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After years of planning and fundraising and months of construction, the new Plum Coulee Active Living Centre finally opened its doors to the community for coffee and fellowship last week. For the full story, see Pg. 2.

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# Activity centre plans to cater to users of all ages

By Lorne Stelmach

Plum Coulee opened the doors to its new community centre last week.

A contingent of residents turned up April 3 for coffee on the facility's first day and to check out what is seen more as an active living centre rather than the senior centre it replaced.

"We're excited and I think the community is excited," said Brian Doerksen, vice chairperson of the Plum Coulee age friendly committee, which is planning a formal grand opening for the building sometime in May.

"We even have some of the younger generation excited about using this facility, and that was the name of the game for us," Doerksen added. "We have a young community, so it's not going to be a senior centre. This is supposed to be a community centre where everybody can feel comfortable."

The new facility, located on the same site as the old senior centre, is about the same size as the previous building, but it has a much more user-friendly, open layout with a kitchen, lanes for floor curling and shuffleboard, and a pool table in the back.

Getting the building project off the ground took the better part of two years, including planning, fundraising, and construction.

"We had a community meeting and



#### PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Plum Coulee residents once again have a downtown community centre to congregate in with the opening of the new facility on Main Ave. last week.

we got a feeling of what they wanted," said Doerksen, "and they wanted it to be a community building and big enough for some games like the pool table and the floor curling, and the coffee shop is very important.

"A lot of people wanted a place for family gatherings as well and for rentals ... so that's one thing we're depending on a lot. The rentals is what helps pay the bills."

With a price tag thus far of about

\$400,000, Doerksen stressed they've only spent what they were able to raise through donations and grants.

"We're keeping very close track ... so that we don't overspend. We don't want to get caught up with always having to do fundrais-

ers," he said. "What's in the building right now is paid for.

That said, they do have dreams for future additions, funds allowing.

"We want to put up a pad in the back for pickleball and a folding wall in the middle so that it can run two different activities at the same time if it has to, but that's maybe about a \$20,000 cost," Doerksen noted.

So far the project has received a number of significant grants, including \$50,000 from Manitoba Community Places, \$25,000 from Access Credit Union, and \$20,000 from the Thomas Sill Foundation.

"And a lot of individuals as well," Doerksen said, pointing out a number of area businesses also stepped forward to support the effort. The board plans to have a donor board installed to recognize the community's generosity.

On hand for opening day last week, Allen Funk suggested the place already feels like home. He welcomes the facility's focus on all ages.

"The community was ready for this," he said. "It will bring people together.

"We've got the space now ... we are so glad to have a new facility," Funk added. "I think it's going to generate interest ... I'm looking forward

to it all."

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"We hope that it will be a community builder," said Doerksen. "We have a lot of people who live here but they drive to Winkler or to Altona for work ... we thought if we could get more activities here ... it will be good for the community."

"It's just an awesome thing that we have here I think," added committee member June Letkeman, "We really needed a new centre.

"We're really, really hoping to have a lot of activities and that it really becomes the hub of our community."





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# Correction

The Health Corner column that ran in the March 29 edition of the *Voice* ("Baby Blues—the most common childbirth complication") was submitted to us with the incorrect professional designation for its author.

Ryan Hanan, who works out of the Agassiz Medical Centre in Morden, is in fact a licensed practical nurse, not a registered nurse.

We apologize for any confusion this error may have caused.

### Morden rolling out community-owned internet

By Lorne Stelmach

Morden is launching what it calls the first of its kind, community-owned internet initiative to offer ultra-high speeds as a city service.

City officials say Morenet will be one of the first 5G internet service providers in Canada, providing high speed internet access with bandwidth of 100 Mbp and higher upload and download.

"We're on the leading edge of technology here, and we don't believe it's been done anywhere else in Canada," said Mayor Ken Wiebe as the plan was officially unveiled last week.

"We're providing what CRTC has deemed as an essential service for Canadian citizens ... we believe internet service ranks right up there with water and sewer and electricity," Wiebe said.

"We have worked for quite a while on providing some leading edge technology for citizens of Morden ... we are going to provide an internet service that is going to be second to nothing else in this country ... we think that we have something here that is going to really work well for us in the future."

Wiebe and other city officials said Morenet is affordable to implement and operate, making it possible for the city to start offering the service at no ongoing monthly service charge. There will be an initial setup cost for residents of around \$400.



#### PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Mayor Ken Wiebe announced the City of Morden will be providing internet as a community service to residents starting this spring.

The city will be accepting customers May 1 initially in a limited area of the community. It will then be extended to all residents and businesses by September 2018.

City officials see Morenet as the answer to a gap in internet service in the area, and Wiebe believes this service will attract more development and business as well as alleviate the frustration with internet service they have heard from many Mordenites over the

"I think it's unlimited potential ... and our goal is not to keep up, our goal is to lead the charge," he said.

The process that led to Morenet be-

gan about four years ago with a challenge to city staff to come up with a way to provide a more reliable, affordable service.

"We looked at all of the other things that are available out there, and it costs a lot of money,"Wiebe said. "We

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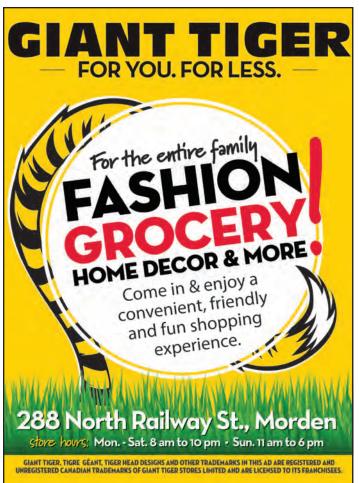
# Future of the region is in amalgamation: Wiebe

By Lorne Stelmach

Ken Wiebe may be ending his tenure as mayor of Morden this fall, but he is going out with big ideas and hopes for not only the city but the region as a whole.

In a state of the city address marked by the announcement of Morenet—a first of its kind, community-owned free high speed internet service for Morden (see story on Pg. 3)—Wiebe also left a packed room on hand for the annual meeting of the Morden and District Chamber of

PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Morden Mayor Ken Wiebe delivered his state of the city address at the Morden chamber AGM April 5.



Commerce with his vision for a region united.

One regret from his eight years as mayor is not being able to get discussion about Morden-Winkler-Stanley amalgamation on the table, Wiebe said last Thursday at the Minnewasta Golf and Country Club.

"There would be no stopping us ... I can honestly say we could be doing something here and I would say in five to 10 years we could surpass Brandon and become the second largest community," he suggested.

"All it needs is some co-operation and some equal vision," Wiebe stressed. "We are a powerhouse in southern Manitoba. We've proven that many times over, and there's no politician who sits in the Legislature in the city of Winnipeg who will deny that southern Manitoba is a powerhouse."

As an example of the potential, Wiebe cited a partnership with North Forge Technology Exchange, an innovation-based economic development agency in Winnipeg that provided a two-stage startup program that has helped over 60 companies access over \$180 million in financing and created hundreds of jobs.

"They have decided to work with us in southern Manitoba and we're very excited about that," he said, posing the question what more is possible if Morden alone, with a population of under 10,000, can attract that kind of interest.

"I think that we can accomplish so much more by working together as opposed to being in competition with each other ... I think it's a possibility ... my question is why not? "Let's say yes ... let's work on making it happen."

Wiebe continued to emphasize the thought that "with a combined population of over 30,000 people, we would be the third largest municipality in Manitoba. We would finally be recognized as the powerhouse the region actually is rather than looked upon as three municipalities who are not always on the same page.

"The reasons given not to amalgamate are primarily the reasons why we need to come together ... regional projects ... the amalgamation takes care of that, it takes care of the perceived competition we encounter with each other and focuses on attracting even more industry and development by not undercutting one another."

#### HIGHLIGHTS AND LOOKING FORWARD

Wiebe's state of the city address also highlighted a number of ongoing initiatives and priorities for the city.

He saluted the community for embracing the three stream waste program which is now diverting 68 per cent of material from landfill.

"We know we can reduce that remaining 32 per cent by a whole lot more," Wiebe said. "There are European countries that anticipate by 2020 zero landfill ... why can't we do that? Let's quit burying it, let's deal with it.

"We're trying to get ahead of the game," he said, noting the city is further committed to extending waste diversion further into the commercial and industrial sectors."Morden is leading the province in green initiatives, and all along we have proven that you do not have to throw buckets of money at it."

Wiebe also noted the strong support in the area for some form of public transportation, especially to the Boundary Trails Health Centre, and noted they have been investigating options.

Other matters he touched on ranged from finding better solutions to issues like the algae bloom on Lake Minnewasta impacting the city's water supply to getting snow clearing done more efficiently.

He also identified the development of the city's new 40 acre parcel of land for sports and recreation as a priority as well as continued investment in roads and infrastructure, including the reconstruction of 1st St. and a roundabout at Hwy. 3 and LaVerendrye Dr.

Wiebe also stressed the importance of the regional wastewater treatment system and suggested that Morden has positioned itself well to handle such a major project.

"We currently sit at about a \$5.1 million debt and \$11 million in reserve funds ... which gives us a very strong foundation to borrow for the wastewater treatment plant, sports field, and other much needed projects."

In other areas, Wiebe noted the continued strong retail growth as well as the likely impact of increased immigration in 2018.

"We have a better than 85 per cent retention rate, and they are embracing our community. They're buying homes, growing our economy, volunteering in a variety of areas ... they're working hard at becoming contributing members to our great city."

Finally, the mayor also welcomed the new regional tourism partnership with Winkler and the RM of Stanley, saying that it "concentrates existing tourism efforts we have made to showcase our communities and everything we have to offer."

Wiebe's wish for the community and the region is that it continue to pursue its potential and embrace a strong vision together.

"Our goal is to work smarter, not harder, in delivering value for money and to find innovative solutions to existing and potential problems," he said. "The potential here is endless, especially if we have three municipalities together ... what can we do



## Winkler Police starts new era with new leadership

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Police Service's new top administrators are settling into their roles nicely.

In addition to Ryan Hunt stepping up as chief of police last week, Chris Kalansky has also moved up in the ranks to the role of deputy chief.

The deputy chief position replaces the former inspector role in the department's administrative hierarchy

"I think it more closely reflects the role that this position is supposed to play," Kalansky says, explaining his focus is very much on updating and implementing departmental policies and procedures.

That, and doing "whatever he tells me to do," Kalansky says with laugh, gesturing to Hunt.

The pair have a good working relationship, having started out together as Winkler constables within six months of each other back in 2002.

Now they're tasked with leading the department into its next era, as the old guard—Chief Rick Hiebert, Insp. Brad Kehler, and Sgt. Ray Friesen—all retired within the past 12 months after decades of service.

It's a challenge they're eager to tack-

"I'm just excited to build up the service up from where Rick has left it," Hunt says.

"We're looking forward to working with the community," adds Kalansky. "One of our mandates is to get out into the community and increase community relations."

"Myself, I want to be more visible in the community," agrees Hunt, "and Chris as well."

Though it has been a year of changes for the department with the loss of three experienced officers and administrators, things have gone about as smoothly as one could hope, Hunt

"The transition's been really good. I was fortunate to be able to spend two months [working as deputy chief] with Rick before he left.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler police Chief Ryan Hunt (right) and deputy chief Chris Kalansky are excited to be the department's new administrators and eager to guide it to further growth in the future.

"Everybody here has been here for a lot of years, except of course for the three officers we hired this year," Hunt adds. "Everybody has lots of years of experience, they know their job really well. And that actually makes Chris and my job a little easier.

"The average experience here is around 14, 15 years," Kalansky points

out, "so we have a very senior membership, which means they can take care of the day-to-day operations, they know how to do the investigation and police work."

"Our job is just to give them the tools they need to do the job," says

# "Second to nothing else in this country"

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think that we have come up with something that is better at an amazing cost."

