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From left: Grandeur Housing founder Bill Siemens, Winkler Mayor Martin Harder, Winkler Horticulture Society chair Margaret Penner, and Grandeur Housing CEO John Froese and board chair Andrew Nickel break ground for a new gazebo going in at the corner of Grandeur Ave. and 15th St. this summer.

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By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Horticulture Society and Grandeur Housing broke ground last week on what's soon to be a brand new gathering place on the city's walking paths.

A sod-turning ceremony was held May 18 for the gazebo that's going in at the corner of Grandeur Ave. and 15th St.

Built by Grandeur, the structure will be a replica of the gazebo located down the road in Parkview Gardens, explained society chair Margaret Penner. "Because it is a very heavy traffic area with a lot of walkers we feel this will be a good opportunity to provide a resting place as well as a shelter for people," she said, adding that the area surrounding the gazebo will be filled with shrubs and planters. "It will be a very nice corner once it's all done."

This corner has long been a key area in the horticulture society's annual planting plans.

"We started in this very corner in the year 2000 with our first project," Penner said, noting the site has been the home of a large floral display ever since. "Many, many thousands of flowers have been planted."

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# Morden FD book sale is on this weekend

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden fire department goes into the used book business again this weekend for a good cause.

Its sixth annual spring book sale takes place Friday and Saturday at the Access Event Centre in support of the Children's Burn Fund as well as the local firefighter training site.

It all started as a result of Chief Andy Thiessen serving on a committee for the burn fund in Winnipeg, where an annual fundraising book sale is held, and he was asked if the Morden department would like to take the leftover books home to host their own sale.

"I said we'll give it a shot ... and we've been doing it every spring since then."

When they went to get the load of

books for this year's effort, Thiessen and his crew were taken aback by what turned out to be a full semi-trailer load of books.

"The books we got this year are the most we've ever received," he said. "We've had a pile of books each time, but this one seems to be even more so."

"We usually average make about \$3,500 ... and I would love to double that this year ... just because we have so many books. It's unbelievable."

"We were just doing a rough calculation ... we've got roughly 1,380 boxes ... so if someone was to just come along and pay us \$10 per box, we'd have 13 grand."

And even though officials in Winnipeg didn't want any of the money raised here, Thiessen said they felt it was important to support the burn

Morden Fire Chief Andy Thiessen with the semi-load of used books up for grabs at the department's annual book sale this weekend.

PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE



## Correction: Morden recyclables sent to material recovery facility, not a landfill

The April 19 edition of the *Voice* included some incorrect information regarding Municipal Waste Management's handling of the Morden recyclables.

The story, which was on Penner Waste's purchase of Pembina Valley Containers, incorrectly stated that MWM takes recycling to Gateway Resources in Winkler for sorting and baling before being sent on to a landfill in Saskatchewan.

In fact, Morden's recyclables are taken to a material recovery facility in Saskatchewan, *not* a landfill. Their first stop is at a storage facility adjacent to a landfill, but Morden's recyclables are not disposed of there—the materials are sent to a second site to be processed for further use.

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

MWM CEO Graham Fox clarifies that "the material is currently going to Saskatoon simply because they offered the best combination of proper processing and price."

"This arrangement is and always has been intended to be temporary until Gateway Resources installs the necessary equipment to process the material on site," he added.

"We are also a very socially-conscious company," Fox said. "That be-

ing the case, we asked for and were given an assurance by Gateway Resources that, should we bring the recyclables to them, any special needs employee at PVC that needed to would have instant employment as well as transportation to and from work, should the need arise."

Fox further noted MWM had looked into processing Morden's recycling at PVC but was given a price "three to six times more than any other processor would charge us."

After touring the Gateway site in Winkler and being impressed by the quality of employment and social interaction it provides its members, he said, "the decision to work with Gateway was a no-brainer once it became clear that there were no feasible options in Morden."

MWM is currently working with Gateway to have them fully sort Morden's recycling long-term. The material would then be sold to market directly.

"To accomplish this, their facility in Winkler will require some upgrades," Fox said. "The necessary upgrade, a 20-person sort line, is currently in the planning stage and talks are ongoing between MWM and the wonderful management team at Gateway Resources."

fund. As a result, the proceeds from the Morden sale are shared.

"We're going to give half the money back to the Children's Burn Fund and we keep half for a project that we have going on," said Thiessen. "This year, our project is our training site."

We're doing some work out there."

You can take home a bag of books from the Morden Fire Department book sale for \$10 this Friday from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Access Event Centre community hall.

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# Jumpstart Day BBQ at Cdn. Tire Saturday

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's Canadian Tire and the local Jumpstart chapter kick off June as Jumpstart Month with their annual fundraising barbecue this Saturday.

Volunteers will be selling hot dogs and drinks for \$2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the store. There will also be a silent auction for a jersey signed by the Edmonton Oilers' Connor McDavid and, weather permitting, rides by donation in a classic car.

