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Getting ready to spread some cheer

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler Mayor Martin Harder stopped by the Winkler and District Christmas Cheer Board's October meeting earlier this month to officially declare the month of November as Cheer Board Days.

Harder inked the annual proclamation on Oct. 15, giving the organization a few weeks to finish planning for the kick-off to this year's campaign, which culminates with the distribution of hundreds of food and gift hampers to families in need in December.

"We have expectations that we will probably have more hampers than last year," said president Francis Fehr, who noted the 2014 campaign hit the 315 hamper mark.

Each hamper is filled with food, toiletries, and children's gifts to

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Winkler Mayor Martin Harder (seated, centre) was surrounded by Winkler and District Christmas Cheer Board members when he officially declared November as Cheer Board Days. The Cheer Board will be collecting food and monetary donations in the lead-up to its December holiday hamper campaign.

make the holidays a little brighter for families who are struggling financially, Fehr said.

"Just like you and me, people don't want to go hungry at Christmas and to be able to offer up something so that they can enjoy their Christmas and have food over Christmas, that's really important," he said.

November is a key month in the Cheer Board's annual campaign, Fehr stressed. "This is when we get busy. A lot of planning goes into this throughout the year and this is when our committee really revs up and gets going

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Malarchuk to headline Winkler business gala

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Former NHL goalie Clint Malarchuk will be the guest speaker for the Winkler and District Chamber of Commerce's 2016 P.W. Enns Business Awards Gala.

The chamber made the announcement during its Small Business Week Luncheon last week.

Chamber president Ryan Hildebrand said Malarchuk's struggles with mental health throughout his life makes for a poignant story.

"From my background with Eden Health Care services, we've seen that mental health is such a huge determinant of health in the workplace," said Hildebrand, who works as Eden's CFO.

"We just thought that this was a good time to bring in an advocate for mental health and to talk to businesses about that," he said."One in five of us struggle with mental health issues. So people in their businesses already have somebody, have employees that

> CHEER, FROM PG. 1

Donation bins for non-perishable

food items will begin popping up

in public spaces over the next few

weeks. The Cheer Board is also team-

ing up with local schools for collec-

"I think it's important to get the

youth part of it and just to make sure

they realize there's people in need as

Winkler Co-op will also once again

be giving customers a chance to do-

nate at the till, with the funds raised

allowing the Cheer Board to pick up

a few of the perishable items that are

The Cheer Board also has a few other awareness and fundraising events

well at Christmas," Fehr said.

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not donated.

... we have a lot of fun doing this."

are struggling with this. We just wanted to give them some resources and help with this kind of thing."

Malarchuk is best known for having survived a terrifying injury during a 1989 game when another player's skate cut open his throat, causing massive blood loss right there on the ice.

Malarchuk survived thanks to the quick response of his team's athletic trainer, Jim Puzzutelli. He returned to the ice just 10 days later, but has spent nearly 30 years dealing with the mental fall-out the near death experience caused.

In the years since, Malarchuk has battled post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, and anxiety, on top of the obsessive-compulsive disorder he's had since he was a boy.

Today, Malarchuk travels the country sharing the story of his struggles with mental illness and his road to recovery.

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From left: On Oct. 20, the Access Credit Union's Terry Hamm and the Winkler chamber's Tanya Chateauneuf and Ryan Hildebrand announced that former NHL goalie Clint Malarchuk will be the guest speaker at the 2016 business awards gala next April.





planned for November; details are expected in the coming weeks.

The campaign wouldn't be possible without the generosity of the community, Fehr emphasized.

"Last year we needed just under \$50,000, and that's kind of what our goal is for this year, too," he said, noting the campaign also draws in hundreds of donations of food, which really help to fill up the hampers.

Application forms for hampers will be distributed to school liaisons, churches, and community organizations and charities such as Central Station and Donate Love.

The hampers will be put together by volunteers Dec. 7-9 and distributed on Dec. 9.

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Honouring small business

From Pg. 3

The awards gala takes place on April 21. Tickets go on sale in November.

While the guest speaker announcement capped off the Small Business Week Luncheon, the real focus of the midday gathering was to shine a spotlight on the important role small businesses play in our community.

"The small businesses, they're the backbone of our economy, the backbone of Winkler and all the communities around here," said Hildebrand. "So it's hugely important for us to pick a couple of our members and get them to share their story."

Many of today's most successful companies had humble beginnings, Hildebrand noted, and the next generation of entrepreneurs can learn a lot about how to succeed from hearing how others overcame common challenges.

"Getting a bunch of businesses



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"I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE HERE WITHOUT LEARNING SOME OF THE THINGS I LEARNED ALONG THE WAY."

in one area, that helps to grow their business, or at least get some ideas," he said. "There's great partners in the community. There may be relationships that are built in the networking sessions here, or they may pull some ideas out of the presentations."

Luncheon attendees heard from speakers from Chad's Auto Repair Shop, South Central Immigrant Services, and Steel Tech Inc.

Chad Berg shared how his company has grown significantly over the last 20 years, expanding the shop space several times and bringing on new staff as demand for their auto repair services grew.

"We're constantly working towards being a one-stop shop and over the years have seen many things change," he said, stressing one key to the shop's success has been embracing changing





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At the Winkler chamber's Small Business Week Luncheon, Steel Tech's Jake Friesen shared some of the lessons he learned in starting the company and growing it to the much larger operation it is today.

technology and up-to-date training. Similarly, Steel Tech's Jake Friesen highlighted his company's growth from a two-man operation in 2001 to today's 40-staff company.

"The first few years, any time you start a business, it's tough," he noted. "We had some struggles along the way."

Friesen stressed that a successful entrepreneur learns from their mistakes to create a stronger business.

"We made a few bad business moves on the way and thank God I made them,"he said."I wouldn't want to be here without learning some of the things I learned along the way."

Among the lessons learned were the importance of having a diversified customer base, standing behind your product, and not being afraid to ask trusted advisors for help and guidance, Friesen said.

Finally, Laurie Sawatzky of SCIS gave the gathered business leaders an overview of the organization, including how it grew from just two staff members working out of their homes in the late '90s to today's fully staffed settlement services offices in Winkler, Morden, and Altona.

"The purpose of our service is to ensure that all newcomers get assistance as they arrive in Canada," she explained. "It is our job to ensure that all newcomers receive information about resources in the community that will help them integrate so they can become valuable community members and good citizens."

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Volunteers, businesses come through for Donate Love project

By Lorne Stelmach

Their house will very soon be a home sweet home for a local family that needed a helping hand.

And organizers of the Making a House a Home project through Donate Love are happy with how the community has rallied around it.

"Everything so far has been going smoothly," Denise Thiessen said last week. "It's been great. We've had lots of support from people in the community and different tradespeople have come forward to help."

Based in Morden, Donate Love has been working in the region for about five years now, making connections between those who have and who have not and providing clothes, household items, and food hampers to anyone in need.

It is always looking for more ways to assist, and that is how the opportunity arose to fix up a home for a single mother and her daughter

The home had no running water and no real plumbing at all, and needed significant improvements to be more livable, Thiessen said.

"IT'S BEEN ABSOLUTELY AMAZING TO SEE THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE COME OUT TO HELP."

Upon learning this, Donate Love sprung into action, putting a call out for volunteers and donations.

The community answered, and today work on the small home is moving along nicely.

"The outside's done, the siding is all done. And we've almost completed the interior," Thiessen said, noting work was getting underway on the taping and painting just this past week.

The estimated cost just for all the materials for the project will be in the \$20,000 range,

They were hoping the labour and at least some of the other potential costs would be covered through volunteer time and donations, and Thiessen Donate Love volunteers have been hard at work getting a home for a single mother and her child in Morden up to snuff. Thanks to an outpouring of community support, the home should be made livable in just a few more weeks.

said that plan had been coming together really well.

"People financially have been donating, so that is good," she said, noting money is coming in through the Hillside Community Church.

"It's been absolutely amazing to see the volunteers who have come out to help. That has been tremendous," Thiessen added. "We have a few of the guys who are there every single day working on stuff."

If all continues to fall into place, Thiessen anticipated the work could



be completed by the middle of November so the family can move into the home before winter sets in.

Thiessen said Donate Love would love to see this type of project become an annual undertaking.

"We're hoping that this will stir some passion inside people so that maybe we could do this on a yearly basis," she said."The need is definitely there that we could do it, it's just a matter of getting the people to come together and make it happen."

Council putting foot down on PR. 428 speed limit

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The speed limit on PR. 428 past Northlands Parkway Collegiate will not be jumping up to 60 km/hr from 50, despite a recent decision from the Highway Traffic Board.

A delegation of Winkler representatives attended a hearing before the board a few months ago, asking to have the speed limit from the Hwy. 14 intersection to just north of the high school permanently set at 50 km/hr.

That's the speed it's been for the last few years, though it was considered a temporary one by the province while the school's construction was completed and then in the wake of the death of student Carina Denisenko in fall of 2013.

Mayor Martin Harder says the city felt very strongly that 50 km/hr was the right speed for that area, especially considering the amount of foot traffic crossing the road.

"I'M VERY, VERY UPSET THAT THEY WOULD IGNORE THE REQUESTS."

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation and the traffic board disagreed.

"They denied our request to keep it at 50 and instead they put it at 60," Harder said in the wake of the decision last week. "I'm more mad than surprised, really. I'm very, very upset that they would ignore the requests ... we talked about Carina and we talked about safety issues there and we talked about the day care and moms and strollers going across that highway."



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put on a brave face, but for as long as I can remember I have always cared deeply about what people think of

me.

There is a deep-seated need inside of me to be liked. If I let it, this need will take over and drive me, and that is not really a good thing.

Honestly, I can't say where it began. I was pretty intro-

verted as a kid and so there weren't a lot of social forces pressuring me one way or another. I'm sure a counsellor would have a field day in my

head trying to figure it out. **By Peter Cantelon** For the most part,

people like me. Don't get me wrong there are exceptions. I'm the kind of person you either really like or RE-ALLY don't like. There aren't a lot of in-betweens with me. It's the ones that don't like me that have kept me awake in the past.

I can be in a room with 100 other people and if I find out that one of them isn't fond of me I will spend an inordinate amount of time trying to figure out why. It is like a splinter in my head ... it just keeps gnawing away.

Set Points > LETTERS

I have come to recognize that moving through life seeking other people's approval is not healthy. I also recognize that ignoring other people's opinions can be just as unhealthy. At the end of the day, like so many other things, balance is required and that takes work.

Ultimately, I have accepted that this battle with insecurity is likely going to be life-long, but I have amassed some helpful allies along the way that make it easier to maintain balance.

Once upon a time I was whining to a counsellor about how I have a tendency to make people feel bad/angry/hurt and this wise sage stopped me in mid-sentence and asked me, "Who do you think you are? God?"

To which I responded, somewhat shocked, "Of course not!"

Then she looked at me in a very penetrating way and said, "You think way too much of yourself if you think you can control other people's thoughts and emotions ... leave what other people think and feel to them ... you focus on yours."

This was exceptionally freeing. It was one of those simple truths that rise to the surface and make you wonder why you never realized that before.

Of course we cannot make anyone feel anything. This is not a license to become a Class A Jerk, it simply means focus your efforts on managing your own emotions and feelings and stop trying to take ownership over others (and don't let others foist their feelings on you).

This also means you cannot go around telling other people that they are making you feel sad/angry/guilty because then you are giving people a whole lot of authority over your life by doing this.

I have also started to learn not to read too much into other people's actions. If I'm talking to Person A and they seem very angry/upset about something, my instinct is to automatically assume I did something wrong. This would make me react angrily since I know I did nothing to upset them, and suddenly there is a conflict.

Of course, the reality is that sometimes people get angry/mad/sad/ happy/depressed for no discernible reason whatsoever (one of the wondrous things about being human). It usually doesn't have anything to do with you or I so don't make it about yourself—don't simply be a mirror reflecting other people's emotions back at them. Just work at being you.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, when you forget all of the above and act like a thin-skinned jerk to someone (which I do all the time), have the courage to apologize and wipe the slate clean. It can make all the difference in the world.

> PTH. 428, FROM PG. 5

The Winkler delegation also presented studies that show fatality rates increase significantly with every increase in speed, but it was to no avail.