"What the challenge was with council was they didn't want to go and increase mill rates," said city manager John Scarce, who noted they were challenged to deliver up to an overall 10 per cent savings in their budget and achieved about six per cent, so that in turn freed up funds to roll out Morenet.

The first round of connections will cost an estimated \$150,000. Then there will be the installation of more towers to allow the city eventually to cover about 3,500 properties in total, with over \$300,000 in total capital costs, Scarce said.

"We've got infrastructure in place that we've been using and it's going to capture around 1,300 properties will be able to get connected virtually straightaway," he said. "It's going to be a rollout because an installer can probably do about four homes a day.

"The costs are in towers and wireless radios and things like that to set up the capital," Scarce continued.

"The only cost to the residents is their installation costs on to their property."

"The city will basically provide the core infrastructure ... for the internet service, we will provide you a point of connection, and you just basically install the equipment you need in order to connect to it and start using it," said Dave Haines, director of planning and engineering.

He estimated that will take about an hour and a half to install and they will use private contractors to do the

"We've aiming for by the end of the summer to have everything," Haines said. "We have to go through regulatory approvals."

Scarce said they have brought the

costs down as much as they could, adding the city has the advantage of not being in this for profit.

"That was the thing about stripping this back to its bare bones ... find out what the direct costs are and virtually what the wholesale costs are to be able to establish this," he said. "There's really no retail markup on it because we've been doing it ourselves."

"We've managed to manage the budget in a way that we could add this on without increasing overall costs," Haines agreed. "And what we've discovered is the cost to implement this service is low enough that the impact on the total budget for the community is not significant."

There is the potential for the service

to even improve further in the future, with city leaders hoping to be able to offer full 1 Gbps service by 2021.

"Our goal with this is that it stays on the leading edge of what's available in technology," said Haines. "And that means right now we're aiming for a baseline of a hundred megabits per second ... I don't think you can find that very easily on the market at a price that most people will want to

"From what we can see, it meets the needs of pretty much everybody."

You can learn more about the project, including viewing a map of where the initial rollout will be in the community, online at morenet.ca.





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# I hope I am forgotten

n 1936, I married Sara Zalkin...we played together as children...we had two children, a girl and a boy. The Germans took my parents and our children."

These are the stark, spare words of Benjamin Brest, one of a myriad of Winnipeg Holocaust survivors whose

story is chronicled in Voices of Winnipeg Holocaust Survivors, a book I have started reading.

It is not a happy book. But it is a necessary one.

There was no other reference to Brest's children again in his story.



They were simply gone. I cannot even begin to fathom the depth of such absence; the black wound that it must leave.

More and more I understand the need for such stories to be recorded and told. When we read stories of Holocaust survivors, rarely do we read stories of individuals left alone to get through the horror. Rather, we find again and again stories of people whose lives became entwined with others through necessity.

A man whose brothers propped him up in the crowd so he would appear older and not be separated from the men by the Nazis as the other children were; another person who made it through the concentration camp alive because someone else secretly attended to their illness ... the list goes on.

It is through community and relationship that many were able to come out of the brutality alive. Even if the community was forced, even if the relationship was required by circumstance, the value cannot be denied.

Together, over time, we come to see one another's humanity, our worth and value. This is both sad and ironic. It is sad because it often takes the most brutal of circumstances to bring people together. It is ironic because it is often our distance, distrust and isolationism that lead to the brutality in the first place.

We need these stories. I am convinced we need them now more than ever. Our society is fracturing along every possible fault-line. There is conflict everywhere and in the midst of conflict rises distrust and a desire to wall oneself off from the world. To isolate and leave others to their own devices.

There is blame and shame and offense taken at every turn. Each of us is becoming our own little, hypersensitive states, withdrawing into ourselves and willing to war with whomever looks at us sideways. There is no such thing as discussion and dialogue anymore—only diatribe and monologue.

In this state we lose sight of the value of our neighbour and the importance of neighbourhood (local and global). We see only our own value. This makes it easy to make stupid, reactionary pronouncements like "They should just let them die" or "Why should I help them? They made their beds, let them lie in them" and the like.

As we forget our collective value we become easy to manipulate and divide by those who would profit and gain from chaos, division and confusion

This is where we are at.

The cure to such ills is finding our life together. We must work hard at avoiding the pain of people like Benjamin Brest or we will be doomed to repeat it. We must look past our differences and seek after our unifying humanity where our real value lies before we are forced to write our own stories of survival down.

I would much rather strive to work hard at community now and be forgotten to history than to have to write my story down as a lesson for others.

## When elected officials darken the windows

t should be everyone's concern when their elected officials darken the windows.

That is what is currently happening across Manitoba, as the provincial government tables a second bill in the legislature removing the requirement for municipal and provincial governments and their agencies to notify the public of important actions and events.

Bill 19, The Planning Amendment Act, was tabled for first reading in the Manitoba Legislature last month by Jeff Wharton, Gimli MLA and Minister of Municipal Relations.

Singing from the same hymn sheet as Bill 8, The Government Notices

municipality's or planning district's

Modernization Act which was tabled in December, Bill 19 states that public notice of a hearing under the Planning Act is no longer required to be published in a newspaper or posted in any location if it is simply posted on a



By Kim MacAulay

website for 27 days prior to a hearing. This includes all manner of land use such as livestock and agricultural operations, drainage, building construc-

tion, recreational property usage, roadways and highways.

What this government fails to recognize is that making valuable information 'accessible' online is not the same as 'notifying' the public that information exists.

Public access is NOT public notice. Under this act, if something is happening more than 330 feet away from

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# letters

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### Reduced ambulance fees will allow more Manitobans access to care

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Last week, the PC Government of Manitoba announced that ambulance fees are being reduced to \$340. This is down from an average of \$522 under

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Not only have we already committed to lowering ambulance fees to half of what they were under the NDP, but the reduced costs for ambulance service will allow more Manitobans to access care in a timely manner at a more affordable price.

We also hired 29 paramedics in 2017 and made the commitment in Budget 2018 to hire 60 more.

As the MLA for Morden-Winkler, I have heard

too many stories in our communities from seniors in medical distress declining to place a call to 911 out of concern for high ambulance fees. No Manitoban should ever be forced to make such a choice when it comes to medically necessary care.

The Government of Manitoba will continue to

stand up for affordability and a better and more sustainable healthcare system, not just for today but for the future.

> Cameron Friesen, MLA for Morden-Winkler

### Touched by the generosity of a stranger

To the kind gentleman who paid for my gas on March 21, 2018 at the Co-op in Carman when I realized my wallet was lost: your act of kindness and generosity deeply moved me.

I have very little faith or expectation in the kindness of others and you gave me a small glimmer of hope.

I shared that experience with others and I have also donated double the amount to an animal rescue organization and a food bank. God bless you.

> Bernadette Cusack, Miami

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your property line, you will no longer be notified.

Under this act, it will be up to citizens to seek out information online that they don't even know is there.

Under this act, are Manitobans being deliberately left in the dark?

According to the Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs Planning Act Handbook, the Planning Act provides a framework for land-use planning at the provincial, regional and local levels. The regulation sets out the province's policies with respect to:

- General development;
- Agriculture (including livestock);
- Renewable resources;
- Water and shoreland;
- Recreational resources;
- Natural features and heritage re-
- Flooding and erosion;
- Provincial highways;
- Mineral resources.

The Government Notices Modernization Act, Bill 8, removes the requirement to publish government notices in newspapers from 24 different provincial acts:

- The Environment Act;
- The Municipal Board Act;
- The Public Health Act;
- The Public Schools Act;
- The Public Utilities Board Act;
- The Highways and Transportation Construction Contracts Disbursement Act;
- The Water Protection Act;
- The Ecological Reserves Act;
- The Endangered Species and Ecosystems Act;
- The Cooperatives Act;
- The Corporations Act;

- The Criminal Property Forfeiture
- The Garage Keepers Act;
- The Highways Protection Act;
- The Human Rights Code;
- The Insurance Act;
- The Naturopathic Act;
- The Red River Floodway Act;
- The Securities Act;
- The Suitors' Moneys Act;
- The Surveys Act;
- The Trustee Act;
- The Veterinary Services Act;
- City of Winnipeg Charter.

According to the Public Notice Resource Centre, public notice is information alerting citizens of government-related activities that may cause a citizen to take action. The purpose of public notice is to display information in places where the public is likely to come into notice. Traditionally and effectively, newspapers have published public notices because newspapers spark curiosity and are delivered to the interested public. Providing public notice provides the opportunity for the public to influence governing bodies and allows the public to be an active participant in a democratic society.

"There is no provision in either proposed act for mandatory publication of public notices beyond posting the information online-on their own government controlled websites. This means that Manitoba will become the first province to back away from a centuries-old tradition of democratic governments being required to use independent media to alert citizens of government-related activities that may cause citizens to take action,"

stated Bob Cox, publisher of the Winnipeg Free Press.

There is little doubt this is a manoeuver that will lessen our democracy through the legislated removal of the checks and balances required for a transparent and openly accountable government.

Municipal councils will be faced with continuous challenges from residents demanding that their elected officials and staff prove a particular public notice was posted, unaltered and accessible, for the required number of days. How do they plan to do

According to a recently released Totem Research study, 21 per cent of Manitoba and Saskatchewan residents in non-urban settings have no access to the internet. How do they plan to respond to those voters who are entirely unaware of a significant change to local land use that will negatively affect quality of life or the value of their property?

The rights of citizens to know, and

the obligation of government to notify those citizens of actions and activities that will affect their daily lives

Premier Brian Pallister recently wrote, "everything our government does passes through the filter of what is best for our citizens and our province. Not what is best for one group of citizens or one part of the province, but for all citizens in all parts of Manitoba. Those are our values. That is how we govern."

How is the government-sanctioned removal of such a fundamental aspect of our democracy able to pass this government's own filter?

Doing away with government's requirement to notify the public of its activities, seems to be an ill-conceived solution to a problem that doesn't exists, but that will in fact create plenty of them.

Kim MacAulay is the chair of the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association

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# Salem faspa raising funds for new blinds

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Salem Foundation has set its sights on another project that will improve the lives of residents living in Salem Home.

Proceeds from this Sunday's Faspa, Fellowship & Song are earmarked to help the personal care home replace the aging window covers in 125 resident rooms.

"Room blinds are one of the items in our homes, just like the residents' homes, that ... can often blend into the room environment," said foundation board chair Arlen Hildebrand. "As we've recently found with the bathing room upgrades, an improvement that can seem cosmetic actually has a significant impact on resident care and safety."

After nearly 25 years of service, many of the blinds in the care home are in sorry shape, Hildebrand said, showing both obvious signs of wear and, in some cases, functioning less than perfectly.

Salem Foundation had previously funded the upgrade of about 20 or so of the worst blinds in the building a few years ago. Now they want



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Salem Home CEO Sherry Janzen and Salem Foundation board chair Arlen Hildebrand with an example of the new blinds they hope to install in 125 resident rooms.

to tackle the rest. The total cost of the with a cordless lifting system that can project is estimated at \$49,500.

more easily be adjusted by residents The plan is to install roller blinds to suit their lighting and privacy pref-

erences. The lack of a cord is also a nice safety improvement.

It's simply another way the foundation is "trying to add to the residents' lives, just make them feel more like at home," Hildebrand said.

It's also a way to give them some dignity and a greater measure of control over their personal spaces, added director of resident care services Marilyn Nelson.

"We wouldn't have [tattered blinds] in our homes," she pointed out. "We would take care of it, we would get it replaced.

"Certainly being able to control the amount of daylight coming into the room ... allows them to find their own rhythm as to when they might wake up," Nelson added.

The Faspa, Fellowship & Song takes place this Sunday, April 15 at the Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church starting at 3:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

A performance from the Winkler Community Male Choir will be followed by faspa in the fellowship hall from 4:30-5:15 p.m.

No ticket purchase is required to attend, though a freewill offering will be accepted.

# Highway corridor plan receives final approval

By Lorne Stelmach

The plan to guide development in the highway corridor between Morden and Winkler is now in place, and the RM of Stanley is also taking a step to extend sewer service into the area.

