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Book lovers converged on the Access Event Centre in Morden last week for the South Central Regional Library's annual book sale. By day's end Saturday, the three-day sale had brought in \$16,600. Though down a bit from previous years, the funds will still go a long way in helping the branches in Winkler, Morden, Altona, and Miami purchase new materials for their collections.

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Bike-a-Thon raises \$21K for Movement Centre

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Riders in the Stationary Bike-a-Thon exceeded expectations last weekend.

The participation numbers were down a bit for the seventh annual event held in support of The Movement Centre of Manitoba, but that didn't stop them from beating last year's fundraising totals.

"We were very, very blessed," said organizer Marie Wiebe on Monday. "We beat the total we had last year by a little bit, raising \$21,660."

At the biking marathon's start at Emerado Centennial School Saturday morning, Wiebe had noted they were down by a dozen riders from the year before and so were hoping to at least raise \$15,000.

Blowing well past that amount was a very welcome surprise.

"All the individual bikers worked harder in raising pledges," she said. "That's just amazing. We're so grateful to them." All of the money raised goes to the Winnipeg-based Movement Centre, which offers what's known as conductive education for children and adults with physical disabilities.

The facility has greatly helped Wiebe's daughter, Kathy, become more independent as she navigates life with cerebral palsy.

"It is helping her sustain [range of motion] and build strength," Wiebe said. "And as she changes as she gets older they work with changing how they work with her.

"In fact, just a few weeks ago she was really having a lot of trouble with her left leg and her hips and so they worked on some new techniques and stretches. She's been sleeping better and all in all moving better."

Wiebe noted that there are several other local kids who receive treatment at the Movement Centre, as it's the only facility of its kind in Manitoba.

"So something like this has an im-



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Marie Wiebe and daughter Kathy with The Movement Centre of Manitoba's Chris Martin at the seventh annual Stationary Bike-a-Thon last Saturday, which raised over \$21,000 for the organization.

pact on a lot of families," she said of the bike-a-thon. "If they had more funds they would be able to do more, be able to accept more clients.

"We really hope that within the next few years we can really build this up," Wiebe said.

That's Kathy's goal as well. The

20-year-old had a simple message for all of this year's riders and donors:

"They're awesome. They don't know how much the Movement Centre helps. I can eat now by myself ... I can stand and bear weight now."

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Voice honoured with provincial newspaper awards

The Winkler Morden Voice was recognized in a number of categories at the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association's 98th annual Better Newspapers Competition last weekend.

The competition recognizes the best community journalism has to offer from the MCNA's 49 member weekly

newspapers across the province.

The *Voice* was honoured with a second place award for Best Layout and Design and third place for Best in Class in the 10,000+ circulation category.

Peter Cantelon was named Best Columnist for the second year in a row, in addition to taking second place in Best Local Editorial on a Business Topic for his piece on intentional infrastructure development.

Also honoured was photographer Rick Hiebert, who received second place in the Photographer of the Year category, and editor Ashleigh Viveiros, who placed second in Best Arts & Culture Story for an article on the renovations at the Manitou Opera House and second in the Better Communities Award for her story on a local man's quest to build a school for underprivileged children in the Congo.

Our sister papers the Selkirk Record, the Gimli Express Weekly News, and the Stonewall Teulon Tribune also won big at the event.

The *Record* was named Best All Round Newspaper and received recognition in Best in Class, Best Layout and Design, and Best Front Page.

The *Tribune* was recognized for Best Advertisement by Sandra Groutette, Best Christmas Edition, Best In-House Ad by Nicole Kapusta, Best Sports Photo by Jo-Anne Procter, and Best Spot News Photo by Natasha Tersigni.

Express reporter Patricia Barrett was honoured with awards for Best Education Story, Best Feature Story, and Best Habitat Conservation Story. The paper also took home Best in Class, Best Layout and Design, and Best Front Page awards.

The *Voice* would like to thank all our staff for their hard work this past year and our readers and advertisers for their ongoing support.



the Winkler Morden Voice and its sister papers the Selkirk Record, Stonewall Teu-Ion Tribune, and Gimli Express Weekly News with some of the many awards they won at the Manitoba Community **Newspapers** Association's **Better News**papers Competition.

Staff from

Central Stn. celebrates expansion with a BBQ

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FRUITION."

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler came together Monday to celebrate a collaborative effort that will benefit the entire community.

The Central Station Community Centre held a community barbecue

to mark the grand opening of the expanded facility that now houses services such as the Winkler and District Food Cupboard and Donate Love.

"It's been a longtime dream and it's exciting to see it come to fruition," says Central Station director Bev Wiebe.

The expansion allowed the centre to bring many vital agencies together under one roof, she explains, including the local food bank, which was previously out on Cargill Rd.

They recognized "how difficult it is for people to come pick up vouchers here and then to go to a different lo-

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cation ... especially those who don't have transportation ... or other difficulties,"Wiebe says.

A key part of the expansion was a bigger kitchen that includes a much larger island to accommodate more people and a sizeable walk-in cooler

and freezer.

"So there's more opportunity for fresh produce ... which is a big dream for the food cupboard as well," savs Wiebe.

She sees the project as a great example of people and organizations working together for the benefit of everyone.

"It's amazing because I think we all have a heart for people ... a heart for doing things well. Ît's been so unique and so inspiring to work together ... we all are under the same umbrella, we all have the same desires, we all have the same goals."

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From left: Winkler food cupboard chair Herb Dick, Donate Love's Rachel Neufeld, and Central Station's Bev Wiebe at the Monday grand opening of the expanded community centre.





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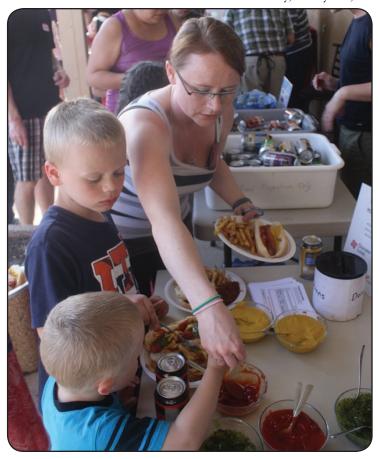
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Central Station and Café 545 hosted a free community barbecue Monday to celebrate the completion of the facility's major renovation project, which allows the community centre to house several related agencies under one roof.

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"The numbers keep going up ... the needs are growing"

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"To collaborate is the biggest thing ... collaborating with Donate Love, collaborating with Food Cupboard, Central Station and all the other programs that are happening under this roof," says Wiebe.

"It's huge ... the family resource centre is a big part of what we do here as well," she adds. "Lots of the people who work under this building are volunteers, so that is huge."

She is particularly thankful for what it will mean for the Café 545 community meal program and Donate Love, which regularly hosts between 150 and 200 people every Monday night.

"The numbers keep going up ... it's great for community building," Wiebe

says, while also acknowledging the challenges that come with helping more people all the time. "The needs are growing ... 12 new families this last week alone."

She sees the expanded facility as positioning Central Station for continued growth.

"The potential is huge, just with the extra space ... and with collaborating, you get more minds together, thinking of new ways to work and to build community.

"We have opportunity now with our expanded kitchen," she says. "We're really hoping to do a food bank cooking class in the fall ... where we'll have opportunity to show what you can do with the ingredients that you're getting at the food bank."

Winkler's Phil Ens named to Order of Manitoba

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler businessman Phil Ens will receive Manitoba's highest honour this summer.

The founding partner of Triple E Canada was one of 12 Manitobans named to the Order of Manitoba last week.

Ens will be officially invested into the Order at a special ceremony July 13 at the Manitoba Legislative Building.

Ens did not return requests for comment as of press time, but a news release announcing the appointment cites him for being "widely respected as a community builder, leader and mentor" and a "celebrated entrepreneur and philanthropist.

"His wide-ranging community service is extensive, spanning local, provincial and national boards, organizations and initiatives," the citation continues. "Among his many voluntary services, he was the president of the former P.W. Ens Family Foundation, a charity which has supported such projects as the Heritage Centre, located at Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg, as well as a hospital in Taiwan.

"Additionally, he has been involved, both through the foundation and personally, in numerous projects in the Winkler and surrounding areas."

The Order of Manitoba was established in 1999 to recognize Manitobans who have demonstrated excellence and achievement in enriching the social, cultural, or economic wellbeing of the province and its residents.

"The exceptional women and men to be invested into the Order of Manitoba serve to inspire us all and reinforce that we all have the power to make a difference," said Lt. Gov. Janice Filmon, chancellor of the order, in a statement.

"The vast and varied contributions made by these individuals, whether their impact is felt on the local, national or international level, are most worthy of acknowledgement and acclaim," she said. "We are proud to celebrate the passion and leadership of these great Manitobans."

Once invested, Order of Manitoba members are entitled to use the initials O.M. after their names for life. Their names will also be placed on permanent display in the Legislative Building.





Loises unite through Lois Club Manitoba

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Women from all across Manitoba gathered in Winnipeg last month for a very unique sort of occasion: the 20th annual Lois Luncheon.

Several local Loises headed into the city as they have every year since Morden's own Lois Dudgeon started up the moniker-themed group alongside Winnipegger Lois Howard back in 1998.

"Back in 1997 [CBC Radio's] Peter Gzowski did a rerun of a story from a few years before where a Lois from the States, Lois Campbell, came up to PEI to meet other Loises," says Dud-

At the time, Campbell was working on a book about her name and those who shared it. Her trip to PEI connected her with about a dozen other Loises, who ended up founding the first Lois Club in Canada. Since then, Lois Link International has created chapters all over the world.

Dudgeon got involved when her father passed along Gzowski's story and urged her to see if there was a chapter here in Manitoba.

"'You're a Lois, so do something

with this,' he said," Dudgeon recalls, chuckling. "I was working with Lois Howard for the Pan Am Games and the two of us just decided to run with it.

"Between the two of us, we only knew five or six other Loises ... but once you

phone those girls, they each know a few others and it just kept going like

They invited 75 Loises to the group's first gathering at the Charter House Hotel in Winnipeg (the very same location they've been meeting at ever since). Thirty-six people showed up and the Lois Club of Manitoba was born.

"We've been doing lunches ever since," says Dudgeon.

Their numbers have swelled to as high as 55 people some years out of a known 316 Loises who live in Mani-

"They come from all over," Dudgeon says, admitting the lunch can get a bit confusing if anyone, a waiter for example, tries to get the attention of a

The Lois Club of Manitoba held its 20th annual luncheon in Winnipeg last month. The group includes several local Loises.

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particular member of the club.

"As soon as somebody says, 'Lois' we all turn and oh my goodness," she

For Manitou's Lois Creith, who for years has driven a "Lois-mobile" full of several other Pembina Valley members to the meeting each April, the event is a spring highlight.

"It's the most interesting gathering to be a part of," she says. "We don't get together to talk religion or tell dirty

jokes or anything like that. We get together for the comradeship of maybe further finding out what the name Lois means, who people are named for. I hope it continues."

"It sort of puts a group together that has nothing else in common in particular," says Lois

Lynch from Pilot Mound. "Yes, we all have things in common with other Loises, but not with every single Lois. And so it's just kind of nice to have the common thread is our name and we've made some good friends over the years because of meeting them. We would never have met them otherwise, I'm sure."

The group spends their afternoons together enjoying lunch and socializing. They also often bring in guest speakers or put on special activities.

"We've put together fashion shows, we've had jewelry people in," says Dudgeon. "We were at the Corn and Apple Festival parade riding a Lois Limo a few years ago."

They also occasionally sit around and commiserate about how such a

simple name can be so butchered by non-Loises trying to spell it.

"There's been several forms of wrecking my name over the years," laughs Creith."I get a letter made out

to Louie or Louis or whatever. Four letters and it's spelled wrong. But we answer to it anyway."

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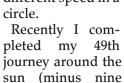
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By Peter Cantelon

months in the womb) and it occurred to me that I may have travelled farther than I thought.

While I have always enjoyed travelling and done my fair bit on planet Earth for business and pleasure (I think I have easily logged around 200,000 km) this was nothing compared to the distance I have travelled on a journey I never even knew I was on.

In my 49 years, I have been living on this round planet of ours circling the earth every 24 hours. Each year I have been circling the star at the centre of our solar system. Even as I have been circling and circling yet again, I have also been moving with our solar system on an arc around the galactic core of our home galaxy the Milky Way.

I do not even know what put me on this train of thought, but I decided to see where it would take me ...

Our earth rotates at 1,600 km per hour while it moves around the sun at a speed of 107,000 km per hour. The solar system, in turn, follows the sun around the core at 720,000 km per hour. In addition to this, our galaxy is hurtling through space at, as I said, 828,000 km/hr away from its point of creation.

With all these figures in mind and realizing that there are some variables that need to be taken into account, I got down to the calculations:

In my life I have journeyed 716 million km as the earth has rotated. Add to this another 46 billion km around the sun plus another 355 billion km around our galactic core. Add to that 558 billion km our galaxy has journeyed through space and I have traveled 960 billion km in my life (and I still have not lost weight).

The journey each of us has been on is incredible. More incredible is that we do not even realize we are on this journey.

Nothing stands still. Even you. It is almost unfathomable to think about the things going on in the universe that we are a part of. Ridiculous to consider that as you and I sit still in our chairs we are hurtling through space at a speed of more than 640 times the speed of sound, or Mach 640 for the pilots out there.

