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South Central Cancer Resource's annual fashion show featured a theme of "Around the World" last Wednesday at the Access Event Centre in Morden. The evening is the support centre's largest fundraiser of the year. This year it brought in about \$37,000. Right: Volunteers from Regional Connections showcase African outfits. Above: Other models proudly stepped out on the catwalk, many as cancer survivors.



By Lorne Stelmach

South Central Cancer Resource's annual fashion show is always a fun evening, but there is also a serious side to the event.

The event, which was held for a seventh straight year last Wednesday, always highlights the individual stories about the volunteer models' journeys with cancer.

"That's really the reason that we do it, so that we can share those stories," said SCCR president Pam King, calling that aspect the most important part of the night.



"There's hundreds and hundreds of those stories out there, and it's so nice to be able to have those people there with us and be willing to share their stories and the successes.

"Because having cancer is a devastating experience, and you need the support of so many people. Hearing these stories can give that to other people."

This year's show brought in about \$37,000—a huge portion of SCCR's operating budget.

"We have other organizations that support us fantastically, but this is our own major fundraiser [organized by SCCR directly],"King said."We just do one a year and this is it.

"And our expenses this year were minimal because we had such phenomenal support from the community,"she added, thanking event supporters such as Winkler Co-op for providing the fashions and Morden Massage Therapy for supplying compression stockings to help highlight lymphedema.

A special highlight as well was having volunteers from Regional Connections on hand to model traditional clothing worn in places like Africa and India as part of the Around The World theme.

"It was a different format than we've done in other years, but I felt it turned out really, really well," King said. "I loved having the partnership with Regional Connections. That added a lot to it. It was great to see their outfits and have them participate."

Library book sale coming up

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The South Central Regional Library's 44th annual book sale fills the Access Event Centre in Morden with thousands of literary treasures next weekend.

The library's biggest fundraiser runs Thursday, May 9 from 6-9 p.m., Friday, May 10 from noon to 9 p.m., and Saturday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The books are priced to sell every day, but Saturday is the bag sale where you can fill a standard size grocery bag/tote for just \$10. SCRL book totes will also be available for purchase for \$3 each.

The sale makes it possible for every family to build up their personal library, says Cathy Ching, head of library services.

"It's so exciting to see people coming in and

finding their books," she says. "We know that some people are coming in for extra reads at the cottage, but for some kids this is it."

Funds from the sale—which averages about \$18,000 each year—go to purchase new materials for the SCRL's branches in Winkler, Morden, Miami, Manitou, and Altona.

"That funding is extremely important to us," Ching says, noting it allows them to purchase a significant number of new books and other lending materials.

The library also uses book donations in good condition to replace aging copies on their own shelves.

Ching is always grateful for the sheer number of donations that come in throughout the year for the sale.

Forum invites stakeholders to weigh in on addictions treatment barriers

"THE CHALLENGE

THE MAZE?"

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Manitoba College of Family Physicians hosted a forum in Winkler last week designed to get to the root of issues related to addictions management.

Headed up by local physicians Dr. Ganesan Abbu and Dr. Johan Blignaut, the event brought together ser-

vice providers, employers, and other stakeholders to discuss the matter.

To help set the stage, the Winkler and Morden police chiefs spoke briefly about the drug situation in the area today. Both stressed that

meth is by far the greatest concern.

"Meth is certainly the big problem," said Winkler Chief Ryan Hunt, pointing out that meth use and trafficking have been on the rise across Manitoba for years. "We certainly are not immune to that here."

There were 10 cases of meth charges in Winkler back in 2002. That number rose to 12 in 2017 and 15 in 2018.

Other drugs, such as cocaine or LSD, are certainly being used in the community as well, Hunt noted, though there are far fewer incidents annually that result in criminal charges.

Alcohol-related cases far outpace all other drugs, accounting for upwards of 95 per cent of all detainments police make under the Intoxicated Persons Detention Act, which in Winkler totaled 36 in 2018.

Nearby Morden is in much the same situation, said Chief Brad Neduzak.

"Because our communities are so close we share a lot of our resources with the Winkler Police Service, but we also share challenges and issues," he said. "We're probably IS HOW DO WE FIX dealing with a lot of the same individuals and a lot of the same stats.

"We've really seen an

increase in the meth use," Neduzak continued. "The problem with meth is it is so cheap to purchase, to manufacture, that it has become the drug of choice."

Morden Police filed 18 meth charges in 2017, 29 in 2018, and have already laid nine charges in the first four months of 2019.

While the Morden-Winkler area has been fortunate not to see the same kind of violent crime that Winnipeg is dealing with in the wake of the meth crisis, we are still seeing a rise in thefts and burglaries to feed the habit.

> BOOK SALE, FROM PG. 2

Some longtime shoppers return their finds year after year, but there are plenty of fresh new books as well.

"We're surprised at just how many new books come through," Ching says, noting they can tell by the pricing mark on the inside flap whether a book has been previously donated."Some have never been through a sale before."

Ching notes the library will be do-

ing everything they can to find a home for the unsold books after the sale.

They've partnered with a few groups to give them the chance to pick over the leftovers Saturday and will also be sending many of the unsold tomes in good condition to Better World Books for resale. Some unwanted books will go to the MCC Warehouse in Plum Coulee to be recycled for other uses.



Dr. Ganesan Abbu (left) and Dr. Johan Blignaut led a forum in Winkler April 25 designed to inspire action in additions management.

> ΡΗΟΤΟ **BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS**/ VOICE

"They need to keep their addiction going ... so they resort to other crimes," Neduzak said.

People caught in the throes of addiction are not thinking clearly, stressed Dr. Blignaut, who has specialized in addictions medicine for the past decade and provided an overview of the barriers the average addict must overcome on their journey to recovery.

"Addiction is a disease and I think we do ourselves a disservice if we see it as anything but a disease," he said. "If we see it as a moral problem or a



legal problem mainly, then we miss the boat and it's harder to treat and help these people."

Research has shown that there are chemical changes that occur in an addict's brain, profoundly rewiring how it works.

"The circuitry in the brain over time changes," Blignaut said. "The reward centre of the brain takes over and runs the show and the other part of the brain that has to do with thinking and planning and being respon-

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Cdn. Fossil Discovery Centre sets attendance record in '18

By Ashleigh Viveiros

2018 proved to be a record-setting year for the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre, and 2019 is on track for more of the same.

At its annual general meeting last week, the Morden fossil museum reported that it welcomed 15,243 visitors last year—up by 18 per cent from the 12,854 in 2017.

It's a number that seemed a long ways off at the start of the year, shared executive director Peter Cantelon.

"The first six months we weren't sure how it was going to go because the first six months trailed 2017 in terms of attendance and revenues. Not a lot, but still," he said."But then after six months attendance just skyrocketed."

The museum was a booming place throughout the summer and especially during Corn and Apple Festi-

> **"WE WANT TO KEEP GIVING PEOPLE NEW REASONS TO COME** BACK."

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Former Winnipeg Blue Bomber Obby Khan gets up close and personal with a fossil replica at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre's Dig Deep gala earlier this month. At its AGM last week, the museum reported record attendance and revenues in 2018.

val weekend.

"We had a phenomenal Corn and Apple," Cantelon said."We completely restructured the way we do things for the festival and that led to double our visitation during that weekend.

"But that was only a small part of 2018's success," he added. "We've just been trending really well this past year."

Cantelon attributes the museum's successes to "years of hard work by staff and volunteers, focused marketing, responsible spending, and strategic hiring."

That's translated into a facility in better financial position than ever before, with over \$152,000 in revenue for the year, which is up 62 per cent from 201Ť.

"In 2018 we have seen our dependence on city funding reduced to 42 per cent of overall revenue compared to more than 60 per cent five years ago," Cantelon said, explaining the museum has grown its Morden Area

Foundation/Manitoba Heritage Trust Fund to more than \$65,000 (a number that will hit nearly \$100,000 in 2019), its assets to over \$90,000 (up from a deficit of \$19,000 four years earlier), and contributed nearly \$20,000 toward its contingency fund for emergencies.

"These decisions position the CFDC to take on the future confidently, sheltering it from the impact of future economic uncertainty," Cantelon said."It is all part of becoming a mature organization.

"We want to present to our stakeholders a healthy, growing organization that knows how to manage its finances, that knows how to grow its income so that when we go to them for funds we're not going out of desperation, we're going as a partner."

To that end, the CFDC's increased profile is paying off for the community as a whole.

"Visitation from outside of Morden represented more than \$1 million of tourism revenue to the city of Morden's economy," Cantelon said, noting they continue work to ensure that every dollar given to the CFDC by the city turns into \$10 going back into the local economy as visitors shop and stay in the area.

Looking to the year ahead, Cantelon said they intend to continue building on the programming that keeps people coming through the doors.

That includes updates to the CFDC's interactive app, adding additional languages to its audio tour guide, continuing to offer its popular day camps for kids, and the ongoing development of new exhibits.

"We want to keep giving people

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Rock Lake camp volunteer honoured with award

By Lorne Stelmach

Anyone who has been to Rock Lake United Church camp over the past two decades likely knows Neita Averv.

She has been a tireless volunteer for the facility for years, and her dedication was honoured last week with the presentation of a Canadian Camping Association Award of Excellence.

Camp board member Kathryn Basso said it is well deserved recognition of Avery's tremendous commitment to the camping experience of young people.

"Nobody who has been to camp throughout the past 20 plus years has not been touched by her actions, and that really shone through in the many letters we received in support of her nomination," Basso said.

"It really is an honour. It really makes you feel humbled," Avery said after receiving the award at the Rock Lake United Church Camp quilt, art and craft auction in Miami last Friday night.

Avery said she just always saw it as important to help keep the camp going because it has been a staple of the summer for many families in southern Manitoba for over 125 years.

"You're meeting people and getting to know so many people," she said, noting that there have been generations of families that have been to the camp over the years.

She very much sees value in what the camping experience can do for vouth.

"I think the big part about having camp is it's where young people can get out past the cities and towns ... and into nature," Avery said. "It's surprising how much they can grow ... it's a great experience for kids, and they develop leadership qualities that they maybe don't know that they have."

