

The Russell Inn Hotel & Conference Centre



April 2026

Spring Break Report

Manitoba's spring break this year bragged probably some of the best conditions we have ever had, largely due to the continual snowfalls right up until and past the last day. Spring had not really "sprung" yet and with Good Friday and Easter landing on the break, as

well as some great promos, it translated into a beautiful week of business. Going forward, our goal is to shift Asessippi's culture to be more like the mountains. We are going to go for the bragging rights to be the first open as well as the longest open. We will do this by investing more money into snowmaking so we can open a month earlier and then to change the connection of the Slush Cup to the last day of the season and instead still host this fun event, but it would not be the season's end.



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The Russell Inn has participated in the Stone Soup campaign for the last few years. Over the last week, \$1 from every bowl of French Onion Soup went to support The Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba's (CNCM) 14th annual Stone Soup fundraiser. The funds raised here will go to Major Pratt's breakfast and lunch program. On top of that, the Russell Inn donates four dozen muffins every week to the school's student breakfast program. The week-long initiative is held to raise funds and shine a spotlight on school meal and snack programs across the province. The Child Nutrition Council partners with more than 400 school meal and snack programs, collectively supporting nearly 80,000 students daily. Donations to the program can be made at: www.childnutritioncouncil.com/ways-to-give-2

Welcome/Welcome Back

A warm welcome to our new/returning staff:

Gines Bernardo - Maintenance
Jamellee Dela Cruz - Restaurant

Years Of Service Recognitions

Happy Birthday!



- April 3: Dana Hykaway
- April 10: Herbert Mercado
- April 14: Jeanifer Mascardo
- April 17: Bob Auger
- April 19: Kathleen Bunyi
- April 25: Michelle Mutia
- April 28: Kenneth Jereos
- April 30: Bea David

- 1 Year: Cleo Lacastesantos (Tim Hortons)
Jessielyn Racadag (Subway)
- 3 Years: Andessa Noceda (Beer Store)
Cherwin Quiambao (Housekeeping)
- 9 Years: Michael Tanghal (Human Resources)
- 11 Years: Jun Mae Ogawa (Tim Hortons)
- 13 Years: Rosalie Mallari (Subway)
- 14 Years: Carolyn Deopante (Restaurant)
- 40 Years: Michael Stasiuk (Maintenance)



Hockey Culture

It's extended hockey season! Our incredible hockey program now has got 3 entire weekends booked in April. Our objective is 4/4 weekends booked in April so that ski season starts in mid-November and ends with hockey at the end of April which would be a 6-month book of business. That's our objective for the next 2 years.



The Russell Inn is pleased to announce the appointment of:

Brent Dela Cruz

As our new

Tim Hortons Assistant Manager



effective April 12, 2026.

Brent has been a member of our team since September and brings with him a wealth of store management experience from his lengthy career at Starbucks in the Philippines. Brent will be working closely with Jun Mae, Rheallyne & Rovelyn to round out the management team of this department's staff of 30. Please help us in welcoming Brent into this new role!

Congratulations Brent!



Welcome to Canada!

We welcomed 2 families this month! Pictured left is Jaleth Abad with her sons Lance and Lucas who came in for a visit before school one morning :)

Pictured right is Willy Dela Cruz's family - Shinjie, Steven, spouse Lorie Grace and Sean. Beautiful smiles, beautiful families!

Congratulations and welcome!



Message From Daymon...

Great winter - wow! Great snow! Great room sales! - from hockey, skiing, crews and regulars. I hope you all had a Happy Easter. Here's looking forward to an awesome April because of all of the weekend hockey tournaments!

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