Enjoy the journey. Stop once in a while to consider how far you have

Here's hoping I can clear one trillion kilometres.

"Events like this are imperative"

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The Wiebe family sends their thanks out to everyone who took part in this year's event, as well as to the many local businesses who generously made donations or provided prizes for the silent auction.

Movement Centre conductor Chris Martin was one of the first riders on the stationary bikes Saturday.

"I think it's awesome that they're doing this," he said in between pedalling during his half-hour stretch. "It's a huge chunk for the Movement Centre, the amount they raise."

"A lot of people that come to the centre, they're either displeased with the options that are available or there just isn't anything else for them," Martin added. "We're the only centre in Manitoba and there's people that come from out of province to do it as well.

"I think it's vital and I think the fact that we don't get any government funding means events like this are imperative for us to be able to offer the service."

> LOIS CLUB, FROM PG. 5

As Lois becomes an increasingly rarer first name, the group has opened up its memberships to the many young girls who share their middle name with older family members.

"Our youngest this year is seven or eight and she has been coming with her grandmother who she's named after—she's Lauren Lois—since she was a baby," Dudgeon says. "She hasn't missed a lunch. She gets dressed up in her party dress every time.

"We have another Lois, a Reece Lois, who's also named after her grandmother. She's 13," she adds, noting their eldest members are well into their 80s.

Dudgeon doesn't expect the group

will disband anytime soon—they'll keep meeting as long as Loises keep showing up.

"We have far too much fun with it all to stop," she says.

If you're a Lois who wants to get in on the fun, give Dudgeon a call at 204-822-6207.



Thorleifson receives Lt.-Gov. Historical Award

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitou's Al Thorleifson has been honoured for his dedication to historical preservation.

The avid community volunteer received the Lieutenant-Governor Historical Award last week.

"Celebrating the many contributions of today's honourees and their ongoing commitment to preserve and promote the history of this great province is even more meaningful as we celebrate 150 years since Canada's Confederation," Lt.-Gov. Janice Filmon said in a statement May 11."A record number of nominations were received this year, reassuring us of the great number of historical caretakers throughout Manitoba working to ensure this province's rich history will be kept alive for the next 150 years and beyond."

For Thorleifson, the recognition came as something of a surprise.

"I had a phone call from the Lieutenant-Governor a month ago indicating that I had won the award ... my first reaction was, 'What?'" he says, chuckling. "Since then I've heard a few rumours of how it happened. It really is an honour."

Thorleifson's involvement in the preservation and promotion of local history is long and varied.

The former high school teacher is an active member of the Manitou Opera House Foundation and management boards, helping to spearhead the expansion and restoration of the heritage building.

He's also been involved with the Log House committee, organized the 184th Battalion celebration last year, and serves on the culture and heritage committee, through which he created the Pembina Manitou Archives.

That last project is one near and dear to Thorleifson's heart.

"Probably the thing that I'm proudest of is the work on the archive," he says, "because it's grown to be such a wide ranging collection."

The archives, which exist physically in storage space in the opera house but also online, regularly fields calls from people across North America looking for information about their ancestors or wanting to donate valu-

Lt. Gov. Janice Fillmon (centre) presented Historical Awards to (from left) Kathleen Stokes, Jan Sirki, Al Thorleifson, Bob Holliday, and Jacqueline Blay last week.

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able historical files.

"Some people have sent us diaries and memoirs that were written here in the 1880s," says Thorleifson. "And these are not just from Manitou and Pembina-the last large collection I've been working with is from south of Winkler. So it's the whole region."

In addition to his work with the archives, Thorleifson has also been a vital part of the Bringing Nellie Home Project, which saw several buildings that were formally home to the famous suffragette returned to Manitou.

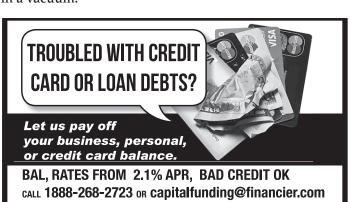
Work continues on the restoration of those buildings with an eye to opening them to the public in the near fu-

Fueling Thorleifson's passion for these projects is a long-standing love of history.

"I've always been kind of the historian in my family," he says. "The thing that's so important to me is if we don't provide access to heritage materials, kids won't get a sense of the importance of their heritage. They'll lose that aspect of their self concept.

"To me it is so profoundly important to ground children in an understanding of who they are and where they came from. So the more I can do for that, the better."

Thorleifson is quick to point out that none of the projects he's undertaken over the years have been completed in a vacuum.



There are countless people in the community who are "doing consistent, quiet work in the background to make sure that these projects get done,"Thorleifson says.

"It's not just me who's doing it," he stresses. "I couldn't do all of this work on my own. There's just no way."







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Nearly 70 people came out to Lake Minnewasta Sunday to take part in the local version of the Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights, a walk Mordenite Erin Froese made from Kitchener to Ottawa April 23 to May 14 to raise awareness about Bill C-262. The bill calls for Canada to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. On hand for the Morden walk was Cree Grand Elder Raymond Robinson (left).

MacLean takes on festival director role

By Lorne Stelmach

A familiar face is moving into the administrative office as the Morden Corn and Apple Festival prepares for its 51st year.

Current committee chairperson Lynda MacLean is stepping into the executive director role. Filling her shoes on the board as interim chair is Joceylne Durand.

MacLean has been involved in many aspects of the festival in the past, ev-

erything from selling corn to helping with bus tours to chairing planning committees.

She unabashedly calls herself a Corn and Apple junkie, making this an ideal job for her.

"I am very excited because I have always been involved with Corn and Apple," she says. "I've always loved every part of it."

Her role changes from that of chairperson, which is more about planning and organizing the festival. "With this role, you just facilitate to make sure things happen ... and just help everybody to make sure they can get their jobs done," she says.

"I like planning things and I like doing things ... so this is just an extension of the stuff that I like to do. I love the Corn and Apple and I love helping get things done."

For Durand, she is temporarily stepping back into a familiar role—she served as chairperson for three years over a decade ago.

"Having some background knowledge as to how the festival is run definitely helps," she says. "I felt comfortable coming into this role.

"Having the experience of being in this role definitely has helped ... makes it a little easier. I've also been on the board for the past 10 years ... that also helps make this job a little easier."

Durand adds it is interesting to come back to the job now given "things have changed in the past 10

"It's a whole lot bigger ... both budget-wise and as far as activities ... and just the amount of people who come in has grown tremendously from when I chaired it.

"It's just grown ... become very well known throughout Manitoba," says Durand, who stresses the key is having a great team of board members and volunteers who know their tasks.

"I want all of my committee heads to just look after their area and look after their volunteers."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Lynda MacLean (right) has stepped down as Corn and Apple Festival committee board chair to take on the event's executive director role. Filling her shoes on the board is Jocelyne Durand.

Passengers extricated from vehicle after collision

By Lorne Stelmach

People were treated both at the scene and at hospital following a two vehicle accident near Morden May 10.

Emergency crews were called to the intersection of Hwy. 3 and Road 30 west of Morden after a car attempting to turn east collided with a west-bound pickup truck.

The occupants of the truck were

treated and released at the scene, while the occupants of the car had to be extracted by firefighters. They were transported to the Boundary Trails Health Centre for treatment.

Other items of note in the weekly Morden police report includes:

• Another warrant is out for Jeffery Isaac Lee Dyck, 44, of Winkler.

Dyck is facing charges that include

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CFDC celebrates Manitoba Day with new exhibit

By Lorne Stelmach

The Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre is delving further into the province's place in the paleontology world.

A new panel unveiled Friday is just the first step towards the development of a larger, more in-depth exhibit exploring Manitoba's fossils.

Victoria Markstrom, the museum's field and collection manager, says they want to both celebrate paleontology in the province and make more people aware of the importance of it

"I think it's a part of Manitoba's history that not a lot of people know of ... especially Manitobans ourselves ... we don't really learn about this," she says. "So we are really trying to educate Manitobans and hopefully they'll feel a sense of pride ... that these amazing creatures were living in the same place as we are.

"These fossils are world-class, and they're really pushing Manitoba into the forefront of the science community."

The exhibit is being developed with the support of funding that comes through the province's signature museum program.

"It's basically a good introduction to Manitoba paleontology. It basically just goes over some of the types of deposits that we have here in Manitoba that do have fossils in them," explains Markstrom. "Most people don't realize that we have different kinds of fossils found in different places in Manitoba ... so it's really just giving an overview, a general scope of what Manitoba paleontology is all about.

"The next phase is going to go into much more detail, going into each type of deposit and talk about the types of fossils and what Manitoba was like back then," says Markstrom. "This is kind of considered the first phase in our larger Manitoba paleontology exhibit that's going to be unveiled in 2018."



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Local students were on hand Friday as the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre unveiled the first part of what will be a larger series of exhibits focusing on Manitoba fossils.

Terry Fox Run organizer needed for Winkler-Morden

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Terry Fox Foundation is looking for someone to pick up the torch and organize a run in Winkler-Morden this fall.

It's been several years since the previous organizers stepped down from the role, and the foundation would love to see it return to the area.

"Our records tells us 2011 was the last run in Winkler," says Heather MacKenzie, provincial director for Manitoba and Saskatchewan. "And obviously there was an interest there ... we usually had 75-100 people take part."

One key ingredient is all it really takes to put on a run, MacKenzie

"Passion. The very first thing is just the passion for Terry Fox.

"And then it's actually not all that difficult. With that passion, with a couple of people to help put the day on ... it's as easy as having maybe a barbecue and a route."

Runs can be any length, though the foundation usually advises organizers just starting out to aim for a 5k run.

"The first year is always better than expected and then it grows from there," MacKenzie says.

There are upwards of forty community runs and nearly 600 school runs in Manitoba each year.

It's a way to honour the dream of Terry Fox and show your support for the battle against cancer, says MacK-

"In the light of Canada's 150, we have to remember the people that laid the groundwork, and there's no better way to celebrate Canada than to remember our greatest hero, our greatest Canadian," she says of Fox.

"He said anybody that gave a dollar to cancer research was part of the Marathon of Hope. We haven't won that battle yet, so it's really important to us as a foundation to continue to keep his legacy and his mission alive."

The Terry Fox Run raised upwards of \$29 million across Canada last year. The Manitoba events contributed over \$780,000 to that total.

The foundation would like to have someone committed to organizing a local run as soon as possible.

"The earlier the better," says MacKenzie."We'd love to have somebody in the next month or so.

"And then from there it really kind of happens organically," she adds. "The commitment is not great because it is what they want it to be.

"If somebody has the capacity and they want to do a great big event day, then they can do that. Or, if they want, they can do a 5k run and walk and call it a day. It's really up to the organizer."

If you'd like to step up and organize a Terry Fox Run in Winkler-Morden, email debbie.dunlop@terryfoxrun. org or call the foundation toll-free at 1-888-836-9786.

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three instances of failing to attend court as well as theft, possession of stolen property, drug possession, and failing to comply with probation.

Dyck failed to attend court once again May 9.

Anyone with information regarding his whereabouts is asked to call the Morden Police Service at 204-822-4900, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477, submit a secure tip online www.manitobacrimestoppers. com, or text "TIPMAN" plus your message to CRIMES (274637).

• Officers stopped a vehicle for multiple violations in the early morning hours of May 13 and learned the 26-year-old Winnipeg woman behind the wheel was suspended from driving. Her vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

• Police went to a home in Morden May 14 after someone had hung up while calling about a family dispute. The caller had wanted an intoxicated family member removed.

Officers then learned that one of the individuals had an outstanding arrest warrant in Winnipeg. They caught the man trying to flee through the backyard.

The 30-year-old Morden man was held under the Intoxicated Persons Detention Act and released on a promise to appear in court in June.

 Morden police were conducting licence plate checks May 14 when they discovered a vehicle unregistered due to a missed time payment.

The driver was aware the payment had not been made, but things got worse for him when police learned his licence had also been suspended. The 30-year-old man was charged and his vehicle impounded

• Police last week issued 15 notices to drivers, including eight for using a cell phone while driving. The department reminds the public the ticket for this offense carries a penalty of \$203.80 and points against your licence.

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Winkler Wizards raise funds for school

By Lorne Stelmach

The Winkler Special Olympics club is paying it forward as thanks for the community's support.

The Winkler Wizzards held its fourth annual walkathon May 8 at Winkler Elementary School

This year the athletes raised \$1,607, with half going towards purchasing new equipment for the gym at the school.

"Our athletes really appreciate the support from the school division and in particular the school staff. The walkathon is a way for us to give back to them," said coach Sharon Dueck.

The athletes raised money through pledges and were asked specifically to try and collect a toonie and five dollar, ten dollar, and twenty dollar bills. Most of the Wizards collected at least that amount, with some rounding up far more in donations.

"One of the main reasons we decided to do this four years ago was because our athletes get so much support from the community. It was time to give back," said Dueck.

"The athletes are excited about being able to do something for others ... and we like to do the walkathon in May. We consider it our Pay It Forward activity."

When they're not raising funds for the community, the team is hard at work preparing for upcoming competitions.

Local athletes will be taking part in provincial track and bocce events



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Special Olympics athletes held their fourth annual walkathon last week. They walked the path at Winkler Elementary School and donated half of the \$1,600 they raised to the school for gym equipment.

with an eye to qualifying for the nationals next summer.