Basso said camp staff and counsellors work very hard to ensure that everyone who comes to camp has a positive, often transformative experience, and it is the work of volunteers like Avery who really make the difference.

"Neita has been a cornerstone for our camp during her tenure as a board member, vice-chair and secretary treasurer, and her contributions can be seen and felt all over the



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"You will never see her without a handful of brochures in her purse, always ready to spread the word about a place that she has poured her heart and soul into," said Basso." This award could not go to a more kind-hearted,

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Neita Avery (left) received the Canadian Camping Association Award

of Excellence from Kim Scherger, executive director of the Manitoba

Camping Association, in Miami Friday.

"As soon as the snow melts, she can

be found doing anything she can to

help. This includes mowing the lawn,

going into the crawl space to turn on

the water, or baking and dropping off

camp," she said.





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Impatience is a virtue

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are three ere quotes from history that are remarkably the same:

"Better a diamond with a flaw than a pebble without," from Chinese philosopher Confucius.

"Striving to better, oft we mar what's well," from William

Shakespeare. "The best is the enemy of the good,"

from Voltaire. Do you see the pattern?

There is a reason I like these quotes: I am not a patient man.

I love to play

chess but often lose because I do not have the patience to develop an elegant and elaborate strategy and so am overcome with gambits that have been well thought out.

I have come to terms with this, however. I work hard at slowing myself in



Over the years I have come to recognize that sometimes, often in fact, my impatience has served me well. Well, perhaps it is not impatience

various ways. Thinking before I speak

and act; pausing before rushing

in, etc. Still, all too often I will rush

blindly ... it has been my nature.

but rather decisiveness (although maybe that is still code for impatience and I am just making myself feel better about it).

There have been more times than naught that a simple decision based on a quick weighing of the facts before me have paid off-in both life and in work.

If I struggle with impatience in myself, I have no delusions on how I feel about indecisiveness (I loathe it) in myself and in others.

If impatience sometimes betrays a lack of forethought, indecisiveness betrays a sense of fear. Fear that immobilizes people and organizations until they begin to decay.

Indecisiveness is like a clogged drain backing up everything until the flood of what needs to be done is so huge and the effort to contain it so daunting that even the stoutest heart

will balk at attempting the work and will walk away.

While it may seem like rationalizing, the mistakes that impatience sometimes leads to can offer valuable learning experiences, while being immobilized offers nothing of value.

I am not suggesting to become the fool who rushes in where angels fear to tread, but I am also suggesting that you not be the angel, complacent on the cloud watching and waiting. Somewhere between impatience and immobilization lies wisdom.

Frankly, if I had to honestly choose between the two, I would probably still choose impatience.

This is probably why I chafe at too many long, drawn out meetings related to projects and the like. I prefer a simple approach that looks at the pros and cons of an action and a basic project plan to move forward as quickly as possible and than adjust along the way if necessary.

Now I should go ... I have to decide what I'm doing tonight and, all things being equal, I'll probably just flip a coin.

Deadline for new truck license requirements unreasonable

There are many men in Manitoba who are trying to get their Class 1 truck driving license and the line ups at the MPI locations are so booked up that it takes longer than four months for them to get ready to do the driving tests. They are booked up in all locations in Manitoba.

The Manitoba government has suddenly arbitrarily set the date for Sept. 1, 2019 [for the new mandatory entry-level requirement of 121.5 hours of training, brought into effect in the wake of the Humboldt Broncos bus tragedy]. This puts the men in Manitoba into a huge panic. It will put all of Manitoba into a huge

the whole transportation system in Manitoba.

It is very obvious that someone in the Manitoba provincial government has"fallen asleep at the wheel." Wait until the NDP'ers will hear about this dilemma. This could cause the Conservatives to lose the next election, perish the thought!

What our government must do very immediately is to push that Sept. 1 date back by at least six months or even by one year until the backlog is taken care of.

I consider this a very urgent need for the people of Manitoba. It makes

panic. It will be a major disaster for no sense that the Manitoba government went into such a panic mode on this. There was no need for this to happen so suddenly. Truck transportation in all of North America has run nice and smoothly for more than the last hundred years. Somebody really goofed up on this.

Premier Pallister is very opposed to "regulations" so I think he will not be very happy about this situation when it reaches his desk!

> Peter Neufeld, Winkler



By Peter Cantelon

'Once they're ready, where do they go? How do they find help?'

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sible takes a back seat to getting the reward."

"The disease really has to do with people who are out of control."

Once an addict finds the courage to admit they have a problem—no small task considering the shame that often accompanies addiction—they're faced with additional barriers to care.

A recent local focus group revealed most people have no idea where to turn to get help.

"One of the number one things that came up was once they were ready, where do they go? How do they find the help?" Blignaut said, adding that sometimes people find themselves struggling with information overload or flat out misinformation. "That whole process takes time, precious time that they could have been in treatment, but they're not getting to the right access points in the system. "The challenge is how do we fix the

maze?"

SMALL WINDOW

Navigating a maze is an apt metaphor for how one of Blignaut's patients, Shane, felt when he first reached out for help with his addictions.

After his family doctor downplayed his problems (seeing a high-functioning individual who held advanced post-secondary degrees and a good job, the physician dismissed Shane's concerns about the impact his additions were having on his life), Shane sought a second opinion and was finally able to begin treatment.

It was a lengthy and frustrating process, though, to get the help he needed—one that many people simply give up on.

"That window of recognizing that you need help sometimes is not a terribly long period before you go back to, you know what, it's not a problem," Shane said. "To deal with it *now* is pretty important."

The program that ultimately helped

> CFDC, FROM PG. 4

new reasons to come back," Cantelon said.

The museum also continues to advance the science of paleontology with its extensive marine reptile collection, which added 81 new specimens last field season.

"Every year we're bringing new things in," said Cantelon. "We welcome paleontologists from all over him heal was one being run out of a local church that he happened to stumble upon after hitting a wall with other addictions programs.

"The idea of having some sort of comprehensive list or understanding of what programs are actually available in the community is huge," Shane said.

Having strong support systems in place for addicts to lean on is also key. "At that point, I was in no emotional or psychological state to be trying to

navigate that maze," said Shane. "If I had not had people around me who were doing that legwork for me, I don't think it would have happened." The lack of a solid recovery sup-

port system is something Dr. Blignaut identified as a major concern as well.

There's no shortage of health care practitioners who are willing to approach the treatment of addiction from an evidence-based perspective, but they're not the only ones patients need help from to beat the illness.

"You can have all the addiction knowledge and treatment and you can have a lot of people who are really gung-ho to treat this disease," Blignaut said, "but if you don't have a support system running beside it that helps ...

A good recovery support system, he continued, needs to be "provided before, during, and after the clinical treatment ... to help remove the barriers to recovery and help people stay engaged in the process."

FINDING SOLUTIONS

The assembled stakeholders spent part of the evening discussing possible solutions to these problems.

Chief among the resulting suggestions was a need for a comprehensive navigation system complete with dedicated "navigators" to more easily and quickly guide people to and then through the available supports.

The value of early and continued education about addictions, their impact, warning signs, and how to help someone battling with one to stu-

the world to study our collection."

unique the world over.

proud of."

It's something that makes Morden

"There is literally only one other fa-

cility like ours in the world, and that's

in Australia," said Cantelon. "We're

the only focused marine reptile fos-

sil collection anywhere in this hemi-

sphere, which is something to be

dents, parents, and the community as a whole was also identified by multiple groups as being an integral preventative tool.

Community awareness would also help reduce the stigma and shame that prevents people from seeking treatment, participants suggested.

The ideas gleaned from the Winkler forum will be used by The Manitoba College of Family Physicians and area health care providers as they move forward with creating an action plan, said Dr. Abbu, who serves as the agency's secretary.

"We wanted to engage a community to get input into how to develop a bottom up approach to a problem that's pervasive," he said. "It's a first step."

Dr. Blignaut noted the response from the evening was encouraging..

"It was such an exciting atmosphere, first of all, just to know that you're not alone, that there are other people here who care about this problem and who really want to be part of the solution," he said.

"I walk away here very hopeful for addictions care in our community if this is the types of people that we have with the willingness to really do something about the problem."



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8 The Winkler Morden Voice Thursday, May 2, 2019 New Morden day care to break ground soon

By Lorne Stelmach

A new day care is finally becoming a reality for Morden.

Work was expected to be getting underway as soon as this week on a second Pembina Valley Child Care Centre location in the city.

The facility will have 90 spaces for infants up to age five and will be just down the road from the existing day care.

"Finally ... it is exciting," said director Shuana Richards. "Our wait list was at 155, so 90 spaces will go a long way to help."

What Richards estimates will be about a \$1.25 million project is being overseen by the Hive Development Group.

It completes a saga that goes back a few years when the centre had previously been preparing to establish the second location in Boundary Trails Place. Those plans ultimately fell through.

The discussions that followed led to the new location at First and Rampton St., with Richards giving much of the credit to Morden community development officer Cheryl Digby for helping make it happen.

Richards said it led them to see "if we could come up with a cost that was affordable for a new build versus a renovation.

"The City of Morden has been very generous," she added. "They are contributing \$450,000 towards the construction over 10 years ... \$45,000 for 10 years ... and they also donated the land."

Richards noted there is another large portion of the funding in place, though the details of that is being kept confidential for now.

"We've been in contact with some businesses in the area to see if they



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Preliminary site work has begun on land at the corner of 1st and Rampton St. in Morden for a new day care facility.

can support us. We still have to do some follow-up calls on that," she said, adding there is additional fundraising still to be done for the project."We are still looking for any kinds of donations in regards to help with things like the flooring costs, with the blinds, with the windows.

"I think things are actually progressing quite nicely now," said Richards, who is hopeful to break ground this week. "Now it's just getting all the fine details in place so they can actually start construction.

"They plan on being finished by the end of the year ... and we plan to be up and operational by March 2020."

The new facility will allow the day care to make a real dent in its wait list, though not eliminate it entirely.

