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Walking the catwalk for SCCR

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Cancer survivors and their supporters hit the catwalk last week at South Central Cancer Resource's annual fashion show, which was held over two nights this year at the Morden Access Event Centre and raised upwards of \$30,000. For the full story, see Pg. 12.

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Reinland Drain upgrades nearing completion

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The RM of Stanley is wrapping up work on a repair project that's been on its to-do list for years.

Reeve Morris Olafson took Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen and local media out to the site of the Reinland Drain on Monday to highlight the importance of recent improvements totalling \$3.7 million.

"Ever since I came on council this thing was bugging us. It was always a bad point. We had to fix it, we knew that," said Olafson.

"If we wouldn't have done anything with this project, eventually this ditch that was straight would look like the Pembina River and it would start winding and eating away [at the surrounding farmland]," he explained. "The idea is to quit the erosion and keep the ditch in a normal state."

"There's no reason that this ditch won't last for 50 years, or whatever length of time. It's here to stay."



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen (left) and RM of Stanley Reeve Morris Olafson at the Reinland Drain improvement project.

Work on the mile and a half stretch over the past several months has included regrading/reshaping the drain, lining it with over 368,700 square feet of geotextile cloth (an erosion armoring product), and installing 3,628 rock gabion mats and 7,278 cubic yards of rocks to further hinder erosion.

The project is now about 90 per cent complete, Olafson said, with some seeding, landscaping, and site rehabilitation still to do. It should all be done by June.

Located a mile south of the village of Blumenfeld, the drain was also the focus of major upgrades back in 2016, but heavy rains caused considerable damage, destroying much of the work that had been done.

As a result, the second crack at upgrades became eligible for the Manitoba's Disaster Financial Assistance Program, which covered the bulk of the costs. The RM chipped in roughly \$50,000.

"Without the assistance of the feds and the province, this wouldn't have happened," Olafson said.

Minister Friesen said the province was happy to help.

He lamented the "lack of commitment by the previous government to maintenance and repair, and that includes the issue of drains."

"We have heard from municipalities—including the RM of Stanley, but across the province really—that when it comes to drain maintenance the work was slow, it was not done at a pace to keep ahead of the challenges and vegetation growing in the channels, and now that work becomes more challenging over time to address."

"We are addressing that with a renewed commitment to maintenance and preservation of our waterways," Friesen said.

"When it comes to our green and carbon approach, we're saying that amounts by the government need to continue to go for valuable projects like this in the future because our ability to move water is essential in this province."

"We are a province that is impacted at times significantly by water events, and we have to plan accordingly," he said.

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Kicking off Pay It Forward May

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Community Foundation and Morden Area Foundation are teaming up once again to promote Pay It Forward May.

First thing Tuesday morning, the two agencies kicked off four weeks of random acts of kindness by having volunteers deliver free doughnuts to dozens of businesses in the Morden-Winkler area.

The hope is those businesses and their employees, in turn, will pay that gift forward and challenge others to do the same, kicking off a chain reaction of kindness.

"We really want to encourage the community to pay it forward and really make an impact," says Winkler foundation executive director Myra Peters. "You never know how a simple act of kindness can affect someone's day."

"There's so many ways to pay it forward," she adds. "There's no right or

wrong way to do it and you don't have to spend a lot of money.

"It can be as simple as holding a door open for someone, helping someone carry their groceries to the car, spending time with an elderly neighbour, bringing coffee to an office, simply saying thank you to somebody and letting them know you appreciate the work that they do.

"We know those are things that many people do on a regular basis," Peters adds. "But we're just trying to draw some attention to it this month."

It's an initiative that lines up perfectly with the community foundations' mandates, says Lynda Lambert MacLean, executive director of the Morden Area Foundation.

"It's all about being kind to each other. And that's exactly how the foundation started: somebody wanted to do something for someone else," she says, pointing out donations to the foundation are distributed to a wide array of community charities and



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler Community Foundation volunteers set out Tuesday morning to deliver doughnuts to local businesses as a kickoff for Pay It Forward May. Keep an eye out for the "Kindness Mobile" at community Pay It Forward events over the next few weeks.

projects each year. "Paying it forward, that's the essence of what we do."

Pay It Forward May organizers once again encourage people to share their acts of kindness on social media by using the hashtag #PIFMay. You can also share stories and follow the campaign on the foundation web-

sites, Facebook pages, and Instagram.

Sharing acts of kindness isn't about patting yourself on the back so much as it is about motivating people to do the same.

"We know that it can be hard to

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PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Morden Area Foundation recruited a crew of volunteers Tuesday to help kick off Pay It Forward month in Morden. Helping deliver doughnuts around town were Merley Wiebe, Dolores Guenther, Val Bergman, Dianne Lambert, Linda Fehr, Kathy Ritchie, Al Sloane, Lynda MacLean and Allison Braun. "If we start something, then someone else can take it from there and pay it forward and keep it going," said Sloane.



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Schweitzer honoured with CFDC award

By Lorne Stelmach

Dr. Mary Higby Schweitzer never knew Betsy Nicholls, but she says that her reputation certainly preceded her.

At a time when women were few and far between in paleontology, Nicholls stood out for her contributions, more than holding her own in a male dominated field, said Schweitzer, who on Saturday became the first recipient of the Dr. Elizabeth "Betsy" Nicholls Award for Excellence in Paleontology at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre Dig Deep gala.

The professor of molecular paleontology at North Carolina State University noted Nicholls was known for her "insatiable curiosity ... something we share."

"It is my honour indeed to be named a recipient of this award. She left some pretty big footprints to walk in," Schweitzer said. "I don't do things for recognition, I do things because I'm really curious, but to be chosen for this award ... it would have never even crossed my mind."

Schweitzer was also the keynote speaker for the third annual gala, which doubled its attendance and raised around \$20,000 for the museum—up substantially from \$11,000 in year one and \$8,000 in year two.

Thanks to a matching grant from the Manitoba Heritage Trust Fund, the gala's success means \$30,000 will be added to the Morden Area Foundation's CFDC fund.

For Schweitzer, who shook the paleontology world in 2007 with the announcement of her discovery of soft tissue inside of a 68-million-year-old T-Rex fossil, it is significant to be honouring Nicholls through this award.

"It's kind of like a vindication ... women in paleontology have changed radically over the course of my career," she said.

"I think with Betsy, she was one of the ones who started it and kind of broke the mold of what women can and can't do, what you expect of women ... she made huge contributions to the field," Schweitzer continued. "We have very different aspects of work ... we're kind of contemporaries ... we have very similar life stories, so this is very cool."

Schweitzer added the recognition is an encouragement for her.

"I do get down because funding is always an issue ... it's a very cut-throat

and competitive field in dinosaur science," she said. "I was feeling a little down and then I got this ... it is a big encouragement actually."

Since her 2007 discovery, Schweitzer's research has continued to change the way scientists think about soft tissue preservation and fossilization. In her address, she touched on the importance of pursuing this line of study.

"There is an enormous amount of information that we lose when soft tissues are removed from a skeleton," Schweitzer explained. "If you've never seen the living animal, how do you know what it's supposed to look like ... that leaves a lot of speculation on how these dinosaurs that I study actually lived and moved and interacted in their life."

The fossilization process is well known, Schweitzer said, and "we know that this is how it happened. But for just as long, we've also known that this doesn't actually explain everything that we see in fossils."

She touched on a number of examples such as a beetle preserved with its colour intact, a frog fossil with no bones showing, and bugs preserved so well you can see the patterns in the wings.

"So our models of how fossils preserve don't work very well ... but we still teach it that way," said Schweitzer, who described the ostrich as the closest living relative to the dinosaurs.

For Schweitzer, her visit here last



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Dr. Mary Higby Schweitzer receives the Dr. Elizabeth 'Betsy' Nicholls Award for Excellence in Paleontology from CFDC board chairperson Chris Leach at the museum's gala Saturday night.

week was also her introduction to the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre.

"I'm very impressed. They have done a fantastic job," she said. "I like the focus on the marine reptiles ... pretty much anybody can have a dinosaur ... I think it's really important for regional museums like this one to focus on what they have."

"Compared to what we know or think we know about dinosaurs, we know nothing about marine reptiles. The more that we recover, the more that we can find out ... the more that this museum gets known, the more that people will publish on your stuff."

Schweitzer added the level of community engagement with the CFDC is also vitally important.

"One of the things that scientists aren't always good at is taking what we do to the public and telling them why it's important," she said. "Being able to communicate is vital, and that's one thing that they have done really well here ... these are really, really amazing specimens."

CFDC executive director Peter Cantelon called it a tremendous honour to host Schweitzer.

"We are incredibly excited to have a paleontologist of the stature of Dr. Schweitzer come to Manitoba," he said. "Her discovery and research is arguably the most significant in modern paleontology and this is a rare opportunity for people to meet her and hear her speak about that incredible find."

Ten new paramedic positions for Southern Health

By Lorne Stelmach

Boundary Trails Health Centre will be among the beneficiaries of the addition of 60 new full-time paramedic positions announced Monday for rural Manitoba.

The new positions, which include 10 in the Southern Health-Sante Sud region, will reduce the level of reliance on on-call staffing positions.

"It improves response times, which ultimately should result in improved care," said Scott Noble, regional director of emergency services for Southern Health.

The Southern Health positions will be based out of Boundary Trails (4.85

full time converted and new positions) and Altona (4.85 converted positions).