Winkler hosts the regional bocce tournament June 3. Athletes must

compete there in order to compete at the provincials June 16-18 in Brandon



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From left: Access Credit Union Plum Coulee branch manager John Giesbrecht, fire Chief Tony Fehr, and Enbridge's Larry Doherty with the new Jaws of Life the department purchased thanks to community donations.

New Jaws of Life for Plum Coulee FD

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Plum Coulee fire department has been able to update its Jaws of Life unit thanks to donations from Enbridge Pipelines and Access Credit Union

"We purchased a battery-operated set of Jaws of Life, a spreader and a cutter," says Chief Tony Fehr, noting they've been using the new equipment for the past few months. "We also have a hydraulic set, but this new one will be our primary set now.

"It's got faster deployment, it's quieter on the scene, and it's more versatile," he explains. "It's not just for [vehicle] extrication anymore. We can also use it as a forcible entry tool."

The new equipment is a great addition to the fire department's toolkit and Fehr is grateful to the community for its financial support.

The \$20,000 price tag was covered

through department fundraisers, a \$1,700 donation from the Access Credit Union's Plum Coulee branch, and a \$15,000 donation from Enbridge.

"At Access Credit Union we believe in our community, so wherever we can support [we do]," said ACU branch manager John Giesbrecht. "We just want to make sure our local fire department and our firemen are taken care of and they have the proper tools to do their job as a volunteer."

Enbridge Gretna area operations manager Larry Doherty says that the company's Safe Community program is all about giving back.

"There's funding available through that program for things that benefit the entire community," he says. "We're just glad to help communities that are situated close to our pipelines. We want to do what we can to help out."

Young coders learn the ropes of game design

By Lorne Stelmach

A group of young Morden students can now say they are bonifide computer game creators.

Western School Division was invited to have students take part in a project called Coding Quest where they learned how to create video games

Through classwork or extracurricular clubs, about 40 students from Minnewasta, Maple Leaf, and École Morden Middle schools had the chance to learn everything they could about coding. They then showcased the games at a public video arcade at the Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology in Winnipeg May 5.

A unique aspect of the project is the students had to do problem solving and often work on it very much on

"Lots of it was students helping each other. There were a lot of times working on this project that the teachers weren't necessarily able to help," explains Andrew Volk, principal of Minnewasta School.

"It sounds like lots of creativity and ownership from them in terms of how they did their projects," he says. "There really was this ongoing process of continuing to learn from each other."

Started by an organization called the Learning Partnership in conjunction with Pembina Trails School Division, this pilot project was aimed at students in Gr. 4-6.

"THERE REALLY WAS THIS ONGOING PROCESS OF CONTINUING TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER."

Pembina Trails invited Western and Portage la Prairie school divisions to take part. As a result, about 400 students have been working on their video games since last fall.

The hope is by exposing students to coding early they will be better prepared and inspired to pursue 21st century careers, says Volk.

The project uses a free visual programming language called Scratch, which is used to easily create things like animations and games and provides a stepping stone to the more advanced world of programming.

"The project was to create a game based on something that we're learning about in school or something connected to a topic in school," explains Volk. "It's a year-long project ... and I think it's something that's going to be continued in future years as well ... I think it's something we're going to see more of."

A good aspect of this program is that it can be integrated into a number of

"For example, planning and writing



A project called Coding Quest had about 40 Morden students create a video game from scratch this year. Among those students taking part from Minnewasta School, shown here with principal Andrew Volk, were Charity Paracholski, Hailey Letkeman, Lana Woychuk, and **Nevaeh Nicholson**

about ideas for the games ... might have been a part of language arts," Volk says. "A lot of the actual coding itself is very logical, sequential stuff that would fit into some of the math curriculum. Some of the topics of the games would connect into science or social studies ... so it was an interdisciplinary project ... and it was very open-ended."

For the students' perspective, they most liked being able to use their imaginations and work with little direction.

"I liked experimenting with the different things that you could do," says Nevaeh Nicholson.

"I just like that we actually made it ... you can be proud of yourself," says Lana Wychuk, who made a trivia game. "The teacher didn't have to tell you what to do ... you just kind of make it up yourself."

"I like that you could choose what-

ever you wanted for a game ... and I enjoyed creating it," agrees Charity Paracholski.

"My favorite part was creating it and getting to choose your background and your sprites [two dimensional bitmaps in computer graphics]," adds Hailey Letkeman.

Although a few students had some knowledge going into the program, this was the first time most of them were introduced to computer coding, notes Volk, and he sees it potentially having a big impact down the road.

"I think it's setting a foundation for skills that are going to be valuable in the future," he says. "More and more of the devices and tools and other things that we use are starting to become web-based or program-based and have coding elements ... and I know there are elements that kids just found fun and engaging."



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Maple Leaf School's Vaughn Fransen and Ethan Voth took part in Coding Quest at the Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology in Winnipeg earlier this month.

Diversitas tackles secularism

The Diversitas speaker series brings its next guest to town next week.

Dr. Elliot Hanowski of the University of Manitoba will be in Morden on May 24 at 7 p.m. presenting on the history of atheist and secular movements in Canada.

Hanowski's presentation will investigate beliefs, actions, motivations and the social context of these movements, says organizer Peter Cantelon.

"Several of the past eight Diversitas presentations have focused on understanding certain types of faith," he said. "With this presentation we have an opportunity to better understand those movements that self-identify as non-faith or secular.

"This is incredibly important in our age and context, especially considering the significant contributions atheism and secularism have brought to Canada and the world."

The evening, which takes place in the theatre space at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre, will include a question and answer period with Hanowski after the presentation.

The event is free and all are welcome to attend.

To learn more about the Diversitas series, including upcoming speakers, visit www.diversitas.ca or www.facebook.com/d1versitas.

A Rocha hosting Bioblitz

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The A Rocha Pembina Valley Interpretive Centre is looking to inventory the many species of flora and fauna that call the valley home.

The centre hosts the Pembina Valley Bioblitz June 2-3.

They're inviting naturalists and biologists who specialize in a variety of taxonomic fields to scour the valley and catalogue everything they find, explains director Jamie Fox.

"This is the first time we've done one at our centre on this scale," he says. "The Pembina Valley is such a significant local landmark ... and it's really a place of significant biodiversity with lots and lots of plants and animals that make it their home.

"We want to take a closer look at it," he says, noting the information will be used for local species atlases and educational purposes.

While the scientists do their work, the general public are also invited to take part.

On Saturday, June 3 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the centre will host a variety of free educational activities, including several themed guided hikes, live raptor displays, and other hands-on exercises.

"We want to have activities that are kind of based around noticing biodiversity and helping people to look more closely at nature," Fox says, urging people to bring a bagged lunch and a water bottle and make a day of it.

The first 75 people to arrive will receive a free Pembina Valley Bioblitz T-shirt.

The celebration will wrap up with a closing ceremony that will include preliminary counts and statements by local leaders on the importance of green spaces and biodiversity.

Fox notes the event is made possible thanks to the support of TD Friends of the Environment Fund, The Pembina Valley Conservation District, the



A ROCHA PHOTO

A Rocha invites you to their Pembina Valley Interpretive Centre for its Bioblitz celebrations Saturday, June 3.

Winkler Co-op, and A Rocha's many dedicated volunteers.

A Rocha's Pembina Valley Interpretive Centre is located right beside the

entrance to the Pembina Valley Provincial Park.

For more event information or directions, head to arocha.ca.

Winkler Horticulture pitches nature reserve

By Lorne Stelmach

The Winkler Horticulture Society is looking to broaden the scope of its proposed bird sanctuary project.

Their concept of a nature reserve comes with the involvement of other groups in the project, including A Rocha.

"We have a lot of commitment and support from the community ... we feel there will be a lot of enthusiasm," society member Margaret Klassen told Winkler council at its May 9 meeting.

Details of the project are still being worked out, but Klassen touched on their hopes to develop a natural habitat and pathway system in an area east of Circle K Drive and south of Hwy. 14.

They came to council looking for their preliminary support of the concept. Several speakers were also on hand to impress upon council the value of such a reserve.

Speaking on behalf of A Rocha, Henry Martens suggested the sanctuary would serve the greater community as a prime place for education and appreciation.

"We are part of nature we're not apart from it ... we need to respect and learn from it," he said. "Time spent in nature helps us restore our soul ... it's for our own good to spend time in nature."

"Every year, one of the highlights for my classroom is we go to A Rocha. The children look forward to it," noted teacher Bernie Janzen, who welcomed the opportunity to have something like this close to home "to teach outside of the classroom ... the closer it is, the more helpful it can be."

"Canadians have a great appreciation for nature," added Paul Goosen, who had a 30 year career with the Canadian Wildlife Service and has been active locally with the raptor bird count and many other environmental projects.

He stressed the value of land goes beyond the economic considerations. "Sometimes we need to look at land beyond it's dollar value ... in the end, it provides significant benefits to help build healthy communities and maintain sustainable eco-systems," said Goosen.

"This green space will provide an opportunity for community participation and a tremendous educational opportunity," he added. "This sanctuary will broaden the tourist net ... provide a welcoming green space."

Goosen noted the sanctuary project has already made progress in attracting community support.

"Our goal is to be financially independent of the City of Winkler. We plan to get our fiscal support from private and business donations, grants and other sources," he said, explaining their next steps will include developing the plans further as well as creating a management plan. They expect this project will be developed in several phases.

Council welcomed the concept, though Coun. Henry Siemens suggested they should wait to see more details of the project before making a commitment to it.

"I don't believe that we have enough knowledge today to say yes," he said. "This looks terrific ... but what's under the hood?"

Mayor Martin Harder agreed, noting council is simply offering their support for the concept in principle at this point until firmer plans can be presented.

Firm hired to study water supply challenges

By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Winkler is engaging consultants to study the challenges surrounding its water supply.

The overriding aim of the report to be prepared by Landmark Planning and Design is to ensure the sustainability of Winkler's water.

It stems from a commitment made by the city about five years ago to do such a water study, explains Mayor Martin Harder.

A big part of it is to drought-proof the area and get the community to a place where it could increase what it is able to draw from the aquifer.

"The licence approval we got was subject to doing this," says Harder.

"It will determine exactly where things are at ... whether we have further opportunities to increase the amount of water we use from the aquifer ... and how do we do the recharge.

The proposal from Landmark notes an aquifer management plan created in 1997 set out a number of ideas that have not been implemented other than a reduction in what was drawn from it annually. In the last 20 years, a number of advancements have been made, the company says.

Landmark hopes to address three

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PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

They were practising their flying skills last week at the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre in preparation for its kite festival May 26 in Morden Park. The event will allow Morden to check off kite flying from the ParticipACTION 150 playlist challenge.



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Go fly a kite May 26

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre is hoping to fill the sky over Morden Park next Friday.

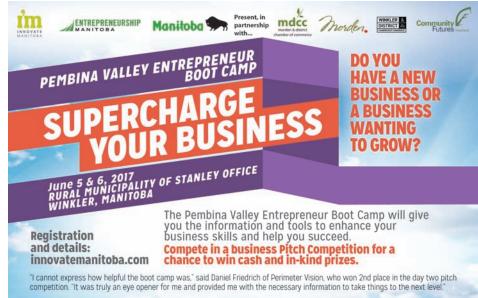
The centre is holding a kite festival May 26 from 3-5 p.m. in the park bowl.

It ties in with the ParticipAction 150 challenge between Morden and

Winkler to see which community can check off more activities by the end of July in celebration of the nation's 150th birthday.

"It's just a fun way for us to be part of the Playlist 150 ... they asked us to participate, so we've partnered with them," says director Janine North.

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SWM staffers work to create a barrier-free community

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A Winkler company has done its part to bring StopGap ramps to Manitoba.

Last week, flax processor SWM unveiled the 13 ramps their staff built to help make businesses in Carman more accessible to everyone.

Each one of the colourful ramps went to a business that has a one-step storefront, explained Denis Magotiaux, SWM's straw purchaser manager and one of the organizers of the project.

"This was a goodwill gesture to give back to the community and also to try and make the community more of a barrier-free area," he said, noting that a single step can mean the difference between someone with a disability being able to get into a store or not.

SWM surveyed Carman stores to see if there was interest for this project and quickly learned that it was an issue already on the minds of many business owners.

"They were all very receptive," Magotiaux said. "Some were quite thankful that we were doing it. They

"THIS WAS A GOODWILL GESTURE TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY."

knew that they had this problem and they were trying to figure out how they could fix it without having to spend a lot of money [building permanent ramps]."

SWM donated all the ramps free of charge. The custom-made units are moveable, which means businesses can easily store them away at day's end or only put them out when a customer requests them.

"So someone comes along in a wheelchair and what happens is there's a sign in the window that says the ramp is available, call this number," Magotiaux said. "Or the handivan comes with someone and the driver can go in and put this ramp out for the person."

Staff built the ramps during the company's safety week activities at the end of April.

"Every year we have a safety week where we promote safety and the environment and have team-building activities with our employees," Magotiaux said. "This year we decided we would do these StopGap ramps ... the company donated all the labour and the material to build them."

Though based in Winkler, SWM has a processing mill and many employees in the Carman area, which is why it opted for that community for this initiative.

"{Our staff] were quite excited about building them and being able to give back to the community that they work in," Magotiaux said.