"I know that a lot of families have not been putting their names on our wait list ... when it's 155, you're just never going to get in," she said. "I anticipate that once we start calling people for that, that the wait list will grow just because there will be space. "Now, there will be some movement, so it's exciting. I'm really excited for the City of Morden to have more space."

Morden council unveils back to basics budget

By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Morden's financial plan for 2019 could be described as a back to the basics budget.

Introduced at a special meeting of council Monday night, it largely holds the line on spending increases with the bottom line being a municipal tax increase of no more than two per cent.

"It was a very pragmatic budget," Mayor Brandon Burley suggested of the proposed expenditures of just under \$15 million.

"Our goal with this budget is to get through the next eight months. We want to get in a position where we choose our own spending and where we take hold of the rudder," Burley said. "We've got commitments that we have to pay for this year, and so we've got to acknowledge those while still making sure the city is operational."

The budget actually represents a 50 per cent reduction from the 2018 budget of over \$34 million, and it is forecast to reach over \$33 million again in 2020, but Burley suggested it is more of a case of last year and next year being anomalies.

"Last year's budget had a lot of investment out of our community reserves ... this year is more of an actual number; next year reflects the regional waste water treatment plant numbers," he said. "It's kind of a down year in terms of capital investment.

"We cut an awful lot from it," Burley added, noting how much time was put into the plan by city staff led by deputy city manager of corporate Patrick Dueck. "Patrick did an awful lot of work paring it down and finding areas where we could move things down the line and stave off too much of an increase ... council spent an awful lot of time as well ... I think the result is good."

The budget means a residential property assessed at \$200,000 will see its municipal tax bill increase by \$31.50 to \$1,738.80 based on a mill rate that increases by about two per cent to 17.72.

The biggest portion of revenue comes through the net municipal taxes which will bring in just under \$8.4 million—a six per cent increase from the 2018 budget.

Other revenues come in at just over \$5.2 million, including over \$1.6 million in provincial municipal tax sharing. In addition to other provincial and federal funding, the city will also transfer over \$1.3 million from surplus and reserve, but that is more than reduced by half from 2018.

The city also has a number of other sources of revenue including recreation services that bring in almost \$800,000, while providing police and fire services results in another \$373,000 and revenue from the beach comes in at about \$266,000. Added taxes are estimated at \$200,000 for the year.

On the expenditure side, almost a quarter of the budget comes under fiscal services at \$3.5 million, including a \$2.9 million contribution to capital funds.

Community services represent 20 per cent of spending, and it increases by 16 per cent to just over \$3 million. It includes almost \$1.6 million for recreation, over \$700,000 for urban forestry, as well as funding for the beach and campground and contributions to facilities ranging from the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre and South Central Regional Library to the Pembina Hills Gallery and Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame.

Next at 18 per cent of the budget is protective services. The 2.3 per cent increase to \$2.8 million includes police salaries and benefits of almost \$2 million and over \$221,000 for fire department salaries and benefits.

Another 13 per cent is for general

government services, which is a 33 per cent increase to over \$1.9 million. The majority of this is for staffing and administration.

Coming in at nine per cent of the budget is transportation services with an 11.2 per cent increase to just under \$1.4 million. There is almost \$500,000 for planning and engineering costs, with other areas including snow removal, road maintenance, street lighting and equipment costs.

Five per cent goes towards economic development services with an 11 per cent increase to \$729,000, of which \$500,000 is for community development with other expenditures ranging from the airport and vet clinic to tourism development and \$45,000 for the new day care.

At four per cent of the budget is environmental health services with the spending the same at \$550,000 for areas including recycling and waste collection.

There is another \$170,000 for public health and welfare including the contribution for the Agassiz Medical Centre, and another \$764,000 is being transferred to reserves (an 8.7 per cent decrease from the 2018 budget).

Locals bring home Central MB Tourism Awards

By Lorne Stelmach

Two Mordenites have been honoured for their dedication to the community's two museums.

The Central Manitoba Tourism Awards April 25 saw the individual award of distinction presented to Joe Wiwchar for his work with the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame, while Rick Klippenstein earned the tourism volunteer of the year award for his efforts with the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre.

They were among nine awards aimed at recognizing those individuals and organizations that have taken a leading role in developing and promoting tourism in the region.

"It's a real honour to be recognized," said Wiwchar, who was nominated alongside Bruce Tascona of the World War One Museum.

"It is a passion for me," said Wiwchar. "I don't go looking for recognition. It's just something I enjoy, and baseball has been my life ... 63 years of coaching and going on 23 years of being in the baseball hall of fame."

His dedication to the hall of fame and museum stems not only from his love for the game but a recognition of how important it has always been over the years, especially in rural Manitoba.

"It's important to recognize and keep the history of baseball in Manitoba ... at one time, every weekend there was a tournament somewhere," Wiwchar said. "It is a passion for a lot of people ... and it's a sport that anybody can play."

He added the museum located in the Access Event Centre draws visitors from all over to Morden.

"It's one of only three dedicated baseball museums in Canada."

Klippenstein was chosen as the tourism volunteer of the year over fellow nominees Wally Cobb of the **PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE** Central Manitoba Tourism handed out awards to nine volunteers, groups, and events last week.

R.M. of Pembina, Dorothy Derksen of Plum Coulee, Jackie Johnson of the R.M. of Louise, and Dave Oshust of Portage.

"I'm actually quite thrilled to have been awarded this ... it's more meaningful than I had anticipated it would be. I don't do this for recognition ... but when you get the recognition, then it sort of sinks in that maybe you are doing something that's contributing," said Klippenstein.

He sees it as being very worthwhile to be involved at the CFDC, citing the example of a couple from Winnipeg who brought their grandson from New York City here because he knew about museum and really wanted to see it.

"People from over 40 countries came to the museum, so I look at it as sort of paying back to the community," he said, adding that "to be involved in something that has national and international attention is quite rewarding." with a budget under \$5,000, the La Riviere Raptor Festival was selected over the Kinsmen Belgian Bowling in Treherne and the Legends Car Drag Races in Altona.

Co-ordinator Evelyn Janzen was quick to spread out the credit to people such as Paul Goosen, who has been instrumental with the growth of the festival.

"It's really an honour," said Janzen, who sees the recognition as being a bit of a boost for their efforts."I think what it does for us is it just encourages us to keep going.

"We are planning on doing a bigger and better festival next year," she noted."We want to change it to a two day festival.

"I think this is saying that we are on the right track," said Janzen, who noted what really inspires her especially is when the youth encounter the live raptors each year at the festival.

"I think it's seeing the kids and seeing the excitement on their faces when they see the birds for real, up close and personal. It's a very valuable lesson that the kids learn ... you can see it in their eyes, you can just tell."

Janzen said the festival is a big deal for La Riviere each spring.

"We're a very small community ... we have a population of 250 and it explodes to 650 in a day ... it's nice to see people come out to the Pembina Valley and experience what I call our little slice of heaven."

Other regional award recipients included:

• Event of the year with a budget over \$5,000: Carman Country Fair.

• Award of distinction organization or business: Gallery in the Park of Altona.

• Partnership award: Run for the Hills Marathon of Treherne.

• Marketing excellence: Whoop and Hollar Folk Fest of Portage.

• Innovation award: Mound Wildlife of Pilot Mound.

• Aspiring youth: Oscar May of Portage.

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WSD looking to add A/C to three Morden schools

By Lorne Stelmach

Western School Division is exploring what it would take to have air conditioning in all of its schools.

Trustees last week authorized a request for proposal process to provide air-conditioning in Maple Leaf School, École Morden Middle School, and Morden Collegiate. Minnewasta School, which was built in 1990, is already air-conditioned.

Board chairperson Brian Fransen suggested it is something students, staff, and parents in the older schools have wanted for a long time.

"It has been on the wish list as long as I have been a trustee and probably since way before that time too," he said.

The request for proposals will soon be posted through the MERX tendering service as required under provincial procurement guidelines. Areas included in the request for proposals include:

• Maple Leaf School: north wing classrooms, hallways and offices, centre hub classrooms, library, and staff room. The gym is excluded.

• École Morden Middle School: Grade 5 to 8 classrooms, hallways and offices, library, and staff room.

• Morden Collegiate: 1973 addition classrooms, hallway from the library to ÉMMS, and the MCI link.

Fransen said they anticipate that they are likely looking at a relatively expensive project.

"We have committed to doing a request for proposal to get formal detailed information on what those costs would be to put air conditioning into the parts of our schools that don't have it," he said. "From there, we will make a decision about which portions to do now or in the future and go from there."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Western School Division is looking at installing air conditioning at Maple Leaf School, ÉMMS, and Morden Collegiate this summer.

He added they would likely be looking at doing it in phases depending on the price tag.

"It will depend on the proposals that come in," he said." We have some idea [of the cost] obviously, otherwise we wouldn't be entertaining this ... but before we can speak to the costs and commit to what exactly we are doing we need to go through this process.

"All of this, to the best of my knowl-

edge, would be looking at local tax dollars," he said, noting they don't anticipate any funding coming from the province.

Fransen said their hope would be that this work could ideally be completed throughout the summer and be ready for the start of the new school year.

"It would create a better learning environment for everyone," he said.

Council sends RHA the bill for police services

Guarding of a mentally ill patient at BTHC cost Winkler \$19K

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler city council is helping push for a change under provincial mental health act regulations that would require health authorities and facilities like Boundary Trails Health Centre to take the burden off local police to guard and secure patients.

Winkler's interest in the lobbying effort through the Association of Manitoba Municipalities came to a head as a result of a local incident.

About two months ago, Winkler police picked up an individual under Mental Health Act provisions and brought them to BTHC. Under the current regulations, two Winkler officers had to be there with them at all times over a six day period, resulting in an approximate cost of \$19,000 to the city, Mayor Martin Harder estimated after the issue came before council at its April 23 meeting.

"It was high time ... we're just going to send an invoice [to the RHA] and we'll bring it to a head," said Harder.

"This has been an ongoing discussion for years already with the RHA. The issue is the same with the mental health centre or at Boundary Trails," he continued. "There are many other communities that do have security people in place and facilities in place to be able to house them. This one does not.