Council gave final approval to the Stanley corridor secondary plan at its meeting last Thursday to finally bring to an end a long process.

"It's been a long road ... this thing's been one or two years in the making," said Reeve Morris Olafson after council also gave first reading to a borrowing bylaw for the corridor

The approval comes after an initial hearing last April where both Winkler and Morden raised similar concerns around the idea that some aspects of the plan were not well defined enough to ensure controlled development in the area.

It was then delayed again last month after Morden filed an objection, which was later lifted after what the city described as minor details were ironed out.

Given the importance of the corridor between Winkler and Morden, Olafson said Stanley accepted it was vital for the two cities to ensure the plan for development of the area was

"A lot of back and forth between the two cities ... in the end, the cities did have good input ... it had some flaws, and they directed us a little bit or helped us along the way," he said.

"We're always going to give them a say in what happens closer to the city ... we want to complement each city as well we want to complement our corridor. I think we've come to a really good compromise."

Olafson said the plan sets out the range of requirements for how development can happen in the regionrequiring water and sewer and concrete roads, for example—to ensure it is development that makes sense, won't be helter skelter, and considers safety along the highway route.

"Going forward after this, now we go into our zoning bylaws, which will specify a little better what's actually going to happen in each section," he said."This gives direction to anybody who actually wants to come here.

"We've done our homework ... this plan will assist the developers in making their decisions."

Meanwhile, council is also hopeful work could start on sewer service for the corridor this year after giving first reading to a bylaw to borrow up to

\$400,000 for the work.

"Both sides of the highway will have access to low pressure sewer," Olafson explained, suggesting for now it will run from around the Stanley office west towards Manitoba Hydro. "We're doing our part to facilitate the growth of this area ... and being ahead of the game."

The plan is for around \$300,000 each to come from both the federal and provincial governments for the proj-

"It will come ... we are very confident that it will happen," the reeve said, adding that "for us to put in a sewer line without any granting is kind of cost prohibitive."

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with 30,000 plus people with a powerhouse of the financial resources that this area has here?"

As for his decision to not seek reelection this fall, Wiebe said it mostly comes to down to personal and family reasons.

"I've been at this almost eight years, I've had business for 14 years. I spent 30 years in the military. I've been working since I was 16 years old," he

"I'm going to be 70 years old this year and I've got six and five-year-old grand kids ... I think being a full time grandpa and a full time husband is going to be okay ... I'm looking forward to it.

"My time as mayor has been mostly fun ... and I've been honoured to represent the citizens of Morden," he continued. "We have achieved so much and placed Morden in the front of many eyes, but I feel for myself it's time for new blood and new energy to move Morden forward."

# PHAC in solid shape moving forward

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Hills Arts Council is moving ahead in 2018 in a much more stable position than in the past.

The council came out of the past year in a good shape despite facing challenges, including staffing in par-

"I'm just very happy with how everything has continued to move forward. We've grown in a number of different areas ... the gift shop is expanding, it's got some new ideas," outgoing board chairperson Cathy Lone said after the annual meeting April 3 at the Pembina Hills Gallery in Morden.

"Getting it all settled for the new year was a huge thing for us, and I'm very confident with how things are going to run now."

The arts council showed a slight surplus for 2017 based on revenues of \$115,405 and expenses of \$114,615.

The main source of revenue was grants of almost \$70,000, including \$36,000 from the City of Morden and over \$24,000 from the province, while income from programming came in at almost \$25,000.

There was some increase in the cost of programs, but general and administrative costs came in within budget and staffing costs under budget. Staffing and payroll expenses were just over \$63,000 with operating costs of about \$25,000 and program expenses of almost \$20,000, while administrative costs were over \$18,000.

Lone suggested a key for the board in the past year was a strategic planning workshop where they set out ideas for a longer term vision and goals for the agency for the next three years.

"One of the big things was that we looked at our staffing," she said. "We just felt that it is a big responsibility, it's a big job ... we had quite a lot of discussion about the rates," she said. "I hope that it is going to help us maintain our staff."

With the staffing more settled again now with Laurie Wiebe as administrative co-ordinator and Tricia Dyck as the new programs and outreach co-ordinator, incoming board chairperson Vicki Campbell-Dyck feels PHAC can focus its efforts more on other priorities.

"I feel really good with the staff changes," she said. "Laurie and Trish are very positive, and Margie Hildebrand is a huge benefit to help keep our programs going as well."

Lone also reported on other positive steps taken in the past year, including some building improvements in the pottery room and new flooring for the upstairs classroom. Council memberships also increased from 39 to 52.

"Local residents and people from many surrounding communities have taken part in the exhibits, activities



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Pembina Hills Arts Council faced staffing challenges in 2017 but is moving ahead this year with Tricia Dyck as the new programs and outreach co-ordinator and Laurie Wiebe as administrative co-ordinator.

and classes," she added. "The gallery space has continued to be used not only for council activities but for many private functions including concerts, yoga classes, birthday and retirement parties that allow for many visitors to see and appreciate the great building."

The council board stressed that they appreciate the ongoing commitment of the City of Morden, which not only forgives the monthly rent for the building but is also looking to replace the remainder of the roof this year and install more new flooring

"I'm very happy the city is helping us out ... helping us maintain the building," said Campbell-Dyck. "The city has been behind us to keep this heritage building going."

She also cited the importance of fundraising and other community support in keeping the arts council up and running.

"Things are always changing with the fundraising ideas. Expanding the gift shop has helped us financially, to stay viable along with all of the class-

Campbell-Dyck said she's looking forward to what the new year may bring for PHAC.

"Being on a volunteer board like this is always a great experience, a learning experience," she said, adding her hope is simply that the arts council "will just keep growing and getting better ... that'll be the key things."

# Three arrested in Winkler meth trafficking investigation

Winkler police arrested three people for methamphetamine trafficking after a traffic stop last week.

On April 4, just after 9 p.m., officers pulled over a Dodge Caravan on Tumbleweed Lane near Main Street as part of an ongoing investigation into meth trafficking.

The adult male driver and two adult female passengers were all immediately arrested for having possession of methamphetamine for the purpose of trafficking.

A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of a small quantity of marijuana as well as seven grams of meth and meth trafficking paraphernalia.

Police also located approximately \$340 cash believed to be proceeds of drug trafficking.

The adult male driver is facing

charges of drug trafficking and possessing proceeds obtained by crime.

One of the female passengers will be charged with possessing methamphetamine for the purpose of trafficking. The other woman faces the same charge as well as a marijuana possession charge.

Police says there were three young children in the vehicle at the time of the traffic stop. In order to protect their identity, police will not be releasing the names of the arrested in-

Other items of interest from the weekly police reports include:

• Police received a complaint April 4 about someone's wallet containing his debit and credit card being stolen and that both cards were used several times at 7-Eleven and McDonald's

in Winkler as well as several locations in Winnipeg.

The suspect was identified and police learned he had already been arrested in another jurisdiction for several other unrelated charges.

The investigation continues.

• A resident of Coulter Dr. in Winkler reported April 4 that during the night someone entered his unlocked garage and rummaged through his unlocked vehicle, stealing spare change and a charging cable.

• Winkler police April 7 investigated an assault at the Southland Mall involving two men and a woman with multiple bystanders.

The complainant told officers the two males had assaulted her friend and swung a knife at her. Police spoke with the men, who claimed it was the female who had first assaulted them before one of the men pulled out the knife to stop the assault.

Everyone involved received verbal warnings and were dealt with through alternative measures.

• Winkler police were called April 8 about a domestic assault in a vehicle parked on 3rd St. South. The witness stated the male driver then drove to another location on Peters Ave.

Police spoke with both parties, who denied the assault, but officers then learned that the man had provided a false name to police and was prohibited from driving.

The 24-year-old resident of Winnipeg was arrested for driving while prohibited and breach of probation, and the vehicle was also towed from the scene.

# Piping trades students hard at work in the community

By Lorne Stelmach

New businesses that will be getting their start in Morden's new retail incubator mall will also be able to know their space helped future tradespeople get their start.

The City of Morden is working with Western School Division to provide some valuable practical experience for students in the first year of the new piping trades program.

The seven students involved in the Red River Technical Vocational Area program are working with Tip Top Plumbing and Heating from Winkler to get the incubator mall space set up on the east end of Morden.

"It's fantastic ... any time that they get to do live work, the students are very excited about it," said Lane Curry, RRTVA program services co-ordinator.

"It's really been an awesome experience for them," agreed program instructor Jason L'Heureux. "It's going to be there, it's a permanent installation ... they're probably going to know people who are running businesses out of that location eventually."

"It's a great partnership for the city and the school division," added Chad Sheldon, business development specialist for Morden. "Where we can, we like to share projects and ideas and work together on solutions for things."

Curry said they had early on met with city officials to discuss not only what trades training programs are available in the area, but also how local students could get involved in community projects.

"When they are recruiting people from out of the country, they can know there are these options here for high school kids," he said.

It was a good fit for the city, added Sheldon, who noted right from the start they had identified the opportunity for local partnerships in developing the retail incubator mall, which will house perhaps a half dozen small businesses. Tip Top Plumbing was also keen to get piping trades students involved.

"Learning through scenarios is great, but when you get the opportunity to come to a job site ... in this case, work with a certified plumber with many years of experience ... it's a great opportunity for learning," Sheldon said. "They also learn more than just the plumbing skills. They learn about the business, learn about what the developers need, what they're looking for ... it gives them real life experience on a job site. That's not something you're going to get in a textbook."

"It's great having them actually go in the field, instead of just working here in the shop, where you're at school," agreed L'Heureux. "Now you're at the job site, now you're doing the plumbing for somebody else ... it's not just something you're going to be ripping out again and then trying to redo.

"So it's a lot more practical, a lot more real, and then being able to meet real plumbers as they're out in the field ... it could be motivation for university or motivation to keep on



**SUPPLIED PHOTOS** 

Local piping trades students are getting out of the classroom and into the community this spring to help with the construction of the new retail incubator mall in east Morden.

going in plumbing."

L'Heureux pointed out that the new piping trades space on Cochlan Dr. also involved some partnerships with other RRTVA programs.

"For the work tables ... we designed them but the welding program actually welded them up," he said.

"We got the carpentry students from Altona to come in and build the mock-up for us ... it's like four different houses, four different sets of bathrooms and kitchen sinks," L'Heureux continued. "They're learning how to do the venting and the drainage already ... so they're going to be able to get out of high school and be able to go plumb a whole house.

"For the kids then, there's also that sense of community that we're building."

"The mock-ups are very nice ... but the real thing is quite amazing for the students," said Curry, noting there's still work to be done on the incubator mall. "The kids have put in the rough piping for that, and now they are waiting for the cabinets to be installed. When those are installed, the kids will go back and install the sinks."

For their part, the students all rel-

ished the opportunity to get their hands dirty with a real work project.

"It was real life. It's not like little projects here [at school]. It was for real, and it's going to be used. I thought it was pretty cool," said Samuel Ivankin, a Gr. 11 student at Morden Collegiate.

"It's a totally different experience. It's way more fun than just doing some small projects," agreed Michael Dick, a Gr. 11 student from Altona. "I really enjoy this program. It's a good opportunity."

"I'm learning a lot of new skills that can be used in the trade out in the world," added Morden Gr. 12 student Julio Hendricks. "It's been outstanding to get on the job experience ... giving us the time to really spend time on a real job."

Curry and L'Heureux have high hopes for the piping trades program moving forward.

"I have 20 lockers there, so the goal is within the next two years or so to ramp up to that 20 students ... we will always want the program full," said L'Heureux. "It will get there. They're blazing the trail. They're the ones who get to tell everybody about it now."



## Our mistake

The story that ran in our April 5 edition on Lois Dudgeon's retirement from the Morden area Daffodil Days campaign included an error we'd like to correct.

While Dudgeon's mother, Marion, did previously head up the campaign, Dudgeon did not take over the role of

coordinator directly from her in 2009.