Some positions will be filled by staff currently working in the system on an on-call basis, while others are expected to be posted shortly with an eye to having paramedics hired to fill the vacancies and be on the roads later this year.

"Both stations have growing volumes and for both it is a significant improvement," suggested Noble, noting for Altona it will provide full around the clock staffed coverage whereas now they just have on-call at night.

"For the Boundary Trails station,

it will create a second night staffed ambulance ... currently today we have two ambulances that are staffed days and only one ambulance that is staffed at night," he explained.

"In the case of the Altona station, it certainly improves our response time after hours ... for the Boundary Trails station, it provides that additional resource for the night."

The announcement follows the commitment made by the province in June 2017 to implement the recommendations from a 2013 Manitoba EMS system review.

In addition to increasing the full-

Sharing bedtime stories

Kids gathered for a bedtime story Friday to wrap-up the annual Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre family dance at the Morden Legion Hall. The pajama party is a way for the centre to engage the community and promote its programs and events, which include the upcoming Teddy Bear Picnic, which takes place June 10 in Morden Park.



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A step toward “consistent, reliable health care”

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time paramedics in rural Manitoba, provincial officials say other changes include increasing training for paramedics, adding more ambulances and resources for inter-facility transports and restructuring some stations.

In a statement, Health Minister Kelvin Goertzen reiterated that this investment in 60 new full-time paramedic positions would help en-

sure professionals are available for emergency dispatch and response at all times of the day, any day of the week.

“Paramedics are a critical part of our health-care system, and the new positions are another step in our government’s commitment to ensuring Manitobans have access to consistent, reliable health care in their community,” he said.

Finance Minister and Morden-Winkler MLA

Cameron Friesen said the new positions will be “providing comfort that residents will have access to reliable, consistent care if and when they need it, no matter where they live.”

“Ensuring ambulances in Manitoba are staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week is necessary to ensure patients have access to emergency care and that the paramedics responding are properly rested,” added Eric Glass, administrative director of the Paramedic Association of Manitoba. “This investment is an excellent step towards ending long on-call shifts and allows paramedics to deliver those services in a predictable, responsive and safe manner.”

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share the stories of what you’ve done. You’re not doing it for attention, and we get that,” Peters says. “But by sharing, you’re inspiring others.

“It’s not about the recognition,” agrees MacLean. “It’s to show others that this is going on, that we have a great community, that when we don’t even know about it or think about it, people are paying it forward.”

You can also share your PIF stories and messages on the outdoor chalk signs set up downtown in both communities (outside Whitecap Coffee in Winkler and by Marni LuHu Designs in Morden).

New to the campaign this year is the PIF

May Kindness Mobile, which will be travelling throughout both communities over the next few weeks.

It will set up shop at the various planned PIF events, and the foundations also encourage organizations to get in touch with them to have the van at their own PIF activities.

“When you see it you’ll know there’s some act of paying it forward happening there,” says Peters.

The van will be on hand at Central Station on Wednesday, May 9 for the Winkler Community Foundation board’s free community barbecue. Everyone is invited to enjoy lunch from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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Porch time is time well spent

just spent the entire day sitting on my porch. Literally THE WHOLE DAY.

I mean, I woke up, showered, dressed, made breakfast, took it out on the deck and never left.

Okay I exaggerate: there were some bathroom breaks and a walk to catch Pokemon, the occasional beer, lunch and dinner. But otherwise my butt rarely left the porch couch.

I accomplished absolutely nothing this past Sunday and I do not regret it for even the tiniest moment.

I have been going pretty hard for a few weeks now with various projects and so to wake up to a sunny, warm day with no actual plans immediately determined how the next 14 hours or so would be spent.

Now, while I accomplished nothing in terms of how we typically measure value, I feel as though I accomplished much.

I spent some quality time on the balcony with the cat and my coffee

first thing in the morning. As I was leaning on the railing, the cat wandered up to the door with a dead bird in its mouth, looked at me and in a muffled voice asked pleadingly "Meowff?" which I knew was cat for "Might I bring this corpse inside to chew on for a while?" to which I responded "You are not bringing a dead bird into the house" at which point he dropped the bird and skulked angrily away while I swept it off the balcony.

Later I managed to capture a decent shot of a local blue jay doing its best to not be photographed as it hopped nervously through the branches of our trees.

I called my sister in Ottawa for a few minutes and we exchanged pleasantries. Later a poem was birthed and posted to my blog. Twice, good friends wandered up to the porch and spent some time as they were out walking.

This was the sort of day it was. I napped twice in the sun while the cat napped on me. Later in the day, after dinner on the porch, I decided to write this column.

All of this while spring leaves remained unraked, the garage remained uncleaned, the planters remained unemptied ... but not once did any of it scream to me for atten-

tion.

It has been an incredibly valuable day. Why is rest so elusive to us? Why do we scorn an incomplete project or a time when we are not busy? Why do we place so much value on doing when we are called to settle ourselves from time to time; to quiet our minds and listen?

We need recreation. We need recreation or we run down and we are miserable and frankly not much fun to be around.

For me, work and busyness distract me from myself. I don't have to spend time inside my head. I don't have to consider or be thoughtful or ponder or philosophize as one is wont to do in the empty moments, in the still and quiet moments. I think silence scares us because it is in silence that we tend to learn things about ourselves and the people and the world around us. Such knowledge can be burdensome and better ignored with hours of raking and fixing the kitchen sink.

I think to never take the time to do nothing is a terrible and sad waste. I recommend it. The next time you are looking to keep yourself busy, I challenge you to take up the daunting task of doing nothing. I believe you will find it time well spent.



By Peter Cantelon

Letters

Proposed legislation a threat to community newspapers

Dear Municipal Councillors and MLAs:

We write to you with great concern over the provincial government's proposed legislation to remove the requirement of municipalities and provincial government bodies to publish mandatory public notices in Manitoba's community newspapers.

The government maintains this is an exercise to "enhance communication" with Manitobans. Yet Bills 8 and 19 merely propose replacing independent newspaper advertising with postings on government con-

trolled websites. This is clearly not an "enhancement" of communication.

While it has been officially stated the sections of Bills 8 and 19 dealing with mandatory public notices in newspapers will not be proclaimed at this time, this remains a very concerning issue for us, as it should be for all Manitobans. The sections left unproclaimed can be enacted by government at anytime with the swipe of a pen and without notice or further public consultation.

The Government has stated its

position that internet connectivity needs to increase throughout Northern Manitoba before these sections will be enacted. The Manitoba Community Newspapers Association maintains that is only part of the problem.

Of equal concern is the assumption that providing public access to information online is the same as providing public notice. It is not. To expect Manitobans to know when

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Winkler Community Fdn. funds hit over \$4.1M

By Lorne Stelmach

Directors see continued strong growth ahead for the Winkler Community Foundation.

The organization's endowment funds have increased significantly in recent years, especially with the establishment of the Gordon Wiebe Scholarship Fund, and that means the foundation is well positioned to keep doing more in the community.

"The more we have, the more we can continue to make Winkler a great place to live," said Scott Doell after taking over as board chair at the foundation's annual meeting last week.

"The foundation has basically doubled ... we've gone from \$2 million to \$4 million in assets, and a lot of that's thanks to Gordon Wiebe and the bequest that he left us," he said. "We have over \$4 million in assets now and we can make a big impact in the community, so it's a really positive direction our foundation is going."

The annual meeting heard that the foundation in 2017 reached over \$4.1



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The Winkler Community Foundation board are eager to spread the word about the good work the agency does in the community each year through grants and scholarships. The past year saw WCF distribute over \$128,500 to local projects and \$61,000 in academic scholarships.

million in total endowment funds, which was an increase from \$3.6 million in 2016.

In addition to receiving over \$428,000 in endowment funds, there

was also one new fund established, bringing the total to 13.

The foundation granted \$128,500 to the community this past year to 19 charitable projects. It also distributed

28 post secondary scholarships totaling about \$61,000.

Executive director Myra Peters also

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Morden students competing in French contest

By Lorne Stelmach

Local French immersion students will be putting their language skills to the test at a provincial competition this Saturday.

The École Morden Middle School students are participating in Concours d'art oratoire, an annual French public-speaking event for Manitoba schools.

The competition is facilitated by the Canadian Parents for French, which has a Morden chapter. Classroom, school, and then divisional competitions lead to the provincial contest, which is held every year at l'Université de Saint-Boniface.

Rayan Khattabi will be presenting his story *L'éleveur fou* at the event, while the duo of Kristin Smart and Danae Dick perform their imaginary conversation *Le même*. Sam Hildebrand is standing by as an alternate for Khattabi.

Gisele Rondeau, who provides French language support for Western School Division, said the students put a lot of time and work into preparing for this competition, starting with creating their stories.

"They worked through the writing process and, of course, all of this is done in French, so it gave them a chance to practice their writing, practice their French structure, practice in front of a group," she said.

"Now they're going to perform at a provincial level, so these students have done particularly well."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE
Morden French immersion students ready to represent Western School Division at the Concours d'art oratoire include Sam Hildebrand (as an alternate), Rayan Khattabi, Kristin Smart, and Danae Dyck.

Given it is all being done in a second language, it is a good experience for the students in so many ways, Rondeau suggested.

"They have to have quite bit of confidence to stand in front of a crowd and do that," she said. "I hope that it encourages them to continue on in French ... hopefully it's going to build their confidence and make them want to continue learning in French."

