 586-0458 or e-mail cfselinger@hotmail.com or any member of our RCMA Board of Directors.

We look forward to seeing all of you in April!
The 2010 SCMA Award Show Host Committee

Registration Form

Name: _____

Companion (if registering): _____

Company: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Prov.: _____ P.C.: _____ Home Tel: (____) _____

Other: (____) _____ E-Mail: _____

Delegate Packages:

Delegate Packages (includes all events)	Before Feb. 28	Before Mar. 31	To Apr. 18	Qty.	Total
Member # _____	\$125.00	\$140.00	\$155.00		
Non-Member	\$140.00	\$155.00	\$170.00		

Individual Packages:

Individual Item Tickets:	Day/Time	Unit Price	Qty.	Total
Kick-Off Party	Friday 8:00 to Close	\$12.00		
AGM	Saturday 9:00 to 11:00	N/A		
Seminar #1	Saturday 10:00 to Noon	\$10.00		
Seminar #2	Saturday Noon to 2:00	\$10.00		
Adult Showcase	Saturday 2:00 to 4:00	\$12.00		
President's Banquet & Industry Awards (Saturday)	Saturday 5:00 to 9:00	\$32.00		
President's Post- Party	Saturday 9:00 to Close	\$10.00		
Gospel Brunch/Showcase	Sunday 11:00 to 1:00	\$15.00		
Youth Showcase	Sunday 1:30 to 3:00	\$10.00		
Songwriter's Cafe	Sunday 3:00 to 5:00	\$12.00		
Awards Show - At Casino Regina	Sunday 7:00 to 10:00	\$26.00		
Post Awards Party	Sunday 10:00 to Close	\$10.00		
Souvenir Delegate Bag		\$ 5.00		

Payment Options:

- Cheque/Money Order (payable to **2010 SCMA Awards Host Committee**)

Payment must accompany this form by deadline date to receive discount

All taxes included
GST Registration # 13428 8620 RT0001

Please forward registration form with cheque/money order to:
2010 SCMA Awards Host Committee
c/o 2240 Queen Street
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All tickets will be **held at the registration desk**, you
will receive your confirmation number by phone or e-mail

Questions or concerns, please contact
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