"It's not fair for the City of Winkler, who pays for their own police force, to need to deal with the RHA and the results of the mental health act," Harder said. "We want to make sure that it gets addressed properly, and the mental health act makes requirement that they have facilities or individuals in place where we can hand off the individual to them."

When asked for comment, Southern Health-Santé Sud released the following the statement on involuntary admissions and hospital security at health centres:

"Any type of incident, whether physical, verbal, or substance-related, is traumatic for staff and patients alike. Our priority is to do all we can to ensure we are able to respond to wide-ranging workplace incidents for the safety and security of our staff, visitors to our health centres, and patients in our care.

"We can confirm The Mental Health Act sets out that, in urgent cases, the police have the authority to take someone on behalf of a concerned family member or friend for an involuntary medical examination. In these situations, the police will stay with the person while they see a physician for an assessment.

"Southern Health-Santé Sud staff visitors and patients should feel safe when they are in a health-care centre. In March of this year, the province ordered a review of safety and security programs, services and systems at Manitoba health-care facilities. This review intends to establish consistent standards at health-care facilities across the province. The expert recommendations of this security review will help Southern Health-Santé Sud find new and better ways of mitigating the risk and severity of safety incidents."

AGREEMENT SET

Also at last week's meeting, council moved to ensure all of its paperwork was in order to help advance the regional wastewater treatment project.

Councillors approved signing off on the memorandum of understanding for the project which basically sets out the formal agreement with the City of Morden and RM of Stanley. It had been signed previously, but Harder said some of the details had to be fine-tuned.

"It is just basically to bring the application up to a standard which they require for funding," said Harder, who said the municipalities want to ensure they have everything properly set out for the federal and provincial governments to consider funding.

"We just stand by and wait ... we are led to believe it's a high priority; it's supposedly the next project in Manitoba," the mayor said, adding they don't want to end up potentially being delayed if there is not only a federal election but a provincial campaign as well in the near future. "We want to make sure it's in there and that potentially if there's going to be an announcement that can be done beforehand."

Winkler council also dealt with a number of matters involving speed zones and speed limits April 23, including:

• A request to the Manitoba Highway Traffic Board to consider extending the 80 kph speed zone on Hwy. 14 further east from the intersection

Vet clinics' raffle raises \$1K for PVHS, Furever Friends

By Lorne Stelmach

Two area animal welfare agencies are sharing the proceeds from a fundraising initiative of the Winkler and Morden veterinary clinics.

The raffle jointly held by the two clinics raised \$1,320, with \$990 going to the Pembina Valley Humane Society and \$330 going to the Furever Friends Cat Rescue.

The raffle offered a range of prizes including a Bosche mixer valued at \$600 donated by Sawatzky's Furniture and Appliances, a \$500 Best Buy gift card courtesy of the Winkler Dental Clinic, two pet dental cleaning packages valued at \$340, a Foundation Life Skills training package from No Bad Dogs valued at \$200, and several smaller prizes. Dr. Stefani McLean said they appreciated the support of the two communities. The clinics both work closely week these rescue agencies and were excited for the chance to support them.

"It's great to have these organizations in our area that are helping with rescuing some of these stray animals and providing care for animals in need," said McLean. "I think the whole community benefits to have these options and to have places to look for dogs and cats."

"The support is amazing. The vet clinic already does so much for us, and we have a great relationship. We're really happy that they chose to do this fundraiser for us," said Dave Bone, shelter manager for the Pembina Valley Humane Society.



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Dave Bone, shelter manager for the Pembina Valley Humane Society, receives a portion of the proceeds from a fundraising raffle from Dr. Stefanie McLean and staff of the Morden veterinary clinic last week.

"We also work with Furever Friends as partners. We take cats from them and sometimes they from us, so it's

fantastic that the community comes together to support both of us like this."

Penner to move into city manager role

By Lorne Stelmach

Jody Penner has quickly earned a promotion with the City of Winkler.

Having just taken up duties as the director of community services in early March, Penner is already preparing for a new role as the next city manager.

He will take over from Barb Dyck upon her retirement June 1. The city is also drawing from within its ranks to fill Penner's current role, with recreation programmer Jordan Driedger set to become the new director of com-

munity services that same day. "It wasn't very much time to get

acclimatized," said Penner. "But I think it did give me good exposure to the staff here and the way of doing things ... so that, while it was short, did give me at least a basic understanding of how things work.

"It gave them good time to see how I work and to get used to me as well."

Penner said he welcomes the challenge of his new role.

"I was very honoured that the mayor and council put their confidence in me to take over this position of city manager," he said.

"I let everyone at city hall too know that I was very impressed with the team that is already there, and I'm looking forward to working them all really closely and building on the team that we already have in place.

"It will be nice to have Barb here for a while to help with that transition," added Penner, who added that it is ideal to be able to promote from within with Driedger taking on a new challenge as well.

"It means you know that you already have someone who gets the culture, you have a good team member, you have people of character ... some of the main things that you look for in your staff."

Winkler Mayor Martin Harder agreed there are many benefits to promoting from within the city's administrative ranks.

"We have a bit of a history of doing that ... and it bodes well, I think, for people who are currently employed with the city, giving them the

incentive to continue to do well and to realize that there are opportunities for them to advance.

"And Jody's made a tremendous impression, both in his ability to work with staff, come up with ideas, put together a plan that people can follow and work with," said Harder. "Even just his relationship with the rest of the community, even outside of the city staff, has gone very

well, and he has had great recommendations from the community as well."

Harder added he also sees Driedger as being well positioned to step into his new role with his experience as recreation programmer.

"Jordan has had five years in that role ... and with Jody having been in that position [of director of community services] and having worked together with Jordan, it was upon Jody's recommendation that we made this decision to hire Jordan to take on that responsibility.

"We look forward to the continued successful leadership both of these gentlemen will bring to the city and the leadership they will bring to our city staff."

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• Formally approving the new maximum speed limit bylaw for within the City of Winkler, including 70 kph speed zones on sections of 14th St. South, Eastview Drive, and Pembina Ave East.

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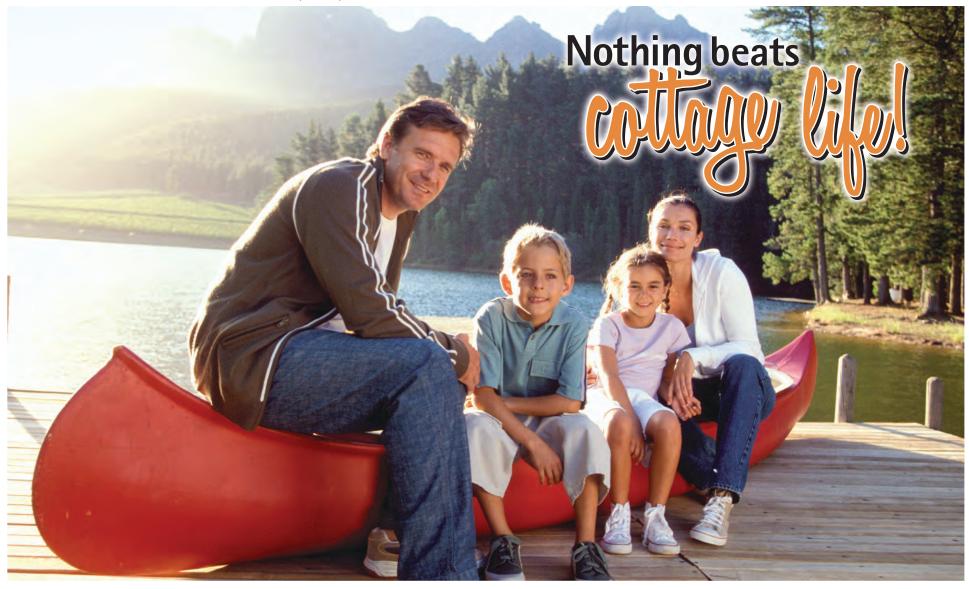
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Many modern families are spread out across the country if not the globe. Some people move away from family to further their careers, while others are called upon to care for others. Children may separate from their parents to witness new travel experiences. Military service may call individuals away from home as well.

Distance can make it challenging to spend time together for major holidays and other special occasions - like Mother's Day. But Mother's Day can still be special even if Mom lives hundreds or thousands of miles away.

Embrace technology

Technology helps break down some of the barriers created by distance. While phone calls were once the way to keep in touch, many people now utilize various forms of digital communication. Someone who lives across different time zones can talk through texting or the various social media avenues available on computers, phones and tablets. Video apps like Skype and FaceTime enable you to video chat with others in real time. Come Mother's Day, connect with mom via such apps so you can watch her open up her gifts.

Reconnect with home

If Mom is the one who ventured from home, help her to reconnect with her hometown or another place she feels attached to. Ship her some favorite regional foods that can only be bought in town. Make a photo or video montage of places of interest in town. These little touches of home can mean the world to her.

Create a special day

Even if you do not live near your mother, you can still plan a fun day for her in her



town. Make reservations for a spa, hair salon or other sources of pampering and surprise her with all the details.

Treat her to the ultimate surprise If possible, make a surprise visit this Mother's Day. Coordinate the plan with your father or another relative and then enjoy seeing her eyes light up when you arrive.

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

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



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Flooding can cause considerable distress, uproot families and damage structures. But even people who live in flood zones can take steps to be flood-safe.

• Purchase flood insurance. Many people and properties are not covered for flooding under standard homeowners insurance policies. As a result, it is essential to purchase separate flood insurance. The home improvement and information site HouseLogic says that flood insurance may be required by mortgage companies for those financing homes in flood plains.

• Have a "go bag" ready. This is a great idea in preparation for any type of emergency situation. Include a few changes of clothes, important documents and phone numbers, toiletries, extra cash, and non-perishable foods. Stock go bags with flashlights, batteries and waterproof shoes as well.

Know your flood level. This will help you know just how high the water might rise in certain scenarios so you can plan accordingly.