In fact, Dudgeon, alongside Geri Korotash, succeeded Pat Neuman and Wanda Currie Steeghs in running the program.

We apologize for this error and any confusion it may have caused.

# Access Credit Union reports on strong year of growth

By Lorne Stelmach

Access Credit Union recorded another year of strong growth in 2017.

There will be challenges ahead for the credit union system, but Access is in solid shape overall, suggested CEO Larry Davey.

"Our growth continues at a pace that is higher than what the Manitoba system is seeing," Davey said after the annual meeting held April 3 in Winkler.

"We've had strong growth, and I would say consistent profitability ... because of that, we've probably seen our credit union grow just over a billion dollars in the last five years in our assets under management."

The Access Credit Union assets rose to over \$2.4 billion from about \$2.2 billion, while net income increased from \$12.4 million to \$13.3 million in 2017. Loans were up to \$2.1 billion from \$1.9 billion, while deposits increased from \$2 billion to \$2.2 billion.

The credit union meanwhile also invested over \$563,000 back into its communities, including donations totalling \$167,000 for services for seniors, \$111,000 for health and welfare initiatives, \$90,000 towards economic development, \$57,000 to arts and culture, \$46,000 for sports and recreation, and \$43,000 towards youth and children. There was also a \$250,000 commitment over five years to support the STARS air ambulance service.

In addition, 25 local organizations across southern Manitoba benefited from the Jeans for Charity program, with \$53,170 raised through International Credit Union Day. The program has raised over \$250,000 since it started. As well, the Access charity golf tournament saw proceeds of over \$61,000 go towards STARS.

The annual report also highlighted a number of other initiatives and achievements, ranging from the Each One Teach One financial literacy program to the organization being named a top employer in Manitoba for a fourth straight year.

Looking forward, Davey observed that there is a continued trend away from members needing service in their local branches.

"It's growing at a very rapid pace as we continue to introduce newer and newer technology," he said, pointing to such services as e-transfer, deposit anywhere, and U.S. cash at ATMs.

"All of that has allowed the people to do banking when they want, where they want," he continued, noting 90 per cent of transactions are now handled electronically."We're seeing

its to branches now that people have

significant drops in the number of vis- the ability to do everything on their phone. There's very few things people

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## Ukrainian dancing troupe coming to Morden April 21

There will be some high-flying dancing going on at St. Paul's United Church in Morden next week.

The Selo Ukrainian Dancers are slated to perform at the We Are the World concert presented by the St. Paul's United Church Choir on Saturday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m.

"Selo" is the Ukrainian word for village, which makes it the perfect name for this troupe of dancers who had its humble beginnings in the village of Anola 32 years ago.

Today the group features nearly 100 young performers from across southeastern Manitoba, including Morden's own Amber Bezte.

Their shows pay enthusiastic homage to the culture of Ukraine with everything from elegant turns, spins



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The Selo Ukrainain Dancers perform at the St. Paul's United Church in Morden Saturday, April 21.

and lifts to acrobatic leaps and cossack high kicks.

Led by instructors Rod Picklyk, Bon-

nie Picklyk, Hannah Picklyk, and Crystal Holme, the Selo Ukrainian Dancers have performed countless

shows both close to home and around the world.

They're currently preparing for another international dance tour, heading to Ukraine to participate in dance festivals and workshops this August.

Two instructors and 13 dancers—including Bezte, who commutes several hours for rehearsals each week to pursue her passion for Ukrainian dance-will embark on this adven-

You can learn more about the trip and the dancers online at seloukrainiandancers.ca.

Or come see the show yourself next week. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and are available by calling the church at 204-822-4508 or Marlene Holewka 204-822-5695.

# MPI, local police targeting distracted drivers

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler and Morden police departments will have extra officers on the streets this month thanks to funding from Manitoba Public Insurance.

The auto insurer is providing approximately \$200,000 to police services across the province to support extra shifts targeting distracted drivers.

"This campaign is a joint initiative between Manitoba Public Insurance,

the RCMP, and police services in Winnipeg, Brandon, Winkler, Morden, Rivers, Altona and Dakota Ojibway," explained MPI's Ward Keith.

"Over the past seven years of these distracted driving campaigns, nearly 10,000 provincial offence notices were issued by law enforcement partners," he said. "This is a clear indication that more work is required to address growing concerns about distracted driving.

Winkler police Chief Ryan Hunt says the funding will allow them to add about 16 extra duty shifts over the next few weeks.

"It allows us to have more members on the street watching for people that are using cellphones behind the wheel," he said, adding those officers won't be bogged down by other general patrol duties during those shifts, so he expects an awful lot of offenders will be getting a wake-up call.

"A lot of people are under the misconception that they can hold their phone and put it on speaker phone to talk. But that's not legal—you cannot be holding your phone," Hunt stressed, adding that your best bet is to set up your device to be used hands-free with a Bluetooth headset or your vehicle's built-in system.

Cell phones aren't the only way of driving distracted. You can get pulled over for everything from putting on makeup to reading to eating behind the wheel if it's clear these actions are taking your focus off the road.

This enforcement campaign launches on the heels of tough new distracted driving legislation announced last month by the Government of Manitoba, including licence suspensions for those caught using a hand-held cellphone or other electronic device while driving. Currently, a distracted driving ticket carries a fee of \$203.80 and five demerit points.

MPI says distracted driving collisions in the province have increased from 2,415 in 2011 to 11,086 in 2016.

"We cannot stress enough the importance of being focused while driving on Manitoba's roadways," said RCMP Assistant Commissioner Scott Kolody, president of the Manitoba Association of Chiefs of Police.

"The decision to pay attention on the road can save lives," he said. "Many of the deaths we see on our roadways are avoidable, and it is imperative that people think about the consequences of their actions."

Similar enforcement campaigns are slated to take place in July and the



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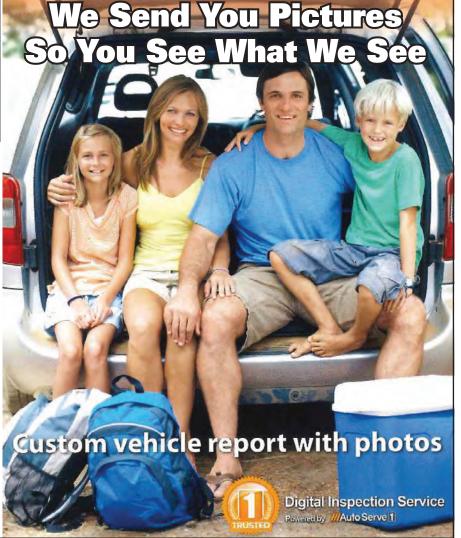


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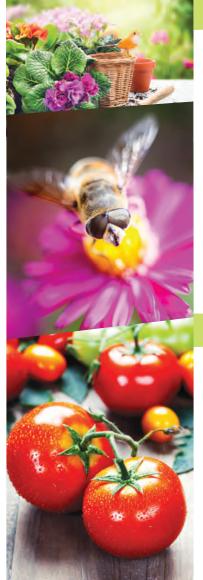
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**FLOWERS** - Prepare vibrant flowerbeds where bees will be able to forage for sweet pollen all summer long. To maximize your chances of success, choose plant varieties with different blooming periods. Your winged friends would enjoy daisies, poppies, hyacinths and cosmoses, among other varieties.

**SHRUBS AND TREES** - Choose varieties that produce lots of sweet nectar. Shrubs that fit the bill include rhododendron, holly, lilac and raspberry; as for fruit trees, try apple, cherry, plum or pear.

**HERBS** - Bees are also fond of certain herbs and other aromatic plants. Grow lavender, thyme, savory, mint, sage and marjoram, among other bee-friendly varieties, and be sure to let them flower

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#### What should I grow beside my tomatoes?

Fruit and vegetable plants have diverse properties. Some can attract pollinating insects, others nourish the earth with nitrogen, and others still keep invasive insect species at bay. Growing certain varieties next to each other according to their respective characteristics and needs favours the health of all the plants; this is what we call "companion planting."

**DOS** - Next to your tomatoes, grow herbs or flowers with insect repellent properties, such as borage, basil and marigold. The first keeps worms at bay; the second repels flies; and the third gets rid of nematodes, which attack the roots of tomato plants.

**DON'TS** - Tomato plants are vulnerable to a number of diseases, including mildew, which is caused by a fungus. While it's much more frequent in large-scale harvests, mildew can still do a number on your vegetable patch. Because mildew also commonly affects potatoes, don't plant them next to your tomatoes.

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14 10:00 am Ed & Yvonne Penner Retirement Farm Auction 204-326-8515 - Location: At the farm from Vita 1 mile East on Hwy 201 and 2.5 miles South on Arbakka Road. Tractors: John Deere 4755MFWD 3pth, powershift , 4450 , duals pto, 700 hrs on top end overhaul. 2950 mfwd, w/ 265 loader, 2320 HST w/mower ,tiller, 1979 L9000 tandem grain truck saftied, 2012 Wilson 28 ft tri axle aluminum stock trailer, 2014 ABU 30FT Plus, tri axle with ramps. Farm tractor hay hauler. 42ft, JD 946 Moco Disc bine. Only done 500 acres. 2014 JD 569 Baler with net wrap, or tie. JD 336 Square baler, 2014 Sovema12 wheel V rake Meyers 2400 Tandem manure spreader. Bale Pro 8100 processor, very good. See listing and photos at billklassen.com



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20 10:00 am Badger creek Construction (Delmar and Florence Reimer) 204-873-2140. Crystal City, Manitoba Business Closing Auction - At the acreage from Crystal City MB, 3 miles North on Hwy 3 and ½ mile East on Road 12. Or 2 miles South of Pilot Mound on Hwy 3. Will have signs auction day. 2005 cat skid steer, 2009 Sierra 2500 SLE ect cab picupm style truck v8 gas 6 sp automatic. 2006 w/ tool boxes show 205 000 km 1972 case 970 tractor w/ add on 3pth. 2007 1998 Nus cargo 14 ft enclosed trailer. 2008 1970 Ford f-350 one ton duals. 2009 2005 rainbow 14 ft deck car hauler trailer. Clark walkbehind electric fork lift 2000lb cap. Steel beams 6@ 8" 60 ft in length 18 lbs per foot used for rtm house beams. Two 10" cast top table saws. 1998 Kanga electric jack hammer. Good quality wall jacks. Electric concrete Vibrate sticks . 4 wheel trailers w/ scafolding. Two 36in concrete trowels. Sthil concrete saw. Power screed FS 56 Stihl after market engine w/ 14ft Magflo leveling board. 1-5/8" screed pipes, 8-21ft some 6-8ft misc.



Duct reducer 14-16. Electric 10ft and 20ft conveyors used to take material out of basement etc. 2006 Gen set 3500 watt. Tool chests. Rollaway type and others. Work benches 6ft w/ nice drawers and metal top cladding. 12ft x 20ft insulated tarps. Plywood concrete forms. 12 - 3"x 12"x 16ft planks. See the full listing at billklassen.com with some photos.



10:00 am

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Elm Creek, MB. 5 W on Hwy 2 and 7 N on road 29 and 34 west on mile 53 yard 3 29107. A few Guns see our website www.billklassen.com. JD 4030 w loader 1970 4020 diesel, Two JD 4010 diesels.

JD 530 Baler, JD 14 T Square baler, tools, quad. Moto ski snowmobile, butcher equipment. Real indutries cattle trailer, and much more.

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Ridgeville, MB. Farm Auction, Case 2290 diesel. JD 3140 MFWD w/loader. Case IH 885 cab, Loader. Ferguson te20 tractor. Haying and cattle equipment.