It's been very much a team effort at the local level with a number of staff and teachers involved, including Diane Sarrasin, Janine Smart, Christine

Andrews, Elanor Zacharias, Suzanne Powell, and Chicago Dyck.

Students are judged on such factors as voice, quality of language, choice of subject, and gesture. At the provincial level, cash prizes, trophies, and plaques are awarded to the top participants.

Khattabi, who will tell a tale of three kids stuck in a crazy elevator, said being part of the competition means a lot to him.

"It's one of my biggest achievements. I'm proud of myself. It will do a lot for me ... it will help me with my speech

"HOPEFULLY IT'S GOING TO BUILD THEIR CONFIDENCE AND MAKE THEM WANT TO CONTINUE LEARNING IN FRENCH."

arts and my stage fright."

His alternate, Sam Hildebrand, is ready to go if needed with a story about an adventure between two friends and a dinosaur.

"I really love doing this kind of stuff, acting. Doing a lot of speech arts really is one of my core things that I really love to do," Hildebrand said. "I love speaking around people. It's just one of the strong points that I have found that I have."

Danae Dick noted she also has some stage fright, so she likes working with a partner.

"It help me be more confident, talking in front of big groups of people," she said, explaining that she and Smart will be telling a story involving "a cucumber and a pickle, and they are fighting over who is the best."

"I'm proud of myself that I can do this," said Smart. "And I'm hoping that it's going to help improve my French some more."

Fdn. hopes to build on its community presence

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highlighted some of the key initiatives of the agency, including the Pay It Forward campaign in May and the 24 Hour Giving Challenge held in November.

The foundation partnered with the Canada 150 program in 2017 to support two local projects, she added, and there were five grants made through the Youth in Philanthropy program, which is now operating in several local schools and involves over 40 high school students.

Stepping down after a three year term on the board, including the last two as chair, Chris Hildebrand reflected on their tremendous success.

"The foundation has grown so much in the past three years with do-

nations and bequests, and we're so thankful for our regular supporters as well," she said. "It's been a great thing to see.

"We've given to so many different community organizations," Hildebrand added. "The more people hear about us, the more applications we get, and it's exciting because we can't know all the needs in our community."

She said the main highlight for her was seeing the foundation hand out the first scholarships from the Gordon Wiebe Scholarship Fund.

"That was a three year process ... that was very exciting to see that happen ... it'll keep giving and giving in perpetuity and that's just so exciting," said Hildebrand.

"Pay It Forward has been another exciting thing for us because through the years it has really grown. The community's getting involved, it's spreading, people are using it as a way to get to know other people."

Doell sees a lot of potential for the foundation to continue to have a significant impact on community in the years ahead.

"I think the foundation does a lot for our community ... being on the board and seeing all the impact we have and just seeing the growth of the foundation, it's really exciting," he said.

"We've got to make sure we're using that growth in the right way. I think that the money we have ... there's a lot of places that could use help ... there's a lot of organizations ... and we're in a good place where we have an opportunity to help all those different community organizations."

Doell added that he wants to see the foundation continue to build up its presence in Winkler.

"I think the foundation is often behind the scenes and doing good work ... hopefully we get our name out there a little bit more ... the more we get, the more we can do."

"THE MORE WE HAVE, THE MORE WE CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE WINKLER A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE."

Goldilocks found guilty of theft, cleared of other charges

By Lorne Stelmach

A classic fairy tale cast in a new light Friday offered a fun way to learn about our justice system.

A mock trial at the Morden provincial courthouse anchored the facility's third annual Law Day Open House last Friday.

In the end, the jury only found Goldilocks guilty of one of the three charges she faced. She was declared innocent of breaking into the Three Bears' home as well as mischief for the damage of property, but guilty of theft.

Goldilocks was then sentenced to a one year conditional discharge requiring her to keep the peace and also do some community service.

"Yeah, I think it was fair," suggested Owen Wall, one of the Gr. 6 students from École Morden Middle School who played a role in the mock trial.

Wall, who played the woodcutter and was a witness for the defence team, said it was an interesting but also challenging experience.

"It was fun ... I was very nervous," he said.

"We practiced a lot ... I tried to slow it down, I feel like I was talking a little fast," he added of the experience of taking the stand to testify.

There was a lot to learn, Wall said, citing the examples of "what hearsay means, what sustained and overruled mean ... this is actually a very serious thing."

The trial saw Morden Police Cst. Jeff Forster open proceedings with his testimony on the case followed by Momma and Baby Bear as witnesses for the prosecution. Then Granny, the woodcutter, and Goldilocks herself took the stand in her defence.

Both sides offered a number of objections along the way, with such questions being raised as whether it was in fact Baby Bear who broke the chair and whether the broken honey

jars were just an accident.

"It was good to have, first of all, Goldilocks take the stand for herself," observed teacher Lindsey Jacobs, who helped author the script for the mock trial along with lawyer and former prosecutor Carli Owens.

"Her grandmother, as well, testifying on her behalf as a character witness ... kind of shows the support of her family," he added. "I think the defence and the crown lawyers both did a really good job representing the sides."

Jacobs said it served as a fun way to get a better idea of how the court system works and for kids to have a positive interaction with the legal system.

"I hope they learn about the process ... that our society is built on laws and justice, and we have all these systems in place from our government to help protect us," he said.

"They gained a better understanding of rights and freedoms ... we did talk a little about the charter because this is meant as a celebration of Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms," Jacobs added. "When they go into Gr. 7, there's more, there's a whole unit on human rights ... so they have some foundational knowledge of that to help them for next year."

Events like this are a great way to reach out to the community, said Owens.

"I hope they get a better sense of what the justice system involves in terms of criminal trials, who all the players are, what their roles are, what the burden of proof is, how a jury assesses evidence and arrives at a decision.

"We'll see that while she did enter that home, what is the burden of proof? How does a judge and jury assess ... is there enough evidence there to prove that there was the intent to commit an indictable offence when



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Close to 20 students from the ÉMMS Gr. 6 class of teacher Lindsey Jacobs were involved in the mock trial of Goldilocks held as part of the Lay Day celebrations Friday at the Morden courthouse. Below: Lawyer and Law Day organizer Carli Owens presented Jacobs with a copy of the book *An Unusual Thrill on Parliament Hill: The Responsibility to Respect the Rights of Others* for his class to enjoy in thanks for their help.



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Laser tag tourney to raise funds for SBHAM

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Laser tag enthusiasts will be squaring off at Rush Laser Tag & Entertainment in Winkler next month in support of the Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Manitoba.

The first of what organizers hope will become an annual laser tag tournament takes place at the Southland Mall on Saturday, June 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"We're hoping to get 20 teams of four. That would be the maximum," says Rush manager Eric Giesbrecht. "We would love to be full."

Five teams at a time will head into the laser tag arena to battle it out, earning scores through at least three round robin games to try and make it to the playoffs.

"Prizes are yet to be determined but there will be something for sure for the winners and we'll probably also throw in some prizes for some other categories as well," Giesbrecht says, noting that might include lowest score or most spirited team.

Registration is \$200 per team, with participants also asked to collect

pledges on behalf of SBHAM.

SBHAM president Nancy Spenst explains the money will go into the association's support funds for people living with the physical challenges that come with spina bifida or hydrocephalus.

"We have a medical fund, a recreational fund to help cover costs of kids participating in things like laser tag or other programs, and also a benevolent fund to cover other needs as they arise," she says.

The idea for a tournament came about after Spenst, looking for fun activities for SBHAM's youth members, contacted Rush to see if their laser tag arena was wheelchair accessible.

"We went through it and, yeah, it was," she says. "And then we were just sort of brainstorming and the idea of a tournament came up."

The importance of finding a fun accessible activity locally can't be overstated, Spenst says.

"It's very important for me, as an adult, to know what these kids will go through throughout their lives and the rejections they do face because of buildings that are not wheelchair ac-



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Rush Laser Tag & Entertainment's Eric Giesbrecht and Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Manitoba president Nancy Spenst square off at the laser tag arena in the lead up to next month's charity laser tag tournament.

cessible," she says. "To finally find a place that is a lot of fun that they can take their friends to, it's very encouraging."

Giesbrecht says Rush is pleased to be able to offer its services to people of all physical abilities and they're eager to support SBHAM with this tournament.

"I've seen the other fundraisers that they've done and it just seems like a lot of fun," he says. "They do a great job and this just seemed like a great

partnership."

To register a team, call Rush Laser Tag at 204-331-1222 or Spenst at 204-362-7224. You can also learn more on the "Rush Laser Tag Tournament" Facebook page.

Not keen on laser tag? You're still invited to stop by June 9 to enjoy karaoke, arcade games, bouncy castles, and concessions, with a portion of all sales that day going to SBHAM.

"We hope people will bring the whole family down," says Giesbrecht.



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Local music students perform with WSO

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Fourteen local performers got the chance to step on stage alongside the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra last week.

Douglas Kuhl School of Music strings students headed into Winnipeg to perform in the WSO's Adventures in Music concerts at the Centennial Concert Hall April 25.

The concert series invites youth musicians from across Manitoba to perform with the WSO to an audience of school groups.

DKSM's group, who performed from Peter Warlock's Capriole Suite, included violin and cello students ranging in age from 10-12 and hailing from Winkler, Morden, Rosenfeld, Lowe Farm, and Altamont.

The school has sent students to take part in the concerts for the past four years, said director Rochelle Drudge, and it's always a highlight for the kids.