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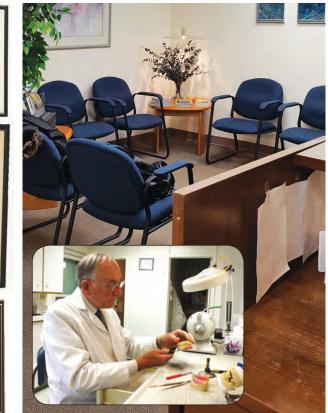
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How to help kids get into golf

take years, if not decades, to master. Many golfers find their time on the golf course both rewarding and relaxing, even on those days when the fairways seem impossible to find.

Though many players never swing a golf club until they reach adulthood, it's never too early to hit the links. Some of the world's most accomplished golfers, including four-time Masters champion Tiger Woods, began playing as toddlers, and many feel that getting an early start can lead to a more successful game down the road.

Getting kids into golf is a great way for parents to bond with their children while enjoying the great outdoors. Golf can also be used to teach kids humility, sportsmanship and the importance of hard work. Thanks to the often frustrating nature of golf, parents may find it somewhat challenging to instill a love of the game in their youngsters. But there are ways to introduce kids to this wonderful game that kids might just play for the rest of their lives.

· Focus on having fun. Few, if any, golfers at your local golf course on a given weekend could say with certainty that golf has never frustrated them. The challenge of golf may be its most appealing characteristic to older players, but young kids can be easily overwhelmed by the challenges golf presents. By focusing on having fun instead of perfecting techniques, parents can get kids to look forward to their time on the links. The more fun kids have, the more likely they will be to embrace the game and its many challenges.

Golf is a game of skill that can Don't put pressure on youngsters as they develop their games, but encourage them through their struggles and reassure them that you faced the same obstacles when you started playing.

> • Hire an instructor with experience teaching children. Instructors with experience teaching children will understand the basics of the game and how learning those basics provides a great foundation for future enjoyment and success on the course. Instructors who have taught kids in the past also know that teaching youngsters the finer points of golf requires patience and encouragement. Ask a fellow parent or an employee at the club where you play to recom

mend an instructor for your child. And take advantage of any kids' courses your club offers.

• Purchase the correct equipment. Even the best golfers are bound to struggle when using the wrong equipment. While it might be unwise to invest in especially expensive equipment for youngsters likely to grow out of it in a few months' time, deals can be found on used kids' equipment. Used kids' equipment is typically subjected to less wear and tear than used equipment for adults, as kids tend to play less often and fewer holes than adults when they do play. But make sure to find correctly sized equipment that kids feel comfortable using.

· Play some holes. Instructors may teach kids the differences between the types of clubs and how to swing and putt. But golf is most fun when players are out on the links going from hole to hole. Instruction is important, but don't forget to play a few holes with your child each week as well.













Canadian Wrestling Elite's 10th Anniversary Tour made a stop in Morden April 25. Clockwise from above: Lucha Libre Legend Psicosis leaps from the top rope onto tag team partners The Zombie Princess Jimmy Jacobs and Glitch in the System Jay Walker; during a six man tag team match, DDT Star Alex Ace leaps to deliver an arm smash on Wildhorse TK O'Ryan; The Masterpiece of the East Alix Zwicker puts a choke on Maritime's Sensational Maddison Miles.







Play ball

The Morden Thunder opened the Zone 4 baseball season with a chilly doubleheader against Carman April 25. Here, Morden's Mike Hlady can't quite complete the tag on a second base steal attempt. Over in Winkler that same night, Northlands Parkway Collegiate's boys team battled the Portage Trojans to a 10-10 tie before falling 6-1 in game two of their season opener.

> PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

MMJHL final decided in Game 7 after Twisters earn road win

By Brian Bowman

There is no question that this year's Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League's playoffs was a real exciting one.

The MMJHL final came down to the very last game as the Pembina Valley Twisters hosted the St. James Canucks in Game 7 of their best-of-seven final this past Tuesday evening (no score was available at press time).

Pembina Valley forced the final game after a 5-1 road win Sunday afternoon in Winnipeg.

St. James' Wyatt Kemball opened the game's scoring at 16:14 of the first period.

But Pembina Valley's Travis Penner

tied the score 1:12 later and then Nico Vigier gave the Twisters a 2-1 lead with a second-period goal.

Jeremie Goderis made it 3-1 just 24 seconds into the third and then added his second goal of the game midway in the third.

TJ Matuszewski made it 5-1 for Pembina Valley at 13:11 of the final frame.

Travis Klassen made 21 saves for the win. St. James' goaltender Nathan Cvar stopped 26 Pembina Valley shots at the other end of the rink.

St. James took a 3-2 series lead with a hard-fought 4-3 road win in Morris on Saturday.

Kieran Ursel scored the eventual game winner at 2:37 of the third period. The Canucks' Tyler Meixner had



Pembina Valley took a 2-0 lead on a pair of goals by Wyatt Sabourin (the second came while shorthanded) but St. James replied with tallies from Adam Thurlbeck and Ryan Ostermann. Thurlbeck's goal came on the power play.

The Twisters answered, though, with a power-play goal from Brendan Beenaerts.

The Canucks evened the series at two wins apiece after Cvar backtopped St. James to a 4-1 home win last Thursday night.

Penner snapped Cvar's shutout bid at 12:07 of the third period. Cvar finished the game with 26 saves.

Special teams played a huge role in this game as St. James scored three power-play goals in six chances. The Twisters, meanwhile, were blanked in six opportunities.

Thurlbeck scored the lone goal of the first period and then Chris Sass made it 2-0 after 40 minutes. Eric Wankling and Craig Weiss tallied in the third.

Pembina Valley took a 2-1 series lead with a 4-2 home win on April 23.

Goderis, James Van De Velde, Brendan Keck, and Dylan Dacquay scored for the Twisters.

Ostermann and Tristan Ezako replied for the Canucks.

Beebe signs with Hamline

Graduating Winkler Flyers captain Connor Beebe has committed to play for the University of Hamline Pipers (USCHO-NCAA Div III) for the 2019-2020 season.

Beebe played a total of 95 games with the Flyers, contributing for 22 points (seven goals, 15 assists) and 92 penalty minutes.

"Playing with the Flyers was an amazing experience for me, both at the rink and within the community of Winkler," said Beebe. "My time in Winkler has created the opportunity for me to further my hockey career. ... I would like to thank the Flyers organization for a great year and half."

The Hamline Pipers are based in St. Paul, Minnesota and also have former Winkler Flyer Weiland Parrish on their roster.

"We are very excited to add Connor Beebe to our Hamline Hockey squad. He's a reliable student/athlete who will bring energy and excitement to our lineup," said Hamline head coach Cory Laylin. "He will immediately help our PK and add depth to our team."

Off the ice, Beebe plans to study finance.



Local senior soccer teams raring to go

SC Riot moving up from 8th to 5th Div.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

They're still waiting for their fields to dry out, but the local senior soccer teams are more than ready to kick off their seasons.

Playing in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's 1st and 5th Divisions, respectively, the Winkler Storm and the SC Riot are both slated to play their first games of the summer this Sunday (the Storm against CCS Sweatshack and the Riot versus the Portage Cobras, both on the road).

In the Winnipeg Womens Soccer League, the South Central Hurricanes are still awaiting their finalized schedule, but expect to take the field in the league's 1st Division sometime in the next couple of weeks.

Storm coach and Riot player Reinaldo Oliveira says the men's teams are looking good.

The Storm are welcoming several new, younger players to their roster, hopefully making for a faster, stronger club.

"There's five new players coming in who are between 17-18," Oliveira says. "That's good to see because it brings the average down a little bit. The average is about 22 years old, which is good."

The Riot, meanwhile, lost a number of players in the wake of its inaugural season, but there was no shortage of newcomers eager to replace them.

"This year we had a lot of young players trying out for the Riot," Oliveira says, noting the team, which will be coached by Storm player Philllip Unruh, once again acts as a farm team for the Winkler soccer program, giving players not quite ready for Division 1 a place to hone their skills.

The Riot finished the 2018 season with a flawless 14-0 record and the championship title.

Moving up several divisions should provide the team with a better challenge this summer.

"This is going to be a much more competitive division for the players," Oliveira says.

As for the Storm, they are looking to improve on their 8-7-3 record and sixth place finish in 2018.

"As a coach, you always want to get better and better," says Oliveira. "I'm looking forward this year to having a fast team because of the younger age. That's an advantage for us.

"My goal is to be in the first three spots at the end of the season."

An exhibition game earlier this month against Hellas SC, who finished third in the Premier Division last year, certainly proved the team has what it takes—the Storm led 2-0 at the half before settling for a 2-2 tie. It was a great confidence booster, Oliveira says.

"To bring those younger players into the city to play a matched game ... it let them experience the challenge, experience what the competition is going to be like this year."



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Access Credit Union presented reps from the Winkler Storm, S.C. Riot, and S.C. Hurricanes soccer teams with a donation of \$5,000 toward their seasons this summer last week. "We continue to support the South Central Soccer Club because of the tremendous value they bring to the Pembina Valley region," said ACU's Terry Hamm. "IThey! not only bring men and women to play the world's biggest sport together, but they also foster community, integrate newcomers, and rally the community to support them. This is something that Access values and aligns with our mission and core values."

'CANES READY TO COMPETE

As for the ladies team, Hurricanes coach Shepherd Chiwandire says they are eager to tackle the challenge of playing in a higher division this summer.

The 'Canes moved up after finishing the 2018 season in first place in the league's 2nd Division with a 9-5 record.

"I was a little worried about how the team dynamic was going to look like this season, because we had a number of senior players not coming back," Chiwandire says. "But we now have a good number of younger ladies coming in. I think it's going to be an exciting team."

Team chemistry is a focus for Chiwandire, who notes that once you have that set the rest follows more easily.

The mix of rookie and veteran players also makes for a potent combination.

"When you mix the older players and the new players, what happens is they feed off each other," Chiwandire says."So the younger players are very eager, enthusiastic—they're buzzing. And the older players, they bring the experience. It's a great blend."



Nighthawks clinch zone banner

Nighthawks Brooke Thiessen and Andy Boger (photo at left) clinched the varsity badminton zone banner for Northlands Parkway Collegiate last week.