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204-428-3625. South east of Portage La Prairie. JD 7520 FWA W/ 741 Loader 3100 hrs. one owner . Cat 977 with load-

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> RICK ENNS ESTATE JUNE 9, 10 A.M. REINFELD, MB

HUBERT AND CATHY RONDEAU FARM AUCTION JUNE 16, 10 A.M. SWAN LAKE, MB BRIAN BOWES FARM & COLLECTOR CARS JUNE 23, 10 A.M. PORTAGE, MB

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## GVC students hit the catwalk in recycled creations

By Ashleigh Viveiros

One person's trash is another's unique fashion statement, students from Garden Valley Collegiate demonstrated last week.

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TO PRESERVE OUR

The Winkler high school's clothing and design program sent four finalists to the third annual Manitoba Eco Fashion Fest in Winnipeg April 4.

The Take Pride Winnipeg! initiative encourages students to create striking pieces of wearable art from everyday materials that would normally find its way into the recycle bin or landfill.

Students Haley Friesen, Becky Scheling,

Juliane Blatik, and Kara Wall modeled their respective groups' creations at the event, receiving a big thumbs-up from fashion show host Ace Burpee from 103.1 Virgin Radio.

"He definitely talked up GVC quite a bit on the radio," instructor Jenna Nussey said, adding the DJ was so impressed with the girls' work that he offered to buy them all ride passes for the Winkler Harvest Festival and

> Exhibition this summer. "So that was a nice incentive."

> It was definitely a cool bonus, but the teens all say they had a blast simply going through the process of creating something different.

"It was a fun challenge," said Scheling, whose group used old paper to make a mermaid dress.

"We used a lot of recycled paper and we took it apart four times

before we were finally happy with it," she said, explaining paper is certainly not as forgiving as fabric when it comes to making clothes. "It was paper and cardboard and a lot of hot

> glue ... in the beginning you're just, like, I really hope this just doesn't fall

> Wall's group got a headstart on their project at the GVC Skillz Competition, where they transformed old thrift shop clothes into something new.

> "We got old pairs of jeans and shirts and other supplies and we just up-cycled it," she said, explaining the new outfit was a jean skirt and sleeveless blouse. Wall adding that she especially enjoyed the opportunity to work on the project with her friends.

The fashion show was held at the MTS Centre in conjunction with Tim Hortons Team Up to Clean Up kick-off event, which also included a number of guest speakers and

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Right: GVC's Jessica Enns and Haley Friesen with their entry, made out of old newpapers, for the Manitoba **Eco Fashion** Fest. Left: Becky Scheling and Briana Loewen used paper, cardboard, and a lot of hot glue to create this mermaid style dress.









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# **Fancy footwork**



South Central Futsal welcomed 12 teams from Winkler, Morden, Brandon, and Steinbach to Garden Valley Collegiate last Friday and Saturday for their spring futsal tournament.

Clinching first place in the Premier Cup event was Winkler's own SCF United, who defeated Brandon Concordia 2-0 in the final match. In the Regular Cup division, the Latin Swing II bested the LFC Challengers 1-0 in the final.

Also bringing home bardware was Phillip Unruh, who

Also bringing home hardware was Phillip Unruh, who took home the MVP Award, Mickey Friesen, who was named top goalkeeper, Herby Magny for winning the hardest shot challenge, and Mitchel Martens for winning the highest scorer award.

Above, left: SCF United's Santi Hildebrand and Maxim Timchuck team up to slow down a Concordia player during Saturday afternoon's Premier Cup final in the South Central Futsal League spring tournament. Above, right: United's Heidi Pauls displays some nifty footwork with two Concordia players in close. Team United (left) went on to win the game 2-0 to clinch the tournament trophy.

## Accident sends shockwaves throughout hockey community

By Lorne Stelmach

The highway accident that took the lives of 15 players and staff associated with the Humboldt Broncos junior hockey team hit many Canadians hard, but especially others involved in the sport.

Trying to process the scale of this tragedy, which also left 14 injured, has been difficult, said Kim Davis, commissioner of the Manitoba Junior Hockey League which includes the Winkler Flyers.

"It's just hard to understand, it's just hard to comprehend the magnitude of it and the loss of life. It's going to take a lot of time," Davis said Monday as the league announced plans for continuing the MJHL final after game two between the Virden Oil Capitals and Steinbach Pistons had been cancelled over the weekend.

Postponing the game, Davies said, was done out of "the deepest respect to the Humboldt Broncos organization, its players and parents ... the next few days will be focused on mourning, supporting the SJHL and reflecting on the loss of life that we can't comprehend at this time."

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A semi-trailer collided with the bus carrying the Broncos April 6 as the team travelled to Nipawin to continue the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League championship final.

In the days since there has been an outpouring of support from across Canada and around the world.

A GoFundMe page set up to help the families of the victims had raised over \$5 million at press time, making it one of the largest GoFundMe campaigns ever.

Davies said the tragedy sent shockwaves throughout the Canadian hockey community, which is truly a tight knit one.

"When people make that comment, it's very real, it's very real relationships," he said. "It's a really competitive community too, in the context of people competing against each other on the ice. But once that component of the game is done, there's a lot of camaraderie, there's a lot of respect, and there's a lot of brotherhood that goes on."

Junior hockey players, young men age 16-21, are a mobile group, Davies said, going where they need to in order to realize their dreams.

"In today's world, there's lots of mobility ... so players go in some cases from team to team or league to league ... that's not uncommon, so as a result of that, those relationships migrate across borders. That increases the closeness or the brotherhood, it really does."

The Broncos players hailed from across Western Canada, including Winnipegger and former Steinbach

The Winkler Recreation Complex placed a hockey stick outside on Monday in tribute to the Humboldt **Broncos** players and staff killed or iniured in a highway accident over the weekend.

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Pistons player Matthieu Gomercic. The 20-year-old was injured but survived the crash.

#### PART OF THE FABRIC

Travelling long distances by bus has always been a big part of the junior hockey experience in Canada, Davies

"It's a very common part of the fabric of the game at this level of hockey ... it's very common for other sports as well," he said, adding that was a big part of their consideration as well in

postponing Sunday's MJHL game.

"It was important for us to take a pause,"Davis said,"but some of those players on our two teams and the coaching staffs really didn't want to get on a bus."

On Monday afternoon, the league announced the championship series will resume Thursday in Virden. The Oil Capitals hold a one game lead after taking the opener 2-1 last Friday.

Before they drop the puck, Davies said, players, staff, and fans will stop and pay tribute to their fallen peers.

### Blake headed to Wisconsin

The Winkler Flyers announced last week that graduating assistant captain Will Blake has committed to the University of Wisconsin-Superior (WIAC - NCAA Div III) for the 2018-2019 season.

Blake had his best season in the MJHL this past year with 44 points (16 goals, 28 assists) in 60 regular season games, adding another six points in the playoffs.

"I'd like to thank my teammates, coaches, trainers and all the other Winkler staff for a great two years wearing the Flyer jersey," said Blake. "It was an unforgettable experience and I've made many memories and

relationships that will last a lifetime.

"I am excited to head to school and play for the University of Wisconsin-Superior hockey team next year," he added. "It will be an exciting new chapter in my life and I feel very prepared from everything I've learned here in Winkler."

Blake, who calls Champlin, Minnesota home, finished his two years in Winkler with a total of 82 points (29 goals, 53 assists) and 90 penalty minutes in 119 regular season games.

Blake will have a familiar face with him in Wisconsin-former Winkler Flyers captain Connor Hamonic also plays for the Yellow Jackets.

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performers.

"It's all about sustainability and being eco-friendly and learning how to preserve our environment," said Nussey.

Learning about upcycling—the act of creatively reusing old items—is a major unit in the GVC clothing and design program, she added, so when she first heard about the Eco Fashion Fest, "I thought what better way to do our final project than to get involved with this?

"I love supporting the MCC and showing how we can make new materials using old materials," Nussey said, adding that the project really seemed to resonate with students.

"It was just amazing to see the focus in class. Once they knew that there was a competition and they had a deadline to be done by, every single class, right when they got in, it was straight to the newspapers. They were coming in at lunch, coming in during spares and just consistently working on it, even to the point of taking it home the night before to change it up."

The students say they're already thinking up creative new outfits for next year's event.

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# Morden chamber ends year with a surplus

By Lorne Stelmach

Michelle Sawatzky sees a high level of optimism in Morden these days.

Continuing for another year as chairperson of the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce, Sawatzky is excited about what may lie ahead, especially for the business community.

"In Morden, there's an energy, there's an enthusiasm," she suggested last Thursday at the chamber's annual meeting, which featured Mayor Ken Wiebe's state of the city address (see that story on Pg. 4)

"There's an interest, there's something happening in Morden. That's awesome to see," Sawatzky said. "There's something happening in Morden that is vibrant and alive, and I see it in the room. We had 140 business people here today. This is the biggest annual meeting we have ever had, the biggest state of the city we have ever had."

Sawatzky felt the past year was one of progress for the chamber in a myriad of ways.

There were a number of highlights, including events like the annual business awards gala and Home and Life

Show and networking opportunities like the Business After Hours get togethers and Lunch and Learns workshops.

The chamber also improved its financial position. A boost in fundraising from about \$59,000 to over \$68,000 helped bring total revenue to over \$137,000, while expenses came in at about \$129,000 for a surplus of \$8,200—a vast improvement over the previous year's deficit of \$15,500.

The chamber also approved a 2018 budget that forecasts another small surplus with revenue of about \$92,800 and expenses of \$86,860.

"The key thing at the chamber level is we took a look at our finances and got that in order, so that was a big, big thing, a big priority," said Sawatzky. "We're really setting ourself up for a solid financial future."

She also reflected on the three key areas of focus for the chamber: partnerships, member value, and advocacy.

"We have looked at our practices, what we're doing ... we really want to focus on bringing value to our members," she noted, saying they strive to be the voice of business and to create

At the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce AGM last week, president Michelle Sawatzky saluted the business community for making Morden a great place to live, work, and play.

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opportunities where business people can connect, and collaborate.

"We get businesses talking, get them working together to achieve bigger things ... and also advocating on behalf of our business to government ... even municipal government ... to advocate and get the needs of our business community front and centre."

Sawatzky saluted the business community for helping make Morden a great place to live, work, and play.

"I do believe that our city is stronger than we have ever been," she said. "City leadership and our business community are major drivers of the success Morden has experienced ...

as business leaders and owners, we are major stakeholders in this community ... we make a big, deep, vast impact on our community.

"We do remarkable things when we connect and collaborate ... and I see this happening in Morden, this energy," Sawatkzy said. "I'm excited for what's happening in Morden, and to think of the incredible things we will achieve by working together."

In addition to Sawatzky, the chamber board for the year includes Ron Funk as vice chair, Chad Sheldon as treasurer, and general board members Reg Braun, Jared Hildebrand, Charlene Friesen, Art Stacey, and Tyler Whyte.

## \$2K for palliative care



#### PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The annual bake sale fundraiser in support of the palliative care program was held last Thursday at Boundary Trails Health Centre. The sale of a table full of tasty treats raised about \$2,200. That's comparable to past years, said executive director Shannon Samatte-Folkett. "And it's thanks to the volunteers who put that all together."

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have to go to the branch to do."

With keeping up on those trends in mind, the credit union sees its new innovation centre in Morden playing an important role.

"The innovation lab is really there to facilitate three things," said Davey, noting that it is already open to the public, with a grand opening celebration still in the works.

"One is it's going to be utilized to teach members on how to utilize technology," he explained. "Another thing it's there for is to give us an idea as to what size a branch should be in the future, given the change in traffic patterns.

"And the third thing is it's there to help us on everything that we launch, whether it's a new process in the branch, whether it's a new electronic product," Davey said. "We want to test it there without having to roll it out to the 17 branches."

For the credit union system as a

whole, though, there is a challenge ahead with a significant change in provincial tax legislation.

The credit union system up to now has had a tax break, which Davey explained recognized that for them to build up their equity, the only way to do it was from their net earnings, while banks have more market options. That tax break is now being eliminated over the next five years.

"That's going to cost us somewhere around \$5 million in the next five years and probably one and a half to two million dollars a year thereafter," he estimated.