"This program has been very exciting and motivating for the students involved," she said. "They always work hard to prepare well and the experience of being on stage with the WSO is both exciting as well as nerve-wracking for some."

"I FELT LIKE I WAS A PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN."

"The students who participate in these concerts often get inspired to join one of our orchestras throughout the year," Drudge added. "Playing music in an orchestra is such an excellent learning experience for the students. They learn to collaborate, listen to each other, experience making a beautiful sound together, and sharing that with others."

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DKSM PHOTO

Fourteen Douglas Kuhl School of Music strings students performed as part of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra's Adventures in Music concert series April 25, taking to the stage at the Centennial Concert Hall. The group performed movements from Peter Warlock's Capriole Suite on stage with the WSO and resident conductor Julian Pellicano.

"Making music with others is a wonderful experience. Once students try it, they often find they love it."

That's certainly the case for 11-year-old Beth Giesbrecht, who plays violin with the DKSM strings ensemble.

"With this we had three cellos performing, so I loved hearing the contrast of the parts," she said. "I like when all the violins kind of mix together and it sounds like one."

This was Giesbrecht's third year playing in the WSO series, but the thrill never wears off.

"I love going onto the stage. You step on and there's this flood of red seats in the practice and then in the performance it's so cool when everybody's there."

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Fashion show raises \$30K

By Lorne Stelmach

South Central Cancer Resource's biggest fundraiser of the year brought in upwards of \$30,000 last week.

The Red Carpet Fashion Show, which expanded to two nights for the first time, saw an increase in both attendance and revenue, with 480 people coming out to enjoy the show. That's already about 100 more people than in the past, though organizers hope to increase that even more in future years.

"We hope that, if our committee decides to continue the two nights, that we're going to have a better turnout ... we didn't sellout," noted Tracy Peters, SCCR administrative co-ordinator. "We'll go from here then ... we were thankful for everyone who came and made this event possible."

Now in its sixth year, the fashion show plays a major role in supporting not only existing SCCR services like its transportation program but also newer initiatives.

The Red Carpet Fashion Show featured clothing from Co-op Fashions, Stephen Street Wear, and Sasha's Atelier, with Sasha Annamoradova specially designing several unique gowns for the occasion.

A key feature of the event was featuring local volunteer models who each have their own cancer success stories.

"Every year we usually have at least some of our models for sure being cancer survivors. This year, we went for 100 per cent," Peters said. "This year, we really wanted to celebrate them ... we did things a little unconventional this year where they went and picked out their own clothes ... so they felt like a million bucks."

It helps to personalize it all, Peters added, by putting local faces to it and to show that it is "about the journeys they've been on and to show them the support from the community around them."

With SCCR having scaled down the number of different fundraising

South Central Cancer Resource's Red Carpet Fashion Show last week Tuesday and Wednesday saw nearly 500 people come out to see the latest fashions from Co-op Fashions, Stephen Street Wear, and Sasha's Atelier modelled by cancer survivors.

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events that they do each year, the show has become even more vital to the organization, said Peters, especially considering that some of their expenses and the demands on their programs are steadily increasing.

"Fundraising is going to be something that we're going to need to jump on yet again," she said. "Our numbers have more than doubled in our office with our clients who have been coming in ... with our transportation program ... we're already at almost \$100,000 in our six month period.

"It's going to continue to go up because they're projecting in 2020 that one in every two people are going to be having cancer," Peters added. "So if one in every two people knew about

us ... we're really going to need some help."

Though a majority are from the Morden and Winkler area, more and more clients are coming from a wider area across southern Manitoba.

"We're really going to have to go to those communities that we also support and do fundraising there as well," Peters said. "That also helps spread the awareness."

The SCCR Red Carpet Fashion Show raised \$30,000 for programs and services that assist people battling cancer in our area.

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Program gives kids a glimpse at a career in music

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The concert was 10-year-old violinist Sam Kroeker's first time playing at Adventures in Music.

"I was very excited," he said. "The most amazing part, I have to say, was playing with the WSO. I felt like I was a professional musician."

"It is probably the biggest audience I have performed in front of," added Kroeker's brother, Thomas. This was the 12-year-old cellist's first time in the program as well.

"The coolest part was playing with the WSO. It was nerve-wracking because of the audience," he said, adding he hopes to be a professional musician when he grows up. "The best

part of being a musician is playing in groups."

"I love playing for others and making others feel good," added Sam.

In addition to performing, the concert also gave the students a chance to catch up backstage with WSO violinist Rodica Jeffery, who visited Winkler last year to teach at the DKSM's annual Cadenza Summer Music Week day camp.

"I was really impressed with the Douglas Kuhl School of Music kids. They did an excellent job," Jeffery said of the group's performance, adding that it's a thrill for the WSO professionals to be able to connect with the next generation of musicians like this.

"I had just a few experiences like

that [as a youth] and they really do affect you in such a positive way," she said. "It helps the kids see just what a career in music is all about."

Jeffery will be back again as an instructor at Cadenza July 2-6. The camp is already full with 99 participants.

"Last year was my first year at Ca-

denza and I was just really thrilled to be a part of it," she said, lauding organizers for putting on a music camp that is both educational and a lot of fun for its participants. "It's such a well run music camp and the kids just have such a good time."



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The concert also gave the kids a chance to catch up with WSO violinist and Cadenza Summer Music Week instructor Rodica Jeffery (far left).



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Budding authors share their work

By Lorne Stelmach

A class of Morden Gr. 1 students got to not only connect with an award-winning author but practice being one themselves as well last week.

The Young Authors Night April 24 at the Morden Library gave Carl Klassen's students from Minnewasta School a chance to hear and interact with author and illustrator Jon Klassen live online via Skype.

Afterwards, the students fanned out around the library to share their own writings and get feedback on their work.

Darlene Keith, literacy coach for Western School Division, sees the event as a celebration of literacy as well as a valuable learning opportunity.

"And it's the importance of reading and writing being so connected to life in a society where we can all be literate citizens with reading and writing," she said.

"It's for the kids to see the importance of literacy, not just the reading ... before you can read something, you have to be able to write it," Keith continued. "It's also, with the family members who are coming and the general public, to make sure that we're stressing that point of how im-

portant writing is.

"It's not just to be able to put in periods and capitals ... you want a story to be able to make sense, to get a lesson across, to be teaching something through what you're reading."

Jon Klassen interacted with the students for close to an hour, answering questions and reading from his books *I Want My Hat Back* and *This Is Not My Hat*.

Both of those books were on the *New York Times* bestseller list for more than 40 weeks. They've been translated into 22 languages and have jointly surpassed one million sales.

"It's very empowering for them," Keith suggested of the opportunity it presented the budding authors to hear from such a successful writer.

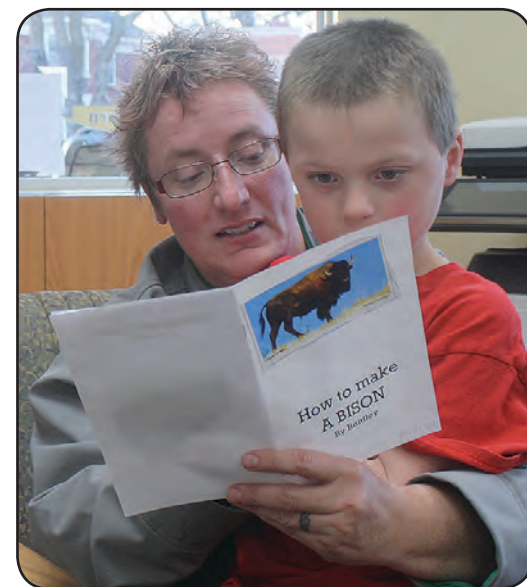
"They hear the struggles that an author and an illustrator goes through is similar to what they go through when they are in the classroom.

"They might get writer's block and aren't sure what to write next, what to draw next, how to get your ideas. Being able to ask a professional gives them some expert advice ... makes them feel as important," said Keith. "Then they're sharing their books with the family members who are here and also be getting some feedback."



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The class of Minnewasta School teacher Carl Klassen got the chance to hear from author and illustrator Jon Klassen via Skype at the Young Author's Night April 24. Above: The students worked on some of the illustrations for Klassen's award-winning books and then shared their own writings with the assembled parents and friends. Right: Phyllis Marin reads with son Bentley.



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She added that holding the event at the library this year instead of the school was also beneficial in making connections in the community.

"A key part of it is connecting with other people, communicating with other people," agreed teacher Carl Klassen, stressing it is important to have parents involved and engaged in the process.

"Just being involved in the community as well ... being present in the community is really important ... just having a presence in the community I think is really important for the kids."

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she was in the home?" she continued. "It's not just enough to have damaged someone's property but how you went about damaging it, what your intent was ... it's a good example for the public to see what happens when they make a complaint to the police.

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To stay safe from a tornado, be sure to pay attention to any severe storms that occur in your area. If you're in an extreme thunderstorm and start seeing debris flying in the wind, it's a good sign a tornado is on the way. Although we still don't fully understand why tornadoes occur, we've gotten fairly good at predicting them. Be sure to keep a radio on during bad storms to hear if any tornado warnings or watches are called.

In the event of a tornado, stay away from doors and windows, get all your family into a basement (or a windowless room), and keep a good distance from any large objects. The high winds of a tornado can certainly break any of your windows and send shards of glass flying through the air. Keep an emergency kit in your basement so you can wait out the storm in safety.

What causes a wildfire?