The duo beat out teammates Lucas Dyck and Brittany Friesen in the final, winning the best of three series 2-1.

NPC's junior varsity badminton players also had a strong showing at the zone champion-ships.

Jessica Goertzen placed fourth in girls singles, Trenton Penner placed third in boys singles, Florian Boger and Chloe Dyck placed third in mixed doubles, and Brett Bergman and Brock MacDonald finished second in boys doubles while Thomas Giesbrecht and Jackson Rempel finished in fourth.

Overall NPC finished in second place for the team aggregate banner.

Claiming that banner in first place was the Garden Valley Collegiate's Zodiacs, who also had several standout players at zones. Among them was Tom Friesen, who finished second in his event to earn a spot at provincials, and Anna Gruen, who came in third. Quinn Hamilton and Peter Ens placed fourth in mixed doubles.

The varsity provincial tournament takes place in Thompson this weekend, while NPC hosts the junior varsity competition here in Winkler.

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Winkler Basketball Club teams shine

The Winkler Basketball Club continued its longstanding tradition of boys and girls club basketball last weekend at the Brandon Jr. Bobcat Jamboree. The 14U boys (above, left) finished with a 2-1 record, the 16U girls (left) finished 2-3, and the 17U boys finished 3-0 (above). "The weekend was a great learning opportunity for our young players in preparation for the Basketball Manitoba Club Championships taking place in May," said the club's Walter Giesbrecht. "Many of these players are graduates of the Winkler Basketball Club skill development camps that happen every fall."

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Police charge worker with theft, cocaine possession

A Morden resident is facing serious charges after an investigation into missing product at a local business.

On April 5, the Morden Police Service entered into an investigation with a Morden business to account for a significant value in unexplained store shortages over the past year.

An investigation revealed realtime surveillance of one of the illegal transactions. Subsequently, an employee of the business was arrested for theft and possession of cocaine.

It was determined the employee was selling store product and personally profiting, police report.

At the time of arrest, store product exceeding \$5,000 was recovered by police and returned to the store.

A 50-year-old resident of Morden is charged with theft over \$5,000 along with possession of a controlled substance.

As police continue to investigate, the name of the accused and the affected

business have not been released. Further charges may be laid, police say.

Other items of interest in the weekly police reports include:

• April 25: At 3 p.m., emergency crews were called to an apartment fire in the 900 block of Parkhill Dr. in Morden. They arrived to find an active fire on a balcony. Police assisted with evacuating the building and Morden firefighters extinguished the blaze. The fire was not considered suspicious.

• April 25: Winkler Police received two separate reports of a vehicle passing a stopped school bus on Pembina Ave. East. One incident took place on April 12 and the other unrelated incident took place on April 24. The registered owners of the vehicles were both issued \$672 tickets for passing a stopped school bus.

• April 26: At 3:20 p.m., Morden police received a call regarding mischief to a camper and four vehicles. Police attended and observed windows were broken in the camper and four older vehicles on a property located in the 100 block of Grant St.. The owner believes the damage occurred sometime overnight. Police are continuing their investigation.

• April 26: Morden officers were dispatched to a residence regarding an attempted assault. Police attended and spoke with the female caller who reported her son attempted to hit her husband with a fire extinguisher. The son left the residence before police arrived. The caller did not want to press charges and did not want her son to return to her home that evening.

• April 26: At 1:45 a.m., Morden police were on general patrol when they observed a vehicle turn onto North Railway St. from 7th St. without signaling and then accelerate quickly.

Upon being pulled over by police, the driver exited the vehicle using the door to keep steady. He was placed under arrest for operating while impaired. Two subsequent breath samples were obtained resulting in readings of 150 and 160 mg%.

The 49-year-old is now facing impaired driving charges. His license was suspended for three months and his car impounded for 30 days.

• April 27: Shortly before 1:30 a.m. Winkler officers were dispatched to Shelby Bay after receiving a complaint of a suspicious female who was seen in the complainant's backyard and had left the scene on foot.

Police patrolled the area but were unable to locate the female suspect.

Approximately one hour later, police received a complaint from another resident of Shelby Bay advising of a suspicious female who was highly intoxicated and seated on the complainant's front porch.

Morden Festival of the Arts hands out the hardware

The 44th Morden Festival of the Arts concluded Sunday with the highlights concert at the Morden Alliance Church.

The finale showcased performances that were recommended by the adjudicators of each discipline featured throughout the festival including strings, sacred, piano, vocal and French and English speech arts.

The afternoon also included the presentation of awards, including the 2019 Loreena McKennitt Award, which is given to a festival participant judged to have reached a level of excellence in musical studies and who plans to continue studies and pursue a career in the performing arts.

This year's honour went to James Bergen, whose love of music started at very young age.

Bergen started violin at the age of three and has played violin in the Morden festival for years, receiving provincial recommendations every year. At the provincials, he placed second in all of his classes four years in a row.

Although most of his younger years were spent studying violin, he also enjoyed singing at a very young age and performed with school choirs, ensembles, school musicals, and in the Central Manitoba Youth Choir.

In Gr. 11, Bergen started voice les-

sons and sang at festivals in Morden, Winkler, and Winnipeg, receiving provincial recommendations at all three and first place in the Italian Class at the Winnipeg Festival.

Bergen is currently in Gr. 12 and plans to attend university to study vocal performance.

Bergen was among over two dozen performers who received provincial recommendations from the festival's adjudicators. They'll compete at the 2019 Provincial Music and Arts Festival May 24-26 in Winnipeg.

Other awards from the 2019 festival included:

• Strings: Zoe Reimer, Blaze Derksen, Sinead Convery, Aidan Kroeker, Kate Giesbrecht, Emily Sanders, Denise Howatt, Samuel Kroeker, Olivia Groenin, Paul Wiens, Joel Alles, Thomas Kroeker, Cecilia Sanders.

• Duet, trio or quartet: Melissa Schultz and Laureen Felski.

• Piano: Molly Cowan, Jessica Kagan, Isaiah Meilun, Denise Howatt, Samuel Kroeker, Thomas Kroeker, Leticia Grass, Daniel Kagan, Finn Rachul, Bethany Wiebe, and Matthew Pahl.

• Vocal: Claire Schobert, Keeley Sheppard, Zane Sheldon, Havlee Henderson, and James Bergen.

• Sacred piano, beginner to Gr. 4: Brooklyn Fleming, and Rebecca Ka-



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James Bergen receives the 2019 Loreena McKennitt Award from Morden Festival of the Arts rep Erika Dyck at the wrap-up concert Sunday. Below, from left: Poetry trio Vance Olson, Badr Abujazia and Kiru Griffin perform Rock n Roll Band, Molly Cowan plays Angelfish on the piano, and Aubree Sloan recites the poem My Dog, He's An Ugly Dog.

gan.

• Sacred piano, Gr. 5 and over: Kira Young.

• Sacred piano, ensemble: Kira Young and Emma Young and Molly Cowan and Gabbi Hildebrand.

• Sacred strings, Gr. 5 and over: Paul Wiens.

• Sacred mixed ensemble: Naomi Wiens and Beth Giesbrecht.

• Sacred vocal, 12 years and under: Keeley Sheppard.

• Sacred vocal, 13 years and over:

Sage Penner, Haylee Henderson/

• Speech arts: Rebecca Kagan, Jessica Kagan, Ian Fehrmoore, Rylee Olafson, Bijan Salimi.

• Speech arts duet, trio, quartet: Brooks Hutton, Ethan Radke (K-3); Kiru Griffin, Vance Olson, Badr Abujazia (Gr. 4-6); Kristin Smart, Sarah Kagan (Grade 7-9).



Police warn mobility aid users to follow rules of the road

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Just as the warm spring weather brings out the bikes and skateboards, so too is it a harbinger of the mobility scooters used by the elderly and those with physical disabilities.

And as with any other vehicle on the streets, the rules of the road most certainly apply to them as well, Winkler

Police remind residents.

"Persons operating a motorized mobility aid should be following the same rules as a pedestrian and not the rules of a motor vehicle," police said in a notice released on social media earlier this month.

"Mobility aids are not intended to be used on the roadway but rather on the sidewalk," the department

stressed. "However, if a sidewalk is not provided or is not passable then they are allowed to travel on the shoulder of the roadway but must return to the sidewalk at the earliest opportunity.

'Mobility aids should not be occupying a lane of travel intended for a motor vehicle and when crossing roadways should use the same rules

and precautions as a pedestrian."

Police urge anyone who has a friend or family member who uses a motorized mobility aid to make sure they are aware of the rules regarding their safe use.

A good guide to share can be found

4-H Club

The Plum Coulee 4-H Club has been started again after a few decades of being absent.

The new multi-purpose club had 13 members and two leaders in its inaugural year. The year was started last fall with a general meeting with the executive board made up of president Koen Thiessen, vice president Orrin Regier, secretary Callie Thiessen, treasurer/reporter/photographer Claire Regier, banner scanner Luke Friesen, photographer Katrine Kreker, and scrapbookers Kayleen and Kevin Kreker.

Adventures into 4-H (for eight and nine-year-old members) have been dabbling in a number of topics, the latest focusing on fabrics. This group gets to explore six different subjects throughout the year.

The other group, for ages 10 and up, has been focusing on plants and gardening this year.

Since the 4-H motto is "learn to do by doing," this group of members has had multiple opportunities to get their hands in the dirt and explore different aspects of growing plants.

The club held its communications evening on Feb. 7. Winners included

Submitted by the Plum Coulee Raya Thiessen and Mya Thiessen, first and second in the Cloverbud speech; Claire Regier and Leona Friesen, first and second in junior speech; Luke Friesen, first in intermediate speech; Orrin Regier, first in the Cloverbud one-person visual; Callie Thiessen and Koen Thiessen, first and second in the junior one-person visual; and Kayleen Kreker, first in the intermediate one-person visual.

The Red River Area Speeches were held on March 9. Callie Thiessen received second place in the junior oneperson visual category.