"They had the nerve to say that 85 per cent of the traffic there goes 59 km/hr and so then it's obvious that traffic felt comfortable going 59, so therefore 60 is the appropriate speed limit," an incensed Harder said, questioning whether speed limits on all Manitoba highways should be dictated by lead-footed drivers.

Now city council will now take

things into their own hands.

An amendment to the Highway Traffic Act two years ago gave municipalities the power to set lower speed limits through school zones.

Harder says they're going take full advantage of that power, officially setting PR. 428 at the 50 km/hr they wanted in the first place.

"We're going to fix 'em," he said. "Council has the authority in the city to reduce the speed limit within 150 metres of the property line of the school, so that's on our agenda for Tuesday and then we're going to go put up the signs." Council was expected to pass a resolution on the matter at its Oct. 27 meeting.

The traffic board also made a decision on the speed limit of Hwy. 32 from Hwy. 14 to Roblin Boulevard: that will remain at 50 km/hr, rather than increasing to 60 km/hr.

That's a decision Harder was relieved to hear, since he says upping the speed on Winkler's most congested roadway (and one the province has been putting off twinning for years) would only make things more dangerous for pedestrians and drivers alike.



'Don't be scared to ask for help'

Survivor shares some tips for National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Every year 25,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer in Canada. In 2006, Morden's Tami Thiessen was one of them.

Today Thiessen is the regional representative for the Canadian Cancer Society, which celebrated October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

She sat down with the *Voice* to share her story:

"It started with a small lump that I noticed. But I'd had one a year earlier that wound up going away, so I didn't really think too much about it."

She shrugged it off until a friend whose sister had battled breast cancer—urged her to get the lump checked out, just in case.

From that first doctor's visit onward, Thiessen said things moved pretty quickly.

"I think [the doctor] suspected right away it was cancer," she says, noting she soon had both a mammogram and a biopsy done. Sure enough, the lump proved to be cancerous."It was very scary."

Scary, but somehow oddly expected. "I just sort of had this sixth sense that I would end up with breast cancer sometime in my life. I had three aunts that had breast cancer ... so I always assumed it was a possibility at some point. It wasn't a total surprise."

Still, what followed was a trying year of treatment, including surgery, six rounds of chemotherapy, and 30 rounds of radiation.

It was a long road to recovery, and Thiessen says she only got through it all by leaning heavily on friends and family.

That's the key piece of advice she'd give to any woman who finds herself at the start of her own cancer journey. "Don't be scared to ask for help," Thiessen stresses. "Not just from friends and family, but also the other resources that are available.

"We're very lucky because we have the South Central Cancer Resource in our area. So for anybody in the Pembina Valley area, there's somebody right there that can give you resources, that you can talk to. They've

got all sorts of great programs."

Among them is the transportation program, which helps patients find rides to the many doctor appointments that come along with cancer treatment.

"That's an amazing program,"Thiessen says, noting that while she didn't have to use it herself, it's an absolute life-saver for so many people who may not have family or friends able to drive them into Winnipeg several times a week.

Another piece of advice Thiessen has for woman facing losing their hair due to treatment is to consider their wig options early.

"Buy your wig before you're bald," she says. "Because then you can go with a friend or a sister or your mother and it's not the same type of intimidating day as it is when you're constantly looking at your bald head as you try on wigs ... it just makes it much more comfortable.

"Plus, by the time you do lose your hair, you're tired from chemo, so any extra outing can be difficult," she says.

Due to a weakened immune system, Thiessen spent a full six months unable to go out in public, and she passed the days, when she felt well enough, taking her time out on the links (staying away from other golfers who could have passed on germs), taking walks, and focusing on getting well again.

"Concentrate on taking care of yourself," she says. "And know that it does go by faster than you think. At the start of it you think this year is never going to end, and then all of a sudden you look back and it's been almost 10 years."

Today, Thiessen is cancer-free, though she still goes in for regular testing to ensure the disease doesn't return.

All woman over the age of 50 should be going in for a mammogram every two years, and every woman should do regular self-checks of their breasts. "Know your body," says Thiessen. "Pay attention to it so you can know when something's different and get it checked out early."



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The Canadian Cancer Society's Tami Thiessen with the wig she bought when she was battling breast cancer nearly a decade ago.

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Helping students master reading

By Lorne Stelmach

A new program in its second year in Morden is already showing it's having an impact on students having trouble with reading.

And Western School Division officials see this having a ripple effect at school and at home as these students gain confidence.

"We depend on reading a lot for them to be able to learn. If they're having difficulty reading ... it's not just

that they can't read, it's that they can't read something in science, social studies ... so this is a good investment," said Cyndy Kutzner, assistant superintendent. "We're closing the gap quicker."

The Reading Recovery program was first introduced in

New Zealand and has since spread all over the world, including to right here in Morden.

The WSD previously used government early literacy funding for initiatives where classroom teachers worked with students within the classroom setting.

The division initially trained two teachers who each can work with four Gr. 1 students for half hour each day, but now it is done one-on-one away from the classroom setting, and that is where Maple Leaf School instructor Stacey Guilford Perrin sees the main benefit.

"Half an hour each day, each student receives one-on-one reading, writing, and work intervention ... so all of their literacy skills are being built on," she said. "Last year we had very good results, and all of the children who were in the program were able to reach the end of grade level expectations. So already in our own school, we've already seen the difference."

> There were eight students involved in the program's first year, and Kutzner noted their assessment showed 75 per cent achieved what was considered to be "accelerated progress" and the remainder had "substantial progress."

There was one student who was discovered to have

more substantial learning needs that will require more intensive support. "And that's one of the things that

they say about Reading Recovery is children make it back into their regular classrooms and they are able to carry on," said Guilford Perrin.

"Or they are identified early ... that they need extra support. They are referred early on in Gr. 1. Reading Recovery is a good way to identify those students."

Auxiliary bake sale sets up in mall Nov. 6

The Boundary Trails Health Centre Winkler Auxiliary is gearing up for its annual Bake Sale fundraiser next week.

Auxiliary members will be setting up shop at the Southland Mall in Winkler on Friday, Nov. 6 starting at 9 a.m.

Chair Nettie Friesen says they'll have a host of homemade goodies up for grabs, alongside a huge selection of used books. The sale will run until the treats run out.

Proceeds from the sale go to fund auxiliary projects at the BTHC, which includes the annual purchase of equipment not normally funded by government funds.

This year, the auxiliary is hoping to purchase four tilt wheelchairs and two pressure ulcer mattress for the hospital, at a cost of just over \$24,000.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Stacey Guilford Perrin, Reading Recovery teacher, working with one of her students at Maple Leaf School. The program, now in its second year, has helped a number of students improve their reading skills.

The program is aimed at those students who are the found to be the lowest achievers in literacy, and they are identified through a number of assessments.

"It's for the lowest learners in Gr. 1 who have had one year of school," said Guilford Perrin. "For every one Reading Recovery spot that we have, we assess four students to see who would be the lowest achiever of those four."

She suggested there will be a longer term benefit in catching these students early on before it has a chance to really hamper them.

"We catch them before they even know ... that they're not where the rest of their peers are," she said, "which is nice because they don't get that feeling of giving up ... or that feeling of not being where everyone else is."

Guilford Perrin added that the students enjoy the one-on-one attention.

"Everyone loves coming here because when they're here, they're successful," she said. "Every day, we build on what they know. We take what they know and continue to build on it.

"When they come here, they know they're going to be able to read the books I have for them, they know they're going to be able to write. And they've got the support when they're stuck. "Every student I work with has different needs. And there is a different lesson for everyone. They're gaining knowledge at different rates. It's a very individualized program that meets their specific needs."

Maple Leaf principal Cindy Wainikka said they are getting a lot of good feedback from teachers and parents.

"One of our students who was in the program last year is the best reader in her class now," she said.

She added that it can have a ripple effect in the school, even as others see the difference it can make with students.

Other teachers are getting exposure, too, since the Reading Recovery room is equipped with a two-way window.

"Teachers can go to the other side and they can watch Stacey work with a student," said Wainikka. "So not only is it benefitting each of these individual students but it's also benefitting the classroom teachers because they can take some of this learning to their classrooms.

"It really is lots of self confidence that students learn when they are in this program. They learn that they are readers, they learn that they can do this," she concluded. "So they really build a lot of that self confidence, which is huge when you are teaching kids how to read."

"THIS IS A GOOD INVESTMENT. WE'RE CLOSING THE GAP QUICKER."

ACU gives back with Jeans for Charity

Access Credit Union staff members once again got the chance to go casual for a good cause this year.

The financial institution's Jeans for Charity program raised a total of \$52,182 in its third year.

Staff donated a minimum of \$2 a week to replace the business attire for the day and wear jeans to work instead, with ACU matching their donations.

In recent weeks, local branches have presented the funds to a variety of charities that serve the community.

"Access Credit Union strives to make a positive impact in our communities, understanding that the role of these 28 charities provide exceptional value to our area by the services and support that they offer," said Larry Davey, ACU president and CEO. "Jeans for Charity continue to be a very successful program within our organization."

> CANCER, FROM PG. 7

While cancer certainly isn't something she would wish on anyone, Thiessen also says she feels like her year battling the disease helped her grow as a person.

"I wouldn't wish that I didn't have it because I learned a lot about myself," she says. "I would say my relationships with family and friends are probably better. I've become a more tolerant person—I just don't let things bug me like I would have before.

"You've gone through an experience that now you look at life and realize you might not be here tomorrow, and so it's just not worth letting things bother you."

She urges women coping with the disease now to keep a firm hold on hope.

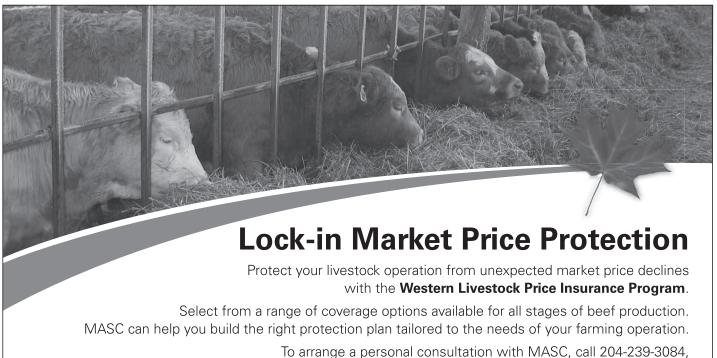
"A positive outlook really does help," says Thiessen. "You're not just a statistic ... [statistical odds] don't account for your faith, the support you have, your attitude."



In the Winkler-Morden area, the Winkler branch (shown at right) donated \$4,247 to the Winkler and District United Way and the Morden branch (shown above) presented the Morden Area Foundation with a \$4,884 donation.

Other local recipients include the Winkler Cheer Board, Katie Cares, the BTHC Foundation, Morden Cheer Board, BTHC Palliative Care, the Lowe Farm School reading lounge project, the Miami's Children's Facility, and the Pembina Manitou Community Recreation Coffee Club, to name a few.





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YFC renos complete thanks to community support

By Lorne Stelmach

It's an opportunity to celebrate what has been achieved but also look ahead to what comes next for Youth for Christ in Morden.

As the organization prepares for its upcoming annual dessert night fundraisers, it is also saying thanks to the community for making the second phase of their building's renovations happen.

Not only did the interior renovations get done quicker than expected, but they also basically were all paid for without Youth for Christ having to dip into its coffers.

Once the work started, people, organizations, and businesses kept coming forward to help out, said director John Rempel.

"And what was supposed to take us at least another year ... possibly two ... suddenly became a finished product," he said. "Everything got done and came in at about half of what was budgeted ... probably about \$140,000.

"When you have a community that responds the way they did ... wow, what generosity."

That community support is also built through such initiatives as the dessert night fundraisers, which are happening Nov. 5 and Nov. 6.

If you are interested in attending, call the centre at 204-822-8085 to get yourself or a group space at the Morden Mennonite Church.

"It's a great opportunity for us to just share a little bit of vision and give a snapshot of what this is all about," said Rempel.

LONG OVERDUE

The end of the major renovations at YFC marked the completion of what had been a long overdue overhaul of their aging building.