2017 was the worst year on record for wildfires in British Columbia. They caused great damage to people's property and lives. In order to be prepared for the next wildfire, it's best to know what they are and what causes them.

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What to do if a wildfire occurs
 Unfortunately, there's not much an average citizen can do once wildfires have started except evacuate the area. Our brave firefighters have techniques for controlling wildfires, but these only go so far.

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arts & culture

Festival of the Arts honours its top performers

By Lorne Stelmach

The 43rd season of the Morden Festival of the Arts concluded Sunday with the Hilites Concert at the Morden Alliance Church.

The 2018 festival featured 585 entries in the band, strings, sacred, piano, vocal/choral, and French and English speech arts categories, with 29 sessions held over 12 days throughout February, March and April.

The concert finale featured adjudicator-recommended performances across all disciplines.

Festival awards were also presented at the wrap-up, including the Loreena McKennitt Award, which is presented annually to a festival participant judged to have reached a level of excellence in their musical studies.

This year's recipient is Micah Loewen, who was performing with a choir in Montreal over the weekend and so was unable to accept his award in person.

The accomplished young musician started studying the violin at age four, the piano a few years later, and the viola at age 13.

Loewen currently studies viola with Dan Scholz of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra under scholarship from the Brandon University Music Conservatory.

He has performed at the Morden festival since he was five and has been recommended to the provincial finals every year since he was eligible.

Loewen has played as well with the Winnipeg Youth Orchestra for four years, including this year as assistant principal violist.

The Gr. 11 Garden Valley Collegiate student has also participated in Cadenza and been part of school choirs and the Central Manitoba Youth Choir.

Another 57 awards were presented to festival participants recognizing levels of achievement in the various disciplines:

- Speech arts: Rory Perrin, Ethan Radke, Rebecca Kagan, Ian Fehrmoore, Jane Borne, Rhett Perrin, Rylee Olafson, Bijan Salimi, Cambree Martens, Daniel Kagan, Keelyn L'Heureux, Kristin Smart, and Sarah



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Award recipients were honoured at the conclusion of the 2018 Morden Festival of the Arts Hilites Concert Sunday. The concert included performances from the festival's top participants, including Keziah Dyck (below, left) playing Rubber Dolly on violin and Haylee Henderson (below, right) singing A Thousand Years.



Kagan.

- Speech arts duet, trio or quartet: Carys Jenner and Sinead Convery (K-3), Jaxon Forster, Keeley Sheppard and Jood Abujazia (Gr. 4-6), and Cambree Martens and Mei Stoesz-Gouthro (Gr. 7-9).

- Strings: Aidan Kroeker, Jake Sanders, Anjali Cedar, Phoenix Wiebe, Paxer Derksen, Sam Kroeker, Alison Convery, Maria Bergen, Beth Giesbrecht, Thomas Kroeker, Jennifer Wall, Nya Dubyk, Sam Bergen, Ben Wiens, and Micah Loewen.

- Strings duet, trio or quartet: Amie Drudge and Nya Dubyk.

- Piano: Sophia Grass, Isaiah Meilun, Sam Kroeker, Leticia Grass, Chloe Meilun, Thomas Kroeker, Daniel Kagan, Micah Loewen, Matthew Pahl, Hannah Giesbrecht and Bethany Wiebe.

- Piano duet, trio or quartet: Kennedy Funk and Kierra Penner, Kayla Mitchell and Jadyn Thiessen, and Matthew Pahl and Finn Rachul.

- Vocal: Maria Bergen, Sage Penner, and James Bergen.

- Vocal duet, trio or quartet: Daenah Miranda and Haylee Henderson.

- Sacred: Kira Young (piano), Lily Fehr (piano), Tabea Kebernik and Dori Kebernik (piano), Kaitlyn Fehr (strings), Brenton Rempel and Ranita Rempel (strings duet), Daenah Miranda (vocal), and Jonah Penner and Sage Penner (vocal duet).

A number of students also received recommendations to represent our community at the Provincial Music and Arts Festival May 24-27 at Brandon University.

Twelve Simple Gifts for Your Mother on a Mother's Day

BOUQUET OF FLOWERS: Name a woman who doesn't like flowers. Your mother is also a woman who would love to receive flowers on this day. Choose from a vast range of roses, lilacs, lilies and carnations from floweraura , to bring to her the fragrance of love that you have for her.

HANDMADE PILLOW CASES: Are you good with cloth and want to save money? The perfect solution would be to make pretty pillow cases with a heartfelt message stitched on it to brighten up your mom's room!

PRINTED CUPS: Do you have a cute picture of your mom with yourself? You can get it printed out on mugs to acquire a nice and relatively cheap personalized gift, which will make your mother smile every time she drinks tea.

GIFTS FOR FASHIONISTAS: Does your mom just adore shopping? Well, in this case the options are endless: sunglasses, shoes, handbags, perfumes, dresses, stilettos, necklaces, earrings, bracelets, rings and pendants and so on.

ELECTRONIQUE: If you have a couple of bucks to spend, why not buy your mother the new i-phone she wanted, or maybe replace her ratty old laptop with a hi-tech one. If you do not have that much money to spend, you could buy covers for anything from a phone to a personal computer.

DECORATIONS: Most mothers take pride in the interior of their home. So, why not buy some wall hangings, or a classic statuette of a mother and a child, to colour up the house? This option works, because if you are trying not to spend too much money, you can always make your own decorations easily. Otherwise, there are plenty of stores in every corner of the world to supply you.

GIFTS FOR MUSICAL MOTHERS: Does your mother's world start and end in a musical note? You can buy her a vinyl record player, with some of her favourite vinyls in the mix. Content with a CD player? Have a quick trip to the music store and purchase couple of her favourite singers' CDs, cassettes etc.

PAMPERING GIFTS: Is your mother stressed out with work, housework or professional? Pamper your mother with a day at the spa, which could include: massages, manicures, pedicures, and perhaps a total makeover?

BOOKS: Quite simply, if your mother is an avid reader, you could buy her some good books, and personalize a book mark while you are at it. Also, you could rebind some of her all-time favourite books which have gotten tattered.

BREAKFAST IN BED: One of the simplest things you could do is make (or order) a delicious breakfast, stylishly decorate it and present it to your mom when she wakes up. There is no greater luxury than to have a delectable food the moment you wake up without doing any work.

TRAVEL: Has your mom always wanted to travel? You could arrange a one week trip with the whole family, to any place she might want to visit. Again, if you do not have that kind of money, you could arrange a relatively cheaper road trip.

And, lastly, just giving your mother a day full of love and affection may just be the best gift you could give her. **HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!**



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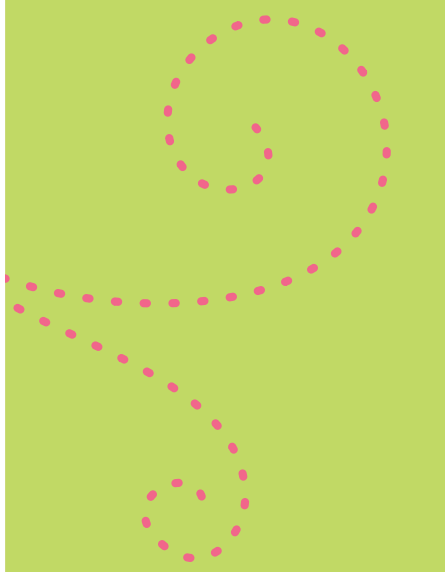
The Perfect Mothers Day Formula

The perfect Mothers Day is about making your mother or the mothers in your life feel appreciated and special. In our society that mainly has revolved around getting the Mother the right gift. The traditional Mothers Day gifts have been Flowers, Perfume and Candy. Perfume can be tricky because perfume choices can be very personal so if you go that route make sure you know what she likes. Flowers and Candy rarely disappoint again knowing what she likes is worth big points. Carnations have been traditional Mothers Day Flowers so those would be a good choice. If you know of something specific that she has been wanting that would be a great choice. I don't mention a specific choice here because these ideas usually revolve around hobbies or interests that are specific to the mother involved.

A perfect Mothers Day for most mothers involves being surrounded

by her family. Spending time together nowadays can be pretty hard and may be even more difficult for families that live far away from each other. If you are fortunate enough to be able to be with your mother on Mother's Day you should plan out a day that includes family time. Mother's Day Brunch at a good restaurant is a great idea.

Don't forget the card! Though buying a card may seem impersonal it does not have to be if you choose the right one. The perfect Mothers day would include a card that reflects how you feel about the mother involved and would be even better if you add a handwritten portion that shows that you have put some thought into how you feel about her. Don't worry about writing a mother's day poem just write what you feel. So there you go the formula for the perfect Mother's day isn't that complicated but it does require some thought and planning.