There is a very real need for these



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SWM employees
built 13 StopGap ramps for
storefronts in
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steps that make
it a challenge
for people with
disabilities to
navigate.



ramps elsewhere in southern Manitoba as well, he noted.

"There's absolutely a need in Winkler and Morden, too ... we hope other people, other companies will see what we're doing and maybe somebody else will take the imitative to start a project there, too.

The StopGap Foundation got started in Toronto to raise awareness about the challenges disabled people

face when navigating city streets.

They provide project leaders with all the plans and material information they need to build customized ramps for businesses in their communities.

So far StopGap projects have taken place all across Canada, but this is the first one in Manitoba.

Learn more about the StopGap Foundation online at stopgap.ca.



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PTM kicks off 49th season of living history

"THERE'S STILL A

TON OF PEOPLE

WHO DON'T EVEN

KNOW ABOUT US."

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Threshermen's Museum kicked off its 49th season this week.

Although they are focussing on the present right now, directors can't help but look ahead to their big milestone coming in 2018.

"Although we're getting ready for this year, we're actually also working on next year because next

year is our 50th ... and we've got few different things on the back burner," says museum manager Kim Striemer. "There's a couple events that we have

North Perimeter and Sturgeon

Road, Winnipeg, Manitoba

in mind ... it's pretty exciting for basically a small museum."

Looking to the season at hand, the Hwy. 3 heritage village is planning for

a summer packed full of

First up is the annual Heritage Day on Friday, June 2 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"It used to be just something for the schools ... the last number of years we've made it more public. It's our second largest event of the year next to the Re-

union Days," notes Striemer. "We've got everything going, the buildings are all open ... it's just like a small Reunion Days."

The Pembina
Threshermen's
Museum
opened
the doors
for its 49th
season
this week.

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The day will include demonstrations of blacksmithing, rope making and corn grinding, antique tractor parades at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., barrel train rides, a petting zoo, handson interactive stations, and the Kids Zone Activity Centre.

The old-fashioned general store will also open its doors to serve up ice cream treats and a homemade lunch will be available in the dining hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This event could be the first opportunity for visitors to check out the new building on the grounds that will house an extensive collection of taxidermy donated to the museum.

"That's something quite different and exciting for us," says Striemer.

As the summer continues, PTM invites visitors to come decked in out in their favourite western clothes to check out the new Cowboys and Chaps Days July 15 and Aug. 14.

Returning events for the summer include Artists Days the afternoons

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The erosion processes that long ago created the Pembina River Valley are still active today. This is clearly evidenced by the series of elongated, bench-like slumps and slides that parallel the valley rim. First, a crack may appear in the top surface, along the valley rim. Then, a section may break free and drop down, forming a slide. This mass then begins its slow downward journey, often with a backward rotation, which turns it into a slump. Both slumps and slides are drawn downward by the undercutting erosion of the streams below.



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Volunteers needed for Winkler planting blitz

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Horticulture Society is looking for volunteers for its planting blitz later this month.

Every spring the society mobilizes to plant thousands of flowers throughout the city.

A core group of gardeners always shows up to help, but they can always use a few extra hands, says organizer Margaret Penner.

"The city-wide planting is a big undertaking requiring a lot of work," she says. "We would like to see a large group of volunteers to come out to assist to get the job done."

While the society once had upwards of 100 people out during planting week, they've scaled down their flower beds in recent years to the point where about 40 volunteers are needed to get it all done.

"We really love to bring in people who have not been involved before," Penner says, pointing out they're always looking for younger potential society members who will carry on the work of beautifying the city. "Our goal is city beautification and fostering the love of horticulture."

In all, the Winkler Horticulture Society works with the City of Winkler to tend to 15 separate flower beds, including the expansive floral displays at Parkview Gardens on Grandeur Avenue and the Bethel Heritage Park

This year's theme throughout the city is red and white to coincide with Canada's 150th anniversary celebra-

"There's a new rose that has come out, a Canada 150 rose, and we'll be planting some of those in several different locations throughout town," Penner says.

The planting schedule begins on Monday, May 29 starting at 8 a.m. at Bethel Heritage Park.

Volunteers will tackle the park, library, City Hall, concert hall, and Hwy. 32 flower beds that morning and then head to the public works yard, the cemeteries, 15th St. soccer pitch beds, and the Winkler Arts and Culture Centre and Parkside floral displays in the afternoon starting at 1 p.m.

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of June 11, July 9, July 23, Aug. 20 and Sept. 10 and A Day in the Life of a Pioneer and Family Picnic Day July 10, July 22, and Aug. 7.

Reunion Days take place Sept. 1-2, followed by Forge Day in conjunction with Manitoba Open Farm Day Sept.

Life in the Past Lane will end the season as a part of the nationwide Culture Days celebrations on Sept. 30.

Special events aside, the museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends and holidays 1-5 p.m. until the end of September.

The hope as always is that the variety of events will raise awareness of the museum and draw more people

"There's still a ton of people who don't even know about us. There's still so many people who don't even know where we are," says Striemer." I think once they've been here, they return ... it's getting the word out on what all we actually have here."

The group will then meet at the arena on Tuesday, May 30 at 9 a.m. to work on the flower beds along Grandeur Ave., in front of the pool and arena, at the Parkside pioneer patch, and the Eden planters.

Wrapping things up on Wednesday, May 31 at noon is a volunteer appreciation lunch at the GVC Tec campus.

Volunteers will tackle the public floral displays throughout Winkler May 29-30, and they could use some extra hands. **VOICE FILE PHOTO**

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arts&culture

Common Threads exhibit on display now

By Lorne Stelmach

The end result that becomes the annual Common Threads exhibit on this month at the Pembina Hills Gallery is always remarkable.

While the artists are given the same kits of material from which to create their art, it is always surprising to see the variety in the finished pieces.

"The creativity, the artistry, and especially the quality of the workmanship is just amazing," said Alanna Falk, who represented the group at the show's opening reception Satur-

day in Morden.

The Common Threads are a regional collective of fibre artists created out of a desire to express their art in less traditional ways. There is no formal membership, but the group includes a variety of artists ranging from quilters to painters to sculptors.

They tackle a minimum of one challenge per year in which participants buy a themed package containing material and other items they can use to create a piece of art.

"It has to be completely original work. You can't use kits or patterns,"

said Falk in explaining some of the guidelines set out for what is currently their eighth annual challenge. "The rules are you have to use all the fabrics, all the items in the kit ... usually we try for about at least 50 per cent of what's in the package."

Eight artists took on this year's challenge theme of Echoes.

It's the open-ended nature of the challenge that makes it fun and interesting for the artists.

"Basically, it's a creative enhancement activity for the artist ... by being given a difficult group of fibres and items, it's often difficult to turn them it into a cohesive whole that matches the theme," said Falk. "You really have to push your creativity in order to get it to all come together, and that's where the fun and the challenge is

with it"

It is always interesting, she added, to see some commonalities in the pieces, even as they are so very different.

This year, for example, included three little army men as 3D items"that brought on a theme of remembrance for a lot of people ... yet all of the other fabrics had almost, I thought, a circus-like quality to them," said Falk.

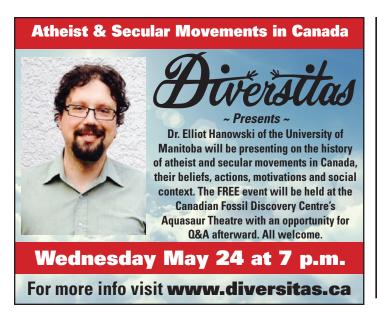
"You often get something common ... two or three people may have an almost similar vision ... but the execution is always completely different."

In conjunction with this year's exhibit, artists can get the challenge kit for next year's show. It is available at the gallery and from Beneath The Oaks in Thornhill.



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The Morden art gallery features the Common Threads exhibit this month. The annual show includes varied works that are all created by fibre artists from the same kits of materials.





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key challenges with this new report:

- Aquifer storage and recovery: At current usage, the aquifer will not be able to sustain long term demands. Steps need to be taken to ensure adequate supplies can be stored to deal with long term drought. One option may involve injecting water supply into the aquifer when ample surface water is available.
- Removal of treatment reject water: The treatment process rejects 20 to 30 per cent of the water which is then disposed of in the lagoon, but it is a costly process and difficult to manage.
- Aquifer leakage into city infrastructure: Some discharge from the aquifer goes into building sumps and drains, such as in the south end of the city where the water table is fairly high. One solution may be to install wells in those areas.

"Sump pumps are going pretty steadily, and a lot of it ends up in the sewer ... so therefore it creates more issues there," says Harder.

He notes the report outlines a consultation process involving community meetings "to make sure that the public is informed ... what we're doing, what the purpose is, and how it will impact

them or won't impact them."

The overall budget for the study is just over \$200,000, with an initial cost of \$55,000.

In other city council news:

• Frustrations with the Manitoba Highway Traffic Board has council looking to lobby for a change in its mandate to have more of a review role.

Council has tried and been denied a number of times to change some speed limits in the city, and Harder suggests that many municipalities "are very tired of running to the highway traffic board in order to make applications for reductions of speed limits.

"I think we're capable of setting our own speed limits within our own communities," the mayor says in explaining a resolution to be brought before the Association of Manitoba Municipalities. "We believe this is a very broad issue ... it becomes a provincial issue."

• The city will soon be delivering residential compost bins to residents with an eye to having the new composting program up and running by sometime in June.

Meanwhile, discussions continue about privatizing commercial waste pickup in 2018.



















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A message from the members of the Provincial Community Newspapers Associations of Manitoba and Saskatchewan and AdWest.







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Locals come out to leave their mark on rink

About 30 people took up the City of Morden on its offer Saturday afternoon to "Leave Your Mark" at the Access Event Centre. In keeping with that theme from the recent Esso Cup, people were invited to paint the ice after an hour of public skating. The event was sponsored by Morden Home Hardware and Beauti Tone Paints.

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Bring a kite to fly, or build a new one

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People can bring their own kites to join in on the fun or build a kite when they arrive at the park. There will also be some tasty treats available courtesy of a small on-site bake sale.

"Whatever funds we get from the bake sale can help cover some of our program costs," explains North.

She sees it as just another fun way for the centre to be engaged with families in Morden.

"We want to just be out there in the community ... have some fun and let families know a bit more about what we do. We like to be involved with the community." The centre will also hosts its annual Teddy Bear Picnic in Morden Park on Sunday, June 11. The day will feature a few new additions this year.

"The Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre will be there with a minidig. We'll also have a photo booth there as well, which we haven't had in the past," says North.

"It hasn't run the last couple of years because of the weather, so we're really wanting to make this event a success again," she says.

Find out more about the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre's upcoming events by checking out their page on Facebook.



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Orioles strike out against Marlins, **Bisons**

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Orioles could have easily come out of their first week of the MJBL season with a 3-1

Instead, a couple of mental lapses at key times cost the Orioles both ends of a doubleheader in Brandon with the Marlins on Sunday.

"We basically gave away both games," says coach Joe Wiwchar.

"We played well. What I think our problem was in both games was mental. It was mental errors. I guess through practice, that comes naturally ... but basically it was mental errors in both games that cost us."

Pembina Valley and Brandon were tied at one in the bottom of the sixth inning when the Orioles gave up the winning run with two outs and two strikes on the batter with runners at second and third base. Game one ended with the 3-1 Marlins' victory.

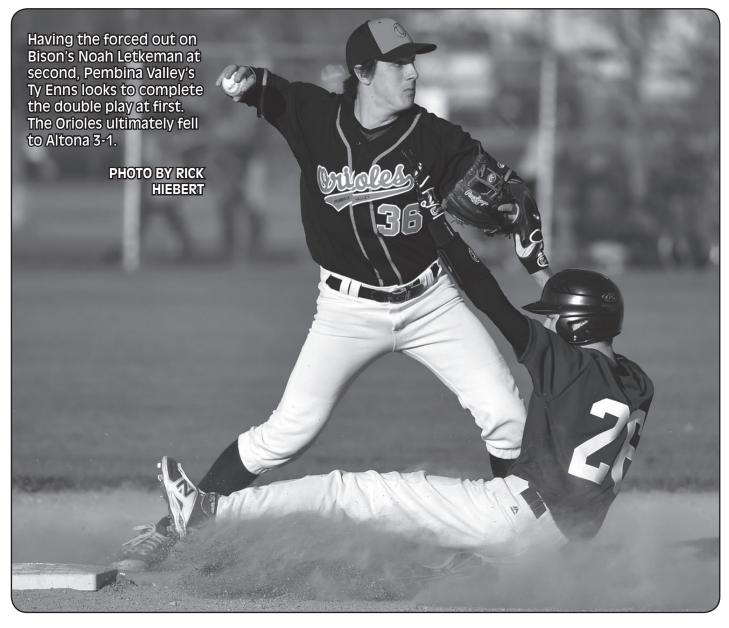
In game two, a scoreless tie was broken in the sixth as Brandon took the 2-0 win.

"They put down a bunt single, a really good bunt ... next guy bunted, the third baseman came in on it ... and they scored," says Wiwchar.

In game one, Tyson McConnell gave up seven hits through six innings for the Orioles, while Pembina Valley only managed four hits.

In game two, Seth Staple gave up one hit through five innings of work before Brady Moxham allowed the two winning runs in the sixth inning. The Orioles managed three hits while allowing three errors.

