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**Firefighters** from 17 communities were in Winkler last weekend for the local fire department's annual training seminar, which this year focused on extrication techniques and the dangers new vehicle safety technologies pose to rescuers. The weekend included both theory and handson training (right).

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### By Ashleigh Viveiros

Over 100 firefighters were in Winkler last weekend for the 2016 Winkler Fire Department Seminar. Participants came from 17 departments across the province to learn the latest techniques in vehicle extrication, which is becoming ever more challenging with advances in safety technologies.

"When it comes to all the technology put into vehicles to keep us safe, sometimes it can have a negative effect on the guys trying to rescue someone," explained Winkler Fire Chief Richard Paetzold. "Some of the safety devices create risk for our firefighters: air bags blowing up in your face at the wrong time or getting electrocuted with the new electric cars.

"This weekend focused on trying to avoid those safety systems ... how to tunnel in to reach someone quickly and safely," he said.

"We had firefighters here with no extrication experience to ones that have been around for awhile,

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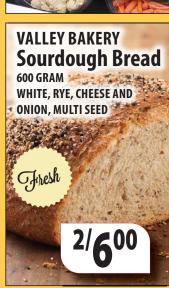




















**OLD DUTCH** 



## **Showcasing** the beauty, art of quilting

By Lorne Stelmach

Making quilts may more often be something you do on your own.

That may be the case as well for Carol Burton and Daphne Andrew-Peers, but not only do they inspire and encourage each other, but they also do work together on occasion.

A stunning example of that for the sister duo who were the featured quilters at the 27th annual Barnswallow Quilting Guild Quilt Show this past weekend was a brilliant butterfly patterned quilt that served as the centrepiece of their display.

"That was our epic quilt this year," Andrew-Peers said in between greeting visitors at the show hosted at the Access Event Centre hall Friday through Sunday.

"We've always done that ... even long distance ... when she lived in Regina, I would go there and we would go to the quilt shops and we would do projects together."

Originally from this area and now

**Featured** artists sisters Daphne Andrew-Peers and Cathy Burton with a stunning quilt they worked on together for the Barnswallow Quilting Guild's annual show.

> **PHOTO BY LORNE** STELMACH/ **VOICE**



both calling the Morden and Thornhill area home, they came to quilting in part due to the influence of their grandmother, whose sewing machine had a proud place in their display last weekend.

"There was always a quilt set up at her place," said Burton.

"I always saw them ... wasn't sure that I would ever quilt," added Andrew-Peers, who like her sister got into sewing first through 4-H.

Later on in life, once their children had grown up, both had more time on their hands and it was then the sisters gave their grandmother's hobby a try.

"When our children went off to university, I started quilting. And I just really enjoy it now. I don't sew any more clothes, I just quilt," said Burton, who said there are many quilts now

that have become family heirlooms.

"All of us have gotten quilts that grandma made and quilts that mom made ... now there's quilts that we've made, and our children have quilts that I've made," she said.

For both Burton and Andrew-Peers,

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The Barnswallow Quilting Guild's annual **Quilt Show was** a big success last weekend, showcasing hundreds of quilts of all sizes created by artisans from across southern Manitoba. The day also included demonstrations (including one led by Nancy Penner. below), a merchant mall and guild boutique, and a rainbow auction.

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the appeal of quilting is similar.

"I like the designs and colour. I guess I really enjoy creating things," said Burton.

"I like gardening too. I like different colours of flowers in my garden, so there's got to be colour ... texture.

"It's even just the sense of accomplishment in creating something," she said, noting she always has projects on the go or at least ideas of what she wants to work on next.

"A lot of the more recent ones that I've done are inspirations from Pinterest," she added, noting she particularly likes the New York Beauties, which feature prominent star-like points.

"And I like small pieces because I like to be able to hold them myself."

"For me, it's the colour and putting the blocks together and building the picture," reflected Andrew-Peers. "Then it's just the sense of accomplishment and satisfaction that comes from having a project done.

Andrew-Peers said she takes particular pride in one larger piece show-

cased at the show that features blue tones and darker colours.

"I challenged myself when I turned 50," she said. "I worked on each little section starting from the middle out, and I kept thinking, 'I'm never going to get this done.'

"As each piece went together I thought if I stop here it'll be fine ... but if I keep on going, I'll see how it turns out. And it ended up being pretty spectacular."

The sisters said they loved the opportunity to be part of the show because they get a lot of great feedback from people.

"And you don't actually see your quilts hung out when they're at home ... they're on beds or tucked away ... so that's been really cool too just to see them up on a wall and get the full impact on them," said Andrew-Peers.

"There's always inspiration ... something that catches your eye ... makes you think, 'I've got to try that,'" added Burton. "And it's quite amazing to see all of your work put together."



## 'It's a game changer'

"GORDON LOVED

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WINKLER AND

**BACK TO THE** 

## Community fdn. celebrates creation of Gordon Wiebe Scholarship Fund

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Over a decade after his death. Winkler businessman Gordon Wiebe is still having a significant positive impact on the community he loved.

The Winkler Community Foundation held a celebration at City Hall in honour of the prominent pharmacist on May 5 in thanks for his \$2.2 million bequest that has created the Gordon Wiebe Scholarship Fund.

"We have never had a gift this size in the history of the foundation," said

board president Chris Hildebrand. "This is a game changer."

Starting in 2017, the interest generated by the fund will total upwards of \$70,000 a year. Hildebrand said the scholarship committee has decided to distribute this money not just to graduating high school students, but

to older students as well.

"Not everyone knows what they want to be when they grow up," she said. "So we need to allow for those young people who take time after high school to make those discover-

"We also need to consider those who think they know what they want to be when they grow up, but their course changes down the road."

As such, the fund will be distributed through the Garden Valley and Northlands Parkway collegiate's annual grad scholarship programs in

addition to awards coming directly from the community foundation via two streams.

One will be for mature students for ongoing educational support, Hildebrand explained.

"These funds will be available to students who are currently in a postsecondary program and seek ongoing support to continue, as well as young people who have decided that while post-secondary education may not have been for them right after high school, it is now something they

would like to pursue."

The third stream will be for anyone seeking to return to school for additional training.

"The Gordon Wiebe Make It a Reality Scholarship ... will be available to all students, whether they are just graduating, are currently in a program, or deciding to pursue education a few vears after high school," said Hildebrand, noting the name reflects the

fact that "the amount will be significant enough that it will remove a lot of the monetary challenges that face students today."

This kind of support is going to make post-secondary education a real possibility for Winklerites who might otherwise have not had the opportunity to pursue their dreams, said Dr. Philipp Unruh, a recent dentistry graduate who spoke at the gathering about the unique struggles rural students face.

"There are young, smart, and driven individuals in this community who



### **PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE**

The community foundation's Chris Hildebrand with Eugene Wiebe and Dale Gislason, executors of the estate of Gordon Wiebe, who bequeathed \$2.2 million to start a scholarship fund. Right: Recent graduate Dr. Phil Unruh discussed how these scholarships will allow more rural students to overcome challenges and follow their dreams.

do not believe it's a possibility to move to Winnipeg and go to university and focus on their potential," he said, pointing to the additional financial barriers such a move or commute place on students. "With the Gordon Wiebe Scholarship, the idea of going to university can become a reality for a lot of these students.

"We will not see the impact of the scholarship this year, or even next year. We may only see the full effect in seven or so years, but once we start seeing it, we will see it every year from then on,"Unruh stressed."We will see more teachers, engineers, doctors, dentists, nurses, lawyers come back to the community every single year. The potential is endless."

Eugene Wiebe, who has served as



executor of Wiebe's estate alongside accountant Dale Gislason, says his cousin always strived to help others in life, and so it's fitting he is continuing to do so after his death.

'Gordon loved Winkler and wanted to give back to the community that supported him," Wiebe said, noting Gordon was heavily involved in both the Kinsmen and the Lions service clubs, as well as the Winkler chamber, the Masonic Lodge, and his church. He was also a leader in his profession, helping to create The United Pharmacists association.

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## Winkler grant applications due in by June 15

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Community Foundation has put a call out for applications for its 2016 grants.

Last year the agency was able to grant just over \$59,000 to local nonprofit groups and community projects. In 2016, their 20th year of granting, they'll be handing out closer to

Executive director Myra Peters says

they have two new funding opportunities available.

The first comes from the interest generated from the surplus of the Manitoba Winter Games held in Morden-Winkler-Stanley in 2014.

"The 2014 Sport Legacy Fund was created right after the Games, but this is the first year we're able to grant out from it," Peters says. "It's all designated for sports development ... new programs, training, education development, and equipment."

Peters says the fund has generated enough interest to grant out about \$1,600 this year.

Also new for 2016 is the Community Fund for Canada's 150th, a temporary matching grant program supported by the federal government and community foundations across the nation.

"It's matched three ways: the Winkler Community Foundation will match a third, Community Founda-

tions of Canada will match a third, and then the organization applying is expected to match a third themselves," Peters explains. "And the matching from the applying organizations can be work in kind, it can be fundraised—it doesn't have to be that they have it sitting in their account.

"The available money from CFC and Winkler Community Foundation

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## > SEMINAR, FROM PG. 1

and I think everybody came away from it saying that they learned something they didn't know before."

Leading the training last Friday and Saturday was Trevor Shea, a veteran firefighter and training officer with the Mississauga fire department who has competed in auto extrication competitions at the international level.

During the hands-on training session Saturday afternoon (much of Friday was spent in lectures at the fire hall), Shea said conferences like this are invaluable to firefighters.

"The stuff that we're showing them is stuff that some of these guys have never seen before," he said, noting, as well, that with so many departments in attendance the information will save lives all over Manitoba. "We can affect almost the whole province with an event like this."

Using a range of equipment both new and familiar to firefighters, Shea went through a variety of extrication techniques and then got participants to try their hands at it themselves on one of the 25 scrap vehicles scattered around the training site on George Ave.

"What it is is fast ways to get firefighters inside and to get patients that are critically injured or trapped out quickly," he said.

Shea noted that there is no standardization between different vehicle makes and models when it comes to things like air bag locations or electrical wiring.

"So it is a very dangerous operation [to get inside a wrecked car] if you don't know what you're doing.'



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

A member of the Plum Coulee Fire Department dismantles a wrecked car during training at the Winkler fire department's 2016 seminar.

### SPREADING OUT THE COST

This seminar has been hosted by the Winkler department off and on for 25 years now with great success.

"It started out as an opportunity to train as many people economically as possible," Paetzold said.

The first seminars included mainly the other departments in the local Pembina Triangle Mutual Aid District, but quickly grew to attract firefighters from communities large and small across southern Manitoba.

"It's a chance to practise and play with all the new tools, and to network with everybody else," said Chief Rob Herda of the Narrow Fire Department, which services the RM of St. Clement north of Winnipeg.

"We all do the same thing and this shows us that we all are doing the same thing to the same standards," he added as his team dismantled a nearby car.

Herda brought five members of his 25-man department down to the seminar. They'll be passing on what they've learned to their peers back home, he said.