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Supporting Humboldt

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Mordenites gathered on the ice at the Access Event Centre Saturday to write messages of support to the Humboldt Broncos, the Saskatchewan junior hockey team involved in the bus accident that claimed the lives of 16 people last month. The fundraiser also included a charity barbecue, face painting (below), street hockey, (above, right) and a supper and social. At the end of

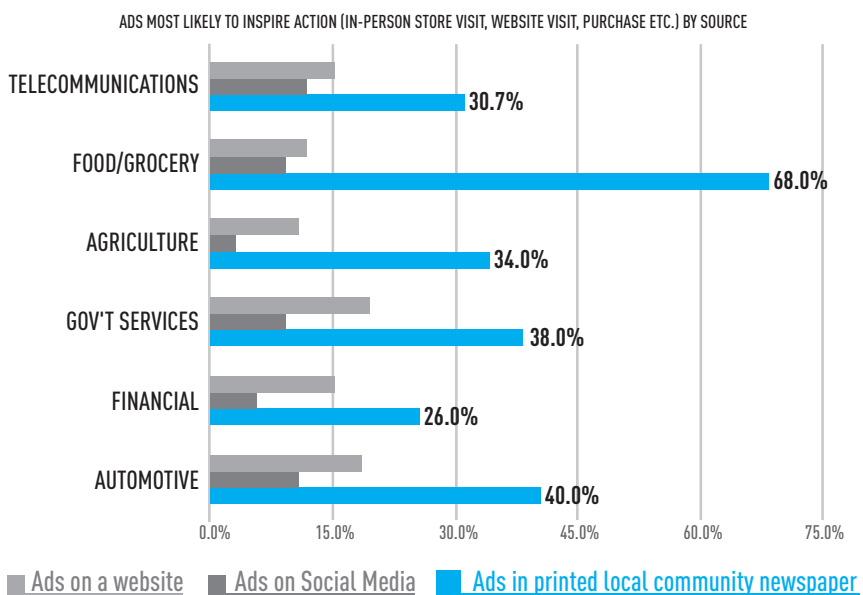


the afternoon at the rink, everybody gathered for a group photo (right). Organizers say the day raised upwards of \$15,000 for the victims of the tragedy.



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Locals honoured with awards

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Central Manitoba Tourism shone a spotlight on some of the best local tourism has to offer last week.

The agency handed out eight awards at its first annual awards gala held in Carman April 26.

Individuals, businesses, and non-profit agencies from across the region were nominated for the awards, with two locals bringing home hardware.

La Riviere Raptor Festival organizer Evelyn Janzen was honoured as the 2018 Volunteer of the Year.

Janzen said the award is recognition not just for herself but for everyone who works so hard putting on the popular community celebration each year.

"What is gratifying is not the recognition for my hard work, but the recognition for all my sponsors, partners and especially my volunteers who work beside me on all our projects. Without them, there would be no festival, and definitely not the seventh.

"I feel very fortunate to have a crew that has faith in our endeavors and are willing to help make sure they

come to successful fruition."

While grateful for the award, Janzen is quick to point out the real motivator is getting to work alongside community-minded people.

"I do believe though that the best part of these ventures is the people you work with, the friendships you make and the lifelong bonds you create because we're all working for the same cause."

Also earning accolades was the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre in Morden, which won the Innovation Award.

Executive director Peter Cantelon said they were thrilled to be recognized.


"It is particularly sweet because we have worked hard in this area as it relates to incorporating technology into the museum experience," he said, pointing to their new Fossil Discovery Adventure interactive app, digital audio guide, and Aquatic Soundscape Experience. "Museums need to innovate to stay relevant to a 21st century audience.

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Baseball season begins



An Altona player gets tagged out in an attempt to steal second base in the first game of the Morden Thunder's season opening double-header April 26. Morden took game one 1-1 and then fell to the Aces 7-4 in game two.

PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

The Morden Collegiate Thunder boys battled the visiting Altona Aces to a 1-1 tie to open the Zone 4 baseball season last Thursday. Game two in the doubleheader went Altona's way 7-4.

Morden's boys went on to beat the Blues Monday night 13-10 and 10-2.

The Thunder girls, meanwhile, beat the Blues 12-7 in Zone 4 fastpitch action.

Garden Valley Collegiate's girls fastpitch team bowed to the Sabers 4-3 in La Sale Monday night, while the Zodiac boys team crushed the Blues 13-3 and 10-0 April 26.

ALH Motor Speedway off to the races Sunday

By Lorne Stelmach

The ALH Motor Speedway west of Morden got a tentative start to another season of racing with a test-n'-tune afternoon last weekend.

The track's first official race of the season is slated to take place this Sunday, May 6, and drivers are raring to go.

"I was expecting a lot of cars out [last] Sunday ... I talked to some of the racers and they didn't care whether it was a race or not—they just wanted to get out there," said organizer Al Hildebrand.

Hildebrand said they had decided to push the first day of races back a week in large part to gauge the conditions of the track. The early spring weather has not been ideal for getting the track ready, though the recent warm weather has helped a lot.

"I TALKED TO SOME OF THE RACERS AND THEY DIDN'T CARE WHETHER IT WAS A RACE OR NOT—THEY JUST WANTED TO GET OUT THERE."

"When we put our schedule out in January, you never what you're going to have, and it didn't look like we were going to be able to get going on time," Hildebrand said.

"It's looking good now. The weather is finally cooperating," he added, noting the extra preparation that is involved particularly at the start of the season.

"When we ended up last fall, [the track] was hard as concrete ... it gets better as the season gets on,"

Hildebrand said, adding that it then becomes soft with the melt in spring. "We've got to water and pack, water and pack ... we need a lot of water."

ALH Motor Speedway is among about 50 tracks sanctioned by the Wisconsin and Minnesota-based WISSOTA association, which also includes tracks in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Ontario, and Alberta.

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Racing will take place most Sundays this summer, with the pit area opening at 1 p.m. and races getting underway around 4 p.m.

As always, there are a variety of classes, including four cylinder stock, pure stock, street stock, A-mod and B-mod as well as the popular slingshots for drivers aged 6 to 13.

There is, however, one category that will be missing from this year's lineup.

"We're not going to have the super trucks this year ... we just didn't get enough of them," explained Hildebrand.

Special events through the season include the Darren Baker Memorial planned for June 17 and the feature events on the Corn and Apple Festival weekend.

Hildebrand estimates that on an average Sunday they have upwards of 50 cars racing, and he would love to see that number get even higher.

"The more, the merrier," he said, adding the feedback he gets from



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The ALH Motor Speedway near Morden kicks off another season of weekly racing this Sunday. Check out alhmotorspeedway.com for the summer's full schedule.

the racers who return year after year is that this track and the competition it offers is "second to none."

"We have the top shelf stuff here. We've got some highly talented peo-

ple in this area," said Hildebrand, adding, however, that it is an ongoing challenge to keep it all financially viable. "That's why we need to encourage the fans to come out."

You can find a complete schedule, results, and other information online at www.alhmotorspeedway.com.

Mitch Dyck receives MJHL RBC scholarship

Winkler Flyers defenceman Mitch Dyck been awarded the MJHL's RBC Junior A Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

"I'm honoured to win this award," said Dyck, who plans to attend University of Manitoba this fall. "My goal is to study kinesiology. This scholarship is very much appreciated.

"Over the next few years I'd like to possibly open a gym/training cen-

tre and become an athletic therapist with a team."

Dyck, 21, hails from Winkler and has been heavily involved in his community over his four-year junior career with the Flyers.

In addition to reading to local students, he's also assisted with various church youth groups in a mentorship role. As well, for two summers he travelled to Pauingassi First Nation

as part of Athletes in Action to teach youngsters how to play baseball.

At 6'4" and 225 lbs., Dyck cast a large presence on the Flyers' blueline in addition to showing an offensive flare with 44 points (8-36) in 57 games this past season.

His contributions did not go unnoticed: Dyck was a nominee for the league's top defenceman award, and was also voted to the league's second

all-star team.

"The effort and consistency that Mitch brought to our team cannot be replaced," said Flyers assistant coach Steve Mullin. "His work ethic and self-discipline are qualities that have allowed for his success."

Dyck is now one of 10 Junior A nominees eligible for a \$5,000 RBC Junior A Scholarship which will be awarded at the RBC Cup next month in B.C.

Dodgefathers clinch Winkler Dodgeball League title



The Dodgefathers clinched the Winkler Dodgeball League title for a second year in a row last month.

The team led by captain Dustin Letkeman had perfect 11-0 season, defeating Clear Eyes, Full Hearts in the final by a score of 12-7.

The 2018 edition of the Winkler Dodgeball League saw nine teams and approximately 100 participants compete over a span of 10 weeks.

"The second season of the Winkler

Dodgeball League was a success," said Winkler recreation programmer Jordan Driedger. "We had a lot of positive feedback from players and spectators. It is a great activity for all skill levels. We hope to continue improving for the 2019 season."

If you're interested in entering a team for next season, contact Driedger at 204-325-8333 or email jdriedger@cityofwinkler.ca.

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Winkler Dodgeball League's 2018 champions were The Dodgefathers, including (from left) Janessa Guenther, Mark Guenther, Shawn Letkeman, Travis Friesen, Devin Toews, Dustin Letkeman, Randy Wiebe, Ryan Unrau, Stephanie Toews, and Ryan Penner (front).

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Morden Activity Centre hosts health expo

By Lorne Stelmach

Local seniors had an opportunity to get a range of health information and advice all in one place last Friday.

The Morden Activity Centre hosted its annual health expo featuring a dozen displays offering information and even some demonstrations

"We just wanted to hold the health expo kind of as a one stop shop for seniors. It's to help get a grasp on all of the health needs," said Jenelle Warkentin of Morden Services for Seniors.

"We have everything from the Al-

zheimer Society to a denture clinic ... it's a wide range of what people might need," she added, noting for example Morden Massage Therapy was on site to offer hand massages. "We wanted to try to make it more hands-on this year and more interactive."

The event is a good fit with the mission of Morden Services for Seniors and the Morden Activity Centre.