With both Canadian Tire and store owner David Dunseath committing to match all funds raised on Jumpstart Day, the event stands to raise a lot

of money to help underprivileged kids take part in sports, says Jumpstart Heartland Chapter chair Michael Penner.

"It does raise a fair chunk of money, especially with the matching funds

where \$1 turns into \$3," he says. "But it does more than just raise money—it raises awareness of Jumpstart and what we do for the kids in our community."

Last year the chapter handed out \$21,417 and helped 195 children from the Pembina Valley take part in all kinds of different organized physical activity programs.

"We've been able to help a lot of kids," Penner says, noting that 100 per cent of the funds raised locally stays in the community.

Penner, who is also the executive director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Morden-Winkler, says the value of this program can't be overstated.

"I work with a lot of families that are on the lower end of the economic scale and they cannot afford to have these opportunities otherwise," he says, noting that on average one in three Canadian families cannot afford to enrol their kids in

**"IT DOES MORE THAN JUST RAISE MONEY—IT RAISES AWARENESS OF JUMPSTART AND WHAT WE DO FOR THE KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY."**



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Heartland Jumpstart chapter chair Michael Penner (left) and Winkler Canadian Tire owner David Dunseath with the signed Connor McDavid jersey up for auction at Saturday's fundraising barbecue.

recreational activities.

Aside from keeping physically active, participating in sports and other related activities teaches kids leadership skills and boosts their self-esteem and confidence.

Kids have used Jumpstart funding to help pay for everything from swim-

ming and dance lessons to taekwondo, hockey, and baseball.

If you can't make the barbecue but still want to support Jumpstart, you can also stop by Canadian Tire anytime throughout the next month and purchase a \$2 Jumpstart ball.

## Manitoba's deficit over \$1 billion: Friesen

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitoba's finances are in worst shape than expected, Morden-Winkler MLA and Conservative Finance Minister Cameron Friesen announced last week.

The province's core deficit for the last fiscal year is now projected to be more than \$1 billion—52 per cent higher than what was announced by the outgoing NDP government in its March fiscal update.

"I wish that today as the new Finance Minister of Manitoba that I could convey a message to you that the NDP had been more accurate in the reports they had provided only 10 weeks ago about the state of the province's finances," Friesen told reporters at the Legislature last Wednesday. "Unfortunately, I can not do that."

"Today I am here to disclose to you that the actual deficit number for the 2015/16 fiscal year is \$1.012 billion."

That's \$346 million more than the \$666 million

the former government had projected, Friesen noted.

"Manitobans are open and trusting people who want open government, but it would seem that they have been misled," he said. "The NDP chose to present to Manitobans information that was not accurate. They withheld important information."

In arriving at the new figure, Friesen said they found that "there's evidence here that revenue projections were overstated and ... expenditures have exceeded the planned budgets significantly."

A more detailed breakdown released later in the week showed that expenditures increased by about \$148 million over the initial projections, while revenues decreased \$180 million.

"This is an overall failure to properly manage the finances of the province not just in this once instance but clearly a record that goes on for years," said Friesen.

The new government will table its first budget on May 31.

Friesen noted it's going to take time for the Con-

**"THE NDP CHOSE TO PRESENT TO MANITOBBANS INFORMATION THAT WAS NOT ACCURATE ..."**

servatives to meet the fiscal goals they've set out for themselves. This is in many ways a "hybrid budget," he said, acknowledging there are some budgetary issues they will not be able to address immediately.

"Keep in mind that we will have initial targets, intermediary targets, and long-term targets to get to the goals that we have told Manitobans that we are going to get to," he said. "A strong fiscal plan is what we got elected to provide and a strong fiscal plan is what we intend to accomplish"



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## Morden's Block Party takes over Stephen St.

By Lorne Stelmach

Organizers are hoping the sun will shine for the 2016 Morden Block Party.

The party celebrates its 10th year on Saturday, June 4, so the businesses behind the event hope the weather will be more favorable than it was last year to mark the milestone.

"Last year we were rained out, but we were still able to get a cheque to Youth for Christ for around \$3,000," said Jeff Sitt of Velocity, noting sponsorships helped make the donation possible despite the rained out events.

As well as being a fundraiser, the Block Party is a chance to promote the business community in Morden, Sitt said. The main intent has always been for local businesses to provide a fun and free day of entertainment and activities in appreciation for the community.

"The focus hasn't really changed. Basically, the focus has been trying to get local business involved ... they can use it as a thank you to our customers," he said. "We try to offer different

Last year's rainy weather kept all but the die-hards away, but this year Block Party organizers are hoping events like the burnout competition will be blessed with sunny skies and huge crowds June 4.

events and features so that our customers can have a day of free entertainment and a fun day out in the community."

It has also served as a fundraiser for Youth for Christ; this year organizers are expanding on that idea.

"We're actually getting the Pembina Valley Humane Society involved as well this time," said Sitt, "so the proceeds will go to both."

The day will offer a activities ranging from a play park for the kids to the Morden Mighty Man competition to wrestling events.



For automotive enthusiasts, there will be a car show as well as the always popular burnout competition.