The Plum Coulee 4-H club has had the opportunity to go on a number of field trips that allowed our members hands-on experiences.

The first was at the Farm, Food, and Discovery Centre at Glenlea where members learned about the importance and function of bees, growing crops, and the had a chance to make bread from scratch.

Jo-Anne Joyce from the University of Manitoba's Buller greenhouse arranged for us to get a tour with Dr. Carla Zelmer. Dr. Zelmer introduced us to plants foreign to Manitoba and its climate. Members were able to take samples from the greenhouse specimens and take a closer look at them through microscopes and see



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Left: Members of the Plum Coulee 4H Club went on numerous field trips this year, including to the New Leaf Greenhouse in Winkler. Right: Member Callie Thiessen came in second in the Red River Area Speech competition.

the plants at a cellular level.

New Leaf Greenhouse hosted our 4-H club on April 5. We had a delightful tour and got to try our hand at different forms of propagating plants. We also learned about bugs, diseases, and the needs of plants and how to keep them growing happily.

Our club also participated in the garden expo at Morden's Access Event Centre. The 4-H members created display boards that covered the

material we learned about this year about plants and growing things.

The year ended on March 16 at the Center on Main in Plum Coulee with Achievement Night, which featured awards for the top member display boards.

This event was open to the public and allowed anyone considering to join next fall to come and see what it's all about.

Province moves organ donor system entirely online

Tissue Bank MB expands services to Southern Health

Manitoba is moving its organ tissue donor opt-in system online.

The province announced the move away from the traditional donor card system to an entirely online one last week.

"For years, Manitobans have signed the donor card attached to their health card and then tucked it away without sharing their important decision with loved ones," said Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Cameron Friesen. "Online registration is so simple and this selfless decision has the ability to save lives."

Donors can register online at www. signupforlife.ca. The site, which has been active since 2012, has seen a steady increase in registration, with a record 11,400 Manitobans signing up last year alone.

The move follows the phasing out of paper donor cards in 2016 and is expected to lead to a continued increase in registrations, the minister said.

Families like the Omeniuks know the value of conversations about organ and tissue donation. Dean Omeniuk is a two-time heart recipient, having received a life-saving transplant in 1996 and again in 2017.

"The generosity of others has given me a second—and a third—chance at life. Through the gift of donation I have been able to enjoy watching my children grow over the last two decades," said Omeniuk. "I am a grandfather now because not just one, but two families had a conversation and said yes to organ donation. I am so grateful for these gifts."

In Manitoba, organ donation occurs at Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg and St. Boniface Hospital. However, compassionate end-of-life care and the opportunity for organ donation is every family's right, no matter where they live, said Dr. Adrian Robertson, medical director of Transplant Manitoba's Gift of Life program.

"As online registrations increase, our specially trained team offers support and information to families whose loved one has indicated a desire to give the gift of life and who meets the criteria for organ donation," said Robertson."For those patients in hospital outside the city of Winnipeg, our specialists work with care providers and families to determine whether a transfer to Winnipeg-based intensive care is the best approach."

Supporting the ability of all Manitobans to offer life-saving and lifeenhancing gifts to those in need is also a focus for Tissue Bank Manitoba. which supports the vital role of tissue donation in spinal, orthopedic, neuro, sports medicine, plastics, and ear, nose and throat surgeries.

Until last week, tissue donation services were only available within the Winnipeg and Interlake-Eastern regional health authorities, said Kimberly Dodds, director of Tissue Bank Manitoba. Now the service has been expanded to Southern Health-Santé Sud.

"Each year, thousands of Canadians benefit from the gift of tissue donation," said Dodds. "We are so pleased to be able to expand our services to ensure the donation wishes of more Manitobans may be honoured."

> SCOOTERS, FROM PG. 25

on the Manitoba Public Insurance website at mpi.mb.ca/en/Rd-Safety/ Vulnerable/Pages/motorized-mobility-aids.aspx.

Among the tips listed include the fact scooters venturing onto roadways when a sidewalk is not available should be facing oncoming traffic and must use turn signals or hand signals to inform motorists of their intentions. As well, groups of scooters should always travel in single file.

Agriculture

MB. farmers trying to take off last year's crop

By Harry Siemens

While farmers in southern Manitoba keep hoping for more rain or snow to replenish depleted top and subsoil moisture levels, farmers in parts of western Manitoba are still struggling to harvest last year's crop.

"Snow Saturday night has delayed harvest yet again. Still snow laying up here today. Hopefully [we'll] get

> BUDGET, FROM PG. 8

The financial plan also includes a budget of about \$8 million for capital projects including the following expenditures:

• \$1 million towards waste water treatment.

• \$1 million for the compressor room of the Access Event Centre.

• Over \$800,000 for a new fire department heavy rescue vehicle.

• Over \$800,000 for Morenet.

• \$313,000 for more road paving.

• \$300,000 for the purchase of land

for a new cemetery. • \$250,000 for incentives to attract business.

• \$175,000 for retail incubator and market mall.

Looking further ahead, the city is earmarking 2020 funds for a number of other significant projects such as \$600,000 for the new 40 acre sports field and \$350,000 for a YMCA or similar recreational facility.

"The YMCA still would be a long way off. We don't have regional support for it yet," said Burley, while again stressing a common sense fiscal approach. "For us, it's a matter of putting those dollars away and socking them away so that when ... we are in a better position to spend rather than to borrow."

> POLICE, FROM PG. 24

Police arrived on scene and found that while the complainant was outside the woman had let herself into the complainant's home and fell asleep on his couch.

The 31-year-old female was arrested under the Intoxicated Persons Detention Act and later released once sober. these grains harvested and in the bin and carry on with #Plant19," tweeted Andrew Dalgarno, who farms up at Newdale.

Dalgarno tweeted on Apr 27 to Canadian grain regulatory agencies asking what the allowance for wildlife excreta in feed wheat is.

"Curious since Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation ... is making farmers harvest excreta feed grains this spring."

Dalgarno said the dry August in 2018 started the problem because many of the cereals didn't mature and didn't dry down quick enough.

"In the middle of September we had six inches of snow. That happened three times before it finally melted in October enough to get out and combine," he said. "Producers got most of the canola and the soybeans around here done, but the cereals were flat to the ground and just never really dried out. Oct. 31 we were trying wheat and it was 27 per cent moisture, and it just ended up going right into winter at that point, and so now here we are, springtime, trying to figure out how to harvest it, and what to do with it, and of course now it's full of excreta like crazy."

Dalgarno said the area he's talking about is roughly Minnedosa to Shoal Lake and from Hwy. 16 up to Riding Mountain Park.

"I talked with some guys up at Dauphin that there was a bit of canola and soybeans out up there. I talked with some guys at Souris that there was a pocket of soybeans mostly down there, and in most cases, from what I understand, it's just that the ground is too wet. You couldn't drive in the field without getting stuck."

Dalgarno said the next step is to harvest this mostly worthless crop because Manitoba Crop Insurance told them to harvest it and not merely to destroy it.

Feed mills and feedlots are probably where a lot of it going to have to go, he noted, but they might have to preclean to get some of the excreta out to take it there.

"The elevators have already said they don't want it. They've written letters to that effect, but crop insurance just said, "Well, that doesn't matter. If we can find any place that will take it for a buck, then so be it.'"

Last Friday farmers were just starting to get out with harrows or fertilizer rigs. "Most guys are saying Monday they'll start putting fertilizer down that never got to it last fall," Dalgarno said. "With all that wet snow, wet weather we had last fall, very little fall work got done, so they're getting started on that."

The wet conditions are making things difficult, though.

"Twenty inches of heavy wet snow in September, October, and it's not good drying weather at that point," Dalgarno said. "Well, the grain is dry 11 per cent to 12 per cent moisture now, so it's bone dry. So, the plan is to start combining, hopefully, today, and we're going to have to get it in some bins. It's dry, so it'll hold for now, and we'll deal with it after seeding. We've got to get it off and get this year's crop in the ground first."

Once done with the spring planting, they'll take samples around and try to sell it off.

"I've already talked to a seed grower on the possibility of cleaning it, and what that's going to cost, and then we're going to get rid of it," said Dalgarno. "Because, I mean, we're going to need the bin space in another three months."



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The Winkler/Morden Habitat for Humanity chapter's first annual Restore Day/Garage Sale drew bargain hunters from far and wide Saturday. Funds from the sale of the hundreds of donated items go toward helping the chapter build its first home in the region, which will go up in Winkler hopefully later this year. The event also raised money thanks to the donation of larger appliances and construction materials, which were brought into Winnipeg for sale at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STANLEY R **PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT** PLAN 5/19 - BY-LAW NO. 5-19 FOR THE EXPAN-SION OF RURAL WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Stanley has scheduled a public hearing at: The Council Chambers

Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

To present the following local improvement plan: Providing for the spending, borrowing authority and imposition of taxes for servicing various individual properties located in the Southwest area of the Municipality with potable water as a local improvement pursuant to Part 10 of the Municipal Act. \$1 318 584 Total estimated project cost Anticipated sources of funding: Local Improvement Tax (property owners share) \$150,000 Municipal Borrowing Manitoba Water Services Board Grant \$300,000 \$435,135 <u>\$433,449</u> \$1,318,584 Federal Gas Tax The Rural Municipality of Stanley is proposing to finance \$300,000 to be recovered from the Municipality (taxable, grant in lieu, and other wise exempt properties) and to finance \$150,000 to be recovered from the property owners receiving the service to complete the project. Estimated Municipal borrowing Local Improvement Debenture (Municipality) \$300,000,00 Amount Maximum Interest Rate 4.5% Terms 10 years Annual Payme \$37,913.65 Based on the 2019 Assessment roll (\$37,913.65 /\$564,174,420) an estimated mill rate of 0.067 45,000) a \$3.02 LI tax will be levied annually for 10 years. Local Improvement (Property Owners receiving a water connection) Amount Maximum Interest Rate \$150,000.00 4.5% Terms 10 years Annual Payment \$18,956.82 A per parcel rate of \$12,500 cash option (lump sum payment) OR \$1,579.74 finance option will be levied annually for 10 years A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at 23111 PTH 14 in the RM of Stanley prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection to the local improvement plan. All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection. Copies of the local improvement plan are available at the municipal office at 23111 PTH 14 and on the municipal website at www.rmofstanley.ca. Feel free to call the RM Office for additional information at 204-325-4101.