Earlier in the week, the team opened the season with a 3-1 home loss to



the Altona Bisons and then picked up their first win Friday in edging the St. Boniface Legionaires 5-4.

Wiwchar says the team just needs to tighten some things up a bit to record some more wins.

"We haven't given up many runs ... in four games, we've given up 12 runs ... which is pretty darn good ... but we haven't scored many either," he says.

"The team is close. We have to sharpen up a little bit ... and get the hits. We are getting some hits, but we've got to put them together. We've been stranding so many runners. We get a guy on second base, somebody's

got to get us a hit."

This week the Orioles played the Blue Jays Wednesday. Results were not available at press time.

The team will spend Victoria Day at a doubleheader in Iles des Chenes against the Carillon Sultans.

Soccer teams aiming for the top

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The local adult soccer teams both have their eyes on the prize this season.

The Winkler Storm and the South Central Hurricanes are aiming for top two finishes in their respective leagues in the hopes of moving up a division next summer.

Hurricanes coach Jen Martens says the team is looking good, with a solid mix of veteran experience and rookie enthusiasm.

"We have returning players and we have new. We actually have two returning from having played with us years ago, so that's good," she says.

"Our biggest issue last year was that our goalie got injured halfway

through the season," Martens explains. "It looked like our season was going to start out that way again with no goalie, but we managed to find somebody new ... it's just awesome to find somebody who actually wants to play goal [rather than having players fill in temporarily from other positions]."

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Garden Valley Collegiate and Northlands
Parkway Collegiate joined forces to host
the Winkler invitational High School Track
and Field Meet on May 10. Schools from all
over Manitoba came out to compete in a
variety of track races, high jump, long jump,
triple jump, discus, shot put, and javelin
events. Final results could not be confirmed
at press time, but a number of Winkler and
Morden athletes had personal bests at the
event and a few qualified for the provincial
track and field competition in Winnipeg
next month



Youthful energy gives Winkler Storm new legs

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With Natasha Mauws stepping between the goal posts for the Hurricanes this summer, Martens is optimistic about the season ahead.

"We would like to be able to get back into First Division," she says. "We had been in First Division for many years and unfortunately with the way the team was last year we dropped down [to Second Division]. We want to move back up there."

The team got off to a rocky start earlier this month, dropping a 3-1 decision to Winnipeg's Synergy May 3.

"We made some mistakes and they capitalized on those mistakes," says Martens. "We need to be more consis-

tent, better ball control, better passing so that we don't make those errors."

They bounced back last week, though, crushing CCC United 5-1 May 10. Lauren Hildebrand recorded a hat trick while Mel Warkentine and Monica Friesen contributed singles

This week the ladies hosted their first home game of the season on Wednesday against SE Reunited. Results were not available at press time.

Their next game is another home field battle, this time against the Red Hot Pink Flamingos on May 24 at 7:30 p.m.

STORM BREWING

The Winkler Storm find themselves in a similar position of hoping to earn

a seat in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's top division.

Winkler plays in the MMSL 1st Division this summer, but coach Reinaldo Oliveira's dream is to take the team back to Premier.

"We want to be in the top two or three so we have a chance to move up," he says. "So we have to start strong.

"I think this is going to be a pretty good chance," Oliveira says, noting that while they lost their May 5 season opener to Germania SC 3-2, they still managed to give the former Premier team a run for their money. "We lost, but we expected a little bit more of a challenge. We could have beaten them."

Overall, the Storm are hitting the field stronger than ever, having spent the off-season doing team training at The Muscle Hut in Winkler.

"The team looks good this year. We have lots of young players, three who are under 18 and have lots of energy," Oliveira says, adding the roster is rounded out by about a dozen veterans.

On Friday, the Storm lost to Forza-WSP 1-0 on the road.

Coming up, the team hosts FCNW Waverley Mitsubishi at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 22.

"We really love the fans coming out to the field to support us," Oliveira says. "The players give a little more effort, I think."

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Garden Valley Collegiate hosted their invitational fastpitch tournament last weekend. After the dust settled from the round robin, the Morden Thunder (who were 2-1 in their pool) made the championship bracket but fell to the Portage Saints 19-2 and then to the Boissevain Broncos 13-1 to get knocked out of the running. It was the Steinbach Sabres who eventually won the championship, downing Portage 8-7. The Zodiacs, meanwhile, were 2-1 in their pool and then beat Altona 12-6 in the B-side bracket before losing to the Stonewall Rams 5-2 in the final. The Northlands Parkway Collegiate Nighthawks struggled with a 0-3 record in the round robin but persevered to 12-0 and 5-1 wins over the Pilots and the Trojans to win the D-side bracket.

Registration opens for 14th Decor Charity Classic

By Lorne Stelmach

Organizers of the Decor Charity Classic may never have imagined the annual fundraising golf tournament would have come this far when they started it 14 years ago.

Set for Thursday, Aug. 10 at the Minnewasta Golf and Country Club, the tournament will almost certainly reach the \$1 million mark in charitable proceeds next year.

"It is a good target to get to ... that will be a milestone to celebrate," says chairperson Dave Schellenberg.

The tournament last year brought in over \$44,500 which was then matched 50 per cent by Decor, bringing the total amount distributed to \$66,750. This brought the total raised since it started in 2004 to more than \$893,000.

Schellenberg says they are always grateful that it receives such strong support each year.

"Ît's really developed into something that's been an ongoing thing that I think has been a big deal for the charities we support and a big deal for us because we really want to make it a success," he says.

"It is a big part of our mission to support our community and in particular these charities."

The Decor Charity Classic each year supports Youth for Christ, the Pembina Counseling Centre, and the

Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre and adds a different fourth charity, which this time around will be the C2C Network Canada.

With the aim to be a catalyst for church planting across Canada, C2C Network is something close to the heart for Decor's mission to bring

light to the world, Schellenberg says. "They do a lot of work in urban

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Dodgefathers win league title

The Winkler Dodgeball League wrapped up its successful inaugural season May 7. At the finals, the Dodgefathers needed an overtime set to defeat Clear Eyes, Full Hearts 7-6 for the title. The Dodgefathers, who finished first in the regular season, defeated the Blazin Ballerz in round one and the Average Jo's in the semifinal to book their ticket to the championship game. Eight teams in all took part this year. At right are the Dodgefathers: (back, from left) Janessa Guenther, Mark Guenther, Dustin Letkeman, Randy Wiebe, Trevor Hiebert, (front row) Travis Friesen, Alysha Friesen, Jarrad Toews, Shawn Letkeman, and Maik Kort.



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Fancy footwork

About a dozen people came out last Wednesday to learn a few folk dancing steps from instructor Brenda Sloan at the City of Morden's first "Try-It" session. The recreation department is hosting sessions to introduce the community to a variety of sports and activities with an eye to checking them off the ParticipACTION 150 Playlist. Upcoming Try-It events include rhythmic gymnastics May 24 and cricket on May 29.

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Ninth annual 'Amazing Race' planning underway

By Lorne Stelmach

Organizers of the annual competition that brings people to this region every September long weekend are tweaking the event in hopes of drawing even more people.

The 9th annual Central Manitoba Tourism Association Challenge is expanding to include the option of a one day race in addition to the traditional two day event.

The two day *Amazing Race*-style event will have teams compete for a grand prize of \$1,000, while the one day race (with the option of Saturday or Sunday participation) will offer a \$250 prize each day.

"People may have been thinking about it in the past but maybe didn't want to commit to a full two day event," suggests chairperson Tyler King.

"It's something that might appeal to more local people as well ... or those from other areas as well who would be interested in a simple one day event," he says. "It's just to get more people to experience some of the great attractions that we have ... and anything we can do to bring more people in is good for our region."

The challenge offers participants the opportunity to explore the region while visiting various tourist and cultural attractions and engaging in friendly competition along the way.

Teams will set out from Pilot Mound on their journey through south-central Manitoba to collect points by solving clues and completing challenges.

"Everything from some things that may be a little physically challenging to mental challenging ... some things involving food ... lots of different stuff for all ages," says King.

King says they will soon start planning the range of challenges and contacting businesses and organizations to get involved. They will, as always, aim to change at least a few things up.

"You don't want to have just the same things over and over again," he says. "We may have the same places involved, but if we can tweak some of the challenges to make them different and fun it will keep it fresh for people

who are coming back year after year. The competition usually draws up-

wards of 50 teams.
As always, the overall goal is to put

As always, the overall goal is to put the region's best foot forward and give people lots of reasons to come back.

"The main goal is to showcase the different attractions in the region, to bring more people in ... also for people in the region to maybe check out some of the attractions that are right next door to them," King says. "We

have a lot of really great things that not everybody really knows about.

"It's good for everyone to have some additional foot traffic ... a lot of museums really count on that ... for some of them it's really important for them to be able to keep going."

For more information or to register a team, call 1-877-324-6645, e-mail pvta@mymts.net or head online to www.centralmbtourism.ca.

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centres as well as on native lands ... they're really like the hands and feet of Jesus ... they're really on the ground floor doing a lot of work, really spreading beyond the existing church establishment," he says.

C2C Network is a uniquely Canadian missions-based network that began as a regional department of the Mennonite Brethren Church in British Columbia (known as Church

Planting BC) but grew to include planters from a wide variety of evangelical denominations.

By the end of 2015, planters from over 20 denominations were partnering with C2C.

Through the generosity of the Canadian Conference of MB Churches, C2C is able to offer support to a growing number of denominations, helping them to assess, train and coach church planters. It also raises funds in order to financially support

these planters.

Speaking on the C2C Network at the 2017 Decor Charity Classic will be pastor Paul Winter.

The cost to participate in the tournament is \$175 per person. The entry deadline is July 27 but early registration is recommended since many of the 144 available spots are often snapped up quickly.

You can find out more and register online at www.decorcharityclassic.com.



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Agriculture

Farming the Swiss Way

By Harry Siemens

Chris Wilda is an agronomist who worked for two years in Canada but today lives in Sissach, Switzerland, which is very close to where I conducted this interview at a local market in Oltingen in the Canton Basel-Landschaft outside of Basel.

"I studied in Switzerland agriculture, at the university, and so basically when you study at the university you are there to learn engineering, the basics about agronomy, about agriculture," Wilda said. "I've made a PhD working with the French crop science and later on I joined Sandoz Agro Canada as my first employer, where I was working in herbicide development and herbicide research."

He worked and studied for one year in Guelph, Ontario with the company and a second year in Lethbridge, Alberta before returning to his homeland to work from the headquarters in Basel.

"I continued to work in the herbicide research. Later on Sandoz was merged with Ciba to Novartis and later on Novartis Agro was merged with Astrazeneca and the name Syngenta appeared,"Wilda said.

When asked to compare Canadian farming with farming in Switzerland, Wilda's first comment is the vast difference in size.

"Switzerland is small, you would think it's a garden. I think the Canadian farmers don't look at Swiss farmers like farmers, they're more gardeners," he said.

"What is unique in Switzerland you have on a small surface, you have very different environments and very different production sides, different climates, and this makes it extremely interesting," he continued. "Because in 200-300 kilometers diameter you find so many different types of agriculture, while in Canada it's large. In Switzerland, it changes from one beautiful scene to the next. In the U.S. midwest, for example, for large distances you see always the same corn, corn, soybean, corn, corn, sovbean."

Despite the huge differences in size between the two countries, the challenges farmers face are similar.

"The challenges are absolutely the

same. The farmers need to work in an effective and efficient way. They need to make the money. Consumers think it's always too expensive," said Wilda. "At the basic, the challenges are the same. The work environments are slightly different."

Marketing what farmers grow is another common challenge. Exports for Switzerland, though, takes a much bigger effort. Many farmers focus, as well, on selling direct through local

"One thing is to push the seasonality and the regionality. They try to produce local product because commodity products, they are on the global market and there's no differentiation," Wilda said. "But if you have local product, you can differentiate them.

"One of our big companies Migros sells food promoting it as produced in the region where it is consumed. The regional thing is very, very high up," he said. "The other thing [is] organic farming has good growth in Switzerland ... it's not the mass market, it's a niche market, but continuously growing."



PHOTO BY HARRY SIEMENS/VOICE

Chris Wilda is an agronomist who formerly worked in Alberta and Ontario but now lives in Sissach, Switzerland

Wilda worked on a project last year that included insects, protein, and human food.

"That's forward looking. With the help of insects you can basically upcycle food waste and retrieve again the protein or build up more protein that we can use for animal feed, replacing fish meal," he said. "That's the basic thinking behind that.

"Switzerland on its own has two million tons of food waste in Switzerland only, but it's also a global challenge, and the production of food and feed from insects is a modern forward thinking concept because there's a lot of innovation in the future."



Encouraging new ideas

By Harry Siemens

So much of my work as a farmer's advocate and farm journalist continues to focus on encouraging farmers with new ideas, startup ventures, and, last but not least, the young farmers trying to get a foothold by working not just harder, but smarter.

This often means doing several jobs helping with the family farm and starting another business that helps other farmers.

Through Twitter I get all kinds of requests, or at least tweets and retweets, where someone nudges me in a certain direction, offers me their idea, or simply wants more exposure for something they think could help others.

Having coming to that point where I'm obviously closer to the end of my

career than the beginning, I can pick and choose even more so the causes, projects, and people I like to support.

Duane Thiessen who lives in Morden and farms with his father and brothers at Crystal City, is one such entrepreneur.