"The whole idea is to connect services to seniors ... and help allow people to keep living independently in their homes for as long as possible," said Warkentin. "We hope the vendors we chose could help people do that."

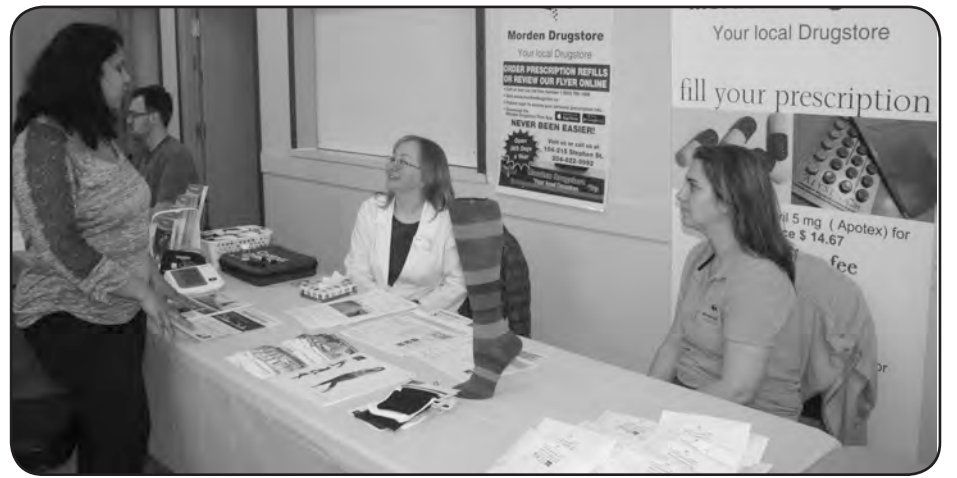


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Winkler development boom continues

By Lorne Stelmach

New development is on a record pace in Winkler so far this year.

The building permit report for the first quarter of 2018 from the MSTW Planning District shows the value of the development to the end of March has more than tripled from the same time period last year.

"I think we will see between \$60 and \$65 million this year," Mayor Martin Harder suggested after council reviewed the report April 24.

The total of almost \$33 million in permit value from January to March is up from about \$3.5 million over the same time frame a year earlier, with the 45 total permits almost double.

The numbers including the devel-

opment value are boosted by major projects such as the Pine Ridge School construction at about \$24 million, another \$1.7 million in multi-family condo development, and the multi-million dollar Canadian Tire expansion.

"It's over \$6 million aside from the huge projects," noted Harder, who suggested more significant projects are still to come this year.

"I'm not sure if the mall renovation will be happening in 2018 ... we have some huge projects coming industrial-wise that will be showing up in the next month or so."

Meanwhile, Winkler council is also looking at regulations to govern solar power in the city.

The regulations come about after a

proposal came forward for the installation of 62 panels sized 3.3' x 6.7 feet (40" x 80") on a Pembina Avenue West property.

Recommendations from the council committee of the whole include:

- rooftop and wall mounted solar panels be a permitted use in all zones
- ground-anchored panels would only be allowed as a conditional use in MG and MB industrial zones.
- rooftop and wall mounted panels way be constructed in commercial and institutional zones
- all would be subject to an engineer's report, building permit, and approval from Manitoba Hydro.

There are a number of other standards that will apply, such as height, size and setback requirements.

Harder said solar energy is something they want to allow and encourage while also recognizing it that needs to be regulated.

"It becomes pretty difficult to manage and obstructs a neighbours view if we allow yards to be built with solar panels," he said.

Also last week, council approved a rezoning that clears the way for further residential development north of PTH 14.

The rezoning changes the parcel of land at the SE 1/4 9-3-4 from community reserve to a mix of single and two family residential along with a small piece of open space/recreation zone.

Plans presented to council showed 24 single family and 22 two-family lots for the site.

Minor variations, conditional uses to go through city planner

By Lorne Stelmach

Construction or development projects in Morden requiring approval for minor changes will no longer need to go through council.

Councillors gave first reading at their Monday meeting to a bylaw giving the authority to the city planner to approve minor variations or conditional use orders.

It set out that council will still need to hold hearings and decide on any requests which may not be consistent with city policy, are more unique or complex, may be contentious, or are on a larger scale.

"We have general rules by which you build, and sometimes a little bit of variation to that rule is okay ... it goes through the planning and engi-

neering department before it comes to council," said Mayor Ken Wiebe.

In the case of minor changes, such as a variation of up to 10 per cent on something like flexibility to the required distance from a property line, this can help eliminate unnecessary delay, Wiebe said.

"All we're trying to do is save some

time ... the designated officer can approve up to a certain point, but if it's beyond that then it has to come to council. Even if the designated officer believes there might be some contention ... then he would just refer it to council."

In other matters before council this week, the rezoning of land in the

northeast corner of Morden received first reading to clear the way for further residential development.

The four acre parcel of land in the area of Valleyfield Drive and Elam Street north of Parkhill is being rezoned from community reserve to

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> TOURISM AWARDS, FROM PG. 18

"Depending upon funding, we already have plans for app expansion and development as well as other innovative new ideas to extend the museum experience."

Also honoured was the RM of Vic-

toria's Kaley Young with the Marketing Excellence Award, Carman's Trish Aubin with the Individual Award of Distinction, the Museum Passport Adventure with the Partnership Award, and Bill's Sticky

Fingers in Portage la Prairie with the Business Award of Distinction. Event of the Year awards went to the Portage Concerts in the Park (\$5,000 budget or less) and the Prairie Wind Music Festival (\$5,000+ budget).

Will you know when and where to look?



The Government of Manitoba would like to end the practice of requiring municipal councils to provide public notice of proposed land, aggregate, water, highways and livestock use changes in newspapers.

It is proposing to change the requirement to simply post such information anywhere on a municipal or planning district website for 27 days prior to a public hearing.

Will you know when and where to look

- if a new livestock operation is being proposed for your neighbourhood?
- if your town council is debating a new subdivision or high-rise condominium overlooking your backyard?
- if your municipal council is considering allowing a new gravel pit operation down your road?
- if changes are being planned for the highway or roadway you travel everyday?

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Agriculture

Bushel Plus aims to save farmers money this harvest

By Harry Siemens

Every farmer who drives a combine knows how hard it is to get an accurate sample of not what is going into the hopper but what he or she is leaving on the field, and often that's a guess and always underestimated.

Marcel Kringe of Brandon and Martin Reichelt of Germany say they offer the most reliable calibration system in the industry to help producers maximize efficiency and minimize combine losses during harvest.

Their Bushel Plus system includes precise instruments designed to be installed under any combine easily.

"With your safety in mind, we decided to make all units remote controlled and portable so that the installer [often the farmer] needs no wiring or bolts to attach the unit to any combine, or switch it in between combines within seconds," explained Kringe. "The Bushel Plus system comes equipped with our in-house designed, one of a kind separator unit, two different drop pan sizes, smart charger, a custom scale, and a quick reference guide."

Reichelt said calibrating the combine correctly using the Bushel Plus system ensures the farmer is not leaving money in the fields.

Kringe, who heads up the marketing in North America, said this is a better, more comfortable, safer, and more accurate way to do this. And it's made in Canada, to boot.

The remote control drop pan attaches with magnets underneath the combine to the primary pan attached to the combine. The operator releases the bottom pan via remote control and drops it to the ground away from the combine but catches a sample of the chaff released by the combine.

Next, the operator dumps the sample of kernels, chaff, and straw into the separator unit, turns it on and in about 15 to 20 seconds produces a clean sample and just the kernels stay behind.

They then dump the seeds into the scale using the formulas provided cheat sheets to figure out in just a few minutes how much grain the combine sends over the back and how much money he is losing by doing so.

"Where can we make the most

money ... is by saving that one or two extra bushels that your combine is throwing out," said Brian Nadeau of Nadeau Seeds. "This product here catches everything. And I think setting your combine and saving your grain is the biggest improvement you can ever do to your farm's bottom line."

"Doing it the old way by catching it in a pail or cap, the farmer can make one little turn one way or the other, that thing can grab your foot, leg, and you're in big trouble. I mean, the safety, you can get seriously hurt or killed back there."

Nadeau said safety and saving money are the key features.

"Now I drive with the pickup, hit the button, it falls, combine keeps on going. Then we take the sample, clean it up, use the cheat sheets and charts

"[WE'RE] SAVING THAT ONE OR TWO EXTRA BUSHELS THAT YOUR COMBINE IS THROWING OUT."

and set the combine accordingly," he said. "It's very, very convenient. Easy to use and at \$2,899 affordable. We probably paid for it in one field. It was a canola field, and we thought we were doing an excellent job but throwing out about four bushels an acre."

Nadeau said he couldn't find those four bushels on the ground, thinking his combine was doing a fantastic job, but not according to the Bushel Plus unit and its easy calculations.

"The cheat sheets. Awesome! Yeah, so then you can just put in the num-

bers," he said.

Kringe likes to use the example of calibrating an air seeder and feels safe saying a farmer never lets the seed run onto the ground and then look at the pile and say, "That is about a bushel and a half or X amount of pounds—let's go seed!"

"No. You will catch the test sample in a bucket, weigh that bucket so you can make the calculation for one acre and set it properly," he said. "Looking on the ground doesn't tell you where it is coming from."

Learn more at BushelPlus.ca.



By Harry Siemens

As I write this at the bedside of my wife Judith, and as they take her out for her first full round of physiotherapy, many thoughts come to mind. I'm thankful for a God we can trust, the support of family, friends and our church collectively.

