

School Tax Rally Report June 2010

The Manitoba Association of Cottage Owners (MACO) held the 3rd Annual School Tax Rally to promote the removal of school taxes on all properties on June 10th, 2010 at the Legislative Grounds. Approximately 100 protestors attended the rally. A short handout was prepared for those in attendance.

The event was advertised in the Cottager magazine, Canstar Community Newspapers (Lance, Times, Herald, Metro, Headliner), Interlake Publishing newspapers (Lac du Bonnet Leader, Interlake Spectator, Selkirk Journal and Beausejour Review), on the MACO website, and posters put on bulletin boards in various communities throughout the province.

Speakers at the rally were: Dave Crabb Chairman of MACO, Heather Stefanson Conservative opposition Finance Critic, Colin Craig Canadian Taxpayer's Federation, Ed Arnold councilor R.M. of Alexander, and Larry Baker Director MACO.

Media coverage was provided by CJOB radio station, Global TV, CTV, CBC and the Interlake Spectator Newspaper. The Winnipeg Free Press also carried news articles on the rally.



The MACO education tax petition was distributed with 7 pages being given to Heather Stefanson to be read in the Legislature.

“Take School Tax Off All Properties” signs were handed out and offered for sale at \$5 each for people to take home for erection on their properties. It is the intent of MACO to hold the 2011 tax rally at the Legislature at the beginning of September, just prior to the writ being dropped for the provincial election.



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