"So it's a significant change to our bottom line ... it will have a huge impact on the credit union system as a whole," Davey concluded. "Those credit unions that are struggling, we're probably going to see them continue to struggle and it's probably going to bring about more amalgamations."



## **New owners for FittWell**

By Lorne Stelmach

Morden's FittWell Centre is under new ownership.

Deanna Baker officially handed over the reins of the business April 1 to Joe and Monique Wasowicz.

After 15 years at the helm, Baker felt it was time for her to pursue other career directions. She feels she found new owners who will share her vision for FittWell.

"I was determined to put my best effort into finding a buyer who would understand the importance of keeping the facility focused on the members and the community," said Baker, noting that she had conversations with a number of potential buyers.

Joe Wasowicz said they looked at the overall growth of Morden as well as the FittWell Centre itself, and were excited about the opportunity it offered.

"The priority is to be involved in the health, fitness and overall well-being of the members, the facility staff, and the community," he said.

Wasowicz added they appreciate as well the relationship that they have been able to develop with Baker through the process of taking over the business.

"We want to thank Deanna for supporting us through the transition and hand-off of the facility," he said, "and we are looking forward to connecting with the members, staff, fellow colleagues and organizations that have been a part of the facility's growth."

"One of the key attractions to this gym was the fact that we all share the same principles that support a customer-driven business," agreed Monique, who noted they are considering new ideas and initiatives for the business. "We are confident that the new features planned for the gym will fall into place quickly."

Since opening FittWell in 2003, Baker strived to provide a complete fitness experience for the community.

It includes a fully equipped gym, group exercise studio, children's area, 24-hour access, boxing and cycling studios, and nutrition and fitness



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From left: Joe Wasowicz and wife Monique took over ownership of the FittWell Centre in Morden April 1 from its founder Deanna Baker.

training services and supplements.

Baker will remain involved not only as an active member of the gym but also in the community, as she heads up a variety of fitness and nutrition based services and programs outside of FittWell. Classes and programs hosted at places including the Access Event Centre and the Morden Friendship Centre, along with the

AquaFit program, will not be affected by the sale.

As well, current FittWell facility manager Candice Bone will remain

"We are pleased that we can rely on Candice and the staff to continue to provide first class service to all the members," said Wasowicz.

# Celebrating all things fowl in La Riviere April 21

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The seventh annual La Riviere Raptor Festival takes flight at the community's hall next weekend.

In this, the international Year of the Bird, the festival continues its mission of celebrating and educating the public about the annual migration of thousands of raptors through the Pembina Valley.

There's something about these birds of prey that draws people in, says organizer Evelyn Janzen.

"When you look in their eyes it's very empowering," she says. "There's something so majestic and regal about them. There's such a calm, cold strength there that's captivating."

The festival gives people the chance to get up close and personal with raptors and other feathered friends, courtesy of partnering agencies such as the Wildlife Haven Rehabilitation Centre and the Prairie Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, who bring along



live animals as part of their displays.

Booths will also be set up by A Rocha, the Delta Marsh Observatory, the Pembina Valley Conservation District, and the Discovery Nature Sanctuary, among others.

Janzen hopes the day will begin with the release of a rehabilitated bird, though those details have yet to be confirmed. If it works out, though, the release will take place at 10 a.m.

That will be followed by the opening ceremonies, guided bird walks throughout the day, educational presentations, the unveiling of the photo contest winners, rainbow auction and prize draws, and kid's activities, including a colouring contest.

It's always a day filled with fun and learning, says Janzen, with many families making an annual tradition.

"We have some kids that started come when they were little and now they're teenagers and they've been coming every single year," she says.

"It's a great event," Janzen adds. "It's a major effort by everybody involved, but it's an effort that's certainly worthwhile in the end."

The La Riviere Raptor Festival takes place at the Blair Morrison Hall (504 Broadway St.) Saturday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

For a detailed schedule of events, head to pembina.ca.

# Agriculture

# **HyLife finishes \$176M expansion in Neepawa**

By Harry Siemens

Manitoba pork processor HyLife recently held an open house to show the completion of its pork processing facility expansion and upgrade project in Neepawa.

The company focused the bulk of its investment on modernizing the integrated pork processing plant with leading-edge technology, making it one of the most sophisticated facilities in Canada.

The project added 100,000 square feet to the facility, including a new cut floor. It also created an additional 165 jobs, bringing HyLife's staff in Canada to 2,000.

In addition to the Neepawa plant, HyLife operates feed mills at Randolph and Killarney, as well as many production facilities in eastern and western Manitoba.

The company purchases hogs from producers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and sells the pork it produces to more than 23 countries, including Japan, China, Mexico, and the United States.

Demand from the Asian market especially has been on the rise in recent years, said president Claude Vielfaure.

"We committed to this significant expansion and upgraded in response to our market growth in Japan and China," he said. "Our investment is totaled at \$176 million to ensure we can meet both the quantity and the very high-quality standards our customers are seeking. Our new technology upgrades make our standards world class.

"We're the number one seller of fresh chilled pork in the Asian markets, Japan being our number one country for fresh chilled which is a high-value product," Vielfaure noted.

The plant improvements will help make the shelf life longer, which is essential when selling fresh chilled product overseas.

It's a wholly deboned product and something they worked on for many years to continue to expand that marketplace, Vielfaure said.

He said Canada exports about 70 percent of the pork it produces and HyLife exports an even more significant percentage than that.

The new trade agreements such as the Comprehensive and progressive agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP), and the Canada-European Union (EU) Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) will help maintain markets in countries HyLife is already dealing with, and open other opportunities to sell pork.

"We export to over 23 countries around the world. The main countries we sell to are Japan, China, South Korea, Mexico, U.S., and Canada," said Vielfaure. "We produce a lot of our hogs ourselves, but purchase a portion of the hogs from different customers across Manitoba and Saskatchewan."

With this major project completed,

HyLife now turns its attention to other avenues for growth.

"We're a company that has grown a lot over the years. We never stop thinking about what is our next step, and so, we're looking at that right now,"Vielfaure said.

HyLife's commitment to an integrated Farms to Foods strategy focuses all internal resources and activities on continuous improvement processes.

These support the innovation of nutritional and genetic pork programs to help deliver specific meat quality attributes demanded by customers including enhanced shelf life processes.

"It is exciting that consumers around the world have access to our high-quality pork," said Vielfaure.

"We value our outstanding suppliers, partners, and communities across the province and we're proud to put Manitoba on the world map."

Speaking at the Open House in Neepawa, Manitoba Agriculture Minister Ralph Eichler said HyLife is a remarkable success story for the province.

"We congratulate HyLife on the completion of its processing plant expansion," he said. "This expansion is an important investment for the province, creating new jobs and increasing Manitoba's ability to meet market demand. It strengthens Manitoba's position as a global leader in pork processing."



# Eigenens It's all in the brand, folks

By Harry Siemens

At the recent AGM of the Manitoba Pork Council, Michael Young, the vice-president of technical programs and marketing services with Canada Pork International, demonstrated how he sells pork around the world, especially to the Asian markets.

It starts with the branding know as Verified Canadian Pork and its role in building awareness of Canadian pork in export markets.

"Verified Canadian Pork is a brand created by the producers and packers who are part of the program. The brand attributes itself focusing on many things our producers do," Young explained. "For instance, the Canadian Quality Assurance [CQA] program, which is evolving into Canadian Pork Excellence.

"The fact that traceability is mandatory in Canada, a point of differentiation, and it provides a safe and secure source of high-quality protein for our customers, so that's in one of the brand attributes. All the Verified Canadian Pork has to come from CQA-accredited farms, processed at federally-approved plants, and then they can use that brand to market their product."

Young said the proof points of the brand are fundamental for CQA accreditation. The plants that are part of the program require their suppliers are fully accredited under the CQA program, so that covers off that.

The next step is the mandatory traceability, which is a law in Canada. All pork in Canada is produced hormone growth free. The attribute is the pork must come from federally inspected plants that are members.

"Originally, the mandate came from the Canadian Pork Council looking for a national pork organization to build a national brand for Canadian pork," said Young. "Up until that point, we weren't using that as a marketing angle of the things that producers are doing on the farm, but it turns out these things are very, very important to our customers. They're a big part of the success that Canada pork has had in other markets, so we decided to use that as part of the branding."

He said it has worked out very well going on four and half years with over 90 co-brands. CPI extended the brand to Japan, China, and Hong Kong, with massive success in Japan.

Processors demanded the expan-

sion of the program from the domestic market to the export market.

"We had always hoped that we would roll it into the export market, but the processors surprised us by wanting to do it sooner than later," said Young. "It's gone well as our Japan office is using approximately 1.5 million Verified Canadian Pork labels every month. So those are packaged pork products that are carrying that brand in the Japanese market-place every month."

Young said the Japanese consumers are accepting this labeling very well because it resonates perfectly with what they want to hear. The Japanese market is one of the toughest and most lucrative markets in the world and the consumers are very demanding.

"They are not self-sufficient, so they know they have to import pork and Canada has worked in Japan for over 50 years," he said. "Last ten years we switched our volumes from frozen to chilled, which is the most important and the highest quality. We started out at about 22 per cent of the chilled share; as of January 2018, at 48 per cent of the chilled pork share in Japan, so the growth is phenomenal."

## Miami matriarch honoured

Miami's Jean Spencer, shown at right with her son Grant, celebrated her 90th birthday in style last Saturday at a tea hosted in her honour at the Miami Community Centre. Well over 100 well wishers came out to enjoy cake and refreshments. Numerous items were on display as well, including letters of congratulations from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Manitoba Premier Brian Pallister.

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### **GVSD** announces admin. hires

Garden Valley School Division has announced two more major administrative changes for the 2018-2019 school year.

The division announced last Thursday that Joanne Derksen is stepping into the role of assistant superintendent of student services starting Aug. 1.

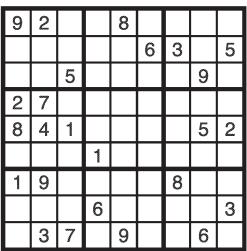
Derksen has worked in Garden Valley for 22 years, including 15 in resource, guidance, and EAL and four years as vice-principal at Parkland Elementary School.

Also announced was the appointment of Carrie Friesen as principal at Parkland.

Friesen has served GVSD for 12 years, including eight in resource and guidance and the past four years as vice principal at Garden Valley Collegiate.



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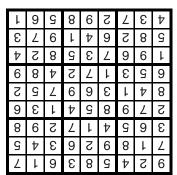


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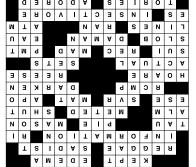
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#### Here's How It Works:

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



Sudoku Answer



**Crossword Answer** 

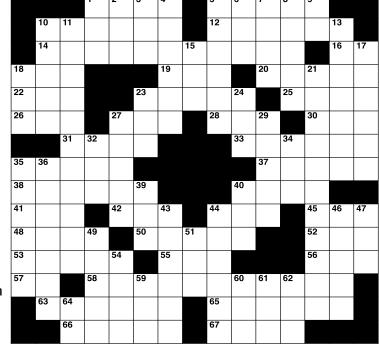
### CROSSWORD

#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Maintained possession of
- 5. Dropsy
- 10. Type of music
- 12. One who is deliberately cruel
- 14.411
- 16. Rhode Island
- 18. Follows sigma
- 19. Baked dessert
- 20. Craftsman
- 22. Austrian river
- 23. Distributed
- 25. Close
- 26. Midway between east and southeast
- 27. Thunderstorm code
- 28. Where wrestlers work
- 30. Away from (prefix)
- 31. Canadian law enforcers
- 33. Shade
- 35. Sir Samuel \_\_\_, Brit. statesman
- 37. Della \_\_\_, singer
- 38. Existing in fact
- 40. Tennis matches have at least
- 41. Reunifying Chinese dynasty
- 42. Not just "play"
- 44. Angry
- 45. Photomultiplier tube
- 48. Slovenly person
- 50. and Diu
- 52. Cologne
- 53. What actors deliver
- 55. Campaigned
- 56. Cash machine
- 57. Spanish be
- 58. Animal that eats insects
- 63. Colonists who supported the **British**
- 65. Loved
- 66. A pair of people who live together
- 67. Work tools

#### **CLUES DOWN**

1. Kilogram force (abbr.)



- 2. Your consciousness of your own identity
- 3. Score
- 4. A way to modify
- 5. Respect
- 6. Midwife
- 7. Region near the Dead Sea
- 8. \_\_ Gerais: gold-rich state of Brazil
- 9. Equally
- 10. Monetary units
- 11. The mentioning of things one
- 13. Traveling entertainers
- 15. Small island
- 17. A way to sing
- 18. \_\_-bo: form of exercise
- 21. "The Bard"
- 23. The best player
- 24. Male parent
- 27. Harm the reputation of

- 29. Allow for the tare of
- 32. Grand : wine classification
- 34. Soak
- 35. Bother
- 36. Ophthalmologist
- 39. Preceded
- 40. \_\_ Francisco, California
- 43. Touch gently
- 44. Lithuanian given name
- 46. Matched
- 47. Stomach
- 49. Mother of all gods in Scots' Celtic mythology
- 51. Partner to cheese
- 54. Fit of irritation
- 59. Visit
- 60. Suffragist Wells
- 61. Swearing to the truth of a statement
- 62. Old Red Sandstone
- 64. Sacred Hindu syllable

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# Morden, CITY OF MORDEN ANNUAL PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Additions to the Voters List and/or Personal Security Protection Requests

In accordance with Section 36 of *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act* (MCS-BEA), the City of Morden Voters List is open for changes or revisions.