"We'll go back to our department now and we'll show all the guys how to do the same things," Herda said, noting the weekend was also a great opportunity to connect with a variety of equipment dealers.

Paetzold sends out a big thank-you to Manitoba Public Insurance, Pembina Valley Scrap, Skyline Auto Body, and Windy Lane Towing for providing the scrap vehicles for the firefighters to practise their newly learned skills on.

## > SCHOLARSHIP FUND, FROM PG. 5

Wiebe was born and raised in Winkler and, having attended university in Winnipeg, knew the challenges students can face when leaving home to follow their dreams.

"We know that he helped several young pharmacists get started,"Wiebe said. "He loved helping young people and education was very important to him. This is a big reason why his funds were left, were earmarked for educational scholarships.

"I don't know if he would have liked the hoopla that's going on tonight," Wiebe said, chuckling, "but I'm sure that when he thought about it he knew that it was going to make a drastic change to the community."

Wiebe said he hopes his cousin's generosity will get others thinking

about the legacy they would like to leave in the community.

"This may be a start. With the promotion that's coming out of this more estates may bequeath this type of thing and there's no reason why we couldn't have another bequest of this nature and use the funds the same way," he said. "There's no end to the value of it."

## > GRANT APPLICATIONS, FROM PG. 5

is \$15,000 each," Peter adds. "So the program could go up to \$45,000 for one project, or it could go into a few smaller projects.

"It's wonderful to see outside money coming in and that we can stretch the dollars that we have to give and have a greater impact on our community. We definitely want to take the full opportunity." More information on the Canada's 150th fund can be found online at www.communityfoundations.ca/CFC150.

And, as always, the foundation also has its main Smart & Caring Community Fund grants to hand out.

That fund targets projects or activities in the areas of arts and culture, children and youth, recreation, education, environment, health and wellness, and social services.

The deadline for applications for all these grant opportunities is June 15. The grants will be presented to recipients this fall.

Application information is available at the foundation website at winklercommunityfoundation.com or by calling Peters at 204-362-9292.

## Cdn. Red Cross looking for local volunteers

By Lorne Stelmach

There are vital roles for local residents to play in helping respond to major disasters like the wildfire that recently led to the mass evacuation of Fort McMurray, Alberta.

Or it might just be a matter of lending a hand to a fellow resident in the event of something smaller-scale like a house fire.

The key is being able to be calm in a chaotic situation to help others, and the Canadian Red Cross is looking for local volunteers willing and able to do just that.

"We respond in a time of disaster, whether it's a personal-size disaster or a larger scale incident," said Meredith Daun, a Morden volunteer who was helping to raise awareness and interest as part of May 1-7 being Emergency Preparedness Week.

"They'll help with responding, they help with preparedness and they help with recovery ... before, during, and after."

The Canadian Red Cross is involved in a wide range of programs and services internationally and locally, but a key part of their role is emergency preparedness.

The agency is continually working on preparedness in part by recruiting "WE RESPOND IN A TIME OF DISASTER, WHETHER IT'S A PERSONAL-SIZE **DISASTER OR A LARGER** SCALE INCIDENT."

and training new volunteers to work alongside existing ones in communities across Manitoba, and it is currently looking for new volunteers in the Morden-Winkler area.

Daun got involved in 1999 after she finished studying international development at university

"It was one of the organizations I really admired because of their principles of humanity and impartiality ... being willing to help anybody in any circumstance," she said.

Her role has varied over the years, but one of her priorities now is personal disaster assistance.

Disaster response volunteers are trained to help families impacted by small disasters such as house or apartment fires and floods.

"Our people will come out and pro-

Red Cross volunteer Meredith Daun with her go-kit. The Red **Cross** is looking to bolster its volunteer corps in the Morden-Winkler area with new members.

**PHOTO BY LORNE** STEL-MACH/ **VOICE** 



vide support or shelter, food, some clothing and comfort items ... sometimes it's even just having someone to talk to and walk you through it," said

"We need some people who would be available in an on-call situation ... so we can respond in a moment's notice," she added, noting it is a rewarding way for people to make an impact on their community. "You're working alongside your neighbours."

The Red Cross on average responds to 129 emergency events daily, calling on its network of over 6,000 trained volunteers

"In some cases, maybe in a larger scale disaster, you may be asked to

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## Our mistake

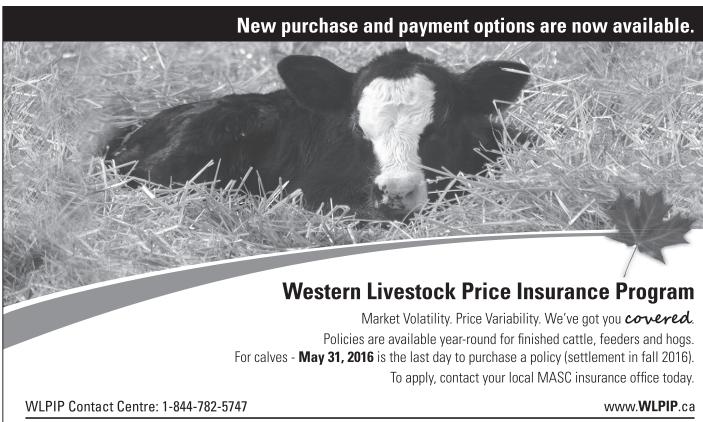
The May 5 edition of the Voice included a story on the Rocking W Barrel Racing competitions that started up in the area this week.

That story incorrectly stated that competitors need to be members of the Manitoba Rodeo Association to take part. In fact, riders need to have a membership with the Manitoba Barrel Racing Association to compete.

Last week's paper also included a photo of the Table Top Day fundraiser and incorrectly stated that the participants involved were playing "Fire Brigade."

The proper name of the game shown is Code 3: Fire Brigade, a firefighting game where team members work together to get civilians and themselves out of a burning building before the blaze gets out of hand.

We apologize for these errors and any confusion they may have caused.











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# Cameron Friesen sworn in as Finance Minister

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TO SERVE IN THIS

By Lorne Stelmach

He's gone from music teacher to Minister of Finance for the Province of Manitoba.

When Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen was sworn into the cabinet of incoming Premier Brian Pallister May 3, it was the biggest milestone yet on what has been quite a journey for him.

A surprising journey in some respects, but not entirely so, he explained.

"It's been a lightning fast transition in some respects," said Friesen. "So much of politics is about timing. When I decided to run for the

nomination ... it was because the opportunity existed, and I thought ... let's try ... and have no regrets.

"Of course, the wheels had been turning long before that in my mind ... I had a desire to serve in public office at the provincial level for many years ... and many years before I shared it with anyone," he said.

"So, in many respects, yes, for me to be here now ... I'm

overwhelmed I'm calling you from the Minister of Finance office."

Friesen has now been putting in long days to not only just get up to speed but also to prepare for his first budget for the new Conservative government.

"This is day three on the job ... it feels like two weeks," he said last week. "I'm trying to take moments to breathe and appreciate the tremendous honour I have to serve in this capacity and to appreciate the tremendous vote of confidence."

Having served as finance critic while in opposition helped prepare him for this new challenge, but it is still a lot to take on.

"My transition to this role is going to be tough. I'm in hours and hours of briefings ... I believe that my preliminary briefings are 15 hours long ... that's just preliminary, that's just to meet my key staff members in the department of finance.

"Maybe the transition is made slightly easier ... by virtue of the fact I served in that role," he said. "Not only was I the finance critic ... but I've also been a member of the public accounts committee since after being elected. So for much of that time, I have served on that committee that is the main watchdog when it comes to the public accounts, to spending. That's been my schooling."

He still faces a bit of a learning curve, though.

"I certainly don't have a grasp of all the issues, and I don't understand all the complexities of the office and the demands of this portfolio. But at least I can speak with some experience. So I'm hoping that will help that transition go a little smoother."

Friesen stressed he is honoured to

have the vote of confidence and the opportunity.

He is now focussing on the challenge of starting the next sitting of the Legislature in a couple of weeks and then introducing his first budget.

"It will take time to change the course," said Friesen, likening the Conservative government taking the reigns to a massive ocean liner correcting its course.

"Our role in this first budget ... is to send a

signal ... to demonstrate intent. That doesn't mean we won't do anything, but it means we need to be seriously realistic about the things we can change and the things that we cannot change."

An immediate priority is to assess and address what the true financial picture is for the province after the



PHOTO BY AUSTIN GRABISH/VOICE

Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen is sworn in by Lieutenant Governor Janice Filmon as Manitoba's new Minister of Finance at a ceremony at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights May 3.

high spending and rising deficits of the NDP's 17 years in office, Friesen said.

"They understated the deficit. As enormous as that deficit was on paper ... we knew they were probably understating the extent of the damage," he said.

"I think it was stated as \$646 million, which is outrageous considering the promises that the previous administration made to reduce the deficit and get back into balance and move in the right direction.

"I'm getting a better view of the state of the finances," he continued. "The numbers are going to be bad, but we need to present the state of affairs to Manitobans so that we have a baseline, so we have a starting point."

Friesen said the government will aim to address some of their priorities as soon as possible such as raising the personal tax exemption and incremental increases in tax brackets.

Some of their bigger overall goals are to take steps to grow the economy,

find savings and then re-invest those savings in front-line services.

"We will then leverage those small improvements against the larger ones we will achieve going forward."

On the local level, Friesen observed it is significant that the area he represents finally has someone at the cabinet table for the first time in decades.

"We've have not had a minister serve in the Manitoba government since Don Orchard was last a minister, and he retired in 1995," he said, noting Orchard had been Minister of Health and then took on the energy and mines portfolio.

"So I'm also excited for our community ... because it's been a long time since our area has been able to say they had someone at the cabinet table."

Even with his demanding new role, Friesen vows to continue to be available as often as possible at home in his riding.

"My first employer is my constituency," he stressed.

## > RED CROSS, FROM PG. 7

go somewhere else," Daun said, noting most of the work is in your home province, but sometimes volunteers are dispatched to help with major crises elsewhere in Canada.

With larger disasters, part of the job can be just assisting with registering people who have had to evacuate in order to help them get in contact with family or friends

"Certainly, in the days of social media and cell phones it's a lot easier," said Daun. "But it's just really impor-

tant because we need to know when we're evacuating that we'll have some way to communicate with one another."

The Canadian Red Cross is also encouraging Manitobans to be prepared in case a disaster or an emergency takes place.

Families should have a plan and a go kit that is ready in case they have to leave their home unexpectedly.

"I think also part of it too is just educating people ... knowing how to

prepare for different types of disasters," said Daun.

"If you're taking all the steps you can to prepare, I think that lessens some of the anxiety. You have a plan, and your family knows what that plan is, so you just go into automatic rather than panic."

For more information on becoming a Red Cross volunteer go to www. redcross.ca or contact the agency at mbvolunteer@redcross.ca or 204-982-7330.

## **Harmony Tree makes HASTA** donation

By Lorne Stelmach

A local business is helping a group of Morden students support girls' education globally.