"We try to get things a little bit different every year," noted Sitt.

"New for this year is we're going to have a dodgeball tournament as well as a three-on-three hockey tournament," he said.

It all takes place downtown stretching from 6th St. to near 12th St. with activities running from 10 a.m. to about 5 p.m.

You can keep up-to-date on what's happening with the Block Party online at [mordenblockparty.ca](http://mordenblockparty.ca) or on its Facebook page.

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But as the society's members age and their numbers dwindle, the organization has been looking at ways to scale back work throughout the city while still creating beautiful spaces.

"This site has been very labour intensive for our committee and we were also feeling tired of having the same kind of a look here," Penner said. "We felt this was a good opportunity to switch up and do something else."

With 2016 being Grandeur Housing's 40th anniversary, it seemed fitting to ask them to support a project on the street that bears their name.

The modular housing manufacturer was eager to help, said John Froese, the company's CEO.

"Grandeur Ave. has always had a special place in our heart because it carries our name," he said. "We appreciate that and we also appreciate being a part of the city, what the city does for us and what the community does for us."

"The volunteer work that is being done by the horticulture society is greatly appreciated," Froese added. "I love walking here on summer evenings and seeing the flowers, the fountains and everything nicely groomed. So we've got to do our part."

Froese said Grandeur's workers will start building the gazebo and prepping the site over the next few weeks. He hopes to have it in place

by the end of July.

This project is only one of several new things the horticulture society is undertaking this year.

Earlier this month, the group reworked the floral display facing the Hwy. 14 and Hwy. 32 intersection to include fewer flowers and more boulders and shrubs.

And later this summer they'll be putting in a new picnic/rest area along Hwy. 14 near the community garden.

They hope the new look will "make it a bit of a point of interest for the community or for passersby," Penner said.

To honour Winkler's agricultural background, the site will include antique farm implements placed amongst shrubs and flower planters.

"We have acquired almost enough equipment for what we want to put down," Penner said, "however we still do need an old pick-up truck."

The society is hoping someone will step forward to donate an unused truck they can transform into a unique flower planter.

"We will put some buckets [of flowers] in the back of it and it will just be overflowing," said Penner. "And we'll open the hood and take the engine out and put some buckets in there too."

If you have an old pick-up truck you'd like to donate, give Penner a call at 204-362-2552.

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## Negativity is easy—rise above it

All things run down in time. All things degrade; all systems break down, corrode and vanish. What was once cohesive disperses—it's the law.

Well, it's a law—part of the second law of thermodynamics (the rock star of the thermodynamic laws) and these laws you cannot break, even if you wanted to.

Ultimately what this means is that it is easy to predict failure because things tend toward chaos and breakdown—it's called entropy.

Have you ever met someone who is constantly predicting failure like some prophet of gloom? You know who I'm talking about ... perhaps you are one of them (I can be more often than I like); they fire sentences into a conversations as fast as Hawkeye lets loose arrows and for every target they hit a little shadow of dark gloom blossoms and spreads out.

"That won't work"

"That's a terrible idea"

"We tried that before and failed"

"Mark my words that whole place is going to collapse one day"

These are their hallmark sentences and they come with a thousand variations.

We all fall into this trap from time to time, the trap of pessimism. We do this because predicting failure is so easy. There is absolutely no work required to be a pessimist just as there is no work involved with entropy; it simply happens.

It is an eroding, cynical and corrosive force that infects people, places, families and organizations because pessimism is like water and it flows along the easiest path.

The good news is that unlike thermodynamic systems, those of us involved with the many and myriad human systems can actually do something about this tendency, but there's a catch: it takes a little (read: a lot of) work.

One can simply and fatalistically accept that the wind will blow leaves and garbage into our yards and therefore we should simply give up and live in the mess ... or we can respond with rakes and brooms and clean it up knowing it will come again but we

are as prepared as we can be because, darn it, we want nice things.

The same goes for life. We know that in this life we will have trouble. That, frankly, should be another law. With this in mind we need to do a few things. We need to equip ourselves with life's rakes and brooms — friends, family, and a frame of mind that seeks to refuse to allow the trouble and chaos to own us. A frame of mind that recognizes that even optimism fails us from time to time, but this is no reason to give up.

When chaos knocks on the door in the form of cynicism (masked as realism), debt, pain, depression and an army of other soldiers, will we believe what it has to say about us? Maybe a little, but we will act contrary to what we're told because we know that the alternative is unacceptable.

I should qualify this by saying some of us cannot help but to fall prey to the destructive forces. Some of us are clinically overwhelmed on a regular basis. All the more reason to seek to surround ourselves with the tools at our disposal and to recognize when we need to do the work on behalf of others, because the battle against negativity and chaos should not be a solitary one.



**By Peter Cantelon**

## Letters

### Liberals disregarding democracy in Bill C-14 vote

Many of my constituents have been contacting my office in regard to Bill C-14, a bill which would make it legal for someone to have medical assistance in taking his or her own life.