- Any person who is eligible to vote in municipal elections in the Local Authority of the City of Morden can have his or her name added to the Voters List, or have any information about the voter on the Voters List corrected.
- Any person can request to have his or her name and address obscured from the Voters List.

A person whose name has been obscured will receive a Personal Security Certificate and identification number. In a civic election, that person may only vote by Sealed Envelope Ballot and cannot vote in person at the regular or advance voting places.

To implement the above, a written request must be submitted to the Senior Election Official, in person, by e-mail. fax or mail to:

City of Morden 100-195 Stephen Street, Morden Manitoba R6M 1V3 Phone: 204-822-4434 Fax: 204-822-6494

E-mail: info@mordenmb.com

The next General Election takes place October 24, 2018.

Garry Haggerty Senior Election Official

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#### NOTICES



### ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, April 23, 2018
12 noon at Winkler City Hall

South Committee Room
Coffee will be provided

NOTICES



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON

### PUBLIC NOTICE 2018 FINANCIAL PLAN

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Subsection 162(2) of the Municipal Act that Council for the Rural Municipality of Thompson intends to present its Financial Plan for the fiscal year 2018 at a public hearing located at:

R.M. of Thompson Civic Centre 530 Norton Avenue Miami, MB

Thursday April 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Council will hear any person who wishes to make representation, ask questions or register an objection to the Financial Plan. Copies of the Financial Plan will be made available for review at the Civic Centre on April 9, 2018.

#### NOTICES



### CITY OF WINKLER Notice to Residents

THE ANNUAL BRANCH SHREDDING PROGRAM will run from April 17th to April 27th. Branches should be placed neatly on the curb no later than 8:00 a.m. on the 27th. Any piles containing garbage, steel wire or roots will not be cleaned up. No large tree removal, tree prunings only. Any branches brought to the curb after April 27th must be bundled to comply with garbage pick up regulations.

Public Works: 325-7535
City Office: 325-9524

#### **AUCTIONS**

Firearms Auction April 21st - three sessions live and online. Bidding opens April 6th. www. switzerauction.com. Toll-free 1-800-694-2609, Email: paul@switzersauction.com. Estates & collections wanted. Switzer's - Canada's #1 Firearms Auction.

#### GARAGE SALE

Moving Garage Sale! When: April 26, 27 & 28. Where: 217 14th St. Morden, MB. Time: Thursday 26th & Friday 27th 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday 28th, 12 noon - 6 p.m. Items for sale! Country & Western and some gospel and pop record collection, microwave stand, gardening tools, brand new juicer, and some other small appliances plus numerous miscellaneous items.

NOTICES



### CITY OF MORDEN PUBLIC NOTICE

**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that the audited Financial Report of the City of Morden for the year ending December 31st, 2016, together with the related financial statements have been deposited in the office of the Director of Finance and Technology and are available for inspection by any person or his agent during regular office hours, and that any person or his agent at his own expense may make a copy thereof or extracts therefrom.

John Scarce City Manager City of Morden

#### NOTICES



# NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF MORDEN

Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 24, 2018.

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that candidate registrations will be received:

For the office of head of council: Between May 1 and September 18,2018

For the office of councillor: Between June 30 and September 18, 2018 at the City of Morden office, 100-195 Stephen Street during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form, contact the municipal office at 204-822-4434.

Dated at Morden, Manitoba on April 12th, 2018.

Garry Haggerty Senior Election Official (S.E.O.)

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

3 bedroom house & 40'x70' heated shop on 9.17 acres; 2.5 miles north of Somerset, MB on Hwy. 242. Ideal for trucker. 431-773-0351 or 204-744-2766.

#### CONDO FOR SALE

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\$6,896. 32X33 \$9,629.
33X33 \$9,332. One end
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Steel 1-855-212-7036.

#### WORK WANTED

Available to do renos, repairs, maintenance, painting, siding, roofs, fix-ups. Residential or commercial. Call Bill at 204-362-2645 or leave a message at 204-822-3582.

Do-it-yourself project gone bad? Need help to start or finish? I can help. Call 204-362-2645 or Ive. message at 204-822-3582.

#### HELP WANTED

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#### NOTICES

## NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION



### RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STANLEY

Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 24, 2018.

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that candidate registrations will be received:

For the office of head of council: Between May 1 and September 18, 2018

For the office of councillor: Between June 30 and September 18, 2018

at the RM of Stanley Administration Office, 23111 PTH14, during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the Municipal

Office at 204-325-4101.

Dated at Stanley on April 12, 2018.

Dan Giesbrecht Senior Election Official (S.E.O.) RM of Stanley

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#### **NOTICES**



#### **CITY OF WINKLER PESTICIDE USE PROGRAM PUBLIC NOTICE Permit No. 2016036-3RR** May 1, 2018 - October 1, 2018

Public notice is hereby given that the City of Winkler and/or its designated agents may conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2018, if necessary, depending on infestations. 1. To control noxious weeds on road allowances and rights-of-way within the City of Winkler. The herbicides that may be used if required include:

#### Round-Up, PAR III.

2. To control rodents at the Winkler Municipal Airport, Cemetery and any location within City limits where the designated Officer deems necessary using rodenticide:

#### Ratak and/or Rozul RTU.

3. To control mosquito larvae in stagnant water within the corporate limits and a 3 kilometer buffer area using Aquabac 200G and Vectobac 200G, on both private and public property. To control adult mosquitoes using **Delta Gard.** 

4. To control horticultural insect pests using Malathion, Pyrate 480 EC and Trounce.

The duration of each program will vary within this period depending on weather conditions and pest population levels

All pesticides used and procedures applied will be in accordance with the approved label recommendations and the Non-Essential Pesticide Use Regulation (MR 286/2014). The public may send written submissions or objections to the program within 15 days of the publication of this notice to the department below:

> **Manitoba Conservation Pesticide/Fertilizer Approvals** 123 Main Street. Suite 160 Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

The City of Winkler's integrated pest management approach has greatly reduced the use of pesticides.

**CAREERS** 

# Folding Walker wheels / Glides

\$48<sup>00</sup> Teelin Good

372 Stephen St. Morden 204-822-6707

#### BADGER CREEK CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AUCTION FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH 10 AM

3 miles North of Crystal City, MB. Hwy #3. Wood and concrete working tools and equipment, Trucks, trailers, 216C skid steer, HD Shelving. Please check our website www.billklassen,com or see our Spring 2018 Auction Catalog for listing and photos. Owner Delam Riemer 204 873 2140.





#### **AUCTION**

#### FARM AUCTION FOR ED & YVONNE PENNER **SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 10 AM**

Vita, Manitoba - 34 mile east on 201 and 2 miles south on Arbakka Road. John Deere 4755 MFWD, 4450, 2950 MFWD W/Loader, Compact 2320 HST. 569 JD Baler only 500 bales, J D 946 MoCo like new. 79 Ford 9000 Grain Truck Safetied. Lots of very good equipment. Check our www.billklassen.com for this and other listings. Owners 204 326 8515 www.billklassen.com





#### CITY OF WINKLER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **UNDER THE PLANNING ACT**

The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 at 7:00 PM, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2212-18, of the City of Winkler

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2212-18, is to zone the land described below, Namely: Lot 1, Plan No. (Dep. 1743-2017) MLTO in the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  34-2-4 WPM

as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

"MB" INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS ZONE

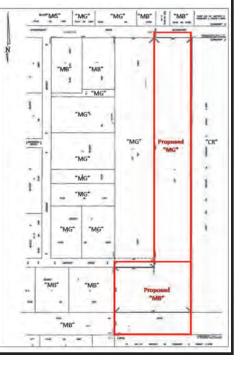
FROM: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE ZONE "MG" INDUSTRIAL GENERAL ZONE, AND TO:

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2212-18, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 29th day of March, 2018. Designated Officer

City of Winkler

SCHEDIII F "A" To By-Law 2212-18



#### **AUCTION**

#### **EVENING HOUSEHOLD & YARD AUCTION** THURSDAY, APRIL 12 5:30 PM

Reinfeld, Manitoba. For Isaac and Mary Derksen

Yamaha gas golf cart, lots of furniture and household items, bedroom suites, two dining sets, and more household. Also real nice JD 2130 Tractor w/ loader . Good amount of quality tools





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#### **McSherry Auction**

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Stuart McSherry Stonewall, MB (204) 467-1858 or (204) 886-7027 www.mcsherryauction.com

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If you are looking to work in a customer focused environment with an emphasis on quality and have the commitment and drive to succeed, then we are interested in hearing from you!



#### Interested persons should forward their resume to:

E-mail: careers@gveag.com

Mail:

Greenvalley Equipment Inc. Morden, MB R6M 2B9

Greenvalley Equipment Inc. thanks all that send in their resume. We will however only be in contact with those that we wish to arrange an interview with

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#### COMING EVENTS



### 43rd Annual **BOOK SALE** May 10-12, 2018 Access Event Centre, Morden

If you have gently used books you would like to donate, please contact one of our Branches for more information.

> Donations will be accepted until Friday, April 27th.

This is the only fund-raiser SCRL holds to purchase new books.

#### HEALTH

Are you suffering from joint or arthritic pain? Stonewall Elk Ranch 204-467-8884 or e-mail stonewood elkranch@hotmail.com

#### HEALTH

Medical condition? Receive up to \$50,000 from the Canadian government? For your free no obligation information package call Manitoba Benefits 1-800-211-3550

#### CAREERS

#### **Pembina Community Resource Council**

is now accepting applications until April 30, 2018 for the part-time position of Services for Seniors in Community Living Coordinator in Manitou. Duties include visiting area seniors, assisting with activities of daily living, planning and carrying out activities with seniors, Lifeline installation, running errands, and other duties as assigned by the council or the Resource Coordinator. We thank all interested applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please either mail resume to Box 631 Manitou, MB R0G 1G0 or email to pcrc@mymts.net. For further information please call Nicole at 204-242-2241.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Batteries for everything. Automotive, farm, construction, ATV, marine, motorcycle, golf carts, phones, tools, radios, computers etc. Reconditioned, obsolete and hard-to-find batteries. Solar equipment. The Battery Man. Winnipeg. 1-877-775-8271 www. battervman.ca

Parts & full trailer repair, trailer safeties & Autopac trailer repair. Sales, Leasing & Financing of flat-deck, dumpbox, cargo, gooseneck & utility trailers & truck beds. Kaldeck Truck & Trailer, Hwy #1 MacGregor, MB. 1-888-685-3127.