The organization had to undertake the work in phases, with the exterior work coming first about five years ago.

"We addressed the outside needs because the outside was what affected the inside," said Rempel. "The roof, walls and foundation were all a little suspect ... drawing in moisture. Probably on a weekly basis, we would have water collecting in various parts of the building."

That \$75,000 phase included changing the roof from flat to pitched and properly insulating the walls and repairing the foundation.

Work then began the inside about

three years ago.

It had originally been estimated it would take five years and cost about \$250,000 to address all the needs inside the building.

"So we started going at it in phases," said Rempel, noting that a steady stream of assistance soon start flowing in from the community, making all the phases possible much sooner than originally expected.

First they had a private individual offer to cover cost of the new office area, which came in at around \$19,000. Then a company asked to just be given a receipt for the donation of the flooring, which was estimated at \$15,000-\$20,000.

"We never once asked for anything ... we were just asking what can you do for us," said Rempel, recalling riding around the lake one day when someone he met asked, "What could this amount of money do ... and that gift allowed us to do the entire concession area and the bathrooms."

Finally, the kitchen area happened with the help of a \$50,000 donation from the Morden Thrift Shop.

"And this just kept going and going ... not a single dollar had to be taken from our general fund. It was all a result of people," said Rempel.

INVOLVING THE KIDS

Rempel said they strived to involve the kids as much as possible in everything they did to improve the centre.

"We really wanted to make sure we were mindful that this is for the kids. And they just responded," he said.

"They took ownership. You've got all these partners ... they all came together ... and we felt so blessed. And the kids saw this, so they knew: people were generous because they believe in you."

That kind of support is ongoing, he noted, referring to how someone regularly brings in homemade cookies for the teens, while other food donations come in from places like Coffee Culture and Little Caesars.

"They're very grateful. They're very appreciative of it all," Rempel stressed.

Many of the youth who come to the drop-in centre, he added, may not have regular eating patterns, with working parents who aren't home at regular hours. So the centre can fill a void in that respect.

That is part of why they have an ongoing supper club usually about one Thursday a month.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Director John Rempel standing in the new kitchen area that was part of the extensive interior renovations completed recently at the Youth for Christ drop-in centre in Morden.

Next month, a couple who has done mission work in Indonesia will be speaking on their experience while also doing an Indonesian meal involving the kids in the preparation.

ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

Rempel said they want to involve and engage the community, but they also strive to get the youth involved to make an impact in return.

That is why they get involved in such initiatives as local food drives and the annual United Way Day of Caring.

"It's important for them to feel like

they can contribute," he said. "It's amazing ... to watch how the kids tell you what their needs are and how they should be met. You have to be observant, make sure you get their buy-in and their input."

Looking ahead, Rempel noted their gym program located in an adjacent building is very well used, so they would like to see that expand.

"We're really hoping ... within the next couple of years ... to double the size of the gym," he said. "We would love to see that happen ... but we're just in a very preliminary stage."

Heritage banquet focusing on Manitoba's small farms

The Winkler Heritage Society's annual banquet is coming up next week, and there's still a few seats left if you want to join in on honouring an important part of the area's history.

Each year the banquet shines a spotlight on an integral aspect of Winkler's history, and this year the focus will be on the role small farms have played in our region's success.

The evening will include Kaylnn Spain as guest speaker. Spain recently toured 80 Manitoba small farms and has created an illustrated presentation outlining the story behind the people and places she visited.

The evening will also include a supper of Manitoba cuisine, music from George Elias and Peter Klassen, heritage society reports, prizes, and themed heritage displays.

The Heritage Banquet takes place at the Winkler MB Church on Thursday, Nov. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 each and can be reserved by Nov. 1 by calling 204-325-8968.

Funds go to the Heritage Society's projects, which includes the operation of the Winkler Heritage Museum in the Southland Mall.

Pembina Valley Buying Club moves to bigger space

By Lorne Stelmach

A community group extending the benefits of local farmers' markets year-round is now in its fifth year.

The Pembina Valley Buying Club is an organized group of small-scale food producers that began in 2011.

It came together through vendors who were participating in the local farmers' market during the summer months and wanted to make local, sustainable foods available to the community on an ongoing basis.

The initiative has been well received ever since, with the club even looking for a larger space this winter.

"In the past, the buying club met at the library, but it has now outgrown that location with the addition of a few new vendors," said spokesperson Meg Dias in a statement.

As a result, the group will now meet at the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce building at 379 Stephen Street every second Thursday from 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Members can order locally grown and raised products in advance for pick-up. The buying club sends out an order form by e-mail, which allows buyers to pick and choose what items they want each week.

There is a one-time buy-in of \$5 to be part of the club.

The farmers and vendors participating in the club include Wheatsong Bakery, The Good Food Co., Thousand Hills Ranch, Valleyfield Acres, Breezy Way Farms, Babcock Naturals, and Jennifer Lee Gluten Free.

Dias noted they strive to have a variety of local products including beef, pork, eggs, breads, jam, honey, grains, organic dry mixes and seasonings, gluten-free products, and even handmade all-natural soaps and other home essentials.

"It's a community event that is a great place to meet friends and neighbours while shopping locally and for homemade products," she said, adding that "drop-ins are also welcome,



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The Pembina Valley Buying Club heads into its fifth year of offering fresh, local products year-round.

but pre-ordering will always give you priority."

To find out more or to join the club, e-mail pvbuyingclub@ hotmail.com or check out the Pembina Valley Local Buying Club & Farmers' Market page on Facebook.

Guenther, Neufeld up for GVSD trustee seat

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Two locals are in the running for the vacant seat on the Garden Valley School Division board of trustees.

Ward 2 residents (people who live outside the City of Winkler) will vote Nov. 18 on who they want to represent them at the trustee's table.

The winner replaces June Letkeman, who stepped down from the role this fall.

On the ballot will be Edwin Guenther, a grain farmer in the Gnadenthal area, and Linda Neufeld, a Winkler hair stylist.

The *Voice* caught up with both candidates last week:

LINDA NEUFELD

Neufeld is a newcomer to school board politics, but she's eager to have a hand in the decisions that affect the education of local children, including her own.

"I want to stretch myself a bit," she said of her decision to throw her hat in the ring." I think I'll bring a different perspective, a fresh view to the board."

Neufeld has had two sons grad-

uate from the Winkler school system and currently has another young son in elementary school.

"I have some ideas that I think can expand the benefit of the school system," she said.

In addition to her work as a hair stylist, Neufeld has also recently started up a non-profit venture, knitting toques for premature infants receiving neonatal care at Winnipeg hospitals, and also selling larger toques to raise funds for the cause.

EDWIN GUENTHER

Guenther previously served as a GVSD Ward 2 trustee from 2010-2014.

He didn't run for re-election in 2014 due to increasing business commitments, but says he now finds himself with time once again to serve as trustee.

"I want to contribute to the education process," he said. "Going to school has opened a lot of doors for myself, and I want to help students have similar opportunities ... I'd like to help encourage more students to finish high school."

Guenther stressed he feels that, as a resident of Ward 2, he would provide good representation of rural concerns.

"I think it's important to keep a

voice from outside Winkler on the board. I'm rural, and there are some different issues out here than there are from residents in town," he said, pointing to things like busing and keeping smaller rural schools open.

Ward 2 voters can vote at the GVSD offices on Triple E Blvd. on Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Advance voting also takes place at the GVSD offices Nov. 9-12 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you cannot attend to vote in person and wish to vote via sealed envelope, contact the division office at 204-325-8335 for information on how to apply to do so.

Legion serving up liver and onions

Nothing beats liver and onions for supper—unless it's liver and onions eaten for a good cause.

The Morden Legion hosts its third annual Liverfest this Friday, Oct. 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubroom (285 North Railway St.)

The menu, cooked up by Timbers chef Mike Borgie, is liver and onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, and dessert.

For those who don't like liver, roast beef is available (let staff know your preference in advance when you purchase your ticket).

Tickets are \$15 each and are available at the clubroom or by calling 204-822-4122.

Proceeds go to the replacement of the old lighting system in the Legion's clubroom and hall with new energy efficient lights.

President Bob Frost says the project should drastically reduce the building's electrical costs, but they can only go ahead with it if they have sufficient funds in place.

Past Liverfests have raised upwards of \$1,000, he noted.

Knights of Columbus support Tabor Home



Financial secretary Rheal LeGall, surrounded by volunteer members of the Morden/Winkler Knights of Columbus, recently presented a cheque for \$1,500 to Tabor Home fundraising chair, Wayne Kroetsch. This is the final payment of the \$5,000 pledge the Knights of Columbus made to the Tabor Home fundraising campaign. The Knights want to thank everyone who attended their Fish Fry fundraiser on Sept. 25th to raise money to make this donation possible.

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Stanley hopes to see infrastructure funding increase

By Lorne Stelmach

A pledge from the new federal Liberal government for more infrastructure funding received a cautious welcome from the RM of Stanley last week.

"Hopefully ... it's going to work out for us. Infrastructure is what we are. We need roads, we need bridges ... if that's going to happen ... super good ... can't complain," commented Reeve Morris Olafson at Stanley's Oct. 22 council meeting.

"Mr. Trudeau has put out a lot of money out on the table ... saying we want to build bridges, we want to do the infrastructure," Olafson continued. "According to him ... they want to make a big deficit to make this happen. We'll wait and see what's going to happen."

Thinking big picture, Olafson observed there are some key corridors in the area, such as the routes going towards Winnipeg and south to the U.S. border, that both need work.

"The trail through Winkler is atrocious ... it's a major route. Whether that turns into a bypass or some other trail to alleviate that congestion ... we need to have that infrastructure so the people traffic and truck traffic can move," he said.

Olafson did express a note of caution, however, in wondering if it would be better to have a more sustainable longer term solution to building up our infrastructure.

"When you rush projects like that ...

it creates an up and down in the entire industry where you have a boom and then a bust," he said. "It might happen where we're going to get a year or two of big building ... but once that big building is over, all of a sudden all the building collapses."

A GOOD TALK

Meanwhile, Olafson commented on having a productive meeting recently with Manitoba municipal government minister Drew Caldwell.

The brief but good conversation took place after Caldwell joined local officials in announcing funding for a bridge replacement in the RM.

Olafson noted they talked about everything from infrastructure needs to the need for an expansion of the Boundary Trails Health Centre. "We covered a lot of ground in a short period of time," he said.

WATER RATE UP

Council also reported on the rate increase for residents who get water through the Pembina Valley Water Co-op.

The Manitoba Public Utilities Board had approved a three per cent increase for 2015 from \$7.46 per 1,000 gallons to \$7.69 per 1,000 gallons.

For 2016, the PVWC is approved for a hike of up to two per cent, which would bring it to \$7.84 per thousand gallons.

The RM then bumps up the rate to help recover its infrastructure costs. That means the total rate will be increased from \$9.79 to \$9.94 or by 15 cents per thousand gallons effective Jan. 1.

The rate hike won't affect all Stanley residents, though, as the 1-4 area to the southeast is serviced through the Blumenfeld-Hochfeld Water Co-op and Border Valley Water Co-op.

In all, there are 1,411 water connections in the RM with average consumption of around 20-25 million gallons per quarter.

About 12 per cent or 171 of those connections receive water from a source other than the Pembina Valley Water Co-op, while 88 per cent or 1,240 of those total connections receive water from the PVWC.

"It's not a huge increase," Olafson suggested. "I think it happens every year ... a cost of living kind of thing."

Manufacturers gather in Morden

By Lorne Stelmach

The region's manufacturing sector is in the spotlight this week as Morden hosts the 2015 Southern Manitoba Manufacturers Summit.

The Morden Community Development Corporation is partnering with the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters Manitoba branch to host the fifth annual summit Oct. 28-29 at the Access Event Centre.

The event expanded this year to include an optional half day industry tour option on the Wednesday, followed by the full day trade and education expo on Thursday.

Event co-ordinator Geri Rempel said they hoped "to bring attention to the incredible hidden industry of manufacturing here in southern Manitoba ... to showcase the amazing opportunities in manufacturing within the communities."

And they want those who attend "to gain a broader knowledge of other companies successes … their challenges and opportunities … along with their best practices to help grow the local business community."