Farming 300 acres together with the family farm, he also started a farm equipment rental business a few years ago under the business name of Thiessen AgriVentures and Flaman Rentals.

"We're a farmer rentals dealer and our aim is to provide a trustworthy service of clean and well-maintained equipment for rent for the progressive farmer," said Thiessen. "Also, equipment that will operate in many conditions. Then, constantly striving to stay up to date on agronomy and

farming trends in the ever-changing agriculture industry."

While many of the bigger operators like to buy and own their own equipment, even if they use it just once or twice a year, Thiessen is there to help the farmer who would rather rent the one-off specialized equipment.

"For most guys, it doesn't pay to buy these things. Why not rent it and save that capital and take the 100 per cent tax write off it as a rental? It's not standing around for the rest of the year," he said. "I'm taking that risk and being able to rent it out to somebody else then when the first guy finishes using it.

"Why spend \$150,000 on a piece of equipment that just stands there

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Five Manitoba grower organizations work towards merger

By Harry Siemens

Five like-minded commodity associations in Manitoba have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to work towards merging into one organization to increase efficiencies and maximize profitability and sustainability for farmers.

These five groups are the Manitoba Corn Growers Association (MCGA), Manitoba Pulse & Soybean Growers Association (MPSG), Manitoba Flax Growers Association (MFGA), National Sunflower Association of Canada (NSAC), and the Manitoba Wheat and Barley Association (MW-BGA).

The agreement represents a significant step forward following more than three years of talks surrounding how the above groups could better work together to maximize member value.

"The board of directors of the MWBGA and MCGA have taken a lead in showcasing how commodity groups can work together," said Pam de Rocquigny, who recently became the general manager of both agencies. "This MOU signals a more formalized relationship between all the involved commodity groups as we work together to explore new and innovate ways in how our organizations can improve efficiencies and deliver maximum value to our memberships."

The commodity organizations are seeking the help of an advisor to help facilitate the merger process.

The group has no predetermination of what this new entity will look like. The group has expressed unequivocally, though, that they will make sure the farmers from each commodity organization represents will have a strong voice in shaping the merger.

"This is the first step in a long process," said Jason Voth, chair of MPSG's board of directors. "I am very pleased to hear that these groups are willing to work together. As a farmer, this makes sense. Good farming is about growing more than one crop. I represent one farm that grows multiple crops. This merger makes sense."

While five grower organizations have signed the MOU thus far, they are willing to allow other, like-minded commodity groups to join the merger talks as well.

Interested organizations will have

an opportunity to join this working group in April of next year after the first phase of the merger process has been completed.

This step has been a long time coming, says de Rocquigny.

"If we go back, I think in the spring of 2014, managers and directors started talking about the idea of collaboration, and really that has gained momentum since that time frame," she said. "So we see things like the Crop-Connect Conference where there are multiple commodity groups within Manitoba that pull together and put on a premier conference held annually in February in Winnipeg. We see other things such as a joint hire between the Manitoba Corn Growers and the Manitoba Wheat and Barley Growers Associations."

She said there are examples al-

ready in the past of where commodity groups have collaborated and have worked together, either sharing office space or human resources.

"So this is almost taking it to the next step in terms of, okay, now where can we really formalize things and move things forward, keeping in mind that there's going to be questions along the way," de Rocquigny said. "There will be concerns along the way as well in terms of membership.

"Part of the process is to understand some of those questions and concerns and to address them and to try to answer some of those questions as well so that we can as organizations communicate and provide some answers hopefully for the membership that does have questions."

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for most of the year just depreciating? By renting that same equipment, you spend approximately \$10/acre—that's only \$10,000 on 1,000 acres use and there isn't even interest figured into the \$150,000. Using this simple example, \$10,000 is small compared to the cost of the equipment."

When talking about his farming operation, Thiessen said it isn't a fully-partnered business but one where they work together using the well-used system of being the extra help during the business time and getting the others to work his land.

It also works well with rotating

crops. He's planting wheat and canola on his 300 acres and the others planting other crops as the rotation calls for.

"Personally, I'm growing wheat and canola, but no soybeans, but the farm is. We all work together, everything's just worked together as one family, but with separate economic entities," Thiessen said..

When we talked earlier this month, as the temperatures started warming up, he felt there is a good attitude amongst farmers.

"I think it's very good. Talking to them more, been getting some calls for rentals. The thing is just they aren't quite there yet [regarding field conditions and soil temperatures] and it's just getting going this week, so basically most guys and preparing," Thiessen said. "It's just a touch wet in places there still. Whenever it rains here, just a little trickle and you start to see the water come out from underneath. That water table is right up there. You also need to be careful where you start to go through a low spot, but realize you have to go around."

You can get in touch with Thiessen at 204-825-0170.

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Crab Critter

1 apple

1 mini marshmallow

Cut apple in half lengthwise and remove stem. Remove core from one apple half.

Slice apple half without core into 8 wedges to serve as critter's legs.

Set aside second apple half, which will serve as critter's body.

Take two legs and make simple zigzag cuts into flesh to create "claw-like" shape.

On a plate, arrange critter's legs, fanning them out, then place claws in front of legs and reserved apple half on top for the head.

Cut mini marshmallow in half. Gooey side of each will easily stick to critter's head to serve as eyes.

Little Mouse

1 pear

1 slice orange rind

1 marshmallow

1 grape

2 toothpicks

Cut pear in half lengthwise. On plate, lay pear cut-side down.

Using peeler, slice 3 inches of rind from orange. Trim sides to result in long, thin rectangle. Coil length of rind around finger and hold to set shape.

Cut one slice from end of marshmallow then cut that round in half to create two half-moon shapes. Gooey edge of each half-moon will stick to top of pear half to serve as critter's ears. Break toothpick in half and place picks in location for critter's eyes, leaving about 1/4 inch sticking out from fruit.

Slice ends off of one grape and place domes over toothpicks to serve as eyes.

Using toothpick, make hole in back end of critter to place tail. Stick end of coiled orange rind into hole using toothpick to wedge rind into fruit. Reshape coil, as needed.

Note: Remember to remove toothpicks before nibbling.

Twice Baked Potato Jackets

Recipe courtesy of Smithbites.com

8 small Yukon Gold potatoes

1 cup Classic Hummus salt, to taste pepper, to taste

extra-virgin olive oil, for drizzling 2 tablespoons chopped rosemary

Heat oven to 425 F.

Scrub potatoes and poke with fork 2-3 times to allow steam to escape while baking.

Place whole potatoes on rimmed sheet pan and bake approximately 25-30 minutes, or until potatoes are soft; cool 10 minutes.

Carefully slice potatoes in half lengthwise; scoop out insides into bowl, leaving 1/4-inch ring of potato around edges.

Lightly mash potato chunks; add hummus and stir until combined. Season mixture with salt and pepper; taste and adjust, if necessary.

Using spoon, divide potato-hummus filling evenly between potato jackets. Drizzle with olive oil and broil 5-7 minutes, or until tops are golden and crispy; watch closely as they will burn quickly.

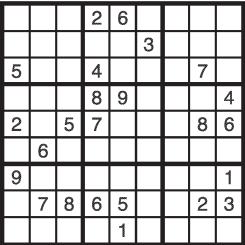
Remove from broiler and sprinkle with rosemary and pinch of salt. Serve immediately.

Katie Cares street hockey tourney sets new record



Thirteen teams came out to play for the annual katie Cares Street Hockey Tournament title last Saturday at the Winkler rink. In the end, it was the Jagr Bombs and the Crocus Realty teams who came out on top in their divisions. The real winner, though. was Katie Cares. Organizers were still finalizing fundraising numbers at press time, but estimate that thanks to corporate sponsorships, team registrations, and donations. the event may have raised nearly \$10,000—twice that of last year's tournament.

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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!

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!

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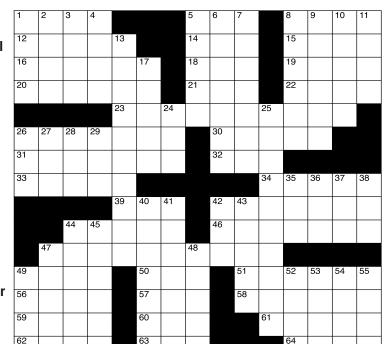
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Crossword Answer

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- 1. Baby's first words
- 5. Expression of creative skill
- 8. Reddish-brown coating
- 12. Spanish province
- 14. Stinging insect
- 15. Greek temple pillars
- 16. Refurbish
- 18. Cave-dwelling amphibian
- 19. Millisecond
- 20. Removes something
- 21. Trendy
- 22. The Buckeye State
- 23. "Taken" actor
- 26. Of the skull
- 30. Made a mistake
- 31. Malignant tumor
- 32. Not night
- 33. German heavyweight boxer
- 34. Indicates weight
- 39. Businessman
- 42. Charged negatively
- 44. Indian instrument
- 46. Helps you know where you're going
- 47. Written works
- 49. Kate and Rooney's last
- 50. Fast, flightless Aussie bird
- 51. Jerry, George, Kramer and
- 56. Dodger great Hershiser
- 57. Where wine ferments (abbr.) 58. Supreme Allied Cmdr.
- **Europe**
- 59. Vedic god of fire
- 60. Not well
- 61. They grow into plants
- 62. Variety of pear
- 63. Where golfers start
- 64. Posterior **CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Challenge
- 2. Assert



- 3. A female operatic star
- 4. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 5. Resistance unit
- 6. Attached a new backing canvas
- 7. Method painting
- 8. Branched
- 9. Barefooted
- 10. Beer mug
- 11. Beloved Mexican dish
- 13. Make better
- 17. One-time king of Troy
- 24. Pie _ __ mode
- 25. St. Anthony's fire
- 26. Reciprocal of a sine
- 27. -rah skirt
- 28. Notre Dame coach
- **Parseghian** 29. Computer hardware company

- 35. Policeman
- 36. Black tropical American cuckoo
- 37. Popular basketball player Jeremy
- 38. Electrocardiogram
- 40. Cheese dish
- 41. Prickly shrub
- 42. Atomic mass unit
- 43. Nostrils
- 44. Enchantresses
- 45. Emphatic typeface
- 47. One of the Florida Keys
- 48. Soft, fine material
- 49. Moutainous tract in Jordan
- 52. Breezes through
- 53. Professional assn. for tech pros
- 54. Class of comb jellies
- 55. Formerly (archaic)

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at the RM of Stanley Building, Hwy 14 All PC members welcome. Memberships available at the door.

NOTICES



UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter: THE CITY OF MORDEN BY-LAW 08-2017 Being the CITY OF MORDEN new ZONING BY-LAW

Replacing the current Zoning By-law 22-2008

HEARING Morden Civic Centre **LOCATION:** 195 Stephen St., Morden, MB DATE & Monday, June 26, 2017

TIME: @ 7:00pm **TO**: Replace current

Zoning By-law 22-2008 FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Martin Sandhurst, City Planner 133-7th Street, Morden, MB Phone: (204) 822-4434

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Skills required:

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- Be willing to take First Aid training and complete a Criminal Record Check
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Please send resumes to:

Bonnie Dobson

Director of Human Resources.

Gateway Resources

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Email bonnie@gatewayresourcesinc.com

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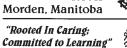
The preferred candidate will have excellent communication skills, office skills, office experience, self-discipline, ability to work independently, a strong team player within the Festival Committee, work positively with volunteers while working in a fast past environment.

Please forward your cover letter, resume, and references in confidence to the Morden Corn & Apple Festival, 200 -379 Stephen Street, Morden, MB R6M 1V1 or fax to 204-822-1625 or email to admin@cornandapple.com.

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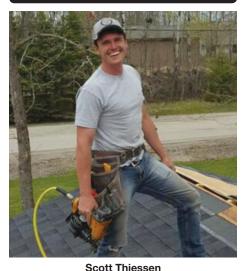
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OBITUARY

Helena Dyck (nee Elias) 1929 - 2017

Our Mom, Helen Dyck, went to be with the Lord on Sunday morning, May 7, 2017 at the age of 87.

She will be dearly missed by her loving family and friends. She is survived by her sister, Annie Rempel, Winkler, MB; children, Carol (Dave) Wiens, Calgary, AB; Shirley (Pete) Sawatzky, Morden, MB; Linda (Hank) Dixon, Winnipeg, MB; Bob Dyck, Morden, MB; son-in-law, Bob (Chrissi) Klassen, Ninette, MB; Jake (Geraldine) Dyck, Kelowna, BC; John (Linda) Dyck, High Level, AB; Peter (Traci Schroeder) Dyck, Morden, MB; Lisa (Paul) Terpstra, Winnipeg, MB. Mom always enjoyed having her 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren around. Mom was predeceased by her loving husband, Isaac Dyck and her cherished daughter, Kathy Klassen.

Mom was an avid prayer warrior praying daily for her family and friends. She enjoyed spending time in her flower garden, making blankets for missions at church, involved in character builders, seniors' faspa, knitting, embroidery and sewing for her children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Mom had a wonderful way of accepting everyone. She modeled for all of us the grace of God in action.

Memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 12, 2017 at Morden Sommerfeld Mennonite Church with interment prior at Blumenfeld Cemetery.

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(Clarence) Gary Bartleman

It is with deep sadness that his family announces the passing of Gary Bartleman of Morden at the BTHC at the age of 85 years on April 9, 2017.