On May 5, after only two days of discussion, the Liberal government shut down debate on Bill C-14. This is a drastic disregard for democracy, especially when the outcome of this legislation is the difference between life and death.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

stated that his caucus would be allowed a free vote. When we stood up to vote on this legislation only one Liberal voted against the bill. Knowing the amount of letters, emails and phone calls I have received on this issue, not only from the constituents of Portage-Lisgar but from Canadians across the country, I do not for one second believe that every Member of the Liberal Party, save one, were voting their conscience or the will of their constituents.

As for Conservatives, our Interim Leader Rona Ambrose was true to her word and allowed a free vote. Unfortunately the bill passed by a vote of 235 to 75. I was one of the 75 who voted against the bill as I believe it is flawed. I am very concerned there is not enough protection for vulnerable persons who may be victims or easily manipulated by those who are caring for them.

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# Tick-borne disease risk high in our region

By Lorne Stelmach

The southern region of the province is on the frontlines of the battle with Lyme disease.

It means residents should be aware of the risks and the precautions they can take, say area health officials.

"Generally about 40 per cent of the cases come from Southern Health," said Dr. Shelley Buchan, medical officer for the Southern Health-Sante Sud health authority.

"Our region probably has a higher predominance of positive cases simply because we are in the environment in which the infected ticks are most prevalent.

"Southern Health region is kind of in the thick of things because that's where the tick has expanded ... from the southern border, and it's slowly moving north."

From 2009-2015, the number of cases in the province have generally risen, although Buchan noted, "We did have a few less cases in 2015 ... it's too early to say whether that's because people have become cautious ... or it just might have been the particular weather."

With May being Lyme Disease Awareness Month, officials are encouraging residents to protect themselves by performing regular tick checks after spending time outdoors, knowing where blacklegged ticks are located, minimizing the risk of exposure, and recognizing the signs and symptoms of tick-borne diseases.

"The types of environments where ticks thrive ... are the wooded areas, the tall grass, along rivers and streams," Buchan said, noting the blacklegged ticks are found more often from early spring through late fall. The smaller nymphs are difficult to see and most abundant during late spring and summer.

Taking some simple precautions will help protect against Lyme disease as well as anaplasmosis and ba-

besiosis, which are two newly emerging tick-borne diseases, said Buchan.

Some common-sense precautions include using a tick repellent, carefully checking yourself and children and pets after spending time outdoors, staying to the centre of walking trails, wearing long pants and long-sleeved shirts, and keeping grass and shrubs cut short to create environments less suitable for tick survival.

Buchan said people need to try to spot and remove ticks as soon as possible—ideally within 24 hours.

"The sooner you take it off, the better because the longer it is attached the more likely it's going to pass the bacteria."

The other key thing is if you think you may be showing symptoms is to go for early treatment.

"Antibiotics are effective, and the earlier you get treatment, the better," Buchan said.

Symptoms of anaplasmosis can start five to 21 days after a tick bite and may include fever, chills, headache, joint aches, nausea and vomiting, often in association with blood and/or liver

Black-legged ticks, shown here in various stages of engorgement, and the diseases they can carry are a rising risk in the area.

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abnormalities.

Symptoms of Babesiosis can start one to six weeks after a tick bite and may include non-specific flu-like symptoms such as fever, chills, sweats, headache, body aches, loss of appetite, nausea or fatigue.

Symptoms of Lyme disease can start about three days to one month after a bite, often with an expanding "bulls-eye" rash which then fades. Early symptoms can also include headache,

stiff neck, muscle aches or fatigue, fever, chills and swollen lymph nodes.

For more information, contact Health Links toll-free at 1-888-315-9257 or go to: [www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/tickborne/index.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/tickborne/index.html).

"It's important for people to know all this," stressed Buchan, "to be able to be outside to enjoy nature and all the good things that Manitoba has to offer."

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It is unfortunate that only 84 of the 337 MPs in the House of Commons had had a chance to speak to Bill C-14 before the Liberals moved to force a second reading vote and send the bill to the Justice Committee. This is unacceptable. The Minister of Justice needs to work with the opposition parties to allow all Members of the House of Commons to address this crucial piece of legislation.

In addition to rushing the bill through Second Reading, the Liberals allotted very little time to study the legislation at committee and passed it intact, with only small technical changes, after one day of clause-by-clause consideration. Liberal MPs on the committee rejected all recommendations from opposition parties, leaving key contentious clauses in the bill unchanged.

As it currently stands, this bill offers virtually no protection for doctors, nurses, or other medical practitio-

ners, where killing someone goes against their conscience. The federal government has a duty to protect their rights. This bill must be strengthened to protect those rights.

There is very little oversight as who may have a financial benefit if somebody were to have a medically assisted death. More time is needed to fix these flaws and to protect the vulnerable and rights of conscience. This is why I will not support this piece of legislation.

Canadians are counting on us as their elected federal officials to have a fulsome debate and make the right decision. I believe that there has not been enough time to fully debate this issue in the House of Commons.