Rempel added the CME wants "to create a louder and broader conversation of all things related to manufacturing ... between the service providers, suppliers, educators, manufacturers, exporters and the current and future workforce."

There is also a goal to "educate our youth and educators that career opportunities in manufacturing do not

Southern Health hosting job fair in Winkler

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Southern Health-Santé Sud is hosting a job fair in Winkler next week to get the word out about the career opportunities available in the local home care field.

"We have some needs in regards to the home care attendant category in the Boundary Trails area and we were trying to look at some unique ways that we might promote the Home Care program," says Debbie Harms, regional director for the RHA's Home Care Services.

Hence, the job fair, which takes place at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church (750 15th St.) on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

The day will feature information on both home care attendant and health care aide positions in the Morden-Winkler area, including what training and certification is required to get a start in the field.

Harms says the RHA currently has over 600 health care aides, but with more than 3,100 home care clients and climbing, the need for additional trained workers is ongoing.

"Because our program is continually growing with the number of clients and the needs of the clients, we're doing ongoing recruitment all the time for staff to ensure "BECAUSE OUR PROGRAM IS CONTINUALLY GROWING ... WE'RE DO-ING ONGOING RECRUITMENT ALL THE TIME."

that we can meet the client's needs," she says.

While all these positions require a health care aide certification (a 20-week program available locally at Red River College in Winkler), Harms still encourages noncertified interested people to attend the job fair.

"We may very well be hiring untrained home care attendants and then be providing an education program for them so that they can effectively meet our client's needs," she says, going on to add that what they're looking for are people with a good work performance history, solid communication skills, and a caring nature.

The home care program is an integral one in our area, Harms says.

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stop at the production line," she added.

"We want attendees to learn from all levels of the manufacturing workforce, whether it be a company or a service provider. No matter where you are in your career, we have something for everyone."

Rempel anticipated there will be hundreds of business leaders attending from across Manitoba. There are expected to be over 50 exhibitors on hand, as well.

"We expect well over 300 throughout the day," she said, noting the trade and education show is a public event with a \$2 entry fee.

The conference started Thursday morning with a keynote address by Larry Dyck, president and CEO of Decor Cabinets, entitled *The Journey of an Entrepreneur*.

Also on the schedule of speakers—who were slated to tackle topics ranging from lean manufacturing to the Canadian dollar to IT solutions—was Morden's Candace Grenier, owner of Pure Anada.

Find out more about the conference online at www. daretocompete.ca.

"The home care program's role is to support individuals in their home, to prevent them from having to access acute care, long-term care facilities," she says, stressing that the goal is to keep clients, often seniors, in the familiar surroundings of their own homes as long as is safely possible. "Research has shown that clients, the best place for them is in their home from both a health perspective and from a quality of life perspective."

The job fair runs from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., with information sessions about home care taking place at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Interested applicants are asked to bring along their resumé and a list of references, and to be prepared for potential job interviews.

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Olivia Kletke actually had a smile on her face as she and her siblings got this season's flu shot at the Oct. 22 clinic held at the Westside Church in Morden. This year's vaccination protects against four viruses—including H1N1 and H3N2, which hit the province hard last year—as opposed to the three strains it targeted last year. Free flu shot clinics have also been held in Winkler the last two Mondays. This week, Morden hosts its final clinic at the Westside Church (831 Thornhill St.) on Thursday, Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. You can also get your flu shot at the Boundary Trails Health Centre public health office on Nov. 3 and Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the clinics, and at participating pharmacies.

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Holocaust expert to speak in Winkler Nov. 9

too."

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Several weighty topics will be discussed at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler next month in honour of Holocaust Education Week.

Winkler is one of the stops on the North American tour of Dr. Susanna Kokkonen, director of the Christian Friends of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

The Yad Vashem is the main Holocaust museum in Jerusalem, notes Winkler organizer Taylor Polstra, who stresses that Kokkonen has a powerful message to share with local audiences.

"She travels the globe speaking on behalf of the Jewish people and really just educating people about the

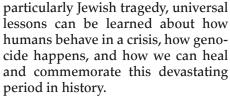


Holocaust and also speaking about anti-Semitism and Israel," she says. "When I found out she was going to be in Winnipeg, I knew we had to get her out to Winkler,

Dr. Susanna Kokkonen

Kokkonen has been affectionately called a "Christia

tionately called a "Christian ambassador for the Holocaust." She maintains that although the Holocaust is a



Polstra urges everyone to come and get informed about the long-lasting impact the Holocaust has had, and the work Yad Vashem is doing to record the stories of Holocaust survivors for future generations.

Kokkonen's talk begins at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 9.

Admission is free, though a freewill offering will be taken to help cover Kokkonen's travel costs.







PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Residents were invited to stop by the South Central Regional Library branches in Winkler (above), Morden, Miami, and Altona Oct. 20 to mark the library's 50th anniversary with cake and readings from author Gary Moir (left). Moir read from his book, On the Air: The Golden Age of Manitoba Radio. Library patrons have also been invited to share their memories of the library for the SCRL's Memory Book. Contact your local branch for more information.



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FTC brings Anne of Green Gables to life

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THINK ANNE IS SO

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Flatlands Theatre Company brings one of the most beloved of Canadian icons to the stage next week with its performance of *Anne of Green Gables.*

To celebrate its 10th anniversary, FTC once again tackles the L.M.

Montgomery tale that anchored their inaugural season a decade ago.

This time around it will be Alyssa Unrau donning the red pigtails in the role of Anne Shirley, an outspoken orphan who is sent to live in the home of siblings Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert on Prince Edward Island.

For Unrau, a life-long *Anne* fan, getting into the character of Anne has been a blast.

"I have all the books and I've read all of them," she says. "It's a favourite story in my house. " Unrau actually tried out for the role of Anne's best friend Diana, but got the title part instead, much to her surprise.

"I knew I wanted to be in this but I wasn't sure I wanted Anne because it's such a huge role. It's such a big commitment," she says.

Nerves at taking on a leading role aside, the experience has been a positive one so far.

> "It's been slightly overwhelming, but it's been so much fun," says Unrau."Learning all the lines and getting to do it with such a great cast has been great."

E." Also taking to the stage is Nellie Elias, who played the role of Anne for FTC back in 2006. This time around she portrays the character of Mrs.

Blewett. "It's been awesome," she says of returning to the FTC stage after several

years away. "It's so different; I have a much smaller role now, but it's so



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Alyssa Unrau (left) and Nellie Elias strike a pose as Anne Shirley and Mrs. Blewett during rehearsals for Flatlands Theatre Company's performance of Anne of Green Gables.

neat because I can watch so much more what's going on.

"And the really cool thing is I have my three daughters with me [as background actors], so it's been really cool experiencing this all with them."

Like Unrau, Elias grew up on the *Anne of Green Gables* stories, so getting the chance to—for a second time—bring those stories to life has been an honour, she says.

"It's a story with so much heart and I think Anne is so relatable," says Elias.

"I think there's a little bit of Anne in all of us."

"It's a great classic," adds Unrau. "I think everyone should know it or should get to know it."

FTC's *Anne of Green Gables* runs nightly at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 5-7, with a matinee performance on Sunday, Nov. 8 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are available at winklerconcerthall.ca.

Back 40 open forum pulls in new volunteers

By Lorne Stelmach

An Oct. 19 public meeting has Back 40 organizers feeling much more hopeful about the music festival's future.

"We were overwhelmed and very encouraged by the number of people who came out," said chairperson Jocelyn Unrau, who is among the current directors looking to step aside after a number of years on the board.

"We had a great response. There are definitely a handful of people who were very interested in taking on different organizational roles within the organization," she noted.

They held the open forum to bring

together people who have an interest in the festival to learn more about what is needed, how they could get involved, and to get feedback on what they'd like to see at the event.

The most urgent need was for some new board members in several key roles.

"We just were down to bare bones, and we needed people to step forward," said Unrau, noting there was a good cross section of people who turned out to show interest and offer ideas.

The crowd included a founding member in Linda Hiebert as well as musician and past artistic director Paul Lepage, and it was good to have experienced voices offering input, Unrau said.

There also were others who have been involved in events including some musicians as well as new interested volunteers.

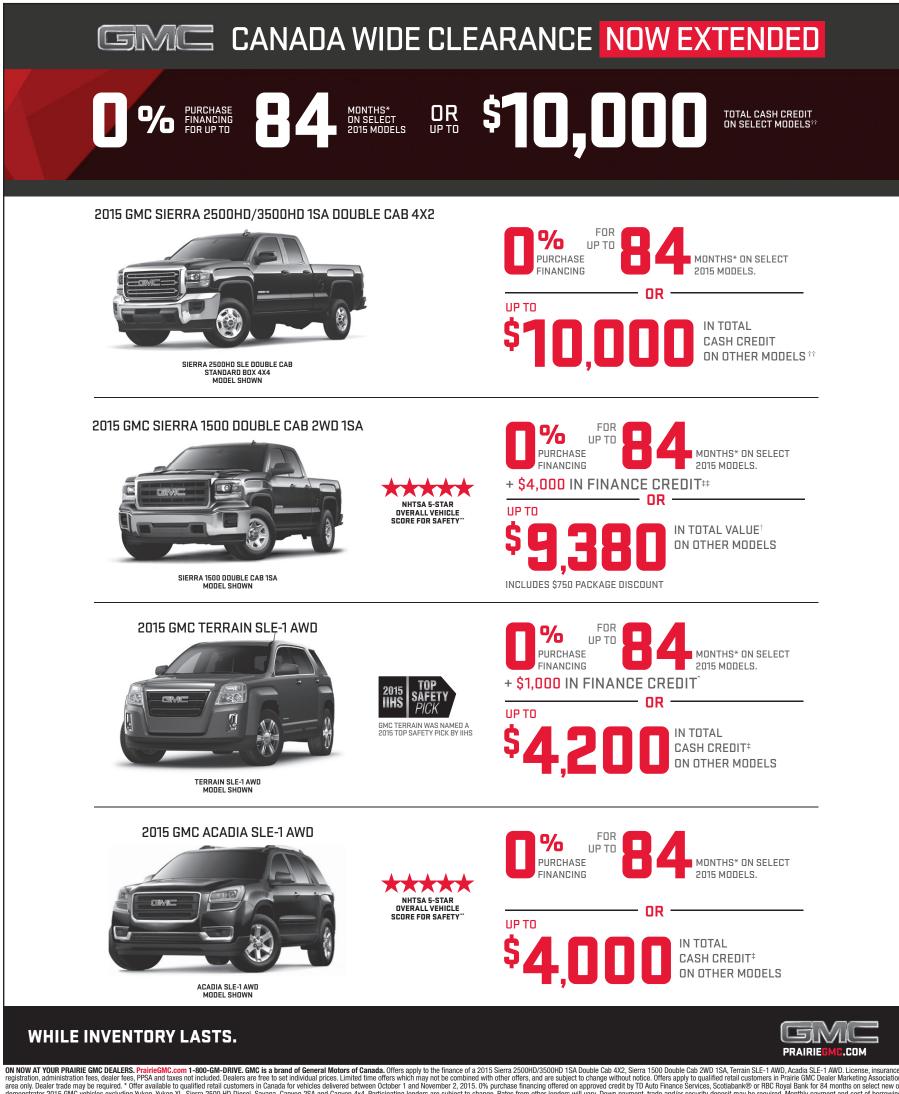
"We even had brand new people to the Morden community who were looking to get involved," said Unrau. Unrau said they needed to have a further meeting to finalize their plan for the 2016 festival, but said they had in place "people who are extremely strong candidates for each of the key positions.

"We are just in the process of making sure we put the right people in each of the positions," she said, while adding they had to yet find someone to fill the board secretarial position.

Unrau was confident the festival would be in good position now to move ahead with planning for 2016. And she noted the new board members will still have a number of experienced members on hand to work with them.

The committee hopes to meet within the week and then to possibly hold an annual meeting by the end of November to finalize the new board.

"It's safe to say the festival is going to continue ... and I think it's got a great future," Unrau said.



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Show your solidarity this Movember

The Movember Foundation's aim is to raise global awareness of men's health issues every year during the month of Movember (previously known as November). So, all you men out there, will you dare to show your solidarity with the cause by growing a moustache?