He will be remembered and greatly missed by his wife of almost 60 years, Janet, and his son Robert, daughter Patricia, grandchildren Colin, Morgan, April and Sierra, brother Donald of Richmond, BC. and sister Gail MacLean of Edmonton, AB, as well as sister-in-law Anne Parker and brother-in-law Brian Parker of Winnipeg.

He was predeceased by his father David, mother Florence, and step-mother Rose and sister-in-law Marilyn (Don) Bartleman.

Gary was a life member of St. Paul's United Church in Morden serving on the board and singing in the choir. He enjoyed farming the Bartleman Century Farm (1881 - 1981) until he retired to Morden in 1990 to a home on the Golf Course.

While farming he grew mainly wheat and special crops such as corn. He was President of the Manitoba Corn Growers for a term and really enjoyed the association with other corn growers. In the early years of farming he met Janet Stevenson, a school teacher from Morris whom he

married on August 17, 1957. They farmed together and in addition to farming, his shop was a busy place manufacturing scales for weighing hogs, repairing farm equipment and in spare hours building clocks on his wood lathe.

Gary loved golfing and enjoyed curling. For a span of over 20 years he and Janet spent winters in Mesa, Arizona where he played tennis and bridge and danced to the big bands' music Saturday nights. While retired he built many remote-controlled airplanes, flying them at home and also in Mesa.

Up until his first stroke in 2014 Gary was someone who very much enjoyed being active.

In honour of his life, a memorial service was held at St. Paul's United Church, Morden on April 13, 2017. The family service was held at Hillside Cemetery followed by a service of celebration and reception at St. Paul's United Church.

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OBITUARY

Annie Tina Unrau (nee Dyck) 1941 - 2017

Ann Unrau peacefully passed away at the age of 76 years on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 12:07 a.m. at Boundary Trails Health Centre with John and Robert by her side.

Ann was born on January 8, 1941 to Anton and Tina Dyck in Austin, MB. Left to mourn is her husband of almost 42 years, John; son, Robert; daughter, Joanne and her husband, Harv and their children; one brother; two sisters and their families as well as numerous nieces and nephews and friends. She was predeceased by her father in 2002, her mother in 2007 and her grandson, Jayden Martens in 2004.

Growing up, Ann attended the Kronsweide Sommerfeld Church and upon confession of her faith was baptized on June 9, 1963 at

Kronsweide Sommerfeld Church. Ann, the oldest of four children spent her childhood growing up on her parents' farm in the Melba school district area where she attended grade school. She completed her high school education in Lowe Farm after which she moved to Winnipeg and worked at Standard Aero. In 1962, Ann was blessed with the birth of her son, Robert which led to her moving back to Southern Manitoba. There she became employed as a telephone operator for MTS, first in Plum Coulee and later in Morden. Upon deciding to further her education, she returned to school attending MIT in Winnipeg to study stenography. After this, she found employment as the secretary to the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Manitoba situated at the Health Sciences Centre then known as the General Hospital, where she remained until 1973. She then moved to Winkler, taking on the job as the school secretary at the Garden Valley Collegiate.

This is when a gentleman from her past started "calling" on Ann and they rekindled a friendship they had in their teens. On July 19, 1975, she married John P Unrau. They established their home on the Unrau family farm, north-west of Rosenfeld, just a few miles from her childhood home. In November 1976, they were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Joanne. During their time on the farm, Ann always kept busy. As well as raising her family with John and helping him on the farm. She had many hobbies which she excelled at such as gardening, sewing and knitting to name just a few. She loved to go camping with the family. She took up piano lessons again and ended up playing organ at her church in Kronsweide. She was also a school trustee at the Rhineland School Division for six years. After the kids grew up and she had a bit more time on her hands she returned to working outside the farm, and took on the job as secretary at various businesses. The farm sold in 2004 and they moved to Winkler. Ann began to volunteer at Faith Mission and at church as her health allowed. She continued to pursue her hobbies and spent time on her computer. Ann faithfully kept in touch with many friends, relatives and family from all over through Facebook and emails.

In 2001, Ann suffered a heart attack which resulted in her continued struggle with congestive heart failure. On the evening of Thursday, April 13, John realized something was wrong and had a conversation with Ann's doctor who admitted her to Boundary Trails Health Centre. Within the next two weeks, the doctors had diagnosed tumors in both her lungs and confirmed that she had stage 4 bone cancer. Monday evening, God answered her and let her fall into a deep, peaceful sleep after a restless day and within a few hours, took her home.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at Winkler Sommerfeld Mennonite Church with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

The family is grateful and blessed for all the support they have been shown these last few weeks. Thank you for the excellent care provided by the doctors, nurses and support staff at BTHC. Thank you for the support from the Sommerfeld Church Ministerial. Thank you Bishop Art Wiebe and Kathy, for your help with the funeral arrangements and doing the service. Thank you for the help in serving at the funeral to the pallbearers, ushers, organist, songleaders, parking attendants and food servers from the church. Thank you to the staff at Wiebe Funeral Home for taking care of all the arrangements. Thank you friends and family for the visits, cards, food and gifts. It was a blessing to know that mom had regular company in the hospital. Your support has helped in this time. Thank you for your prayers.

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OBITUARY



Eileen Agnetha Wiens (nee Hildebrand) 1938 - 2017

On Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at Tabor Home in Morden, MB, Eileen Wiens aged 79 years went to her eternal rest.

She leaves to mourn her passing, two daughters, Glenda (Ron) Schwarz, Karen (David) Pettinger; one son, Daryl Wiens; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and one sister.

She was predeceased by her husband, Hank Wiens in 2005.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 21, 2017 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel 1050 Thornhill St. in Morden with private family ash interment at Hillside

Donations in Eileen's memory may be made to Teen Challenge.

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OBITUARY

Tina Groening (nee Heinrichs)



1918 - 2017
Tina Groening was born on January 25, 1918 to Peter and Helena Heinrichs, in the R.M. of Rhineland. She married Frank Groening on August 13, 1944. They farmed south of Lowe Farm for 30 years. Here they raised five daughters and one son. In 1973 Mom and Dad had a major car accident which led to their retirement and a move to Winkler in 1974. When their house and yard became too difficult to maintain, they moved into Lion's Court in 1990. Dad died in 1995 and Mom continued to live in Lion's Court for another 20 years. She was hospitalized in March of 2015 and moved into Tabor Home in Morden in June of that year. On May 5, 2017, at the age of 99, she peacefully moved to her heavenly home, with all her children at her bedside.

We remember some of her Godly characteristics: Her unconditional love for her family and for her God, her self-sacrifice for others and her thankfulness. She had an unwavering trust in God and easily broke into praise for the things He had done for her.

She is lovingly remembered by her five daughters: June and Peter Voth, Phyllis and Roland Loeppky, Gladys and Clarence Hiebert, Sandi and Larry Eidse, Elva Groening and one son, Lloyd and Marge Groening; 17 grandchildren and their spouses and 30 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by six sisters: Susan, Nettie, Agatha, Jessie, Elma, Lil and one brother, Irvin. She was predeceased by her husband, Frank; one son-in-law, Mel Groening; one great-grandson, River Eidse; five sisters and numerous in-laws.

Funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at the EMMC Church in Winkler with interment at Rosefarm Cemetery.

We wish to thank the kind and caring staff at Tabor Home, the chaplain, Morris Vincent, Mom's pastor, James Peters, Mom's sisters, our spouses and children and our many friends, who all supported us in the last weeks. Thank you to Wiebe Funeral Home for their kind service.

We sorrow deeply and will greatly miss our Mom, especially her love and prayers. But we rejoice that her prayers to be with Jesus have been answered. We look forward to the day when we will be together again.

The Groening family

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Derek Todd Krassman 1961 - 2017

On Saturday, May 6, 2017, Todd Krassman, 55, of Morden, MB went to his eternal rest.

Todd was born on May 8th, 1961 in Regina, Saskatchewan to Vic and Myrna Krassman. He spent most of his childhood with his brother, Mike and sisters, Shelley and Tracy in Indian Head, Saskatchewan until the family moved to Morden, Manitoba in 1972. Morden would become his treasured home, although, much to the dismay of his new found Manitoba friends, he remained a devout Saskatchewan Roughrider Fan for his entire life. In 1989. Todd married the love of his life, Pam Brunn. Todd and Pam lived a short time in Killarney where they made many life long friends, but returned to their true home in Morden after a few years. Todd

lived life to the maximum. He never did anything "half way". After he suffered a tragic work place accident as a young diesel mechanic, he immediately moved on to Agricultural parts, then to car sales. Anyone who knew Todd knows, when you were in his presence, you were his priority. It made him an incredible salesman but more importantly, it made him an extraordinary human being and a devoted friend. In spite of having lived more than half his short life in chronic pain, he played hockey, he golfed, and he coached young hockey players and contributed enormously to everyone who had the good fortune to have known him. Hockey and golf were his passions, but people were always his priority.

Todd leaves to mourn his passing his beloved wife, Pam; his amazing mother, Myrna; father, Vic (deceased); sisters, Shelley and Tracy (Mark); brother, Mike; father and mother-in-law, Ron and Marianne; brother and sister-in-law, Dion and Edith; sister and brother-in-law, Tania and Todd; nieces and nephews, Aislyn, Colten, Aiden, Trevor (Chantel), Kevin, Aaron , Cameron, Tayah, Carter and Zenith.

Todd has left us but we all know what he wants his tombstone to say, that is, Paid In Full! Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at the Access Event Centre in Morden with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

Donations in Todd's memory may be made to Canadian Blood Services.

The family would like to offer their deep appreciation for all the visits, gifts of food, offers of condolences, and thoughts and prayers. Special thanks to the EMT, Police and Wiebe Funeral $\label{thm:compassion} \mbox{Home for their care and compassion during this very difficult time. We would also like to express$ our gratitude to Tom Baker and Gerald Dyck for officiating and their guidance in planning this celebration to honor Todd.

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A bunch of good news for your health

An extensive survey, financed by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, has shown the numerous benefits of plants, flowers and gardening in general on the environment and on peoples' physical and mental health.

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It has been observed, for example, that plants possess anti-stress characteristics. Sure enough, having plants inside the home can lower blood pressure by one to four units.

Another study done in the United States shows that gardening is a hobby which can increase our level of satisfaction with life and improves our general state of health. This research has established that gardeners have a better appetite for life and show more determination faced with day-to-day problems. Gardeners have better temperaments, are more optimistic and happier. In short, they seem to be much more positive about life than those who do not garden.

Besides which, researchers have found that plants have a calming effect, no doubt because they remind a lot of us of our roots in the countryside. They also help people to renew their bond with nature. Finally, gardening contributes to our physical health as it requires us to walk, change position constantly and expend lots of energy. Keeping physically active by working in the garden has, therefore, a beneficial effect on our general state of health

Beautiful pergolas

A pergola is a beautifully designed garden structure, made of cross beams supported by posts. Usually made of wood, examples in aluminum, wrought iron, bamboo and even vinyl can now be found. Pergolas add interest to any landscape, a touch of magic, while offering solutions to certain constraints within the garden such as lack of shade or privacy.

Pergolas are easily integrated into any setting, providing shade for a terrace or the garden. A room without walls, a pergola can transform an area of your property into a place of rest, relaxation or concentration. Attached to the house or free-standing, it offers all the advantages of an airy space, as sunny or shady as you desire, eye-catching and comfortable. Emulating a courtyard, a pergola quickly becomes the ideal place for relaxing, especially when furnished with comfortable chairs, loungers or a swing.

It is a structure often used to support climbing plants such as vines, climbing roses, wisteria or clematis, providing charm as well as shade. Pergolas are often perceived as places of well-being, so any plants should contribute to this

impression. To achieve this result, particular attention should be paid to the choice of plants and their arrangement. Every plant should enhance the beauty of the pergola. Their leaves and flowers as well as their colours and scents will all add to the attractiveness of the structure. Pots of flowers can be used to embellish the inside of the pergola or its corners.





What's trending in home décor this season?

Freshening up your home for spring and summer is simple with a few strategic changes, inspired by top trends from design experts and Pinterest boards. Here are some ideas to make your home magazine cover-ready.

Contemporary colours. Colour is having a major moment, with new hues shaking up classic design. Navy is the new black and works as a great neutral in the kitchen or living room, while jewel tones are perfect for decorative accents. Greenery is Pantone's colour of the year and will make any space instantly fashionable. The fresh and zesty yellow-green hue is symbolic of new beginnings, but any shade is a design win this season.

Floral fabrics. Embrace spring and summer with flowery prints. Play with a variety of patterns and sizes and stick to a unifying colour scheme for a look that says modern chic, not antiquated grandmother.

Tiles with texture. Subway tiles are so 2016, now replaced by rustic materials like wood, terracotta and cork. Keep the look crisp and lines clean by using a matte finish and placing tiles on an accent wall or item, like the fire-

Picturesque plants. Take a cue from Pinterest and green your interiors with indoor vines — climbing plants have risen in popularity on the platform by over 200 per cent since last year. Pretty Heartleaf Philodendron is easy to grow and ideal for beginners.

Wow-factor windows. Create drama, dimension and interest not only at the window, but also in the light that cascades into the room with the right window treatments. From solids to textures to stripes to smallscale designs, new Designer Banded Shades from Hunter Douglas offer a fabric to fit your style. Top it off with a sophisticated colour palette featuring fresh neutrals, greys and pops of colour that excite. Intelligent design enables the shade to transition from open to closed seamlessly, providing a modern solution for view-through, light control and privacy.