Candice Bergen,  
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Paige Ready (left) and Emily Gerbrandt are heading up the Winkler and Morden Manitoba Youth Job Centres this summer. Both centres have opened up at the local chamber offices and are ready to help match youth with employers looking for workers.

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## Manitoba Youth Job Centres open for the summer

By Emily-Ann Doerksen

The Manitoba Youth Job Centre has once again opened in Winkler and Morden for another summer of helping youth find employment.

The free service that is located in the Winkler City Hall and the Morden chamber offices at 100-379 Stephen St. can help teens and young adults who are looking for casual, part-time, or full-time employment.

The MYJC is a job referral centre that matches up youth of all work experience levels and interests with local employers.

"We've had quite a few eager stu-

dents come in already," said Winkler youth engagement leader Paige Ready, "and we are always looking for more."

The centre also offers services to help youth build other necessary job hunting skills.

"We help them with resumé and cover letter building and preparing for interviews" explained the Morden MYJC's Emily Gerbrandt, who stressed that a good-looking resumé is extremely important to a successful job search.

For youth age 12-16, the centre offers the Odd Job Squad, an opportunity that allows teens to gain valuable

work experience at a young age.

The squad organizes work events throughout the summer like window washing, strawberry picking, and door-to-door sales.

"Anything that can help students get experience and build up their resumé," Gerbrandt said.

The MYJC is also a great resource for businesses looking for workers or even homeowners who simply need help with lawn care or someone to walk their dog.

"Anyone can be an employer," said Ready, noting they always aim to find a qualified applicant who is as excited about the work as you are.

"It is extremely important for employers to make contact [with us] because it's half the connection," added Gerbrandt.

Both MYJC offices will be holding open houses for anyone interested in learning more about their services. Winkler's takes place on Friday, May 27, while Morden holds theirs on Wednesday, June 1 from 4-6 p.m.

You can also stop by the centres all summer long from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays, or reach the Winkler MYJC at 204-332-0971 or [winklermyjc@gov.mb.ca](mailto:winklermyjc@gov.mb.ca) or the Morden centre at 204-823-2423 or [mordenmyjc@gov.mb.ca](mailto:mordenmyjc@gov.mb.ca).

## Police seek info. in apartment break-in

Two Winkler women got a rude awakening early last Thursday morning,

Winkler Police were called to an apartment complex on Park St. just after 2 a.m. on May 19 in response to a break-in that had just occurred.

The apartment's two female occupants were each asleep in their rooms when one of them awakened to find a man had opened her bedroom door.

She immediately called police as the intruder fled the scene.

When police arrived they found the patio door

the apartment was still open and more than a dozen items from inside had been placed out on the deck, including a 40-inch television, a stereo system, and other electronics.

Stolen and still missing from the apartment is a black Bentley shoulder strap purse containing a purple wallet with the owner's identification, driver's licence, and credit and debit cards.

Also stolen was a backpack belonging to the second tenant that contained her identification and banking cards.

The thief also got away with a Toshiba Blu-ray

player, an Apple TV box, five Wii video games, and a black Wii video controller.

Officers checked other doors in the apartment block and noted one other attempt had been made to breach a locked door to another unit.

Also still under investigation is a break-in to a shed on Mountain Ave. where liquor, a vape machine, and four filleting knives were stolen.

Police ask anyone with information or suspicions regarding these unsolved crimes to call the department at 204-325-9990.

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# Bezan raising funds again for Cycle of Hope

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Crossing the finish line in last year's Cycle of Hope proved an emotional experience for Nancy Bezan.

The Roland woman spent two weeks biking 1,600 kilometres from Niagara

Falls to Winnipeg in July in support of Habitat for Humanity Manitoba.

Waiting for the group at the ride's end was the family who received a house of their very own thanks to the funds raised by the bikers.

"It was emotional at the end where

we got to see the family finally get the house," says Bezan. "At that moment you really realize that everybody on the team worked so hard together to raise that money."

It's a memory that has stuck with Bezan, and one that prompted her to sign-up for Habitat for Humanity's marathon ride once again.

This year's Cycle of Hope runs July 1-16 and will see cyclists make their way from Kansas City to Winnipeg—a journey of about 1,500 kilometres.

Along the way they'll be stopping in communities in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Manitoba, and this time around Bezan hopes to really concentrate on enjoying the journey.

"I'm going to slow it down a bit and see things more and enjoy the ride a little more, I think, than I did last year," she says. "I think the first time you're going as fast as you could, head down ... this time I really want to try and see what's going on around me a little more and try and enjoy it that way."

To take part, riders need to collect \$3,000 in pledges (up from \$2,500 pre-

viously). Bezan surpassed her fundraising goal last summer and is optimistic she can do so again.

"I think sometimes going the second time it's a little bit more challenging because it's not so exciting for people," she says, "but the ones I've talked to so far have been supportive."

If you'd like to support Bezan, you can do so online on the Cycle of Hope event page at [www.habitat.mb.ca](http://www.habitat.mb.ca). You can also reach her at the Winkler RONA store at 204-325-8999.