Dated at the RM of Stanley this 18TH day of April 2019 and issued pursuant to Section 318 of The Municipal Act.

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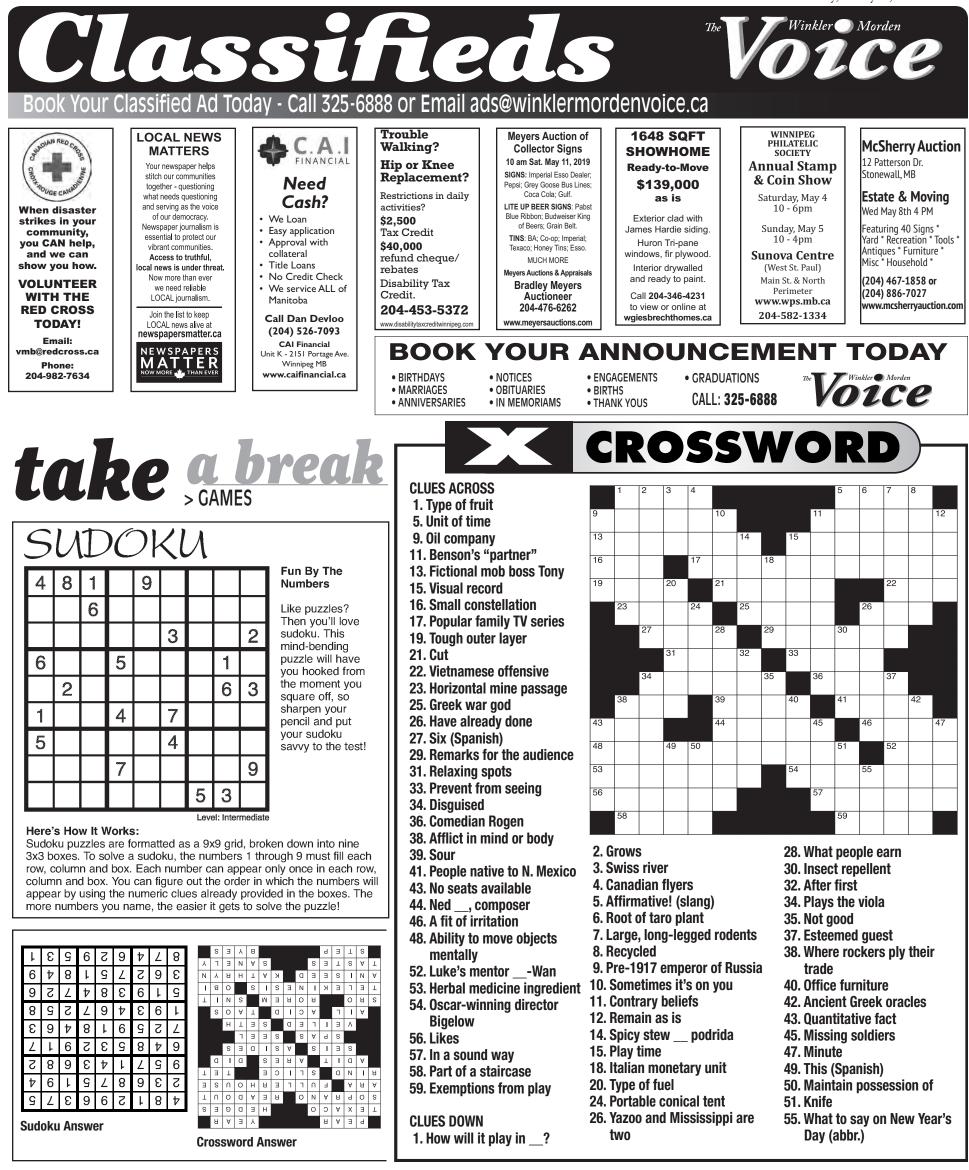
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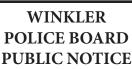






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The Winkler Police Board October quarterly meeting has been rescheduled for October 8, 2019 at 12:45 p.m. Meetings are open to the public and will be held at Smitty's Restaurant, 777 Norquay Drive, Winkler, MB. Anyone wishing to come forward with a delegation is asked to contact the City Manager a minimum of 1 day prior to the meeting.

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Eva Feakes (nee Wall)

1924 - 2019 On Monday April 22, 2019 at Salem Home in Winkler, MB, Eva

Eva was born on October 31, 1924 in Swift Current, SK and

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 26, 2019 at



OBITUARY



Glenda Mae (Smith) Selby

Glenda Mae Selby died very peacefully on April 16, 2019 at the Pembina Manitou Personal Care Home in Manitou, Manitoba. She is survived by Larry, her husband of almost 49 years; their five children: Sharon (John), Tracy (Mark), Julia (Phil), Elizabeth (Darren), and Robert (Roxann), and 16 grandchildren-all of whom she loved so dearly-as well as many cousins and friends.

Glenda was an only child, born on April 25, 1948 in Roland, Manitoba. She was predeceased by her mother, Ella, in 1974; her father, Allan, in 1979; her father-in-law, Robert, in 1991; her mother-in-law, Jackie, in 2019; her sister-in-law, Margaret, in 1976; her son-in-law, Curtis McIntosh, in 2002; and her very special aunt and uncle, Jessie and Owen Byers.

Glenda was a truly amazing lady. She endured many losses and physical challenges in her life without complaint or self-pity. She

had a strong faith and an inner strength that she has passed on to her children and grandchildren. She loved gardens, flowers, and trees. She enjoyed growing things, hiking, picnicking in the Pembina Valley, traveling, scrapbooking, and especially spending time with her family and friends.

Glenda was an amazing wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Her serenity, courage and sweet smile will be remembered by all who knew her. Funeral Mass was held on Monday, April 22, 2019 at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in

Manitou, Manitoba with Father Ramon Oncog officiating. Interment was held at the Manitou Cemetery.

Donations in memory of Glenda may be made to the Pembina Manitou Health Centre Foundation Palliative Care Fund; Box 212 Manitou, MB R0G 1G0, or to the Pembina Manitou Area Foundation; Box 535 Manitou, MB R0G 1G0.

Messages of condolence may be made online at www.wheatlandfs.com Wheatland Funeral Service 204-825-2848 www.wheatlandfs.com

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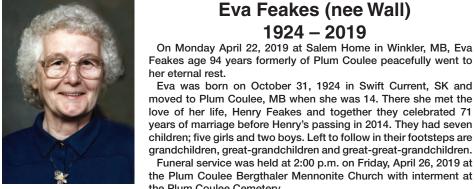
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the Plum Coulee Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment at the Plum Coulee Cemetery.

Donations may be made in Eva's memory to the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

Thank you to all the staff at Salem Home for their care of Mom and to Wiebe Funeral Home for the funeral arrangements.

OBITUARY

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Jacob (Jake) Hildebrand 1940 - 2019

Jake was born to Bernard and Margaret Hildebrand (nee Suderman) on June 10, 1940. He grew up in the Greenfarm District. At the age of 10, Dad's mother passed away from breast cancer. Bernard remarried Helen Penner in 1955. Dad was baptized upon the confession of his faith on June 2, 1963 and became a member of Altona Bergthaler Church. On May 3, 1964 Dad married Elfrieda Teichroeb and together they had two children, Sherri in 1968 and Daphne in 1970 and made their home in Altona and then later in Winkler. Their marriage dissolved in 1982. While managing the bus depot in Winkler, he met the love of his life Martie Blatz. They got married on March 21, 1987. Martie brought into our family her daughter Sherry and son Sheldon. Dad loved spending time with

his family whether at home or on vacation. He loved fishing and loved gardening even more. He had a huge garden at Sherri and Mike's where he went constantly and sometimes just stood and watched it grow. Dad started working in Winnipeg at Eatons as a mail order clerk. He then moved to Altona and started working as a linotype technician at DW Friesens. He then opened up J & M Appliances where he also sold Pic-A-Pop. His love of printing eventually got the best of him and led him to open up a print shop in Winkler, Manitoba called Main Printing. In 1989, Dad and Martie moved from Morden to Lethbridge because Dad was offered a job at Fisher Printing and they wanted to be closer to their grandchildren. At this time Dad also ran a printing business out of his garage and a business called Kwik Stamp. In 2005, they moved back to Manitoba to enjoy retirement and their Manitoba grandchildren. In 2014 Dad was diagnosed with Lewy body dementia. In 2016, our dad had a fall and thereafter his dementia worsened. In May of 2018, he moved into Tabor Home where he resided until his death on Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Dad leaves to mourn his wife, Martie; daughters, Sherri (Mike), Daphne (Dwayne), Sherry (Gary) and son Sheldon (Joe); six grandchildren, Hailey, Dallas, Chelsey, Kaylee, Weston and Brendon; one great-grandchild Mesa; three sisters and one brother. He was predeceased by his parents, four brothers and one sister.

Memorial service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Morden Mennonite Church with interment prior at the Winkler Cemetery.

Donations may be made in Jake's memory to the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

The family would like to thank the staff at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Rock Lake Hospital, Salem Home and Tabor Home for their compassionate care over the years.

OBITUARY

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Edwin John Gerbrandt 1954 - 2019

On Monday, April 22, 2019 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Edwin Gerbrandt age 64 years of Morden, MB formerly of Kane went to his eternal rest.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Mavis (nee Horn); four sons, Kevin and Dena, Bryan and Tanya, Darren and Pamela, Brent and Nicole; nine grandchildren; three sisters; one brother-in-law and their families. He was predeceased by his parents, Jacob and Aganetha Gerbrandt and two brothers-in-law.

Memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2019 at the Morden EMMC.

The family would like to thank Dr. Zhang, Dr. Dhala and the staff on medical at BTHC for their support and care.

Donations may be made in Edwin's memory to either Pembina Counselling Centre or Providence College.

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