#### WANTED

Old tube audio equipment. 40 years or older. Amplifiers, stereo, recording & theatre sound equipment. Hammond organs, any condition. Call toll-free 1-800-947-0393.

#### WANTED

Reward paid on info leading to purchase of 426 Hemi motor from 1970 Road Runner serial #N-RM27R0G15756 also 1970 Road Runner/GTX/Satellite/Charger complete or parts car. Also old advertising/dealership Antique gas pumps, etc. Call 306-221-5908 or 306-369-2810.

#### SOCIAL

#### **Social In Honour of Jeremy Gillis & Alicia Hrytsay** Sat., April 21 **Access Event Centre**

For tickets contact: Jeremy Gillis 325-2111 Alicia Hrytsay 823-3422 Ang Olafson 325-6126 Cory Smith 823-1410 Andrea Wasserberg 823-2403 Janice Gillis 823-3880

#### COMING EVENTS

Paul's United Church Choir and Friends Under the direction of Anne Bateman with Accompanist Fay Carruthers
Present their Spring Concert

#### **WE ARE** THE WORLD

An Evening with International Music in Celebration of Diversity With Special Guests the SAT., APRIL 21. 7:30 PM

353 Thornhill St., Morden Concert Tickets: Adults - \$20.00 Students - \$10.00 Available from Pembina Parish Office at 204-822-4508



Sat., April 14, 2018 7:30 pm at the **P.W. Enns Centennial** Concert Hall Winkler, MB Featuring:

D'Friesens (Reinland MR) Johnny Wall & Friends

(Austin MB) Fvervone Welcome! Freewill Offering 1000 Oaks Info Line (204) 822-1253 Website: thousandoaksinc.org

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SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT

#### **CAREERS**



Winkler-Morden Co-op is a locally owned cooperative; we embrace a progressive attitude and deliver on the promise of friendly, honest and knowledgeable service. Serving the communities of Winkler, Morden, Plum Coulee and area, we strive to achieve retail excellence, to be an employer of choice and to make a positive impact in our communities. Happy and meaningful careers take root at Co-op; where our staff and customers are valued.

Position: Co-op has a full-time, term position for an energetic person to join our team as **Bulk Petroleum Driver.** Term is one year with the potential to become permanent.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- Load and deliver fuel to farm and corporate customers
- Daily pre-trip and post-trip vehicle inspections
- Prepare daily delivery routes
- Provide professional and timely customer service
- · Perform minor maintenance and vehicle cleaning tasks when necessary
- Submit daily driver logs and reports, submit required documentation
- Maintain communication with dispatch to ensure deliveries are met • Maintain up to date TDG, WHMIS and other required certifications
- Follow safety policies and procedures while driving, loading and unloading fuel

#### **Qualifications and Job Requirements**

- Minimum class 3 with air license, with acceptable drivers abstract; Class 1 license preferred
- Minimum 2 years class 3 with air or class 1 driving experience
- · Ability to establish effective professional and respectful relationships with customers and co-workers
- Basic understanding of computers
- · Good oral and written communication skills
- Must be willing to work day shifts, some evening shifts and some weekend shifts, including long hours during spring and fall
- · Ability to perform the physical demands of the job, including: climbing ladders, carrying and lifting heavy objects up to 75 lbs, walking, bending, squatting and reaching.
- Ability to read road maps and township maps, or possess the capacity to learn
- · Working outdoors in all seasons and all types of weather
- Must be able to tolerate the smell of fuel
- Follow safety policies and procedures

Co-op offers a competitive salary, benefits, (including extended health and dental, life insurance, long-term disability), pension, on-going professional development, work-life balance and excellent opportunities for career advancement. This is a key position for future advancement within Winkler-Morden Co-op. Please email your resume to careers@winklercoop.com specify 'Bulk Fuel Driver' in the subject line. Deadline to apply: April 25, 2018

Winkler-Morden Co-op

#### **SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT**



#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

The Morden Corn & Apple Festival Inc. is currently accepting resumes for the Administrative Assistant position from post-secondary students only who will be returning to school this fall. The position duration is May 14 to August 31, 2018.

The successful candidate will work with the Executive Director and volunteers responsible for producing and maintaining Morden's annual signature community event

Duties: answer telephone, emails, and greet walk-ins; receipt street space applications and cheques; work with Street Space Committee Head: make regular social media posts; assist E.D. and volunteers in daily requests and on the weekend during the Festival August 24 - 26.

Applicant will have good communication skills, good organizational skills, office skills, social media experience, self-discipline, ability to work independently and as part of a team, carry out multiple tasks or proiects, hold a valid driver's license, and work positively with volunteers and others.

Please forward your cover letter, resume, and references in confidence by April 27, 2018 to:

Lynda Lambert MacLean, Executive Director Morden Corn & Apple Festival Inc. Box 50050, 200 - 379 Stephen Street. Morden, R6M 1V1

Email to admin@cornandapple.com

We thank all those who apply; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

#### **UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF** THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter: THE CITY OF MORDEN BY-LAW 07-2018 Being an AMENDMENT to the CITY OF MORDEN ZONING BY-LAW 08-2017 as amended

Morden Civic Centre LOCATION: 195 Stephen St., Morden, MB DATE & Monday, April 30, 2018

TIMF-@ 7:00pm

FROM: "CR" Community Reserve TO: "PR" Parks and Recreation AREA: LOT 11. BLOCK 6. PLAN 661

> MORDEN. MB As shown outlined in red lines on the map attached hereto as

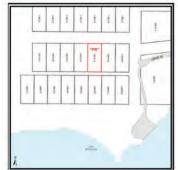
Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Martin Sandhurst, City Planner;

Morden.

Planning & Engineering

133 7th Street, Morden, MB. R6M 1V3 Phone: (204) 822-4434



A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspect ed at the location noted above during office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken therefrom, upon request,

# Announcements

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#### **CARD OF THANKS**

#### In Memory of Donald G. Boulton

To the family and friends of the late Donald G. Boulton, we wish to extend our sincere thanks for your many acts of kindness, for the condolences and support that we received. We would also like to send our gratitude and appreciation to Rev. C. Waldie, the Pembina Parish and Wiebe's Funeral Home.

> -Sincerely Margaret, Korina, Robyn and family



#### **OBITUARY**

#### Wilma Elizabeth Davis (nee Harris) September 22, 1953 – March 25, 2018

It is with profound heartbreak and sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother and friend.

Wilma will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 45 years Earl, daughter Sheila and Steve (Taylor and Morgan) of Morden, and daughter Sheryl and Brian (Colin, Ryder, and Zoey) of Manitou, sister Mary Jane and Brian of Brandon. She is predeceased by her son Colin, parents Eva and Urban Harris, and sister Hazel.

Wilma was a stay at home mom for many years. It was after the move to Manitou in 1982 that she started as a teacher's aid. She enjoyed her work, the schedule and the many friends she made over the 25 years at the school. She very much enjoyed working

with Service to Seniors which is where she was employed until her passing. She enjoyed a peaceful and content life and didn't need much to put a smile on her face. A quiet spot to camp with family and friends, a single chair to watch her grandchildren's sporting

or school events, or just someone to share one of her fantastic homemade meals. Funeral service for Wilma Elizabeth Davis was held at United Church in Manitou on April 2, 2018 at 3 o'clock. Cremation took place and private family interment was done prior to the service at the Manitou Cemetery.

Donations can be made in Wilma's memory to the Children's Wish Foundation or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Messages of condolences may be made online at www.wheatlandfs.com

Wheatland Funeral Service 204-825-2848 www.wheatlandfs.com



#### **OBITUARY**

### **Peter Berg**

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} 1935-2018 \\ \hbox{On Wednesday, April 4, 2018 after a lengthy illness, Peter Berg } \end{tabular}$ passed away peacefully in his sleep in the early morning.

Peter was born to William and Aganetha Berg on September 5, 1935, the third oldest in a family of eight. At 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  years, he suffered from polio. Peter married Nettie (Giesbrecht) on May 28, 1961 and had three sons, Kim, Brad and Jeff. Peter started work for the Manitoba Telephone System at an early age and worked there for 35 years and retired in 1990. Peter suffered from post-polio syndrome for many years and the last 10 years from dementia. Peter and Nettie enjoyed many camping trips for over 40 years. He enjoyed working in his workshop on many projects, as well as

spending time with his boys on vehicles. They sold their family home of 50 years in 2016. They moved to Oak West and have enjoyed their last two years there.

Peter is survived by his wife, Nettie as well as his sons, Kim (Heather) and their family, Steven (Kaiti), Jessie (Louie), William, Taylor, Brad (Tracy) and their family, Desare, Vanessa, Jeff (Cathy) and their family, Austin, Tanner, Sara as well as four sisters, one sister-in-law, one brother-in-law and their families and from Nettie's family, three sisters, one sister in-law, one brother-in-law and

He was predeceased by his parents, William and Aganetha, one brother, two sisters, one brother-in-law, one nephew and his wife.

Peter will be greatly missed for he left a big hole in the family unit. His wishes were granted Wednesday morning to die at home and left for his heavenly home where there will be no more

The family would like to thank each one of you for your thoughts and prayers.

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



#### **OBITUARY**

#### John W. Giesbrecht 1925 - 2018

On Thursday, March 29, 2018, John W. Giesbrecht of Buhler Active Living Center in Winkler, MB formerly of Plum Coulee, passed away peacefully in his home, to be with his Lord and Saviour in heaven. He enjoyed his life on earth here for 92 years and 202 days.

He will be missed by his three children - Edward (Grace) Giesbrecht, Carolyn (Ron) Wiebe and Ray (Deb) Giesbrecht, all of Plum Coulee. Also cherishing his memory are nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, one sister, one sister-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife. Agatha in 2017; his parents. William D. and Maria (nee Stoesz) Giesbrecht: two brothers and

John was born on September 8, 1925 in the New Kronsthal area, north of Plum Coulee, to William D. and Maria Giesbrecht. He was baptized upon the confession of his faith in 1946 in the Sommerfelder Church. It is in this baptism class that he met his lifelong love, Agatha Harder. On September 19, 1948 he and Agatha were married. They were married 68 + years. They lived and farmed just south of Plum Coulee, up until 1983, when they moved into Plum Coulee. In 2002 they moved to Cedar Estates in Winkler and enjoyed life together for almost 15 years until Mom passed away. It was about a month later Dad decided to move into Buhler Active Living Center also in Winkler. On July 26, 2017, which was the same week he had planned to move, Dad broke his hip and had surgery to repair it. Then he had a heart attack two days after his surgery and remained in hospital for a couple more weeks before finally moving into Buhler in the month of

The celebration and honouring of Dad's life was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at the Plum Coulee Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment prior to the funeral at the Plum Coulee Cemetery.

Thank you to Wiebe Funeral Home for their kind and considerate service provided as well as to Dr. Basson and the many home care workers for their kind care. Thank you also for all the prayers, cards, visits, food and loving words shown to the family during this difficult time

If friends so desire donations may be made in John's memory to the Plum Coulee Thrift Shoppe.

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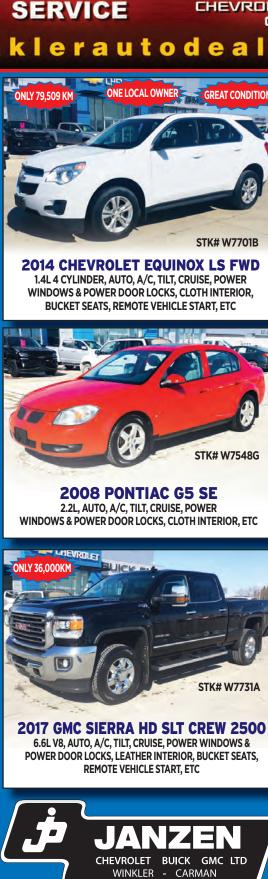
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