Fundraising aside, Bezan will spend the next several weeks training for the ride, which includes biking to work in Winkler from Roland regularly, as well as longer rides throughout the region.

"The biggest thing is I know you have to do the training to really enjoy it all," she says. "Hopefully I'll be ready for it."

The work is all worth it, Bezan stresses.

"Just know the end result: it probably will change someone's life because they're given the opportunity to own a home."



Nancy Bezan crosses the finish line on the 2015 Cycle of Hope for Habitat for Humanity. The Roland woman is tackling the 1,500 km. bike trek once again this summer.

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# Concert hall lighting upgrade to save \$1K/year

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The limelight at the Winkler concert hall just got a little greener.

The P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall recently upgraded its main stage lights from the old, power-sucking 1,000 watt halogen bulbs to 150 watt theatre LEDs.

A huge portion of the cost of the replacement was covered thanks to one of Manitoba Hydro's Power Smart commercial lighting program, which provided \$8,500 in financial incentives for the project.

"We are grateful to Manitoba Hydro for working with us to find a way to replace the lighting system and for providing the financial incentive which covered nearly half the cost of the project," said concert hall manager Deb Penner.

"These LED lights are not only energy efficient, they also give us many more color and design options for lighting the stage," she added. "The audience and the performers will definitely notice the difference."

The switch is expected to save the concert hall over \$1,000 a year in energy costs.

The project got its start nearly two

years ago when David Stobbe, who helps coordinate the technical aspects of the venue, first contacted Manitoba Hydro.

Finding the right lights, though, took some time, explained Eric Witkowski, senior electrical systems engineer with the company.

"Along with monetary support, we offer technical assistance to our cus-

tomers," he said. "The stage lighting technology selected by the customer was manufactured overseas, so we couldn't test it to make sure it met our technical requirements. We managed to find a local lighting representative who provided us with a similar prototype which fit the bill."

The lights were installed this spring. "This project was a good example of

the cooperation between Manitoba Hydro's field staff, Power Smart engineers, supplier and customer," said Witkowski. "It's important to us to provide our customers with energy efficient products that perform well, are easy to use and maintain, and will last a long time."

# Winkler Auxiliary bake sale on Fri.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

If you're looking something to satisfy your sweet tooth during coffee break tomorrow, the BTHC Winkler Auxiliary has got you covered.

The auxiliary holds its annual spring bake sale at the Southland Mall on Friday, May 27 starting at 9 a.m. and running until the goodies are gone.

Board chair Nettie Friesen said the event will include tables full of homemade treats, used books, and silent auction prizes. The members will also be serving up coffee and dessert.

As always, the funds raised goes to-

wards the purchase of equipment for the Boundary Trails Health Centre.

This year the auxiliary is fundraising to purchase a \$10,000 Bilicheck blanket for use with newborns with jaundice as well as a \$3,000 shower/com-mode chair for wheelchair-bound patients at the hospital.

With the health centre celebrating 15 years of service in 2016, Friesen recently crunched the numbers and found the auxiliary has helped pay for \$431,664 worth of equipment since 2001.

"That's almost half a million dollars," she exclaimed. "I didn't realize it

was that much."

The auxiliary also distributes annual scholarships to Winkler high school grads pursuing a career in health care. That cumulative total hit \$18,000 last year.

None of it would be possibly without the generous support of the community, Friesen stressed.

"We couldn't do it without them," she said.

The auxiliary hopes to continue giving back, but to do so it needs members.

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# PVHS Steps for Pets in Morden Park June 12

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Humane Society is once again asking pet lovers and their furry pals to join them for a walk in the park.

The organization is holding their annual Steps for Pets walkathon in Carman, Altona, and Morden next month. The Morden walk gets started at Morden Park on Sunday, June 12.

Fundraising co-ordinator Megan Rodgers said the proceeds from the walks make up a good portion of the non-profit agency's budget.

"This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, so we really count on the public to come out, get their pledge forms and join us for the walk," she said. "This year especially we've added some additional testing for the cats for feline leukemia and some other things. So our vet bills have gone up a little bit and we need all the extra help that we can get."

The walks brought in over \$14,000 last year and so "this year we're hoping to hit the \$15,000 mark," said Rodgers.

The society is still working to build more of a presence in Carman and

**"THIS IS OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR, SO WE REALLY COUNT ON THE PUBLIC TO COME OUT ..."**

Altona with those walks, she noted, while around 50 people took part in the 2015 Morden event.

Registration begins at 2:30 p.m. with the three kilometre trek to follow starting at 3 p.m. The walk will be followed by a hotdog barbecue that is free for participants.

Pledge forms are available at [www.pvhsociety.ca](http://www.pvhsociety.ca) as well as at various business locations in Morden, Winkler, Carman, and Altona.

Rodgers noted participants at each walk will receive a free sample of NutriSource dog food and a free sundae from McDonalds in thanks for their support.