THE FOUNDATION

Active in more than 20 countries around the world, the Movember Foundation raises funds for several organizations dedicated to improving men's health. This movement targets five types of programs:

Men's health
 Prostate cancer
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 HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

To become an active participant in

the Movember movement, start the month of November clean shaven and then grow a moustache for the next 30 days. Warning: unlike those straggly beards guys get away with during the hockey playoffs, Movember moustaches should be groomed to perfection. The reward? Your facial vement targets five types of programs hair will allow you to raise money for the foundation through the support of your colleagues, friends and family. For more information about the Canadian branch of the Movember Foundation, visit their website at ca.movember.com.

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PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Cheryl Lynn Plett is celebrating the long-awaited completion and launch of her first book, 'The Erotic Eclair and Other Unseemly Stories,' which offers a collection of humourous short stories.

Morden author launches first book

By Lorne Stelmach

The title makes it clear there will be talk of both chocolate and pleasure to be found between its covers.

The subject matter, however, actually goes much deeper in a Morden writer's first book being released this fall.

Mennonite angst also comes into play in *The Erotic Eclair*, but for author Cheryl Lynn Plett it is ultimately about encouraging readers to be true to themselves.

"I'm primarily hoping that they're entertained," said Plett, who launches her book with a reading in Winnipeg next month.

"I hope that people will also understand that they are not the only ones that question and are frustrated with their own religious upbringing ... and/or being repressed creatively. "TAKE A CHANCE, FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS, PURSUE YOUR PASSIONS AND DO WHAT YOU'RE PUT ON THIS EARTH TO DO."

"I hope that people will recognize there's the possibility you can do this ... take a chance, follow your dreams, pursue your passions and do what you're put on this earth to do."

It was a bit of a roundabout journey that led to the creation of Plett's book, fully entitled *The Erotic Eclair And Other Unseemly Stories*.



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Book of short stories nearly 20 years in the making

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Raised in a Mennonite environment first in Winnipeg and then in Steinbach and Niverville, she started a family at a young age and moved to Morden.

She went to university to study theatre, but it was an instructor through a Prairie Theatre Exchange course who encouraged her to take a writing class as well.

"I wrestled with it ... should I be in the English department, should I be in theatre?" recalled Plett. "At the end



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Manitou Opera House played host to a swashbuckling adventure last weekend as Candlewick Productions' Sr. Xplor Drama Troupe presented "The Masked Musketeer." With comedy, action, romance, sword fights, and intrigue, the play provided for a great evening of entertainment. The troupe now turns its attention to its spring musical: "The Little Mermaid." of the day, I stayed in theatre and I'm glad because it was a creative department to be in. But I still took all the writing classes that I could."

She entered a writing contest and won the prize not only once but then a second and third time.

"It took that many times for me to say, 'Okay, I guess I'm a good writer,'" said Plett.

She then later applied for and received a Manitoba Arts Council grant for writers.

"Those were all really significant in that they let me know that you can do this ... because writing is, really, a difficult occupation, particularly in a fairly practical community," she said. "So they helped me to persist ... but it's taken me this long to finally get a book out.

"I wrote short stories because it was expedient for the classes I was taking in school. So I accumulated a bit of writing that way," Plett said. "The earliest one I wrote was for my very first writing class ... and that was written in 1998. So they span all the way from 1998 ... and I just finished the last one

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There is no better way to kick off Massage Therapy Awareness Week (Oct. 25 to 31) than with ... data!

While that might not be the exact sentiment among the more than 980 members of the Massage Therapy Association of Manitoba (MTAM) we have here in the province, we're pleased with the results from a recent Probe Research Inc. survey that showed the number of Manitobans using our members' services has risen by more than 17 per cent in the past decade.

It's not the only bit of good news for Registered Massage Therapists (RMTs) in Manitoba. Survey respondents felt that massage therapy is good value for their money; more and more said they chose massage therapy to aid healing and pain relief than simply for relaxation; and greater than half of the respondents said they would continue to visit an RMT even if the services were not covered by an employee benefit plan.

We are encouraged by what these numbers suggest about the future of massage therapy in Manitoba. And we reference them as support for our ongoing quest to become regulated in the province—just as our peers in physiotherapy and chiropractic are.

Regulation could help create greater opportunities for our members by encouraging more insurance providers to cover massage through individual and group benefit plans. It would mean the creation of a single regulatory college that would ensure RMTs adhere to the highest standards of education and professional conduct. And regulation would be validation for our members, who must complete more than 2,200 hours of education to become registered.

Regulation would also benefit the public. It would help protect them from malpractice or unsafe practices. And it could pave the way for greater affordability—massage therapy could become GST exempt and eligible as an income tax credit in the future.

Since MTAM was established in 1973, we have worked with our members to promote the value and health benefits of massage therapy. We celebrate Massage Therapy Awareness Week, encouraged by the positive shift in public perception we're seeing towards massage therapy. And we are optimistic about our bid to become regulated.

Registered Massage Therapists are educated, knowledgeable and proud to be a part of your health care team. On behalf of our membership, I encourage Manitobans to visit an RMT and discover, first-hand, the many ways our practitioners can enhance their quality of life.

Sheila Molloy Executive Director Massage Therapy Association of Manitoba

Country Blend performs in Manitou this Sunday

Country Blend performs a special benefit concert at the Manitou Opera House this weekend.

The Southern Manitoba group have toured across the country and will bring a little bit of Nashville to Manitou on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 2 p.m.

Their music will feature a "Tribute to the Legends of Country Music," featuring hits from Dolly, Patsy, Loretta, Kitty, Jeannie, Jim Reeves,

> ECLAIR, FROM PG. 20

this summer."

There are themes that connect the stories beyond her love for food, as they are connected through the culture that she grew up in and that surrounded her.

"My questions about it often find their way into my writing. I don't always agree with what I've been taught ... so I question those things, and it comes out in my writing," said Plett. "Also, a very prominent feature or theme in my writing is finding oneself in creative expression."

A couple of the stories focus on women "who have pursued their passion despite obstacles in their way," she added. "And chocolate eclairs, of course, because I really love them."

Tackling self publishing was another challenge for Plett. But as she became wrapped up in the production of the book, it became "so much fun."

"I got to work with the graphic artist Brook Nelson, and I worked together with my editor and with Friesens as well ... it was just exhilarating to be able to be the CAO of my book," she said.

"When it really hit home was the day that I received my copyright page from my editor ... that's when it became crystal clear ... I have a book. That was really emotional.

"And another time was when I was filming at Friesens ... they allowed me to watch the book cover being printed ... then I went back when they were binding it all together.

"It was quite an emotional experience, and then to take that huge load home on the back of the truck was another moment."

Now comes the task of promotion, which means not only selling the book, but herself as well.

"That's not my cup of tea ... I'm not really liking this part of it as much," said Plett. "But I'll get it out there and hopefully word of mouth will be on my side."

The *Erotic Eclair* will be available in a variety of locations, including in Morden at the Pembina Hills Art Gallery and Thornview Grocery.

Plett will be at McNally Robinson in Winnipeg Nov. 7 for a reading at 7:30 p.m. Hank Williams Sr., Johnny Cash, Statler Bros., Willie Nelson and more.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each and can be reserved by calling 204-242-2701 or 204-242-2794. Tickets will also be available at the door, space allowing.

Dessert and coffee and tea will be served at intermission.

All proceeds will go to the Manitou Opera House Accessibility Project.



> AN ARTIST'S LIFE The many benefits of visual arts

rt. The word calls to mind images of a painter in a beret holding a palette, or perhaps a potter sitting at his or her wheel.

For others, the word "art" brings back memories of arts and crafts at camp, printmaking in high school, or a museum such as the Louvre.

A mystique tends to surround the visual arts. The average person often thinks that they could never create or benefit from attempting an artistic endeavour, but the truth is that

visual arts activities can be highly beneficial for the participant. Studies have shown that visual arts has many different positive effects on the human psyche.

As with many forms of art, many of the benefits of visual arts come from the process itself and not the end product, meaning that anyone can benefit from trying an art form.

First, visual arts can improve your overall health. Studies have shown that visual arts can reduce the effects of mental illness, aid in processing traumatic events, act as a stress reliever, and aid in therapy for those struggling with speech or motor function.

For the everyday user, visual arts can be a relaxing and calming activity, promoting relaxation and a sense of well being.

Even those people convinced that they are just not creative enough for visual arts can benefit from an arts activity like the recent trend of coloring books



By Candace Hamm for adults. Crafty activities such as crocheting, knitting, scrapbooking, or cardmaking can offer many of the same benefits.

Second, visual arts promote creativity, even among those who think they don't have any. The brain processes involved in seeing form and shape, visualizing negative space, and committing those ideas to a tactile medium promote right brain thinking, a process which may not be used in other aspects of day to day life.

Visual arts allows the brain to view objects and situations from a different point of view. For example, many people find their artistic attempts to be greatly improved by turning their subject upside down.

Viewing various aspects of life in a different way can be beneficial to problem solving as well as activating areas of the brain that are rarely used.

Third, visual arts involvement has been shown to be highly beneficial for children. Children who regularly participate in arts activities exhibit greater ease in processing complex tasks and instructions. Students involved in the arts showed an ability to focus and to link long and short term memories at a higher level than those of their peers who were not involved in the arts.

Lastly, visual arts activities are a great way to unplug. Participating in activities away from media devices such as smart phones and laptops promotes face to face interactions, a way to unwind, and the opportunity to create something that may provide many happy memories for years to come.

Being involved in an arts media such as sketching, painting, pottery, beading, embroidery, or any one of the many ways to create can be a highly rewarding and meaningful activity.

So pull out some pencils, clay, or paint and give visual arts a try today!

Reach Candace Hamm at ibcnu@mts.net







Hawks extend losing streak to eight

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Hawks have fallen on hard times in the Manitoba Midget Hockey League.

A pair of 5-0 shutout losses on the weekend left the Hawks mired in an eight game losing streak and near the bottom of the standings at 1-9-0-1 for three points. Only winless Norman is keeping the Hawks out of last place.

The stats tell the story of Pembina Valley's woes, as their 17 goals scored ranks lowest in the league, while the 52 goals allowed is second lowest to Norman's 81.

Coach Gerry Leiding said his young Hawks are going through a tough learning curve.

"We're getting better. We're learning to play the AAA game," he said. "We don't have anybody who's played that game, so we're learning." His message to the team remains

consistent despite their struggles. "Stick to our game plan," said Leiding."We still have to learn to outwork the other team. The AAA game is a hard game to play. The effort has to be there every second ... there's no letting up."

On Saturday, Matthew Thiessen did his best to hold the Hawks in the game, making 48 saves in the loss to Eastman.

The Selects took a 3-0 first period lead as they outshot Pembina Valley 53-18 overall.

On Sunday the Hawks tightened up their game defensively, but the offence still fired blanks in trailing 2-0 and 4-0 by periods.

Aaron Brunn took the loss in net as the Capitals outshot the Hawks 26-22 overall.

Earlier last week, Pembina Valley's game fell apart in the second period Wednesday with five unanswered second period goals by the Winnipeg Wild on their way to a 9-1 rout of the Hawks.

A goal by Nikko Morin with about two and a half left was all that kept Pembina Valley from being shutout in suffering a sixth straight loss.



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

A Capitals player tries to stop the speed of Hawk Sam Krushel Sunday. The Hawks fell to the Capitals 5-0.

Brunn was tagged with the defeat, making 30 saves as the Wild outshot the Hawks 39 to 25.

Pembina Valley gets a break with no action this week.

They then continue a six game

homestand when they host Interlake Nov. 7 and Brandon Nov. 8.

Leiding said the breather should do the team some good.

"It couldn't come at a better time," he said. "We have four practices, so we will really work on our game.

"We've got good character guys. We will get there. It's just the learning curve is big."

Flyers two for three on the road

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers came home from a three game road trip up north last week with a pair of wins and a lone loss.

They kicked things off with a 6-3

loss to the OCN Blizzard on Oct. 22.

Winkler came from behind in the second period to take a 3-1 lead (with goals scored by Jeff Michiels, Scott Gall, and Cam Whyte), but saw that lead cut to 3-2 after OCN got a power play goal past Clarke Flegel at the 19:24 mark.