For the month of April Harmony Tree Studio offered karma yoga to support the Morden Collegiate social justice group HASTA (Hopeful Aware Students Taking Action). HASTA aims to take action to help solve global and local problems, and it is currently working to support the Malala Fund. The fund works with international partners to empower girls through education to give them the confidence and knowledge to better help their families and their countries. It is estimated more than 60 million girls in 70 different countries are out of

school today due to early marriage, poverty, work or simply being denied the right to education because of their gender, so it is a cause which Harmony Tree Studio was keen to support locally.

"I thought it was a perfect charitable donation to see our money go beyond Manitoba, beyond Canada to support something really powerful," said owner Sheena Kilpatrick, who stressed Harmony Tree strongly values educa-

The karma yoga class was a perfect vehicle to do it, she added, as the word means selfless service.

"The class is by donation and we always make it for a local charity," said Kilpatrick." All the money raised doesn't go to the studio, it goes directly to the cause. We think it's a good opportunity to show some selfless service."

Harmony Tree Studio staff member LaDawn Insull donated her time and yoga knowledge to offer this community-wide class, enabling HASTA to receive all money collected.

"I know the club does great things. I think it's a huge thing ... girls' education ... so this was a small way we could be involved," said Insull.

HASTA member Mikayla Wiebe said the group was grateful for the show of support from the community.

"It means a lot to us," she said. "It's great to get other people thinking about it ... supporting girls' education."

The \$253 donation will support a HASTA fundraising coffee house and silent auction May 27 at the Morden Collegiate backstage theatre starting at 6:30 p.m.

For more details about this event, e-mail dtoews@westernsd.mb.ca.

## Daffodil pins raise \$1,800

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The daffodil pin boxes in support of the Canadian Cancer Society put the local fundraising campaigns over the top last month.

Donation boxes were set up at local businesses throughout the month of April and residents were urged to wear the yellow floral pins on their lapels to show their support for those fighting cancer.

The Morden area pin boxes brought in just over \$1,000, said organizer Tami Thiessen.

When combined with the funds raised earlier this spring through the sale of live daffodil flowers, the Morden campaign collected over \$8,700 for the cancer society.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Sheena Kilpatrick and LaDawn Insull of Harmony Tree Studio recently presented \$253 to Morden Collegiate's HASTA group.

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# Go for a ride on CFDC's Motoko the Mosasaur

By Lorne Stelmach

A new exhibit at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre is unlike all its other displays in one important way: it's truly interactive, as visitors can hop the back of Motoko the mosasaur and, with a little imagination, go for a ride through the Cretaceous seas.

The 13 foot metal sculpture of a mosasaur is in its own room in front of a backdrop of the underwater world that would have been the creature's home.

Visitors can hop on Motoko's saddle and snap a few fun photos to cap off their visit to the Morden museum, says executive director Peter Cantelon.

"People want less static things to do in a museum. They love coming and seeing and reading and learning ... but learning is increasingly a handson activity," Cantelon said at the display's unveiling Friday.

"I think it's going to be a great social media marketing tool as well. The pictures are going to get spread all over the place."

The creature is a beautiful work of metal art created by the students at the Red River Technical Vocational Area welding program under the guidance of instructor Riaan Strydom.

It was created in 2012 with the original thought that it could be located somewhere else in Morden to help

draw people to the CFDC.

"We had two locations committed to us ... then for very legitimate reasons those locations were withdrawn," explained Cantelon.

"It was just last year that I started thinking about the number of families with children that come down here ... how many of them want to actually touch the mosasaurs, which we won't allow," he continued, saying they realized then that they could make good use of the sculpture as an interactive photo prop.

A sponsor then came on board to help make the Access Credit Union aquasaur photobooth a reality.

"This was a project that they wanted to put together that would really highlight some of the activities that families can do, and we certainly enjoy participating in those types of activities in our communities," said ACU's Dan McCausland last week. "I think that's the interesting part ... that children will create interest in this."

Indeed, Cantelon said they see this as being another key piece of the puzzle in their quest to further advance the CFDC and its continued growth.

"I think what it's going to help us do is continue to broaden our exposure to our primary market, which is Winnipeg, then other secondary markets," he said. "For us, it's going to continue to drive people down here."

CFDC staff chose the name Motoko for a number of reasons.



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Dan McCausland (left) and Emily Suderman (right) of Access Credit Union presented a \$5,000 donation to the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre's Peter Cantelon last week. The majority of the funding is going towards the CFDC fundraising gala May 28, with some of the money also going towards the new aquasaur photo booth.



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From left: Itsy Cantelon, Abby Rob, and Aurora Foy try out Motoka the mosasaur at the unveiling of the CFDC's Access Credit Union aquasaur photo booth last Friday.

Motoko is a Japanese variation of the word child, which matches the museum's desire to appeal to children.

"We thought that was appropriate ... she would be the size of a juvenile child of Bruce or Suzy," said Cantelon, referring to the museum's two massive mosasaur fossil displays.

The name also pays homage to the numerous researchers from Japan

who have come to the CFDC to study its extensive collection.

"We're also a bunch of geeks here at the CFDC," Cantelon added. "Motoko is the name of the main character in a famous Japanese anime called *Ghost in the Shell* who also happens to a cyborg. As a metal mosasaur, we thought Motoko was the perfect namesake."

## Shindle hired as **ÉMMS VP**

Garth Shindle will step into the role of vice-principal at École Morden Middle School this fall, the Western School Division announced last week.

Shindle replaces Andrew Volk, who will be moving to Minnewasta School as principal.

He has been working as a teacher and administrator in the Prairie Rose School Division in Carman and Roland for the past 13 years, most recently serving as principal at Roland School.

The Portage la Prairie native has an extensive background in coaching and community involvement and is looking forward to learning about ÉMMS and the community that supports it, the division said in a statement.

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"It was a good year,"Thiessen said, "and we're really very thankful for the generosity of the community."

In the Winkler area, organizer Nettie Dyck was hoping the pins would bring in enough to hit the \$8,000 mark when combined with the flower sales.

In fact, the \$836 raised by the pin campaign jumped the area's total to \$8,186.

"It was better than I expected," she said, noting there were boxes in both Winkler and Plum Coulee this year. "Thank you to everyone for being so generous."

## Plum Coulee honours top citizens past and present

By Lorne Stelmach

Plum Coulee honoured two of its outstanding citizens past and present last week.

The annual meeting of the Plum Coulee Community Foundation saw Dorothy Doerksen presented with the Citizen of the Year Award, while the late William H. Janzen was recognized as an Outstanding Community Builder of the Past.

"It is a great honour and very humbling," said Doerksen. "I've had very much support ... from family to friends to committees ... other people who come to help.

"I think it's a love for people, and that comes from my love for God. So even when things are difficult, my incentive then is to trust the Lord and do good," she said.

"We live together in this community, and I think if we all help each other, it will just become a much better community."

### SURVIVOR, MENTOR

Speaking to the nomination, Mary Eberling-Penner of Plum Coulee School offered her praise for Doerk-

"I believe her to be a strong person who has weathered many personal struggles and even tragedy, but Dorothy is a survivor who has remained kind-hearted and gentle to others," said Eberling-Penner.

"When I transferred into Plum Coulee School as a fellow teacher, Dorothy was ready to offer support and mentor me ... a connection that grew into a strong friendship over the

years."

As one example, Eberling-Penner recalled a Thanksgiving when Doerksen developed a plan to have staff contribute to a food hamper for a family that was struggling.

"Not only did she gather the money, but she and I went shopping together to purchase the food. When the time came to deliver, Dorothy did not want to go to the home and claim the glory but coaxed others to do the delivery while she stayed back out of the limelight."

Over the years Doerksen has always remained willing to serve whenever and wherever opportunity presented itself, Eberling-Penner said.

After having visited Lithuania one summer to teach English, she was drawn into adult education, teaching English to new immigrants in the area. As a result, she became involved in the lives of several non-English speaking families.

"Even today she continues to host a weekly Bible study for Low-German ladies in the community, which presents even more opportunities to support families," said Eberling-Penner.

More recently, Doerksen became involved in the Imagination Library.

"Here again she has approached many potential donors and made presentations on the value of this strategy to our children," said Eberling-Penner.

Doerksen has also been involved in many other community events and fundraisers, with Eberling-Penner recalling "her selling tickets to the famous Plum Coulee duck races and cooking up huge pots of plum sauce



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Dorothy Doerksen (right) received the Volunteer of the Year Award at the May 5 annual meeting of the Plum Coulee Community Foundation from Mary Eberling-Penner.

for the perogies at the hall."

And Doerksen has used her creativity and humour to write scripts as 'Lizzie' to entertain at many functions in the area.

"Her grey wig, baggy dress and huge purse full of surprises entertained many with a special Mennonite humor that often had many local jokes built into the humor."

Doerksen has also been active on the Plum Coulee museum board and the age-friendly initiative. She has never lost her interest in helping whenever she can.

"In my mind, she has been citizen of the year for many years, one of the humble and hard-working members of the community," concluded Eberling-Penner.

Doerksen expressed her gratitude for the support of her family, including her husband Brian, noting "often he gets roped into helping ... six years ago when we got married, he had no

idea how busy he would be.

"There's many people who have encouraged me and mentored me along the way," she added. "As you can see, I do not do this alone."

### **PAST BUILDER**

Honoured as this year's Builder of the Past, William H. Janzen was saluted by his son Merv, who accepted the award on his dad's behalf.

"I would like to certainly thank the citizens of Plum Coulee ... for honouring my dad," he said.

Janzen fondly remembered his father's love for Buicks and also recalled working alongside him doing

He also remembered Plum Coulee once being no more than 250 people, so he gave the community credit for doing a great job of keeping it alive and growing.

The son of parents who emigrated from Russia, the elder Janzen was remembered as being a community builder quite literally, as his carpentry work involved building not only over 30 houses but also working on several schools, stores, and churches throughout the region.

"He had a reputation for being a very good carpenter, and the testament to that are the buildings that are still standing," said Aron Rempel in reading the nomination.

"He was also active in the community as a member of the Plum Coulee school board and town council. Busy as he was, he found time to help at

"We are very grateful for people who have contributed so much and have made a huge impact in our community," Rempel said.



Coulee Community Foundation's **Aron Rempel** presented the Community Builder of the Past Award to Mervyn janzen and other family members of the late William H. Janzen.

The Plum

## Coulee fdn. hands out over \$13k in grants

By Lorne Stelmach

It was a night to celebrate the rewards of the work of the Plum Coulee Community Foundation.

The organization's annual meeting last Thursday saw over \$13,000 in grants handed out to 10 recipients.

"It really feels like we're starting to make a difference when you give out substantial grants," said foundation chair Heather Unger.

There has been steady growth for the community foundation in recent years, she said.

The endowment fund is now at over \$320,000, and there is also a fund dedicated to the maintenance of the Prairieview Elevator Museum. Unger said that in particular is an important project to the community and to the foundation.

"It's a big spot on Main Street and one we're very proud of," said Unger. "We worked hard to keep that elevator."