Each adult walker will receive one



VOICE FILE PHOTO

Bring your pooch along for the Steps for Pets walk June 12 in support of the Pembina Valley Humane Society.

entry into a draw for a \$100 gift card donated in memory of shelter volunteer Lauren Rodgers and for a gift basket valued at \$150 from Town 'N Country Grooming for every \$50 in pledges.

The youth participant with the highest number of pledges will win a family pack from Rush Laser Tag and a \$25 gift card for Clay Owl Studio.

In addition, Sean Diamond from Diamond in the Ruff Kennels will be on hand to offer his expertise from over 20 years experience as a dog trainer.

"If people have questions regarding behavioural issues with their dogs, they can talk to him," said Rodgers, adding there will also be a veterinarian technician on hand to provide complimentary nail trims.

Scotiabank will participate again by collecting pledges and manning the registration table at the Morden event. As such, anyone who would like to make a pledge to the walkathon in advance can drop it off at Scotiabank during regular business hours.

## Youth ambassador program teaching valuable skills

By Lorne Stelmach

Former pageant contestants are behind a new initiative at the Corn and Apple Festival that focuses on the best aspects of their experiences.

The youth ambassador program is aiming to help its candidates develop some valuable life skills that will also make them more ready for the workforce.

"Having experience in public speaking, volunteering, project management are really important and really helped us in the workforce," Lauren MacLean said at the May 11 festival committee meeting.

"We identified a couple of really great skills that we were able to get from there such as public speaking, planning events ... and we wanted to transform it into a more modern program that was open to guys and girls to help them develop some of the same skills.

"We were able to look back and realize the advantages we have had

from being in these volunteerism and community development programs in the past."

MacLean said they have four candidates in the 17-21 age range from a range of backgrounds.

"It's really exciting to see the diversity," she said. "We're really happy with them. We have a really good mix ... both male and female and different ages."

The program is having monthly workshops for the participants to help them learn about things like job interviews and making good first impressions.

Their first meeting this month had the candidates going through mock interviews. Other areas could include public speaking and event planning.

The aim ultimately is to help them become more employable, MacLean said, but skills like public speaking and project management can be applied in many other circumstances.

"While it's not necessarily a skill that you use every day ... it's extraor-

dinarily valuable to have that experience when you do need it," she said. "Project management is a huge skill that people need that's really undervalued and not talked about."

On the festival weekend, part of the program will have the candidates involved for a couple hours in some way, such as helping hand out corn and cider or working at the information booth.

"We want the candidates on Saturday to be volunteering somewhere visible out at the festival," MacLean said.

The candidates will also deliver speeches on festival Saturday and talk about a fundraising event they will have hosted over the summer.

It will all culminate then with the presentation of scholarships of \$3,000 for the first place winner and \$2,000 for second place.

MacLean said they wanted to offer something substantial as prizes.

"We wanted to be able to offer something that is truly worthwhile and helps reduce those financial barriers to young people wanting to pursue post secondary education."

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"We are always looking for members," said Friesen, noting their numbers have dwindled. "I think we're down to 11 members now ... we would sure like some more."

Becoming a member of the auxiliary means committing to monthly

meetings and volunteering some time to auxiliary fundraisers like the spring and fall bake sales.

If you'd like information on getting involved, stop by the sale tomorrow or contact Friesen at 204-325-8939.



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## SMC offering five-for-four deal, early bird tickets

By Lorne Steilmach

There will be some bonus offerings for music lovers in the 2016-17 Southern Manitoba Concerts series.

Celebrating their 45th season, organizers are making plans that include offering five concerts for the price of four.

"It's a season of celebration, and we're offering a few extra things to our subscribers," said organizer Linda Butler.

For those who are interested, they can still sign up for the season now and get an early bird deal that will provide the 2016 series at last year's prices if you sign up by May 31. There will be a slight price increase after that date to help meet rising costs.

"It's not a big increase," said Butler, noting adult tickets will rise from \$85 to \$90 while the rate for seniors and students will go from \$75 to \$80. You can find forms to sign up at the libraries in Morden, Winkler, and Altona.

Meanwhile, a bonus this season comes about as a result of Morden hosting the Manitoba Arts Network annual conference this fall.

The conference itself is only open to delegates, but over the three days they also hold their annual showcase concerts which are open to the public.

Both artists and delegates have the opportunity to check out performances, participate in professional development workshops, see visual art exhibitions, attend literary readings and network over the course of

three days from October 20-23.

Acts from all over can apply for the showcase concerts, and 15 are chosen to have the opportunity to perform in three groups of five acts.

"You can see what they have to offer ... in a 15 to 20 minute window where they do part of their act ... in the hope the delegates may say 'that would work beautifully in our community,'" said Butler.

The bonus is that Southern Manitoba Concerts subscribers will get a pass to attend any one of the showcases.

For the organizers, the showcase is a good opportunity to scout out potential performers.

"I've been to three of these conferences now. When we get to talk to them, we usually get interested in three, maybe four at the most, that will fit with our audience," said Butler. "But this is another addition just to say thank-you to our patrons."

As for the season ahead, it gets underway Oct. 1 in Altona with Duo Fortin Poirier featuring pianists Amélie Fortin and Marie-Christine Poirier.