Period three was all OCN, as the Blizzard scored four goals en route to a 6-3 victory.

In all Flegel made 32 saves in net as

Thunder girls take first at home tourney

he Morden Thunder varsity girls volleyball team had a winning week, downing the visiting GVC Zodiacs three sets to two on Oct. 20 and then blanking the Sanford Sabres 3-0 two nights later.

The girls also hosted their home tournament last weekend, going 2-0 in the round robin and then crushing all-comers in the playoffs to win the tournament championship.

Also at the tournament were the Zodiacs, who were 3-0 in the round robin but fell in the first round of playoffs.

Meanwhile, the Thunder boys had a rockier week, falling to the Zodiacs in three straight sets but then besting Sanford 3-2.

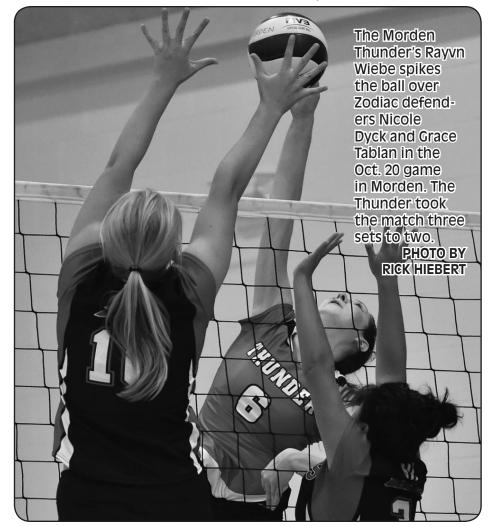
In SCAC volleyball, Northland Parkway Collegiate's volleyball teams faced off against the J.H. Bruns Collegiate Broncos Oct. 21, with the boys winning their match 3-1 and the girls taking theirs in three straight sets.

On Monday the NPC girls won against the Lancers at Dakota Collegiate in five sets, while the boys lost in three.

Over the weekend, the male Nighthawks hosted their invitational tournament. NPC went 3-0 in the round robin, while the Thunder were 0-4 and the Zodiacs were 1-2. In the playoffs, the Zodiacs got knocked out in semi-finals, while NPC found themselves up against Rosenort in the final, which they lost in three sets to take second place.

In Zone 4 boys hockey, the fledgling season continued with NPC posting a trio of losses to the Aces (6-4) on Friday, the Mavericks (9-4) on Saturday, and the Mustangs (9-5) on Monday.

The Zodiacs, meanwhile, also lost their game against the Trojans 10-3 on Friday.



Female Hawks decimate Wild, Lightning

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Female Hawks went into their practices last week in game mode.

And coach Dana Bell not only wanted them to work hard, but then go into their two Manitoba Female Midget Hockey League games on the weekend ready to play hard and win both.

Consider it a stellar example of setting a goal and achieving it, as the Hawks outscored their opponents by a combined tally of 19-2 to make it three wins in a row, improving their record to 4-2.

"We had two really great practices that week, and we set a goal that we wanted to go two and zero ... and set some game objectives to get there," said Bell. "They were really fired up. And they worked hard, kind of built off the loss against Yellowhead the previous weekend."

Pembina Valley followed up an 11-0 rout of the Norman Wild Friday night with an 8-2 humbling of the Interlake Lightning Saturday.

The Wild were helpless against the Hawks' onslaught in Morden, as Pembina Valley blasted seven first period goals on their way victory.

Chelsea Dearsley led the attack with

a hat trick and an assist, while Hannah Petrie also picked up a hat trick. Contributing singles were Makenzie McCallum, Lindsay Michiels, Chloe Penner, Sage McElroy-Scott, and Brooklyn Major.

Goaltender Halle Oswald wasn't severely tested, but earned a 16 save shutout. In all, the Hawks sent 51 shots the other way.

On Saturday, Pembina Valley jumped out to a 4-0 first period lead against the Lightning, then put in three more in the third after leading 5-1 at the second intermission.

It was McElroy-Scott's turn for a hat trick and four point night, while Michiels added a pair. Other goals came from McCallum, Dearsley, and Jenai Buchanan.

Taylor Reimer made 14 saves in net for the victory as the Lightning were outshot 51-16.

"I think the big thing was determination," Bell said. "The goaltenders were great, lots of shots on net. We definitely worked hard on our systems and pulled it all off. "We built on it from the previous weekend when we knew we didn't play to our standard. They came back and really worked at it.

"Having two games like that really helps your confidence."

The wins lifted Pembina Valley into third place with eight points, trailing the Westman Wildcats at 14 and Central Plains Capitals at 10.

The Hawks hit the road this weekend to face off against the Wildcats Friday and the Eastman Selects Sunday.

Twisters down Canucks, Twins

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Twisters rebounded from a pair of back to back losses with two wins this weekend.

The wins of 6-1 over the St. James Canucks Friday and 7-0 Sunday over the Fort Garry Fort Rouge Twins helped them keep pace in the fight for first place in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League.

The Twisters improved their record to 7-2-2 for 16 points, which puts them two back of the Raiders but also just two up on St. Vital and three up

on Charleswood and Stonewall.

Alex Tetrault scored his seventh and eighth goals of the season as the Twisters held period leads of 2-1 and 4-1 against the Canucks. Other goals came from Corey Mazinke, Matthew Hadley, Eric Lebrun, and Skylar Klassen.

Gavin Klassen was solid in net, making 38 saves as St. James outshot the Twisters 39-33.

On Sunday, Morgan Wall earned a 24-shot shutout while Pembina Valley fired 59 shots on net.

Mazinke picked up his sixth and

seventh goals of the season while Tetrault scored his ninth and Fraser Mirrlees scored his 11th. Other goals came from Remi David, Steve Young and Danick Morin.

Mirrlees remained tied for the league scoring lead at 11 goals and seven assists for 18 points. Tetrault has also climbed into the top ten at nine goals and four assists for 13 points along with Mazinke at seven goals and five assists for 12 points.

In 10 games, Gavin Klassen has a

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Agriculture

Argentina elections could cause increased exports

By Harry Siemens

Elections sometimes have a way of changing the course of a country.

That's what happened last Sunday in Argentina, where voters shook the country loose from a 10 year period of rule by the Peronist coalition that saw export taxes and restrictions stifling farm production.

Local media report Argentina's voters set the stage for a presidential run-off Nov. 22 after a surprise first round on Sunday in which Daniel Scioli-the candidate of the ruling Peronist coalition-didn't win an outright victory.

"It was a big surprise, a very good surprise because of the highly-favoured left of-center Peronist candidate didn't win on the first ballot," says grain bag salesman Alberta Mendiondo, who travels frequently to Canada to sell and develop the grain bag business for his company, Ipesa-Rio Chico S.A.

Mendiondo says that if the right man wins on Nov. 22, it will be very good for agriculture in Argentina.

In Argentine elections, the winning candidate must have at least 40 to 45 per cent of the vote, but if he doesn't have more than ten points difference from the second candidate, it goes to the second round. If the leader gets 45 per cent or more, he is the new president.

"[Sunday] we expected the ruling party to be near 40 per cent, and the second one, who I think would be a better candidate for the country and more logical, was expected to be near 30," Mendiondo says. "It is very good news for agriculture and ag production if this guy can wins because he is very pro market and has promised to remove much of the taxes the ag sector now has."

Mendiondo says pro-business Buenos Aires mayor Mauricio Macri will remove a lot of stops that are affecting exports, like needing an export permit to be able to sell wheat outside of Argentina and by stopping those permits managed by the previous government.

"The real price for wheat, for instance, is like \$50 or \$60 less that the real market would be paying," he says. "By taking those permits out, the farmer will be more efficient and

much better off, especially for corn and wheat, the crops most affected by the restrictions."

But even if Macri wins, it won't be smooth sailing.

"This man is pro market but even if he does win, a very difficult two years going forward to try to straighten things out," says Mendiondo."We will have to make very tough decisions, costly politically because this government finishing now, is leaving us

without any kind of reserve."

The first thing Mendiondo sees is a huge devaluing of their currency the peso relative to the U.S. dollar, a move that will be quite harsh and the austerity program must be balanced not to affect to many of the people locally. Mendiondo says if the pro market

man wins, taxes may come off corn and wheat, helping to increase production in the next planting season.

wheat planting for 2016, coming on the market in early December 2016," he says. "Right now farmers produce about eight million tonnes of wheat.

"You will see a really big increase in

That could easily go up to 15 or 16 million for 2016. Our consumption is around six million tonnes, so exports could jump from one to two million this year to more like eight or nine in 2016-2017 into the international markets."

Example Beware of probably causing cancer

> HARRY SIEMENS



Well, this also holds true thinking of how one sector sometimes thinks if governments change the rules it will help our people get a higher price for their product.

Case in point: the whole country of origin labelling fiasco has some people on the American side of the equation thinking if we make packers label their products a little more specifically, consumers will like us, and the live animals will stay out from Canada and Mexico.

That is exactly what happened. Same meat, same product, same animals, just a different label.

Why? Straight out greed and protectionism. It has cost farmers and farm organizations billions of dollars on both sides of the border.

Now to my point, because a headline caught my attention and almost made my blood boil.

It read, "Processed meat can cause cancer, red meat probably can: WHO."

My initial reaction was, 'I wonder what those who keep bashing each other in the meat industry now have to say?"

I maintain we need to focus our attention on those who want to destroy the meat industry, not keep shooting across the bow of those raising the same produce as the next person.

An article by the CNBC website says eating processed meat can lead to bowel cancer in humans, while red meat is a likely cause of the disease according to the World Health Organization's so-called experts. These findings could sharpen debate over the merits of a meat-based diet.

The article goes on to says the France-based International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), part of the WHO, put processed meat such as hot dogs and ham in its Group 1 list, which already includes tobacco, asbestos and diesel fumes, for which there is "sufficient evidence" of cancer links.

Yes, I know there is processed meat and then there is good old-fashioned deli meat, actual meat in most cases and no additives.

Yet, to put that in the same class as asbestos and smoking, come on, give me a break.

As I said earlier, this one we may have some of the anti-Canadian meat producers have to admit we're on the same side. Most people can see through this as propaganda because the word "probably" gets used too often.

In fact, the article quotes Dr. Kurt Straif of the IARC in saying the risk of developing colorectal (bowel) cancer because of their consumption of processed meat remains small, but this risk increases with the amount of meat consumed.

I once attended a finance and credit conference in Chicago where a renowned economist talked about how people do surveys and even take them seriously, probably yes and probably no.

The one survey fed a bunch of cheese to mice seeing how it would affect them. They found out of you feed the mouse too much cheese it might actually explode.

The same scenario, but this time back in 1993 when the CWB didn't know what to do with the horrendous amount of vomitoxin infected wheat.

Then CWB minister Charlie Mayer at a meeting of irate farmers in Selkirk who couldn't sell their wheat because of this, had a good answer for one farmer who asked what happens if I should ingest some of this poisonous wheat.

"Well," says Charlie," You eat a boxcar full of it, I know you will explode." Yes, if you eat a tonne of processed meat and another tonne of steak and eggs, your bowels may not be able to handle it either. That's just common sense.

Agriculture looking forward with new gov't

By Harry Siemens

Producers and ag groups are looking to the future as the Justin Trudeau's Liberals prepare to take over the federal government in the wake of last week's election.

"We look forward to working with the Liberals in advancing the interests of prairie farmers," says Levi Wood, president of the Wheat Growers."The Liberal election platform contains several positive elements for Canadian agriculture."

The Wheat Growers like the fact Trudeau signalled early on his support for international trade, strongly suggesting that Canada will ratify the Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement.

"Strengthening market access for Canadian grain and livestock producers is critically important for the farm economy," says Wood. "The Liberal's past support of trade agreements gives us every reason to be optimistic on the trade front."

The Wheat Growers also like the positive comments by former Liberal agriculture critic Mark Eyking on several issues important to Canadian agriculture, including his support for improving grain transportation, UPOV91, voluntary GMO labelling and improvements to research, risk management and farm labour.

As the Liberals move into power, the Wheat Growers lauded the Conservatives for their decades of achievements in agriculture.