She added that it is especially rewarding for them now to have an endowment fund that has grown enough for them to be able to make a bigger impact with the grants provided from the interest.

"We have grown substantially. We've probably tripled our endowment numbers."



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The Plum Coulee Community Foundation handed out 10 grants totalling over \$13,000 to community project leaders at its May 5 AGM.

For this year, the foundation presented total grants of \$13,150. They include the following:

- Prairieview Elevator Museum maintenance fund: \$3,750. Dorothy Doerksen noted they are in the process of making the main entrance area into an interpretive centre. Other recent work included having two overhead doors replaced.
- Plum Coulee LUD: \$1,500. The funds will be go towards community hall upgrades with part of the hall to

be renovated, noted Archie Heinrichs of the RM of Rhineland. "There's a bunch of kitchen work that needs to be done as well as painting."

- Plum Fest: \$1,500. "You all know that we have to raise money ... it costs a lot for entertainment ... and every little bit counts," said festival director June Letkeman.
- Plum Coulee Museum: \$1,500. Linda Dyck said the funding will help them with their operations and programs such as their story time ses-

sions for children.

- South Central Cancer Resource: \$1,200. The organization is in need of a new computer. Sue Nelson also noted that Plum Coulee residents have been benefitting from their services such as providing transportation assistance for cancer patients.
- Plum Coulee fire department: \$1,100 for a Rescue Randy training prop.
- Imagination Library: \$1,000. Dorothy Doerksen commented on the importance of this school literacy initiative which provides children with a book in the mail once a month. "These books are very important in these homes."
- Plum Coulee School: \$650. Mary Eberling-Penner noted they are working to acquire more band instruments and want to improve their facilities for concerts, including getting a new stage screen.
- Community meal project: \$500. Jill Friesen noted the meal served once a month on the second Monday has been welcoming upwards 250 people. "It's a great time. We get everyone from all walks of life and different languages to just come out and enjoy."
- Plum Coulee School advisory council: \$450. Eberling-Penner noted they are looking for improved stage lighting, including a new spotlight.

## **Bethel Heritage Park to host Food Truck Fest**

Come for lunch June 24, July 15, and Aug. 19

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's Bethel Heritage Park is already a pretty busy place during the summer months, but the City of Winkler is hoping a new event will draw even more people to the downtown green space.

Winkler's very first Food Truck Festival will take place at the park on three Fridays in June, July, and August.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 24, July 15, and Aug. 19, the park will invite Mr. D23, The Bunker, Spenst Brothers, and Smokin' Haut Pioneer

Meat to sell lunch from their trucks parked along the western edge of the park on 6th St.

"Because Bethel Heritage Park is so central I've always had in the back of my mind that it's kind of like our own tiny version of New York's Central Park," says city events planner Deb Penner, who notes she's always trying to come up with ways to get more people out to the park.

"So this is just the idea of having more people come out at lunch time and use the park, get a bit of fresh air ... and partake in some of the really yummy food that is available from the food trucks," she says.

There are numerous downtown businesses and offices within a short walk of the park, not to mention the many residential homes in the area, so Penner expects the event could "GET A BIT OF FRESH AIR ... AND PARTAKE IN SOME OF THE REALLY YUMMY FOOD."

draw a pretty good crowd.

"There's a significant number of people that work and live downtown ... and that's the main target: to get those people to walk down here, get a little fresh air and exercise, get outside over the lunch hour," she says.

If there's enough public response, hopefully food trucks could become a more regular summertime sight at the park.

"Ideally, I'd like to see it happen automatically," Penner says.

The invited vendors represent a

range of food options, including Filipino and Asian food, pulled pork, burgers, pizza, fries, and more.

In addition to food, there will also be recorded music playing through the park's speaker system as well as games available to play such as bocce, Frisbee, and chess.

"So you can eat your lunch and then if you maybe have half an hour left you could sit down an play a game of chess or toss the Frisbee around," says Penner. On the move

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Katie's Cottage respite home rumbled down the highway last week to its permanent location across from the Boundary Trails Health Centre.

The trip from Winkler's Grandeur Housing only took about an hour, but it was the final leg of a long journey that began years ago with the dream of one young girl.

"It's bittersweet to know that Kaitlvn had this dream and it is actually happening," says Ruth Reimer, mother of Katie Cares' namesake and founder. "The reality is today, May 3, it actually happened."

The charity was created just before Katie's death of cancer in 2012 at the age of 15. Even as her illness brought her life to an end, Katie was thinking about how she could help others.

"She wanted a place where people could come and relax but stay close to the loved one,"Reimer says."It was really hard for her when Randy and I and John would leave her at the hospital. She hated it. But being so close, that feeling, it's not as bad."

The eight bedroom facility will give family members a welcome place of **Katie Cares** supporters were all smiles in the wake of the move of the Katie's Cottage respite home's two sections from Grandeur Housing to the site by the BTHC last week.

refuge while their loved ones receive treatment at BTHC. Reimer stresses Katie's Cottage is for everyone who needs somewhere close to the hospital to stay.

"I just see this as a really wonderful place for people to relax and get rested and rejuvenate," she says, noting she expects even families in the Morden-Winkler area will want to make use of the facility. "You don't want to be five minutes away. You don't want to be 10 minutes away. You want to be right here. That's what this house will



In addition to the private bedrooms, the facility also offers shared kitchen, dining, and recreation spaces.

Fundraising for the home has hit the \$580,000 mark, with money pouring in from donors all across southern Manitoba and beyond.

"I want to say thank you to the communities" who have supported this project, Reimer says. "It's just been fantastic."

Reimer thinks Katie would have been thrilled with how the respite

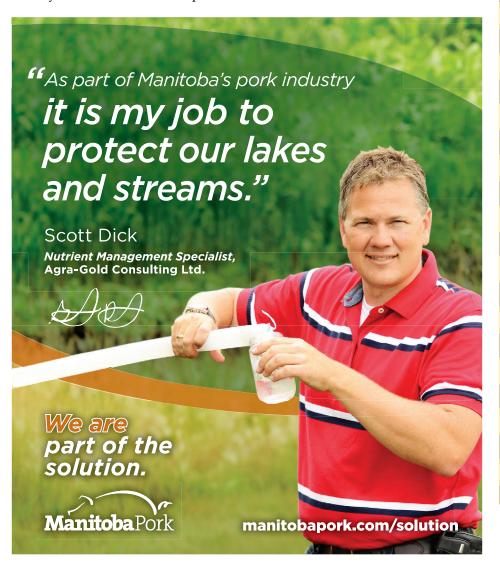
home has turned out.

"I think she's standing right beside us jumping up and down and smiling. I can see it. I can feel her. I feel her when I walk into the house.

"I know she's here. And I know she's smiling."

Now that the building is in place, the hope is to have it up and running sometime in June.

Donations to Katie's Cottage can still be made at katiecares.ca.







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## Creating a new look

Winkler Horticulture Society volunteers and city public works employees gave the horticultural display at the corner of Hwy. 14 and Hwy. 32 a makeover last week.

For years the site has displayed the City of Winkler crest, but that required thousands of blue, yellow, and red flowers to be painstakingly planted by hand each spring.

With their volunteer numbers dwindling, the horticulture society decided to

rework the site this year to instead incorporate several large boulders and decorative shrubs and trees that will not require as much annual maintenance.

Floral displays will be going in at other sites throughout the city during the society's annual planting blitz taking place May 31 and June 1.

Anyone who would like to lend a hand is asked to call society chair Margaret Penner at 204-362-2552.





## Gardening workshop Sat.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Spring is finally here to stay and the Winkler Horticulture Society is celebrating with a gardening workshop this weekend.

The society hosts Altona area greenthumb Gail Braun at the Winkler Rec. Complex on Saturday, May 14, from 1-3 p.m.

"She'll be demonstrating how to plant up flower containers, pots, for floral decoration," explains society chair Margaret Penner, who notes the workshop will start with a demonstration on proper soil preparation for container gardening.

The afternoon will also include a how-to on making decorative cement mushrooms. There will also be door prizes and a silent auction.

Admission is open to everyone for \$10 per person. The workshop will take place in the arena lobby.

You can pre-register by calling Martha at 204-325-5544 or Lenora at 204-325-4837 or simply show up and take part the day of.





## Don't let an overloaded car send you packing this summer

More Canadians than ever before say they would like to travel in Canada this year. Will you be one of them? No matter whether it's a trip to the cottage or a scenic drive in the Rockies or along the shores of the Atlantic, packing the car for a road trip requires some advance

planning.
"Prior to heading out on the road, it's a good idea to make sure you've checked your vehicle thoroughly and that you have everything you need inside your car and outside," says Darryl Croft, automotive maintenance expert at OK Tire. "The peace of mind provided by knowing your car is mechanically sound means that you can fully focus on the trip ahead."

Croft offers his best car-packing tips to ensure everyone arrives at their final destination, happy and

1. Respect the vehicle's load capacity. To make sure you're not over-packing the car and burning too much gasoline, check how much weight your vehicle can handle before you load it up. For most cars, this information is printed on the door placard inside the driver's side door. In addition to saving on gas, you may prevent a suspension issue from occurring that could affect your car's braking time and distance.

2. Maximize space. Storage space will vary depending on the vehicle, but the general rule of thumb is that the heaviest items should be placed as far forward and as close to the floor as possible in the cargo area. This will keep the car's centre of gravity low. Lighter items should be placed on top and secured. Don't forget to keep necessary items, such as sweaters or diapers within easy reach. To free up some extra space: an unrolled sleeping bag makes for great cushioning, and a strategically placed cooler in between backseat passengers can easily transform into a card game table.

3. People management. Don't forget to leave space in the car and account for family members while you're packing up the luggage. People add weight too, and depending on where you've packed bags, boxes or coolers, where people sit will also impact your gas consumption. If travelling with children, consider where you'll need to place car seats and their

weight in your calculations, as well as who might need to sit up front to prevent car sickness and who may want to sit together to partake in a good old fashion game of 'I Spy.'

4. Bring a roadside emergency kit. You never know what is going to happen while on a road trip, so it is best to be prepared for all possible scenarios to ensure a happy

vacation. Bring along a roadside emergency kit that includes items to tackle some of the most common challenges that can possibly go wrong, such as: foam tire sealant, water bottle, jumper cables, duct tape, tow rope, emergency light and/or flashlight, as well as batteries and a multi-purpose tool.





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### Don't let your car drive you crazy away from home

Road trips are synonymous with summer. There's nothing more exhilarating than hitting the open road and forgetting about the daily stressors of everyday life. That is, until you run into car issues along the way.

"Regular maintenance can help reduce the risk of car problems during a road trip," says Darryl Croft, automotive maintenance expert at OK Tire. "But an extra check of the fluids, oil, and tires before leaving gives some added security. So does packing an emergency kit that includes items like foam tire sealant, jumper cables, a flashlight and batteries, water, blanket, candles and a first aid kit."