Simple ways to brighten your home

Small adjustments to everyday items you rarely think about can create a big impact. Try these easy, chic ideas the next time you're looking for a weekend project.

Fresh furniture. Use white or lightcoloured furniture to open up any space. Think cream couches and white dressers or side tables. Design experts are loving acrylic furniture right now, so if you're feeling fashion forward, try it in a coffee table or shelving unit.

Seamless window treatments. Sleek and streamlined window treatments allow sunlight to stream through without glare. A sheer shade in a natural material like linen is key, which you can find in the Pirouette line from Hunter Douglas. The shadings feature soft fabric vanes attached to a sheer backing that appears to be floating, drawing natural light into your room.

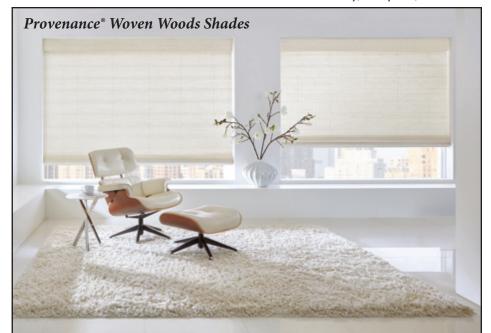
Magic mirrors. Fake extra square footage with strategic use of mirrors. A cramped entryway with mirrored closets will double in size, while a decorative mirror in a dark corner will make your space appear bigger and brighter. Metallic finishes in semi-reflective materials, like on-trend copper, are another way to get this look.

Bright bulbs. Clean dusty lamps and switch out yellow-tinted bulbs for bright white LEDs in the highest recommended wattage. You can also try "invisible lighting" — clear glass lamps that hang for the ceiling to illuminate without taking up valuable floor space.

Curated accessories. Select accents and decorative elements thoughtfully to eliminate visual clutter and create a cheery mood. Artisan pieces like glass-blown vases and handcrafted baskets are sure to make a statement.

Paint power. Almost nothing is easier and quicker than using a fresh coat of paint to update a space. Choose pale pastels, which are perfect for spring and summer décor and will keep you calm and cool in warmer months. Don't think you have to commit to painting a whole room choose an accent wall to highlight or revive kitchen cabinets to breathe new life into your home.

Open shelving. Closed bookcases and shelves darken and break up the flow of a room. Opt for open shelving instead, showcasing pretty items with a nautical or tropical theme for the season.



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A DAY IN THE GARDEN

Combat summer heat with a shade garden

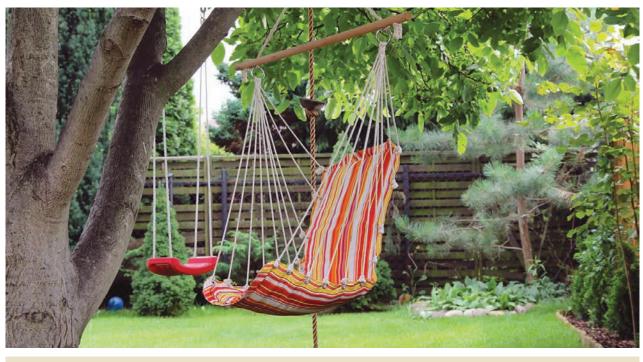
finding a cool, shady spot where you can hide from the sun's powerful rays. Creating a shade garden for UV and heat protection is an increasingly popular trend, and garden centres everywhere have a variety of shadehardy plants in stock to brighten up the space.

garden where you'll be free to relax and cool off, about the space you intend to turn into a shade garden. refreshing drink in hand. Create your very own oasis of This way, the specialists in store will be able to recompeace by adding a bench, lounge chair or hamac accompanied by a little side table. For a more elaborate design, of the lack of sun exposure. bring in some garden furniture and install a fountain or even a play area for the children.

Are you afraid the space will look too dark and lifethrive in the shade, you can easily achieve a beautiful

There's no better feeling on a sweltering hot day than and inviting garden. First, determine the type of shade you're dealing with (light, medium or dense). To help guide you, note the number of hours of sunlight that space typically gets on any given day. Furthermore, are there any tree roots present in the area? Is the soil rich or poor, dry or moist? Before heading out to your Pick a shady area in your yard to set up a magnificent favourite garden centre, jot down every detail you can mend plants that will grow without difficulty, regardless

Naturally, flowering plants that thrive in the shade are far and few between. Thus, to succeed in creating a beautiful shade garden, it's recommended less? Rest assured! By selecting a variety of plants that to play with the shapes, textures and colours of the foliage instead. On that note, happy gardening!



Garden planning tips for extreme climates

healthy, varied garden can seem like an uphill • Volume and nature of precipitation struggle. Whether your main challenge is perma- (heavy rain or snowfall, frequent droughts) frost or perma-drought, here are some tips for plan• Average seasonal temperature variation ning successful landscaping projects in less-than- • Severe weather risk level forgiving weather conditions.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

If you haven't done so already, find out which plant hardiness zone vou're located in by visiting www.planthardiness.gc.ca. Being aware of your zone is a good place to start your search for suitable row down local climate particularities that affect when researching plants hardy to your region ous shrub. Ask a local pro about their preferences. include:

- If you live in an extreme climate, maintaining a Soil type (clay, loam, silt)

A FIGHTING CHANCE

Sure, you'll impress your neighbours if you manage to grow a notoriously fickle exotic flower in your Yellowknife garden, but your chances of success are slim. Instead of fighting Mother Nature, work with her by favouring species that are native plants to include in your garden, but the system to your area. Rest assured that native doesn't have isn't without its flaws. A variety of other factors, to mean boring: you'd be surprised at the variety of including chill hours and sunset times, can nar-species that thrive in seemingly hostile conditions. Cacti aren't the only drought-resistant plants, and plant survival. Other characteristics to consider there's more to Arctic flora than the odd conifer-

> Finally, if your area is experiencing a drought, heat wave or polar vortex, it's best to either delay planting, or start your seedlings indoors.

Do you lack a green thumb?

beautiful garden bursting with colour. If you think you lack a green thumb, here are seven tricks to help you grow stunning, healthy plants that will make you proud to say, "I planted those."

- 1. Use gardening soil specifically intended for planting purposes and add compost to enrich the earth. Avoid buying regular black earth, which is poor in essential minerals.
- 2. Choose plants that are easy to grow. You can find out which plants are best suited to your region and require little maintenance by speaking to a specialist at your local garden centre.
- 3. Make sure you plant everything in the right place. Always follow the sunshine recommendations on the label, or else your plants will remain frail and flower-

- With the right advice, anyone can create a 4. To reduce the risk of disease, add a good layer of mulch to keep weeds from invading your flowerbeds, and be careful not to
 - 5. Water your flowerbeds with lukewarm or cool water either early in the morning or late at night. Do this once or twice every week; it's better to water less often but in greater quantity. Avoid watering the leaves and flowers directly. Instead, aim the water stream at the base of each plant.
 - 6. Get rid of weeds and wilted flowers regu-
 - 7. Add fertilizer to your flowers and shrubs every 15 days, or according to the manufacturer's directions.

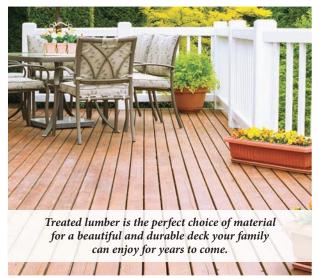
Successfully creating a beautiful garden is often a question of trial and error, so don't get discouraged! All it takes is a little confi-





Wood decks: durable and affordable

Among all of the flooring options available on the for its reasonable cost and long lifesmarket for decks, terraces and patios, treated lumber is pan. Often made from pine or spruce, your deck remains in prime condiundeniably one of the more popular choices, mainly these pressure-treated wooden



planks are equally suitable for ground-level patios and elevated balconies. Are you looking to complement your yard with a beautiful terrace? Treated wood might be exactly the building material you're looking

Easy to cut, carve and paint, treatin design and resistant to insects and tance, it's also very easy to work with. For example, to preserve the natural beauty of the surface, you can stain or paint the wood in a colour of your

choosing. Furthermore, to ensure tion for years to come, you can apply a transparent, waterproof sealant available at any hardware store.

Contrary to popular belief, wood is actually one of the more ecofriendly options available for deck flooring. Given their exceptional durability, wooden planks limit the number of trees chopped down each ed lumber is the perfect choice of year. Additionally, wood is a reusable material for a terrace that is unique and biodegradable material that is highly regulated by environmental rot. In addition to its superior resisagencies worldwide. To build a timeless wooden deck of the highest quality, entrust your project to a professional carpenter!

The art of lighting your property and landscape

Embellishing your deck, yard or showcase. A beautiful plant that garden with lighting involves more you're particularly fond of? The than simply lining your pathways and flowerbeds with light fixtures. Indeed, there are certain rules you should follow for your landscape fixtures (lights, lanterns, projeclighting to effectively show off your tors, etc.) at random. All it takes is property come sunset.

steps and pathways need to be ume in any yard, big or small. clearly visible so that you can walk sconces and embedded ground your landscape you would like to ful blend of shadow and light.

entrance gate? The fountain? The statue? To add a bit of magic, play with the lighting and install your a well-focused beam of light to First, let's focus on safety. Your create an illusion of depth and vol-

Above all, it's important to note around with ease while staying out that it isn't necessary to illuminate of harm's way. Wall-mounted the entire garden to create a warm atmosphere. An attractive yard lights are extremely useful for that you'll enjoy admiring from lighting dark areas with style. Next, your patio or upstairs bedroom think about which elements of window is but the result of a care-



Are you familiar with stamped concrete?

If you've never seen a patio mounted on stamped time you come across one. Stamped concrete is textured or embossed to imitate the look of flagstone, brick, ceramic tile, wood and various other materials. Beyond its decorative appeal, stamped concrete also has a wide range of surprising qualities. Read on to find out more!

For starters, stamped concrete is a stable material that is highly resistant to temperature fluctuations, rot, premature wear, invasive insects and fire. It's also environmentally friendly: it produces significantly lower greenhouse gas emissions than traditional cement and is 100 per cent recyclable.

When you choose concrete for your deck floorconcrete, you'll likely be quite impressed the first ing, you're opting for peace of mind. Concrete has an expected lifespan of at least 25 years and requires very little maintenance. In fact, all you need to do to preserve its lustrous sheen is to apply a sealant every two to three years and remove stains with a an all-purpose solvent. It's that simple!

> Consult a specialist in your area for the proper installation of your stamped concrete patio, staircase, walkway, driveway or pool area. With so many shapes, colours and designs to choose from, the possibilities are endless! To enhance the beauty of your landscape and increase your property's overall value, stamped concrete is well worth the invest-



Outdoor spring cleaning

The warm weather is here and that means one thing: spending lots of time in the backyard. But before summer arrives, take a moment to inspect your outdoor structures for winter damage. Without regular cleaning and maintenance, wooden patios, terraces, balconies and staircases will soon start looking worse for wear.

Wood that is exposed to sunlight will eventually turn grey. Remove the dull colour, along with any nail stains and ground-in dirt, with a concentrated, bleach-free cleaning product. This will restore much of the wood's original beauty and leave it looking brighter. By the same token, mould can be removed with a bit of household bleach diluted in water. Just rub in and rinse well.

This is also the perfect time to check for wood rot. Any rotten planks, stairs or rails should be immediately replaced. During your inspection, check to see if any nails have popped out due to expansion of the wood. You can pound them back in with a hammer, or even better, replace them with galvanized screws designed specifically for outdoor use.

Protecting wood from ultraviolet rays and rain is the best way to protect your investment. For best results, use a stain or transparent, oil-based finish, or avoid discoloration and flaking with a long-lasting, semitransparent or solid-coloured stain. And don't forget to select a colour that will blend well with your home's exterior.

If it's time to replace a patio, terrace, balcony or staircase, consider high-quality treated wood or an easy-to-maintain material such as vinyl, fibreglass or synthetic resin.

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Make way for a new shed

Are you running out of storage space in your basement or garage? Take it outside—to a shed, that is! Whether you're buying your first shed or replacing an old one to improve your property, the first thing to look for is a good, solid construction. It's also important to choose a size that conforms to municipal bylaws, the space available and how you intend to use it. If you plan to store a snow-blower or lawn tractor in the shed, make sure its doors provide enough clearance space. Also keep the windows small so that they don't greatly reduce the wall storage space.

As for the shed's aesthetics, it's always best to choose a model that blends well with the style, architecture and exterior of your home. That said, don't try to match the house exactly. Just borrow a few stylistic elements such

as the cladding or windows. In terms of exterior materials, vinyl siding generally offers good quality at a great price. Pale colours will better withstand the sun's ultraviolet rays, but you may prefer the darker colours of wood laminate siding, which can be repainted after a few years. Though more expensive, wood siding will bring elegance to your shed and allow it to blend more tastefully into the landscape. On the other hand, a metal shed provides convenient storage at an affordable price. No matter which style of shed you choose, be sure the material, framework and construction are of a good quality.

To install your new shed, remove the sod along with several inches of soil and fill the excavation with gravel. Then set the shed on cement blocks or posts secured with screws.



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