"The Conservative government undertook several measures that strengthened the long-term profitability and competitiveness of Canadian agriculture," says Wood. "We look forward to the continuation of a science-based, trade-friendly agricultural policy under the new Liberal government."

George Matheson, chair of Manitoba Pork says international trade, human resources, and business risk management are among the key issues they will be focus on as Canada transitions to a new federal government.

"Number one, international trade. Of course we are definitely an exporting nation of pork," he says. "The second one, human resources, very important to us of course. We take a lot of labour and that's hard to come by of late, and the third would be business risk management.

"Our industry takes lots of risk, fluctuating commodity prices primarily and we would like to see some insurances that would level that for us."

The MP chair says the pork industry in this country is a great economic engine employing many people and consuming a lot of feed grains which would be expensive to export out of this country.

"Its value every year is in the neighborhood of \$5 billion and exports amount to approximately \$3 billion a year," says Matheson. "In a country of 35 million people those are impressive figures and we would like to impress upon Canadians in general that the pork industry is important to the gross national product and the general well being of all Canadians."

Saskatchewan Pork Development Board chair Florian Possberg says market access remains a key priority for pork producers.

"There's really been quite a focus on a number of international trade deals in the last number of years." he says. "The trade deal, the CETA deal, with the European markets and the Trans-Pacific Partnership with southeastern Asia as well as North American countries.

"We view those as potentially very positive for our hog industry and there's quite a bit of work that needs to be done to complete those trade deals and we're really looking forward to working with the new administration to have those trade deals come to reality."

Possberg says there is much uncertainty because any time government changes they aren't exactly sure what that will mean for agriculture.

Meanwhile, Canadian Pork Council chair Rick Bergmann of Steinbach, the chair says market access, availability of labour, business risk management, and competitiveness will be among the key issues Canada's pork industry will be focusing on under the new administration.

"We certainly want to carry the message on that we're a significant part of the Canadian economy and that our needs would need to be looked after so we can continue to stay strong in our position here and sustainable," he says.

> FLYERS, FROM PG. 22

OCN outshot Winkler 38-30.

The boys shook off the loss the next night up against the Swan Valley Stampeders.

The two teams were evenly matched and it took until period two before anyone got on the board, with Swan Valley sneaking a power play goal past Flyers newcomer Connor Slipp two minutes in. (Winkler acquired Slipp from the SJHL's Flin Flon Bombers just last week in exchange for future considerations.)

Winkler's Branden Billany returned the favour in kind at the 18:41 mark to even the score out heading into the final period.

There, Swan Valley scored early once again, but Zak Hicks tied the game with a power play goal five minutes later.

The 2-2 tied held through to the end of regulation and overtime, forcing a shootout.

Winkler's Nico Labossiere and Jordan Williamson were the only two of six Flyers shooters to hit the mark, but it was enough for the win when all but one of Swan Valley's shots were saved by Slipp.

The Flyers went on to earn another 3-2 win the very next night, this time in regulation against the Virden Oil Capitals.

After giving up two to Virden in the first, Slipp closed the door in net for Winkler while his teammates scored in each period for the win. Nolan McGuire did the honours in the first, Tristan Keck in the second, and Dionne Demke in the third. Overall, Winkler outshot Virden 23-19.

The Flyers remain in second place in

> TWISTERS, FROM PG. 23

2.85 goals against average and .920 save percentage to rank fifth in the league.

The Twisters travel to Winnipeg to

Froese suits up for Maple Leafs

Winkler's own Byron Froese got a taste of the NHL spotlight last weekend as the Toronto Maple Leafs called him up for their game against Montreal Canadiens.

The 24-year-old forward has been playing for the ALH's Toronto Marlies, but got the chance to suit up in the Maple Leafs' 5-3 loss to Montreal on Saturday.

Froese played nearly 13 minutes in the game, replacing injured forward Tyler Bozak in the line-up. Froese has scored three goals in four games with the Marlies this season. In the 2014-2015 season, he scored 42 points (18 goals, 24 assists) in 46 regu-

lar season games with the Marlies. Originally selected by the Chicago Blackhawks in the fourth round (119th overall) of the 2009 NHL Entry Draft, Froese has recorded 62 points (25 goals, 37 assists) in 147 career AHL games with Rockford, San Antonio and Toronto.

The Winkler Morden

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the Manitoba Junior Hockey League with a 10-3-1 record and 21 points. They trail the first place Portage Terriers by three points and have a three point lead over the Pistons.

This weekend, the Flyers host the Waywayseecappo Wolverines Friday and the Neepawa Natives Saturday. Next Tuesday they travel to play the Steelers in Selkirk.

G. 23
face the River East Royal Knights
Friday and then host the Transcona Railer Express Sunday.





SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Above: Katie Cares' Ruth Reimer received a donation of \$1,325 from the students of Border Valley and Blumenfeld schools recently. The kids participated in a walk-athon in memory of Kaitlyn Reimer, founder of Katie Cares, earlier this fall. Left: Reimer also met with Ruth Olafson recently to drop off her prize from the Katie Cares Fashion Show raffle: a beautiful quilt donated by the Town and Country Quilters. Raffle tickets were sold across the region, raising \$2,500 for Katie's Cottage.

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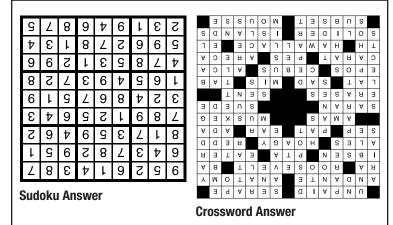
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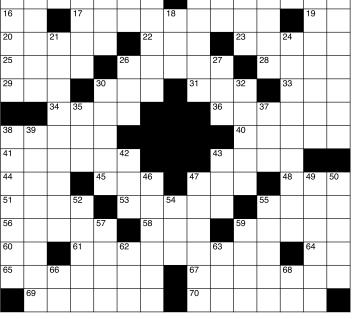
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CLUES ACROSS 1. Owed

- 7. Shawl
- 13. Slow tempo
- 14. Bodily structure
- 16. Sun-god
- 17. Franklin or Eleanor
- 19. Degree
- 20. Norwegian poet
- 22. Local school organization
- 23. Consumer
- 25. Brews
- 26. Hero
 - 28. To clear or tidy
 - 29. 9th month
 - 30. Hit lightly
 - 31. Pinna
 - **33. DoD computer language**
 - 34. One Direction won at 2014
 - awards 36. No. Am. peat bog
- 38. Clear wrap
- 40. Napped leather
- 41. In a way, takes
- 43. Transported
- 44. Back muscle
- 45. Unhappy
- 47. Wrong
- 48. Chit
- 51. Epic poem
- 53. Capuchin genus
- traz: The Rock 55.
- 56. Weight unit
- 58. Foot (Latin)
- 59. Egg-shaped nut palm
- 60. A radioactive element
- 61. Roosevelt V.P.
- 64. Railroad track
- 65. More dense, less liquid 67. Block. Fire & Reunion
- 70. Hair product
- **CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Ineffective

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- 2. 39th state
- 3. Skins
- 4. In a moment
- 5. Japanese Prime Minister Hirobumi
- 6. Tyrant
- 7. A cruelly rapacious person
- 8. Point midway between NE
- and E
- 9. Abnormal breathing

- 13. Opera songs
- 69. A set that is part of another
 - set

- 10. Essential oil or perfume
- obtained from flowers
- 11. Italian river
- 12. Fixed firmly into
- 15. Cloth measurement
- 18.7th Greek letter
- 21. Extractor
- 24. For boiling water to make tea
- 26. Possesses
- 27. Edible tuberous root 30. Glass window sheets

35. More (Spanish) 37. Our star

32. Tactics

- 38. Makes a choice
- 39. Great Plains indians 42. Baglike structure in a plant
- or animal 43. Female sibling
- 46. Diverge

50. Semitic gods

54. 10 decibels

66. Atomic #71

68. Canadian province

62. Teenv

55. Surface regions

57. Small amounts

- 47. Adherent of Islam
- 49. Defer

52. Indian term of respect

59. Liberal rights organization

63. Volcanic mountain in Japan



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2 bedroom, 2 bath condo for rent at Vista Terrace in Morden. Includes fridge, stove, dishwasher, and heated indoor parking. \$1100.00/month, hydro extra, water and heat included. Available November 1st, one year lease.

Call for more details and specifications 204-822-5433 or email: rwiebeag@mts.net

NOTICES

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STANLEY R. PUBLIC NOTICE - BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2016 Assessment Roll for the Rural Municipality of Stanley has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 23111 PTH 14W and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in cordance with Sections 42 & 43 of The Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

- 42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under Subsection 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to:
 - a) liability to taxation;
 - b) amount of an assessed value;
 - c) classification of property; or
 - d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the
 - assessment roll under Subsection 13(2).

APPLICATION REOUIREMENTS

43(1) An application for revision must

a) be made in writing;

b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought:

- c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection
- 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters: and
- d) be filed by
- (i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under Subsection 41(2), or
- (ii) serving it upon the secretary at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice

The Board of Revision will sit on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Stanley to hear applications

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is Tuesday, November 17, 2015.

Dated at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 22nd day of October, 2015.

Dale Toews - Secretary Board of Revision Rural Municipality of Stanley 23111 PTH 14W Box 1600, Winkler, MB. R6W 4B5



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CAREERS



The City of Winkler is seeking a dynamic and innovative leader for the position of Utilities Foreman. Reporting to the Director of Works & Operations, the successful candidate will be responsible for operating and maintaining water and wastewater systems and facilities, assist the Director in establishing goals, objectives and budgets, and supervise and direct the utility department staff. Standby and on call duties to responding to afterhour's emergencies is required.

Qualifications

- Certification by Manitoba Water and Wastewater examination for Water Distribution 2. Wastewater Collection 1 and Wastewater Treatment 1
- Must have or he able to obtain a Class 3 drivers license with air endorsement Several years experience in water and wastewater utility systems and water &
- wastewater facilities. Basic welding, plumbing, piping and mechanical skills are desirable
- Physically capable of lifting a minimum weight of 50 lbs.
- Clear written and communication skills are required
- Grade 12 education
- The City of Winkler offers an excellent salary and employee benefit plan.
- Forward resumes by November 6, 2015 to:
 - City of Winkler
 - 185 Main Street
 - Winkler, MB R6W 1B4 pfroese@cityofwinkler.ca
 - Attention: Pete Froese, Director of Works & Operations

We thank all candidates for their expression of interest; however we will contact only those under consideration. Candidates may be subject to a criminal record check

NOTICES

LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION **PUBLIC NOTICE GEORGE KLASSEN** operating as DAYS INN CONFERENCE CENTRE has applied for **DINING ROOM LIQUOR SERVICE LICENCE** at 940 NAVIGATOR ROAD, WINKLER, MANITOBA

to serve liquor from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 A.M. Monday to Sunday 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 A.M. Remembrance Day

Citizen and community input is an important part of the application process

If you have questions about this application, please call the Liquor and Gaming Authority of Manitoba at 204-474-5619.

If you have questions about zoning by-laws and requirements, please contact your municipality. If you want to make a formal objection to this application, please send us your objection in writing

by 4:00 p.m. on

14 DAYS FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ADVERTISEMENT

- You can email, mail or fax your objection. Please include contact information.
- Email: licinspect@LGAmanitoba.ca
- Mail Liquor and Gaming Authority of Manitoba
- P.O. Box 1023, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2X1 Fax: 204-453-5254
- We respond to all formal objections and will work to resolve objections before issuing a licence
 - A copy of the objection will be provided to the licence applicant
- Each person who submits an objection will be advised in writing of the outcome to the licence application.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Winkler purchases approximately 37% of its water from the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative (PVWC). The Public Utilities Board has approved a rate increase for PVWC in the amount of \$0.15/1000 gallons, effective January 1, 2016. This rate increase reflects a "pass through" rate increase of .06/1000 gallons for Winkler consumers.

Public notice is hereby given that the water rate increase will be .06/1000 gallons effective for the March 15, 2016 quarterly billing in the City of Winkler. That being, from the present water rate of \$9.32/1000 gallons to \$9.38/1000 gallons. The sewer rate will remain as it presently is, being \$6.42/1000 gallons.