Before hitting the road this summer, here is Croft's checklist of possible problems and how they can be avoided:

A flat tire can sideline your trip. While you can't avoid a nail or something sharp getting stuck in your tire, an inspection of each one before you head out can reveal signs of uneven wear, improper inflation, or treads worn to the point that they need to be replaced.

Check your brakes before taking that winding mountain drive. Brakes should be regularly inspected for function, as well as the amount of life left in the pads. Also, over time, contaminants may get into the brake fluid, so the system may need to be flushed and filled with fresh fluid.

Failure of the coolant will leave you steaming by the roadside. An inspection of the cooling system will identify leaks and weak hoses. Replacing worn parts and conducting a coolant exchange can ensure your car is road trip worthy.

A faulty transmission could end your trip. The transmission is a complex, and expensive, mechanism that is also the lifeblood of your vehicle. If you typically do a lot of city driving, which involves a lot of stop-and-go traffic, the transmission is likely receiving a lot of wear. It's important to regularly check, and top up, the transmission fluid to avoid any problems.

Croft points out that these items are all part of a regular vehicle maintenance program. However, their significance increases before any longer than usual drive. A regular, bi-annual inspection by your auto service provider at the start of spring or winter, is an excellent way to avoid car troubles on your next summer road trip.

## Give a little tough love to prevent car trouble

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure goes the wise old maxim – and many say that type of proactivity also works wonders for keeping our prized vehicles in top shape.

Auto experts agree, pointing out that when a little tough love is applied regularly in just the right places, drivers are reducing the number of times their vehicles are serviced. Fewer servicing trips are a promise of less disruption to our daily routines – and less servicing, of course, will keep more money in our pockets.

"The regular oil change is a good example of preventive care," says Gary Bilski, chief engineer at Fram, a leading brand in oil and air filters. "All of us are aware of the 'manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedules, so if your intention is to get the most out of today's extended oil-change interval be sure to use a quality filter so you can drive with cleaner oil for more kilometers. Our innovative Fram Tough Guard oil filter, for example, is a top-seller with us, due to its advanced dirt-trapping efficiency."

Oil can become saturated with combustion by-products, mechanics point out, potentially creating sludge buildup and harmful, heat-produced varnish. Periodic oil changes, therefore, plus replacement filters, will clean up those conditions and prolong the engine life.

"Stop and go traffic, extreme weather, and towing are also hard on the engine oil," Bilski adds. "At Fram, we engineered the Tough Guard oil filter to deal with the times when drivers must push their vehicles through tough conditions. Instead of using only standard cellulose media, we added microscopic synthetic fibers - and along with extra pleats, this filter traps even the smallest dirt particles without affecting the flow of oil. Blending synthetic fibers with cellulose increases the dirt-trapping efficiency to remove 99 per cent of contaminants (for particles greater than 20 microns) as shown in standardized industry testing. This combination maintains high dirt holding capacity, all of which delivers a higher level of engine protection and a longer life for the filter."

No matter how often you drive in demanding circumstances, remember that stop-and-go traffic, towing another car, and extreme weather conditions, put extra stress on your vehicle and engine and as such, oil and filter change should be performed at the severe/special duty cycle. That means your maintenance services will be slated more often than a normal schedule recommends. Also, do make sure all fluid levels are checked regularly, says Bilski.









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## **Enjoy some scenic roads**

Road trips have been part of popular culture for decades. Featured prominently in movies and books such as "On the Road," "Rain Man" and "Easy Rider," road trips with friends or family tend to leave indelible marks.

Remarkable road trips are made more so by the company shared along the way and the scenic and historical roadways traversed to reach a destination. Travelers embarking on road trips in Canada or the United States should consider including some of the following roadways in their travel plans.

· Haines Highway: If your adventures take you through Alaska, there is plenty of legendary scenery to take in. The backdrop along the Haines Highway is sensational, but this stretch of roadway also offers views of the largest congregations of bald eagles in the world. It has been dubbed "The Valley of the Eagles."

· Route 66: Now known as "Historic Route 66," this famed road stretches from Los Angeles to Chicago, cutting a path through a vast portion of America's heartland. Some say driving along 66 is an adventure in American history and that the road embodies the best of the United

· Pacific Coast Highway: While not

the fastest way to travel, this winding road that hugs the California coast owes its popularity to stunning views of the Pacific Ocean. It's difficult to avoid being swept up by the breathtaking views of rock formations, waves and cliffs.

· Highway 99: Referred to as the Sea to the Sky Highway, this roadway in British Columbia begins outside of Vancouver and rises up into the mountains. This road trip is full of various climate zones, mountains, lakes and rivers. The 700-meter rock face of "The Chief" also is a popular draw.

· Columbia River Highway: The first paved road in the northwestern United States, Columbia River Highway also is the first scenic highway in America. It is renowned for being a portion of the original Oregon Trail, and its 70 miles offers spectacular views year-round.

Overseas Highway: This impressive roadway extends more than 100 miles from Key Largo to Key West, Florida, linking all of the islands that comprise the Florida Keys. The Overseas Highway includes a sevenmile bridge across the water.

Highway 12: This route in Utah offers impressive views of natural features. Attractions include the Bryce Canyon, Red Canyon and



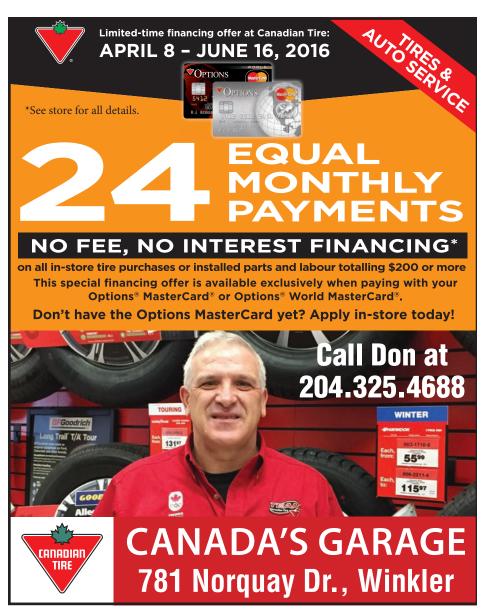
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.

· Loess Hills Trail: Loesses, which are hills formed from silt, give land alongside this trail in Iowa interesting topography and varied flora. Fall foliage here has been formally qualified as a National Natural Landmark.

· Highways 44 and 240: These routes in South Dakota take travelers through the area known as the Badlands, giving adventurers a glimpse of the American West. Badlands National Park, Mount Rushmore and the Crazy Horse Memorial are other attractions to take in while in the

North America is filled with many scenic roadways perfect for road trips, which remain one of the best ways to explore and experience the United States and Canada.







## What to do with a cracked windshield



A broken windshield is something that you experience once in a while. The problems might not seem big, but put in mind that even the smallest crack is very dangerous. If you do not want to take risks, then windshield repair by a professional is very important.

Although it may be more costly to go with a replacement option, you can ensure that you and your family are safe when you are traveling in your vehicle. The tiniest bump or even a fender bender could cause glass that has been poorly repaired to spider web and crack, leaving the windsheild hard to see out of and in definite need of replacement. Spot repairs can work with some small chips and cracks, but you should never drive if you do not feel that you have repaired the damaged spot successfully.

Nowadays, a much more effective method is used by technicians. This is where the air in the crack is sucked out and the space is filled with a resin. The acrylic resin pours into every tiny crack and seals it off completely. The effectiveness of a repair job depends on whether the air was completely removed from the crack before it was closed.

With a crack in your windshield, your vision might be obstructed. This makes it difficult for you to see other cars on the road. If you do not want to take this risk, then it is imperative that you consider windshield replacement right away. Minor problems can get worse rapidly, making them impossible to repair. Hence, if you are interested in exploring solutions other than complete replacement, make sure you get your vehicle checked by an automotive glass specialist. Never wait for long periods before doing this to avoid any other loss.

These professionals will be able to correctly assess the damage and advise you on the right course of action. Take your car to a trusted and reputable auto repair shop who will do the job right.











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## Kohler hopes Tories do right by Bipole III

By Harry Siemens

Sometime in 2015, then opposition leader Brian Pallister said if he became premier he wouldn't rule out shutting down construction of the \$4.6 billion Bipole III transmission line and relocating the massive project to the east side of Lake Winnipeg.

Now that Pallister has been sworn in as Manitoba's new premier, Manitoba BiPole Landowner Committee chair Jurgen Kohler is looking for the new Conservative government to keep their promises.

"We expect the new government to put BiPole III on hold and have Public Utilities Board to do a proper review," he says. "While this review is being done we want the new government to extend the Land Values Appraisal Commission deadline by at least one to two years.

"If the result of review is that BiPole III keeps going ahead, then we expect government to direct Manitoba Hydro to negotiate in good faith with us through Canadian Association of Energy and Pipeline Landowner Associations."

So far on this project, Manitoba Hydro has not been respecting the property rights of landowners (moving equipment between fields without properly cleaning it and running the risk of spreading disease), says Kohler, nor have they recognized CAEPLA and their chosen collective representatives.

Instead, they and the former NDP government used "police state tactics to bully and intimidate landowners" whenever they met opposition, Kohler says.

He hopes that will all change under Pallister's leadership.

Regarding his own feelings on Bipole III, the new premier was quite emphatic during a rural media conference call immediately after the election.

Pallister called the project one of the most poorly considered projects

in the history of any government, anywhere, and said he hopes that after getting the best information they can still stop it from happening.

Pallister recently took a first step in righting the situation by firing the entire Manitoba Hydro board of directors.

The provincial government appointed a new chair, vice-chair, and

directors for Manitoba Hydro last Wednesday.

"We are proud to assemble a versa-

tile and experienced group of executives who will bring valuable input to the direction of Manitoba Hydro," said Pallister. "It is a tremendous responsibility serving on this board as Manitoba Hydro endeavors to enhance energy service for the province and evaluates op-

portunities to employ renewable energy strategies."

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## Room for optimism

### By Harry Siemens

I took the opportunity as a media representative to attend the swearing-in ceremony of Brian Pallister and his Conservative government last week.

First off, southern Manitoba now has a number of newly minted ministers in Pallister's cabinet, including Morden-Winkler's Cameron Friesen in finance, Steinbach's Kelvin Goert-

zen in health, Boissevain's Cliff Cullen in trade, and Midland's Blaine Pedersen in infrastructure.

I'm excited about the new direction I believe the province will take under the lead-

ership of Pallister, the 12 cabinet ministers, and all the other hard-working MLAs, some veterans and others newly elected.

Listening to the five ministers chosen to speak to the media immediately after the ceremony, they all made their appropriate comments relating to their charges, but all also said, "The challenges are big, but we will

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# Agriculture

## Eichler to work hard on Growing Forward 2

## Meanwhile, feds announce consultation program for future policy framework

By Harry Siemens

New Manitoba Minister of Agriculture Ralph Eichler wants his department to work closing on the Growing Forward 2 program as it comes up for renewal in 2018.