Spring seeding is finally in full swing, and in some cases things are too wet and in some areas with the higher temperatures and strong winds farmers are working the land to keep the soil from moving and putting in seed at the same time. The benefits of minimum till coming into high effect in variable moisture springs like this one.

As Jim Pallister told us last week, if the soil is mellow for planting and weather forecasts are correct, then planting into that soft soil to also keep the ground from moving is a good thing.

As Will Bergmann of Glenlee tweeted Sunday: "Lots of real estate exchanging hands today with the following hashtags #wind, #topsoil, and #farmlife."

In reviewing the various tweets

Sometimes we need to say it

using the #plant18, it's incredible how farmers sitting on tractors take pictures, tweet and tell their daily stories of farming. The social media hashtag cuts a broad swath around the world.

Since being in the HSC these last few weeks by the bedside of my dear wife (going through major surgery, tests, and waiting for results), my only method of travel is via social media such as Twitter and LinkedIn.

I know this column is a little different than normal, but life changes sometimes and not necessarily for the better at the moment.

The small farmer from Killarney, a good friend of this column and the work I've done near on 50 years, passed away several weeks ago. His name was Les Routledge and I miss him dearly.

Some people often make an unassumingly deep impression, and he did so with people he worked in various capacities.

He worked hard to help rural areas, often the underdog to get the development and support he felt they deserved.

Ray Redfern of the Westman Op-

portunities Leadership Group that I've often quoted and wrote about here had this to say about Les:

"This is to advise all who may not yet know that we have lost a real renaissance man and a visionary who was the inspiration for WOLG's inception and saw it through its genesis and right up to the time of his sudden passing.

"It is most fitting that brother Russ would position Les for all to remember him for what we all came to know him for: a giant of a man in so many ways. Passionate about almost everything, and committed to 'run full out,' as he said about himself, for his efforts to make a difference, and to learn, then to understand, and then to seize every opportunity to engage us all.

"Engagement often meant debate and facts of science, economics, interpersonal relationships mixed with a very serious overview of politics from the perspective of his experience and reality."

Our condolences are with Les' wife Sue and his family and friends.



Merry men

Morden's Elementary Xplor theatre troupe put on a hilarious performance April 20 of *The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*. Directed by Richard Klassen of Candlewick Productions, the show offered a Monty Pythonesque retelling of the classic tale as an irreverent jaunt through Sherwood Forest. The play featured a cast of kids in Gr.4-6 who "did an awesome job with solidly having their lines memorized for a 90 minute piece, so much so that many of them did a great job of playing into the comedy of the piece," said Klassen.

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> MORDEN COUNCIL, FROM PG. 21

residential single family to allow for 25 new lots to be developed.

Council also approved a variation and conditional use for the development of land in the Pembina

Connection development. The plans include a car wash and automotive service shop.

take a break

> GAMES

SUDOKU

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

5	2	3	6	8	7	1	4	9
8	7	3	5	9	6	2	7	2
9	6	7	2	4	8	3	5	5
7	9	8	6	4	2	3	5	1
4	9	5	1	6	3	8	7	9
1	3	1	2	7	9	4	5	6
6	9	1	5	3	7	2	8	4
3	1	5	9	6	5	9	6	3
3	8	3	4	7	1	4	5	8

Sudoku Answer

S	D	O	T	S	N	V	L	E
S	N	O	A	S	S	S	E	R
T	I	M	E	R	L	I	O	M
D	R	A	L	O	H	O	H	C
I	S	L	I	N	E	S	A	V
O	C	O	L	S	R	U	S	L
T	L	A	V	D	S	E	E	S
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S	L	I	C	O	M	B	A	V
O	S	L	O	M	A	T	H	A
S	O	L	O	A	P	A	S	A

Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- As fast as can be done
- WC's
- Religious retreat
- Warfare
- One you wouldn't expect
- Disease-causing microorganisms
- For each
- Grammatical term
- One point east of southeast
- ___ Dern, actress
- Popular HBO drama (abbr.)
- Shampoo
- Scale drawing of a structure
- An enclosure for confining livestock
- Goat-like mammal
- Cigar
- Appear
- "Westworld" actress ___ Rachel Wood
- Leaked through
- The highest adult male singing voice
- Musical group ___ Soundsystem
- Aurochs
- Crazy (Spanish)
- Swiss river
- Strains
- Frock
- Found in most body tissues
- Cool!
- Reasons behind
- Christian recluse
- Removes
- Repents
- Energy
- Tailless amphibian

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48		49	50					51		52
53						54			55	
56								57		
	58								59	

CLUES DOWN

- Not awake
- Type of dessert
- They ___
- Retired Coast Guard admiral
- Gene positions
- Exclude
- One who is bound
- Where drinks are served
- Small vipers
- Blackbird
- Adventurer
- Shade
- A way to gain
- A salt or ester of boric acid
- Monetary units
- Removed
24. "My country, tis of ___"
26. Horses
28. Drives back by force
30. Bold, impudent behavior
32. Rates
34. Types of nerves in males
35. A ridge of sand created by the wind
37. Wind instrument
38. Pakistani city
40. Dry or withered
42. Delivered a speech
43. Peak
45. Small waterbird
47. Days falling in mid-month
49. Elvis' daughter
50. Flat and smooth
51. Dallas Cowboys great Leon
55. What cows say

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BRIDAL SHOWER

BRIDAL SHOWER ANNOUNCEMENT

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ALL CLAIMS against the above Estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be sent to the undersigned at 881 Thornhill Street, Morden, Manitoba, R6M 1J9, on or before the 31st day of May, 2018.
DATED at Morden, Manitoba, this 17th day of April, 2018.

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COMING EVENTS

South Central REGIONAL LIBRARY

43rd Annual BOOK SALE

May 10-12, 2018
Access Event Centre, Morden

Thursday • 6 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday • 12 noon - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday • 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saturday is bag sale! Bring a standard size grocery bag/tote & fill it up for \$10.00. No oversize bags please.
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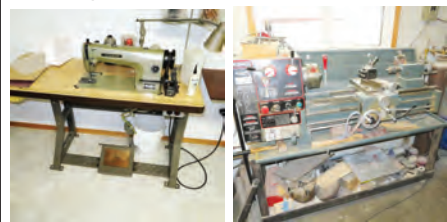
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AUCTION

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34 Parkmeadow Drive, Winkler, south on Hwy 32, watch for signs auction day. King 12 x 36 industrial lathe with good supply of tooling etc. Plasma cutter Hypertherm Power max 600. Liquid air Mig 170 Wire welder with Argon tank. Large amount of wood working equipment. Household items sell at 10 am sharp, with 2nd ring selling lawn and garden in back yard. Walk behind snow blower like new. Mini garden tiller. Two walk behind rear tine garden tillers. Commercial sewing machine Mitsubishi. Antique Singer treadle sewing machine.
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Gary Wayne Dueck

It is with great sadness the family announces the passing of Gary on Sunday, April 22, 2018 at Rosburn, MB at the age of 61 years.

Gary is remembered by his loving children, Tyler, of Oakville, MB., Chantel of Winnipeg, MB., Carson of Oakville, MB. and step-son Aston McCarthy of Portage la Prairie; his mother Elsie Dueck of Altona and siblings Ron of Altona, Brian (Donna) of Kitamat, B.C., Jim (Laurie) of Altona, Joel (Michelle) of Craik, SK., Pauline (Glen) Friesen of Altona and Tom of Altona, MB as well as numerous nieces and nephews aunts and uncles. Gary was predeceased by his father Jacob Dueck of Altona and grandparents Jacob and Sarah Dueck and Abram and Marie Klippenstein.

Gary loved the outdoors. His greatest enjoyments were hunting, fishing and camping with his family. He especially loved being in his boat and after a full day of fishing, enjoying his haul with a cold beer in his hand around the campfire telling stories. He loved his power vehicles and most of the time when Gary was home, he could be found out in his garage with the door wide open for anyone to stop in, tinkering on his various "Toys". He could also be found polishing his truck a lot of the time. Family called it his "Baby".



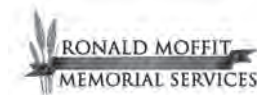
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Following retirement he decided to sell his home in Oakville where he had lived for approximately 20 years and move up to Rosburn, MB. The home had been purchased a couple of years prior as his summer getaway as there are many lakes around to satisfy his fishing addiction, and to just enjoy his retirement.

He will be sorely missed by all. Memorial service will be held on Thursday, May 3 at 2:00 p.m. in the Herman Prior Centre with a reception to follow. Interment will be in the Oakville Cemetery.

If friends so desire, memorial donation to Manitoba Wildlife Federation, 70 Stevenson Road, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0W7 would be appreciated.

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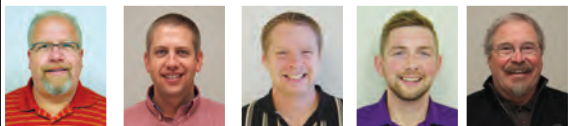
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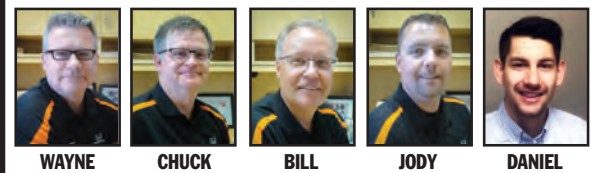
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