Dave Burgess, City Manager City of Winkler



TENDER

FOR SALE BY TENDER

Sealed, written tenders for the property in the Rural Municipality of Stanley for the lands described below will be received by:

- Pullan Kammerloch Frohlinger Law Office
- Unit 2 507 Main Street
- Winkler, Manitoba R6W 1A3
- Attention: Gordon J. Hoeschen

PROPERTY:

PARCEL 1:

E 1/2 of NW 1/4 23-2-4 WPM (80.00 acres)

PARCEL 2:

LOTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 PLAN 1992 MLTO IN SE 1/4 23-2-4 WPM (159.98 acres)

CONDITIONS OF TENDER:

- 1. The land will be sold "as is" and the bidder is solely responsible to determine the value and condition of the land, land quality, land use, environmental conditions and all other information pertaining to the land of interest to the bidder.
- 2. Tenders must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6, 2015.
- 3. Tenders may be made on either Parcel 1 or on Parcel 2 or on both
 - Parcels 1 and 2.
- 4. To be considered, tenders shall be accompanied by a certified cheque in an amount not less than 5% of the bid and shall be payable to "Pullan Kammerloch Frohlinger In Trust" as a deposit. Cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned
- 5. Highest or any tender may not be necessarily accepted in the sellers' sole discretion.
- 6. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of GST or shall self-assess for GST.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE:

- 1. 1. The bidder whose tender is accepted shall be required to complete an agreement covering terms and conditions of sale.
- 2. In addition to the deposit, the balance of the accepted tender must be paid on or before the date of closing which shall be February 1, 2016 (or sooner by mutual agreement) or evidence provided that the balance of the purchase funds will be available under conditions acceptable to the Vendors in their sole discretion. If the balance of the accepted tender is not paid within the set time limit the deposit paid shall be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
- 3. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment of the tender price are made following acceptance of tender.
- Successful bidder will be responsible for real property taxes commencing accruing from and after January 1, 2016.

For further information contact Pullan Kammerloch Frohlinger at 204-325-4233 or 204-822-4463.



Executive Director

CAREERS

Winkler's new premier retirement community for seniors opening in 2016 is seeking a dynamic leader who has:

• A inspiring, forward looking, and positive outlook

- Demonstrated a commitment to and an understanding of servant leadership and team empowerment.
- · Demonstrated success in leading a team to extraordinary results.
- · Formal education and experiences in working with older adults within the senior living industry or in a related field, such as hospitality, sales and marketing, community recreation, or business administration.

If you think the above describes you, and you are up to the challenge of helping build the team which will create Southern Manitoba's best senior living community, then please submit your resume, by November 30 2015 to:

Walter Siemens Chairman of the Board **Buhler Active Living Centre** 185 Main Street Winkler MB R6W 1B4 1-204-331-4646



CAREERS

CK Lounge/Beer Store Manager

This position is a great opportunity for a high-energy individual with hands-on management style and superior customer service skills working within the hotel industry. We're looking for a Lounge/Beer Store Manager with strong leadership and organizational abilities to fill a position in Quality Inn Winkler, Manitoba. You will manage the day to day running of the lounge and beer store, with a varied workload in this challenging role in which no day will be the same. If you enjoy working in a fast-paced environment and have a skill for multitasking, then this career is for you!

What You Will Do:

- Maintain the day-to-day operations of the department: food and beverage sales and execution of all special events and promotions, build on customer and supplier relations, maintain departmental operational targets.
- Oversees hiring and firing of all staff while adhering to all company standards and policies
- Ensure optimum customer service is maintained and exceeded Purchase and accountable for all Lounge/beer store supplies and
- products; keep control of inventories, cash transactions Ensure Lounge and Beer Store area presents a good impression
- while providing a safe environment Work closely with all Hotel departments for efficiency and support

Must Haves:

Minimum 5 years' experience, secondary education preferred

- Industry courses would be an asset
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing
- Possess or willing to obtain Food Handlers Certificate, and Serving it Safe certificate for responsible alcohol service.



If you are the interested, please contact Tim Spiller tim@qualityinnwinkler.com or 204 325-4381

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Congratulations Carley on achieving your R.N. B.N. with distinction Wishing you God's blessings as you begin your nursing career.

-Love, Mom, Dad, Jadynn and Steve Prov. 3:6(MSG) Listen for God's voice in everything you do,

everywhere you go -He's the one who will keep you on track.



IN MEMORIAM

Cornie Unrau August 14, 1923 - October 30, 2014 God has you in His keeping, We have you in our hearts. -Dearly loved and sadly missed, Evelyn and family

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Store has been vacant for some time, and we will sell all contents including shelving, meat cutting, grinding, packaging, slicing and walk in and product coolers.

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TENDERS

RM of Rhineland SW 1/4 16-3-3 160 acres vacant farmland - approx. 145 acres cultivated

Offers will be received until 1PM on Nov. 20th 2015.

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Cheryl Lynn Nickel (nee Rach) June 9, 1958 – October 17, 2015

It is with great sadness that the family of Cheryl Nickel announces her passing at Boundary Trails Health Centre on October 17, 2015 at the age of 57 years. Cheryl was dearly loved and will be sadly missed by her three sons, Shawn (Audrey), Steve (Kayla), Jeremy, granddaughter, Isabel and Papa Mike. Also mourning her loss are sisters, Bernice (Doug), Marie (Ron), Joyce, Brenda (Ryan) and brothers, Doug (Evelyn), Dennis (Cathy), Greg (Bev) and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. Cheryl was predeceased by her parents, Laverne and Grace, brother-in-law, Ray and sisterin-law, Val.

In accordance with Cheryl's wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be a private family service.

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden In care of arrangements wiebefuneralhomes.com

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Jacob Edward Hoeppner 1936 – 2015

Jake E. Hoeppner, 79, of Morden, MB (former MP for Portage-Lisgar) peacefully passed away Thursday, October 22, 2015 at Boundary Trails Health Centre. He is survived by his wife, Fran, two daughters, two sons, one sister, two brothers and their families. Memorial service was at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday October

28, 2015 at the Morden Mennonite Church with a private family interment prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jake's memory to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank by mail to P.O. Box 767, Winnipeg, MB, R3C 2L4 or online at http://foodgrainsbank.ca/donate-now/

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden In care of arrangements, wiebefuneralhomes.com





OBITUARY

Elizabeth (Betty) Larke (nee Longney) 1915 – 2015

Peacefully on Sunday, October 18, 2015 at Tabor Home in Morden, Betty went to her heavenly home, just six days short of her 100th birthday.

Mom was born at Freesmason's Hospital in Morden on October 24, 1915. Her early days were spent on the family farm in Thornhill, MB. She often spoke of how she enjoyed that life, including the chores. After mom fi rished school, she attended the Marvel Hairdressing School in Winnipeg and opened her own shop in Morden in 1937. On June 1, 1943, she married Bill Larke and a busy life followed. Mom enjoyed a full, active life and loved the

many hours spent volunteering. She was honoured to receive the Morden Kinsman Community Service Award in 1994 in recognition of her volunteer service in Morden. She was especially dedicated to the Legion Ladies Auxiliary since 1944, receiving her life membership in 1982, Jubilee Medal/Meritorious Award in 1985 and Palm Leaf Award in 1998. As well, she spent many hours helping at the Thrift Store, Tabor Home, ladies church groups at the United Church and St. Thomas Anglican Church. She was happiest when she was serving others. Mom enjoyed her many activities over the years at the Friendship Centre, Tuesday ladies lunch group, her "Domino" friends. Her hands were always busy making meals, baking, doing knitting and needlework. She enjoyed curling into her 70's and still enjoyed watching a curling game on TV. Throughout her life, mom had a strong faith in God and found comfort from her prayer breakfast fellowship and Bible study groups especially after dad passed away. Upon moving to Homestead South, she continued to host Tuesday evening Bible study which gave her peace and purpose in life. Mom was predeceased in 1994 by her husband of 50 years, Bill; her sister, Edith Turner in 2009;

Mom was predeceased in 1994 by her husband of 50 years, Bill; her sister, Edith Turner in 2009; brother, Leonard Longney in WWII at the age of 22 and her parents, William and Sarah Longney. She will be sadly missed by her daughter, Joan (Ed) Sawatzky of Winnipeg; son, Jim (Heather) of North Delta, BC; grandchildren, Todd, Trevor (Leili), Kristen, Matthew, Kevin and great-grandson, Evan as well as nieces, nephews and in-laws.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 23, 2015 at St. Thomas Anglican Church in Morden with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

Thank you to the many people who have helped mom over the past several years. Special thanks to Dr. Bob Menzies, and more recently the caring staff at Tabor Home.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Betty's memory to the Tabor Home Memorial Fund.

"May the winds of love blow softly, and whisper so you can hear. We will always love and miss you, and wish that you were here. For all that life has given us, and all that's left to do, We'll know no greater treasure than the days we had with you."

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OBITUARY



On Sunday, October 18, 2015 at Salem Home in Winkler, MB Mary Giesbrecht aged 81 years passed away peacefully to be with her Lord and Saviour.

Mom was born September 21, 1934 in Mexico to the late Jacob T and Maria Klassen. She was always very creative as a child, doing embroidery, making dolls, drawing and sewing. Later her interests also included gardening (mom loved flowers), baking, canning, Tri Chem (painting), flower arrangements and many other crafts. Mom was baptized upon confession of her faith in 1953 in Mexico. We, the family are comforted in knowing that she is safe in the arms of

Jesus!

Mary is survived by her eight children: Frank and Kathy of Morris, Mary and George Neufeld of Learnington, ON, Menno and Sue of Gretna, Susie and Henry Zacharias of Austin, Abe and Chris of Plum Coulee, Hilda and Calvin Gerbrandt of Morden, John and Jen of Winkler, Rose and Cornie Froese of Winkler as well as 48 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters and one brother-in-law. She was predeceased in 2001 by her husband of 46 years, John B Giesbrecht; one son-in-law and two grandchildren in infancy.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at Winkler EMMC with interment at Reinfeld Cemetery.

Our family would also like to thank the staff at Salem Home for all the years of care given to our mom. If friends so desire, donations may be made in Mary's memory to the Salem Foundation Inc.

Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler In care of arrangements wiebefuneralhomes.com





Brian Daniel Hildebrand July 13, 1952 – October 9, 2015

It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved husband, father, brother and grandfather. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 43 years, Kathie; children, Matthew (Sara), Felicia (Wayne) and grandchildren, Ava and Finnley. He will be greatly missed by his mother, Ella Hildebrand and by his siblings, Sharon Waldron, Sandra Mills (Bill) and Wes Hildebrand.

Brian was born on July 13, 1952 in Winkler and grew up on the Hildebrand family homestead in Greenfarm and was very proud of his heritage and the fact that he raised his family in the same house his grandparents built in 1904. He worked for Manitoba Crop Insurance for over 30 years and was highly respected by his

colleagues and the many farmers he met throughout his career. Brian was a man with many interests and talents. He was a gifted athlete, a rebel with a cause, a lover of music, the life of the party, a collector of objects, a recycler of materials, a renovator and builder. He was a dedicated and caring father, grandfather and friend. He loved spending time with his friends and family at the cottage on Rossman Lake, and entertaining at the farmhouse. Brian endured years of struggle with his health and saw many difficult days. However, his wife and family, his closest friends, his inner strength and perseverance and his deep spiritual connection with God maintained him through the toughest times. During the past year, Brian and Kathie moved back to the family farm after living for 12 years in Portage la Prairie. This was a powerful period of growth and spiritual renewal for him. He and Kathie undertook major renovations of the century old farm house, reconnected with many old friends (the coffee boys) and saw life flourish and expand. He returned to projects and began new ones. His energy was powerful, his stories engaging, his laugh infectious; his generosity and loving spirit were on continual display. He was especially excited to share time with his grandchildren, Ava and Finn and shower them with love and affection. He has left us too soon. The sadness is profound, but Brian would want us to turn up the music and to continue to be surrounded by the all-encompassing love he felt for us.

According to Brian's wishes, cremation has taken place. Family and friends came together for a Celebration of Life service at Bergthaler Mennonite Church, 252 6th Street, Winkler, MB on Wednesday, October 14th at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Brian's memory to Eden Health Care Services.



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