"Right off the bat we have the new Growing Forward 2 program up for renewal. That will be a priority for us," he says. "If you remember going back when I was the previous ag critic, I talked much about consultation. We have to get this program right."

GF2 is a \$3 billion investment over five-years by the federal and provincial governments in programming to support innovation, competitiveness, and market development.

On Monday, Federal Ag Minister Lawrence MacAulay announced a new website designed to seek feedback from stakeholders that will help shape the development of the next agricultural policy framework.

MacAulay says this first phase of online consultation will provide stakeholders and Canadians with an opportunity to share their views on Growing Forward 2, the current federal, provincial and territorial agricultural policy framework, and offer input on what they want included in future policies.

"These open and transparent consultations with Canadians will help shape the direction of future policy and programs to meet this objective," he says. "My goal is to help the agriculture and agri-food sector be more innovative, safer and stronger."

Growing Forward 2 came into effect on April 1, 2013 and will continue until March 31, 2018.

The program makes proactive investments in research and innovation, while also maintaining business risk management programs for

The three priorities of the policy framework are:

• Innovation: Investment in innovation will increase productivity, reduce costs, advance sustainability and lead to the development and

commercialization of new products, processes and practices that will make the sector more competitive, the government says.

• Competitiveness and market development: Canada's agri-food and agri-based products sector is mainly trade-oriented, and benefits directly from increased access to markets and activities that support competitiveness and market development.

• Adaptability and industry capacity: Farms and firms may require investments that increase their marketbased profitability and their ability to effectively anticipate and manage challenges and risks. The goal is a sector that is adaptable and resilient.

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work hard to make Manitoba a better place."

Knowing the Pallister family, being successful is about having a plan, implementing that plan as best as possible, and working hard at making it work for the betterment of Manitoba.

However, my particular focus is on the new Minister of Agriculture Ralph Eichler, because that is where my top interests lie.

In an interview with Eichler he answered some of the questions that I had asked before they called the

"Right off the bat we have the new Growing Forward 2 program up for renewal that will be a priority for us,"he said."We have to get this program right. Our staff in the department has been working on that, and I look forward to making it right."

Eichler also told me he's happy to retain the services of Dori Gingera Beauchemin, who became the deputy minister back in 2013.

"I'm tickled to death that she stayed

on as deputy minister and things are pretty smooth in the department, but they need some tweaking," he said. "And of course our red tape program we want to do as well, making it more simple to do some things,

Those are the first things we need to be working on. I have a great team and look forward to working with them."

That took me right into my next question because in my opinion regulations have really squeezed the ag industry unduly.

"Well, you know all of those kinds of things are up for discussion," Eichler said of things like new hog policies. "We will look at those on a case by case basis, but we have a very aggressive program we want to move forward on, but announcing that as we go forward."

I also asked the minister whether he was considering bringing ag reps back working hands-on in the field, as they were decades ago.

"All that will be up for review and

working with my staff to ensure we get the best bang for our buck," Eichler said, noting it's too early to make any firm commitments on that

The Conservatives plan to table a budget within the next few weeks, Eichler noted.

"It will not necessarily be the budget we ran on because it is late in the game," he said. "To do a budget the way we want to do it, takes six months to prepare.

"We will table a budget that we feel we can live with, not necessarily our mandate, but we'll start rolling some of that out. Come fall you'll see more serious legislation brought forward on other initiatives that we campaigned on and make some of that become a reality."

"We want an open and transparent government, accountable government, a government the people can trust, and we want to make Manitoba the miracle that it really is." he added. "That is what we want to focus on."

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# Students get hands-on with conservation at Envirothon

By Lorne Stelmach

Students in the Pembina Valley are not just learning about environmental issues but also helping do something about them.

Participants in the annual Envirothon last month had an opportunity for hands-on practical learning that could also contribute to real life environmental science.

"It's a real world problem ... that's the nice thing about this," said Cliff Greenfield, manager of the Pembina Valley Conservation District. "It's actually happening right now ... and they can have input into a solution instead of just a theoretical situation."

The conservation district hosted the regional event April 20 in Clearwater.

A total of 27 teams from Manitou, Virden, Brandon, Carman, St. Claude, Oak River Colony, Baldur, Somerset, Glenboro, Baldur, Miami and the Fairholme Colony participated.

The Envirothon has been happening about 15 years now as part of what is an international environmental competition.

"It's environmental education for high school students, but it's also a competition," noted Greenfield. "Some teams are very competitive ... they do this as an activity that they're very serious about. Other schools just participate, and that's okay too. They all get quite a bit out of it because we provide training and a good outdoor experience."

The event delves into aquatics, forestry, soils, and wildlife, which students study at school throughout the year leading up to the competi-

tion

"And every year they throw in a theme topic for the kids to work on, and this year was invasive species," said Greenfield. "They were given a couple of weeks before the event ... they learn about the threat, pick their own threat and then they come up with a management plan of how to eradicate it or how to deal with it.

"Some groups presented on zebra mussels, others on leafy spurge, nodding thistle ... different things like that," said Greenfield. "They get to research it and come up with a plan and then get to present it. And they tie in all the other things like how is forestry impacted by these things."

The Envirothon is a full day for the students and covers a lot of material.

"We had a 45 minute session where they did survival skills as well," said Greenfield. "First you did forestry training and then how to scrounge around and get material to build a fire ... using flint and steel kind of thing.

"Other kids did some snare trapping, other kids filtered water, tapped maple trees ... different things where they had a hands-on learning experience where they got to do it themselves."

At the heart of it all are things like teamwork and problem solving skills, which are things that the students can apply in all areas of their lives.

"If you did this through your high school years ... you would pick up a lot," said Greenfield.

"The other thing that's kind of neat about it is they rub shoulders with a lot of people who



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Students use tools at a trail station to answer questions on the test at this year's Envirothon.

are working in environmental jobs, so they get to see what these people do and the kind of things they work on," he said, noting several students from past events have gone on to work in the conservation industry. "We've hired a couple people in the conservation district program who have gone through the Envirothon."

The top two teams in the regional envirothon event were from Carman Collegiate and Fairholme Colony, so they will represent our region at the provincial competition in Pinawa May 26-28.

## • HEALTH CORNER

## My health information: who knows what and who protects it?

By Karen

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he Personal Health Information Act (PHIA) is a privacy law that establishes rules for trustees of personal health information.

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that ensure the confidentiality, security, accuracy and integrity of the information.

In addition, PHIA sets out the rights of individuals when they are trying to get access to their personal health information.

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on one "page." For example, to book an appointment, a reception staff will only see a very small part of your electronic chart and will not see any of the health information the physician has put into your record. For many appointments, staff will not be aware of why you are seeing the physician

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## Manitou to honour the 184th Battalion

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A century ago on the May long weekend of 1916, hundreds of young men from across the Pembina Valley gathered at the Manitou fair grounds for one last Grand Military Display before being shipped overseas to fight in the Great War.

Of the just over 1,000 men who made up the 184th Battalion that day, only 197 were still fit for active duty when the First World War ended two years later.

"There were thousands of people in Manitou that day to watch the parade. Chances are that was the last

time many of them saw their sons or 184th headed off to spend the sumhusbands or brothers alive," says local historian and author Bruce Tascona, who notes at least 200 of the men were killed in action, while hundreds more were seriously injured. "They were very much a spent force by 1918.

"It affected the whole community," he says, noting the battalion drew men specifically from the Manitou, Morden, Pilot Mound, Darlingford, and Crystal City areas. "This wasn't a far removed thing happening over in France and Flanders—this war affected every small town in Manitoba."

After mustering one last time as a group in Manitou on May 24, 1916, the mer training before being split up and sent overseas in the fall.

"By January 1917 they started to find themselves on the front lines," says Tascona, who has written a book on the battalion's history that will be launched as part of the festivities at the Memorial Day and Heritage Fair being held in Manitou in the 184th's honour on Sunday, May 22.

"This whole day is essentially recognizing that this is the last time that this group was together in the community," says Tascona. "They chartered trains, people came from all over to watch this military display, to say goodbye.

"It was probably the largest gathering of any sort in the community at that time."

The Memorial Day will get started with a service at the Manitou Opera House at 12:15 p.m., followed by a wreath laying at the town's cenotaph.

From 1-4 p.m., Nellie McClung Collegiate will host displays from a lengthy list of historical organizations, including the Military History Society of Manitoba, the Royal Winnipeg Rifles Museum, the Pembina Manitou Archive, the Manitoba World War One Museum, and more.

Tascona will read from his book on the battalion at 2:15 p.m. Lunch will also be served by the Nellie McClung Collegiate graduating class of 2016.

Considering how many local families have connections to the men of the 184th, organizers are hoping people will bring along any artifacts relating to the battalion that they may

"We are encouraging people to bring their artifacts, their photos, maybe letters ... we want to preserve them for the future," says Tascona, noting that volunteers will be on hand at the school to scan artifacts for the local archives.



Thousands gathered in Manitou on May 24, 1916 to bid farewell to the 184th Battalion before they headed overseas. At least 200 of the more than 1,000 local men were killed in action. Hundreds more were injured.

## Hit the road for Morden MS Walk on May 29

By Lorne Stelmach

The MS Society in Manitoba is gearing up for its annual fundraising walks held across the province.

Representatives stress the importance of the walks, including the one set for Morden on Sunday, May 29.

"We are 96 per cent self-funded, so that means we receive very little funds from government to help us stay open and running," noted spokesperson Andrea Proctor. "So the majority of the funds we need to do the work we do comes from our MS Walk program."

Morden's Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries MS Walk takes place at the Access Event Centre with check-in starting at noon and the walk beginning at 1 p.m.

Walkers have a choice of either a 3k or 5k walk route, each with rest stops along the way with plenty of snacks and water. Lunch will also be served ahead of the walk.

More than 40,000 Canadians in

more than 160 communities across the country gather to fundraise and walk together to show support and fight to end MS, noted Proctor.

"This is the 25th anniversary of the MS Walk program in Manitoba, and it's been happening in Morden for quite a number of years now," she said."We have about 130 participants or so every year in Morden, and last year they raised just over \$26,000, which is really great.

"It's one of our largest community walks. We really appreciate the support from the community."

She noted they encourage people to participate as a family or even as a team.

"People of all ages and abilities are welcome," she stressed.

Last year's 11 Manitoba walks raised just over \$600,000.

"These fundraisers are vital to the work that we do," said Proctor. "We really can't do it without the support from the communities and the walkers and sponsors ... everybody working together.

"The funds raised are split between programs and services for people for people living with MS in Manitoba and then as well research into the cause and cure for MS."

Register for the walk or learn about collecting pledges online at www.mssociety.ca.

## Help the Back 40 Fill the Bowl

By Lorne Stelmach

With a month to go until showtime, the Back 40 Festival is getting to work spreading the word about its fifth annual Fill the Bowl campaign.

The sponsorship drive is an opportunity for music-lovers to sign-up for passes in advance of the June 5 festi-

For \$150 you receive 10 passes to give out to employees, family, and friends. Fill the Bowl sponsors also receive an advance copy of the event poster as well as recognition for their contribution the day of the festival and on the Back 40 website.

This year's event—the 27th an-

nual festival—is shaping up to be a great day of music, says chair Jenessa Kehler

"There is something for everyone in terms of musical tastes," she said, noting the genres run the gamut from blues and folk to swing and roots.

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## Common Threads on display at art gallery

By Lorne Stelmach

The featured exhibit for the month of May at the Pembina Hills Arts Centre is the result of an annual challenge taken on by a group of artists.

The Common Threads exhibit of fibre art each year gives the artists the same package of materials to work with in coming up with their own individual creations.

"And they're all different, so it's always fascinating," organizer Pamela Yorke Hardy observed at a Friday open house for the show.

"They're using their own particular angle in how they approach their piece of art," added programs co-ordinator Margie Hildebrand. "I think it's the power of each person's imagination to take the theme and they interpret it in so many different ways. The Common Threads are a regional fibre arts guild that began with the thought that some area quilters wanted to express their art in less traditional ways.

The group is a loose organization of artists, ranging from quilters to painters and sculptors.

They have a minimum of one challenge event per year in which participants buy a package containing material and possibly additional items as well as a theme.

Using the materials given, they have the freedom to add anything the artist chooses as long as the work is created to reflect the current theme.

Occasionally the group will also do a mini-challenge in which participants are given a quickly executed theme taking no more than a month to complete.

This is now the seventh group exhibit, with another one scheduled to open at the Beneath The Oaks gallery in Thornhill in June.

"It's fascinating how creative people are," said Yorke-Hardy. "We're given a kit each year, and nobody sees what the others do."

Many of the artists are from this region, though there are also a few from Winnipeg and Brandon.

This year's kits included things like a safety pin and had the theme of "illumination."

"You have to put everything that was in it into the piece," explained Yorke-Hardy. "You sometimes have to really look for the extra pieces because they might paint them or cover them with thread.

"They got all this dark material this time ... and then some of the pieces were shiny," she added, "so the illumination is you were supposed to make the dark illuminate, and everyone does it in different ways."

She said it is always fascinating to see the variety of the finished pieces.

The challenge of it is sometimes you might take an initial look at the package and be uncertain about how to approach it.

"You have to learn how to create in a different way. It's a different mindset," she said.

"And our next package will be given to us sometime in May or June ... we have to create it then for this time next year."

*Illumination* will be featured at the Morden gallery until the end of May.

## Border Valley students present 'HerStory'

By Lorne Stelmach

The Border Valley School Gr. 7-8 students are performing their spring drama next Thursday.

About 50 students will be involved both on stage and behind-the-scenes in the production of *HerStory* on May 19 in the school gymnasium.

"We try to do [a show] every year ... but we haven't had a big one for a couple years now," said teacher Patrick Derksen, who also wrote the play he describes as a science fiction and historical comedy.

"Every student has a job. They practice a lot of skills ... and they all find something that they're good at, and then they can shine in their role," he said. "It's great to see the students come together to work on something like this."

Derksen said he is proud of the message of his play, which has a theme that women and girls deserve more equality and recognition in history.

HerStory tells the story of Robin, who is unhappy in her job at the Department of Time Travel. Even though she gets to meet famous historical

people like Joan of Arc and Emperor Nero, she feels unfulfilled.

When a notorious Egyptian queen goes rogue in our time, however, Robin finds that her work is in fact very important.

She and her band of Historians (and a motley crew of historical personages) must stop the queen before she destroys reality. "It's really neat to see a story come to life," said Derksen, noting the kids have had a blast at rehearsals. "I also get a kick out of watching them perform ... even in rehearsal, it's neat to see."

The show runs at 1 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7 each at the door or in advance by contacting the school.

# Great line-up in store for 27th annual folk fest

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"I think we have a good mix of people who are local who we know and have seen before and some people we are bringing in who are new and who we haven't seen before as well."

This year's line-up includes the Brent Parkin Band, Nathan Rogers, David Lum, The New Lightweights, Raine Hamilton, Mika-Dawn, On The Edge, Bill Dowling, Jayme Giesbrecht, Steve Dueck and Link Neufeld, and emcee Al Simmons.

The festival is also working with Harmony Tree Studio to offer Yoga in the Bowl at 10 a.m., with music by violinist Flo Lassing of Lakes and Pines.

There will also be an afternoon full of interactive activities for the kids such

as face painting, a craft table, making and playing musical instruments, and a guest reader.

Also back is the artisan village offering a variety of crafts and handmade items in partnership with the Pembina Hills Arts Council.

Advance tickets for the Back 40 are \$15 and are available at Thornview Grocery in Morden or Whitecap Coffee in Winkler. At the gate admission is \$20, with kids 12 and under getting in for free.

For more information or to sign-up to take part in the Fill the Bowl campaign, contact Kehler at 204-362-7038 or info@back40folkfest.com or check out the festival online at www.back-40folkfest.com.



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Katelyn Ens of Border Valley School is ready to tackle the role of Joan of Arc in the junior high performance of HerStory May 19.

# SDOPTS& recreation INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

## Winkler hosts badminton provincials

Winkler hosted the provincial badminton championships last Friday and Saturday, with matches taking place at Northlands Parkway Collegiate, Garden Valley Collegiate, and Emerado Centennial School,

Representing Winkler on the court was Marcus Neufeld (NPC) in boys singles, Travis Klassen and Richard Scholl (GVC) and Jayden Wiebe and Griffin Dyck (NPC) in boys doubles, and Nicole Klassen and Jenna Penner (NPC) in girls doubles.

Neufeld and Klassen/Scholl both had 4-3 records in the Friday round robin and fourth place finishes. They competed in their division's consolation playoffs, falling in the early rounds.

Wiebe/Dyck and Klassen/Penner each went 2-5 in Friday's round robin for sixth place in their divisions and did not advance to playoffs.

Off the court and into the great outdoors, in Zone 4 boys baseball the NPC Nighthawk lost to the visiting Portage Trojans 10-9 and 13-5 on



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

Zodiacs Travis Klassen and Richard Scholl compete at the provincial badminton championships held at NPC, GVC, and Emerado Centennial School last weekend.

Monday night, while the GVC Zodiacs bested the Morden Thunder 10-1

Last week, the Zodiacs beat the Altona Aces 5-1 and 4-3 on May 5, while

the Thunder fell to the Trojans 10-8 that same night.

In girls fastpitch, NPC bested Carman 16-5 on May 4 and then fell to the Blues 12-3 on Monday, while the GVC Zodiacs lost to the Aces 8-1 on May 4 and then fell to the Morden Thunder 19-4 on Monday.

## Aztecs 18U girls team brings home gold

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Aztecs 18U girls volleyball team battled through some challenging conditions to earn gold at the Volleyball Canada 17/18U Championships in Edmonton last weekend.

The ladies got off to a strong start in the round robin, finishing second to stay in the top tier of division two.

But an injury late on that first day of competition necessitated a line-up shuffle, which threw the girls a bit off their game, says coach Allen Yeo.

"The girls had a hard time adjusting to that on day two," he said, noting the sweltering heat inside the hosting facility also wore on the team. "Our six remaining players struggled to a 1-2 record that dropped us to tier two for the playoffs. They were pretty fried by

the end of that second day."

The Aztecs shook off the rocky day, though, to come back and dominate competition in day three, winning three straight playoff wins to earn the top spot on the podium in 18U girls division two, tier two.

"It was an amazing accomplishment for them to play so hard, forget about the injuries and fatigue, and somehow find a way to succeed," says Yeo. "I was very proud of them."

The Winkler Aztecs 18U team, back from left: coach Allen Yeo, Nicole Klassen, Alicia Sawatzky, Madi Enns, Chloe Friesen, Rayvn Wieve, (front row) Jyana Loewen, Tegan Penner, and Raelyn Elias.

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## **Grant to fund sports camps**

By Lorne Stelmach

RBC is helping get Morden youth a little more active this summer.

The city is one of 199 recipients of 2015 RBC Learn to Play Project grants, and it will be used to hold two week-long RBC Sports Camps.

Morden recreation programmer Stephanie Dueck said the funding will help purchase more sports equipment for not only these camps but for use in other programs as well.

She said she is hopeful the camps will get a good response from the community.

"The RBC Learn to Play grant focuses on physical literacy, and that's something that's coming up a lot in the recreation field."

Dueck suggested there is "a push to really be working on teaching kids fundamental movement skills, which will then translate into them being more motivated to participate in sports and then also to be more active for life.

"There is lots of research that kids and youth today are lacking that physical literacy, so it's important to focus on that with our programs." Leading the camps will be summer programmer Madison Jamieson, a 21-year-old education and psychology university student who grew up in Morden

She is excited to lead the city's summer recreation activities, which also includes the Park Days and Pals on the Playground programs, as well as a soccer camp and Red Cross swimming lessons.

"I'm really looking forward to it ... to get the kids excited about being active ... try out new sports," said Jamieson. "It's to help them get the idea of having an active lifestyle."

Two camps are set for the weeks of July 18-22 and August 15-19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ages 6 to 12.

It will all take place in and around the Access Event Centre, with activities including pickleball, basketball, soccer, baseball, and various other activities.

The cost of \$75 per week is primarily being subsidized by the RBC grant, and the programs were designed according to Fit Kids Healthy Kids guidelines to improve physical literacy.

Fit Kids Healthy Kids, supported by



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Morden RBC's Curtis Sanjenko presented recreation programmers Madison Jamieson (left) and Stephanie Dueck with a RBC Learn to Play Project grant to fund new sports equipment and summer camps.

Doctors of Manitoba, held a training event in Morden in March to teach program facilitators and recreation professionals about fundamental movement skills.

The City of Morden received an equipment kit as part of the training,

which will be used in the summer programs, Dueck noted.

Find out more about the city's summer programming online at www. mordenmb.com or by contacting Dueck at 204-822-5431 ext. 223 or sdueck@mordenmb.com.

## Winkler Flyers golf tourney raising funds June 11

The Winkler Flyers Golf Tournament takes place at the Winkler Centennial Golf Course on Saturday, June 11.

This annual fundraiser for the junior hockey club will be a four person, best ball format open to all skill levels.

Included in the tournament are 18 holes of golf, a power cart, and supper. There will also be a silent auction taking place throughout the day, a chance at some great prizes, and skills awards, including a number of \$10,000 Hole-in-One opportunities.

Registration is \$125 per golfer and gets underway at 11 a.m. that day. Tee-off is at noon.

Supper-only tickets are also available for \$20 each.

For more information or to register, contact Matt Friesen at matt@wink-lerflyers.com, call 204-325-9411, or head online to winklerflyers.com.

## HICKS SIGNS ON AT RED DEER

Graduating Flyers' defenseman Zak Hicks has committed to the Red Deer College Kings (ACAC) for the 2016-2017 season.

The Boissevain native joined the Flyers early on in the 2013-2014 season

and went on to play 154 regular season games for the Orange and Black.

The 6'1", 190-pound defenseman wracked up 102 points (24 goals, 78 assists) to go along with 184 penalty minutes during his time with the Flyers. He also picked up 11 points in 20 playoff games.

Hicks was named the Flyers'Top Defenseman during his rookie season and also co-won that award this past season.

He led all Flyers' defensemen in scoring in each of his three seasons in Winkler and was tied for the league lead in scoring among MJHL defensemen in 2015-2016, despite missing the entire month of February with an injury.

Hicks, who plans to study business at the college, will be joined there by fellow former Flyers Connor Patchett and Devon Fordyce.

## Morden Magics support KidsSport

On April 29, the Morden Magics Gymnastics Club presented Leanne Traynor from Sport Manitoba with a \$1,170 donation to Kid-Sport. The club raised the funds from the admissions charged at their year-end display shows. Head coach Crystal Westfall said the club was excited to be able to give back to an organization that helps kids be involved in sport.



## Winkler Minor Ball starts 'Friday Night Lights'

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The shadows were getting pretty long at the Parkland ball diamonds last Friday night, but to the kids playing ball under the lights at diamond two, it mattered not one bit.

For the first time this summer, the Winkler Minor Ball Association is introducing "Friday Night Lights" to its weekly league line-up.

Baseball traditionally plays Monday to Thursday in Winkler, but with more teams than space, this new Friday night venture is a way to maximize the city's facilities, said WMBA president Jake Peters.

"We thought it might be an idea to take advantage of the lights that are already at diamond two," he said, noting they'll have at least two games every week, one starting at 6:45 p.m. and another at 8:30 p.m. Some weeks will also include a third game at diamonds six or seven at 6:45 p.m.

The lights will come on as needed for the later games, giving the 11U and 13U teams competing a chance to see what it's like to play at dusk.

"It's something neat for the kids ... they're pretty excited about it," said Peters, who also coaches a team. "When I told them about it there

was just an excited murmur going through. They're really looking forward to it."

Right now, many of the Friday evening games are between various Winkler teams, but if Friday Night Lights proves a hit with players and parents alike, the hope is to expand it to include more visiting teams and possibly even other leagues next year.

"My vision on this is to one day have every Friday all the fields going with baseball, softball," Peters said.

Peters also hopes baseball fans will come check the Friday evening games out even if they don't have a child competing.

"We are still trying to get more people interested in this great sport," he said,"and hope to give it an exposure so that more kids are interested in playing it in the future.

"We're hoping people will see the lights are on and will drop by to see what's going on ... you can sit and watch a game, you can socialize while you're doing it, and you can really enjoy the art of it."

The full Friday Night Lights schedule is available online at www.winklerminorball.ca.

A player reaches and fails to get the tag out at third in one of the games played in the first week of Friday Night Lights matches at the Parkland ball diamonds last week.

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## Storm fall to WSA

The Winkler Storm kicked off a new season of Manitoba Major Soccer League action with a 1-0 loss last weekend.

The local boys fell to the World Soccer Academy in Winnipeg on Sunday.

They'll hit the road again this weekend to play Scotia United on Friday.

Winkler's first home game of the summer takes place on Monday, May 23 against the Hanover Kickers.

## Local players represent Pembina at Director's Cup







PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER/VOICE

Major Bantam hockey players representing Pembina Valley participated in the Hockey Manitoba Director's Cup Prospects tournament held May 6-8 at the MTS Iceplex. The tournament marked the closing of a six-week development curriculum that focused on key concepts and skills applicable to the "Train to Train" athlete development stage. The prospects program focuses on off-ice skills and off-ice training by emphasizing quality instruction and age-appropriate instruction. The program serves as an important precursor to the U-16 Program of Excellence and junior draft year (MJHL, WHL) while building a strong foundation for Midget, Junior and National team programs, Some of the Pembina Valley area participants were, from left, Riley Goertzen, Cody Clark, and Andrew Vasko.



## Police bike auction raises funds for local charities

The Winkler and Morden police departments teamed up to host their annual Police Bike Auction at the Winkler arena last Friday night. Dozens of recovered bicycles were put on the auction block by Bill Klassen Auctions. Winkler's proceeds portion of \$3,277 is earmarked for donation to Katie's Cottage, while the Morden Police are looking into distributing their \$1,485 to several community groups and projects in the year ahead.

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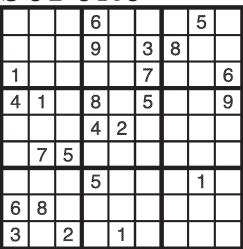
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## take a break > GAMES

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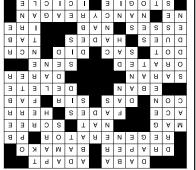
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Sudoku Answer



**Crossword Answer** 

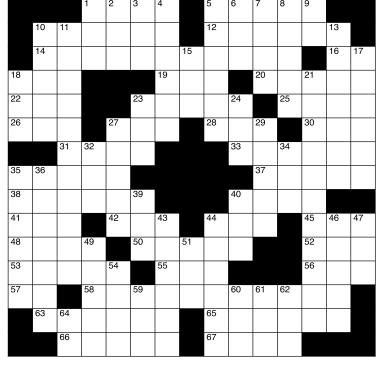
## **CROSSWORD**

### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Chinese mountain range
- 5. Adjust
- 10. Mad Men's Don
- 12. Mali capital
- 14. One who restores
- 16. & J
- 18. Defunct PlayStation game
- 19. King Cole, musician
- 20. Rock fragments
- 22. Breeze through
- 23. Languishes
- 25. German courtesy title
- 26. Bunko game
- 27. War film " Boot"
- 28. Title of respect
- 30. He "sang" with Rob
- 31. Abba \_\_\_, Israeli politician
- 33. Erase
- 35. It's a wrap
- 37. Has required courage
- 38. Spoke
- 40. Monetary unit
- 41. Scatter
- 42. Pouch
- 44. Have already done
- 45. They ring receipts
- 48. Fixed charges
- 50. Hell
- 52. Pay this before leaving
- 53. Alternating turns on the roads
- 55. Pick up
- 56. Wrath
- 57. Northeast
- 58. She launched "Just Say No" 13. What a surgeon does
- 63. Cigar
- 65. Frozen spike
- 66. Unusual
- 67. Type of number

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. David Alan Grier
- 2. Someone who copies



- the words or behavior of another
- 3. Franklin is one
- 4. Where rockers play
- 5. Reduces
- **6. Datong Yungang Airport**
- 7. Andy's partner
- 8. A way to dry
- 9. Taka
- 10. Large constellation
- 11. Regrow
- 15. Cool!
- 17. Indigenous people of N.
- Africa
- 18. Goes great with cheese
- 21. Contains allusions
- 23. A supporter
- 24. \_\_ Caesar, comedian
- 27. Some are great

- 29. Interpreted
- 32. Hits a pitch
- 34. Local area network
- 35. Soaking
- 36. Stimulates
- 39. Dash
- 40. Female sibling
- 43. Annul 44. Scattered fragments
- 46. Chili con 47. Relative biological
- effectiveness (abbr.) 49. Adult male
- 51. Not night
- 54. Starch
- 59. Zero
- 60. French coins 61. Ventilate
- 62. Greatest common devisor
- 64. Touchdown

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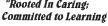
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A Community Bridal Shower will also be held on Saturday, June 11, 2016, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Pembina Hills Art Gallery in Morden. Amy and Ivan are registered at Marni Luhu in Morden, online at Sears or there is a card at Stephen Street Wear in Morden.

### ENGAGEMENT



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#### **ENGAGEMENT**



Dale and Betty Toews are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Janelle to Jordan, son of Wilf and Margaret Unrau. A May 28th wedding is planned. Wishing you God's blessings as you journey together.



The family of **Basil and Barb Agnew** invite you to join them for fellowship and entertainment as they celebrate their 60th Anniversary on Saturday, May 21 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the 55+ Friendship Centre, Morden. No gifts please.

#### **ANNIVERSARY**

To our Friends and Relatives A Come and Go Tea will be held in honour of our parents, Jake and Olga Dyck to celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, May 15 from 2 - 4:30 p.m. at Morden Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall - North door entrance.

#### IN MEMORIAM



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### OBITUARY

### Michael John Kosmynka March 22, 1957 - May 3, 2016

After a courageous battle with cancer, Michael (Mike) John Kosmynka, took his last breath on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 in Morden, Manitoba.

He was born in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, but he called Morden home for the last 25 years. Mike was predeceased by his father, Michael John Kosmynka in 1965.

Mike is survived by his mother, Rose; and his six sisters, Carole, Sharon, Brenda, Donna, Karen, Rosemarie; numerous nieces and nephews; great nephews and great nieces; and one daughter, Amber (Jesse and Ivy).

A celebration of Mike's life will be held at a later date in Saskatoon, SK. For those unable to attend, please have a beer in Michael's honour.

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23111 PTH 14W. SW 7-3-4W DATE & TIME: May 26, 2016 at 9:05 a.m. GENERAL 1.) To re-zone a parcel of land INTENT: in the RM of Stanley.

"AR-2" Agricultural Restricted From: Urban Buffer Zone "MG" Industrial General To:

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CONTACT: Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Stanley

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#/E Limited time lease offers from Honda Canada Finance Inc. (HCFI), On Approved Credit. Monthly/ weekly/weekly/lease offers apply to a new 2016 Civic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ/2016 CR-V LX ZWD, model RM31AGE1/2016 Accord 40 LX for a 24(60/60-month period, for a total of 24/260/200 payments of \$487/\$72/\$72 leased at 0.99%/1.99%/2.99% APR. 48,000/120,000/120,000 kilometre allowance (12 cents/km excess charge applies). Consumers may pre-purchase up to a maximum of 16,000 extra km/year at \$0.08/km at the time of entering into the lease agreement. Total lease obligation is \$11,688/\$18,720/\$18,720. Lease obligation includes freight and PDI of \$1,595/\$1,725/\$1,895, Federal air conditioning charge, tire levy and other applicable fees except PPSA lien registration fee of \$52.76 and lien registering agent's fee of \$5.25, which are both due at time of delivery. No down-payment required. Taxes, license, insurance and registration are extra. Dealer may lease for less. • Limited time financing offers available on select new 2016 Honda models. Finance example based on a new 2016 Civic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ available through Honda models. Finance example based on a new 2016 Elvic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ available through Honda models. Finance example based on a new 2016 Elvic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ available through Honda models. Finance example based on a new 2016 Livic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ available through Honda models. Finance example based on a new 2016 Elvic EX-T, model FC1F4GJ available through Honda models. Finance example the services on approved credit. Selling price is \$26,870 (includes \$1,595 Freight and PDI) financed at 0.99% APR equals \$1,131.17 per month for 24 months. Cost of borrowing is \$277.97 for a total obligation of \$27,147.97. Taxes, license, insurance and registration are extra. #E/2 offers valid from May 3, 2016 through May 31, 2016 at participating Honda retailers. Offers valid only for Manitoba residents at Honda Dealers of Manitoba locations. Weekly leasing available on terms of 36 months or greater. Offer subject















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