After the showcase weekend, the series continues with the Valley Arts Concert serving as the Christmas event Dec. 3 in Gretna.

The new year then kicks off Jan. 26 in Morden with Everything Fitz, the family band featuring high energy fiddling and percussive step dancing with everything from traditional jigs and reels to jazz, swing and gospel.

The next event then will be a Mani-



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On tap for the upcoming SMC season is Everything Fitz (above) in Morden in January and Duo Fortin Poirier (right) in Altona. Winkler will host the WSO and a MTC dramatic production.



toba Theatre Centre drama production Feb. 24 in Winkler followed by a Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra finale April 2, also in Winkler.

"Variety is important for us," said Butler, who added they look forward to celebrating the milestone year with their subscribers.

"We've got a couple things in mind of extra things we could do ... to make

this a special season," she said, stressing they are grateful to have such strong continued support for the series.

"A lot of our subscribers are really so faithful and so loyal."

For more information on the SMC, check them out online at [southernmanitobaconcerts.org](http://southernmanitobaconcerts.org).

## Bands rocking Winkler's Parkland for Katie Cares

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Three local bands are taking over Winkler's Parkland next weekend in support of Katie Cares.

The Katie Cares Concert in the Park gets underway at the Winkler stage on Saturday, June 4 starting at 4:30 p.m.

With costs being covered by Crocus Real Estate, admission to the show is free, though donations will be accepted towards the Katie's Cottage respite

home under construction across from the Boundary Trails Health Centre.

Organizer Merle Peters says he and several other musicians were itching for an outdoor concert and wanted to support a worthy cause.

"The idea started with me and Chomper [Giesbrecht] combining our two bands together and doing something outdoor musically," he says, "and we wanted to tie it together with a local charity, so of course Katie

Cares came to mind right away."

The line-up has changed since the idea was first formed—Giesbrecht's group Mountain City Revival has since disbanded—but it will still be a solid evening of entertainment, says Peters.

Opening the show will be The Mood, which recently showcased their skills covering as Led Zepplin at the Back 40 Festival's '70s Show.

The Committee, meanwhile, will

bring a blend of British, Canadian, and southern guitar-driven classic rock to the stage.

And anchoring the evening will be the Soul Revue Band, featuring the vocal talents of Jayme Giesbrecht and a collection of talented musicians led by JP LePage.

"We've got three great bands that are willing and raring to go," says Peters. "So come have a good time and join us for a great evening of music."



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The New Lightweights (above) and Brent Parkin (right) are among the many musical acts taking the stage at the Back 40 Festival June 5 in Morden.



# Something for everyone at Back 40 Festival

By Lorne Stelmach

The 27th annual Back Forty Festival next weekend features a little bit of something for everyone.

And whether its the classic blues of The Brent Parkin Band or Manitoba musicians at the forefront of the new music scene like The New Lightweights, it is an atmosphere that the artists embrace.

"People who put on a festival have a lot of pride in the festival, so the fact that they've invited you to play is kind of special," said Parkin, one of the headliners for June 5 festival in Morden Park.

Parkin brings to the stage a musical performance steeped with influences of Chicago style blues, swing, roots music, country and rock.

A veteran of the Manitoba music scene, Parkin

has played the Back 40 several times and welcomes the chance to return.

He said a festival usually offers a good atmosphere with variety of things going on.

"People are usually more open to all kinds of music at a festival as well," said Parkin. "It's just a good

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# Young green thumbs get started on their gardens

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Horticulture Society is planting seeds to cultivate the next generation of green thumbs with their new Junior Gardeners program.

Three students from Winkler Elementary School—Nadia Hojjatpanah and sisters Jamie and Heidi Reimer—have signed up for the program that aims to promote horticulture to kids.

Program leaders Lenora Nicol and Tanya Wainio presented the trio with their planting starter kits earlier this month and will visit them at home several times over the summer to provide help and advice as their gardens grow.

"We'll probably be doing two, possibly three visits, depending on how much support the children will need," said Wainio.

Nicol and Wainio are both tackling the Master Gardening certificate program through the University of Saskatchewan, which requires them to participate in a community service

project.

Junior Gardeners fit the bill perfectly, Nichol said, noting she's excited to share her love of gardening with the kids.

"We hope it's a learning process for them and also that they will learn to love gardening as much as we do."

The Reimer sisters have most certainly already been bit by the gardening bug.

"I've helped my mom before, but I would like a garden of my own," noted Jamie, age 10.

"I thought it would be fun to do it just me so that I could learn how to garden," agreed Heidi, 8. "I like planting the seeds and watching them grow."

"I like planting them and just taking care of them," Jamie added, "and it's really rewarding when you can pick your vegetables and fruits."

Both girls agreed there are some veggies they'd rather avoid growing in their new gardens—peppers and turnips among them.



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The Winkler Horticulture Society's Lenora Nicol (left) and Tanya Wainio recently presented WES students Heidi and Jamie Reimer with their planting starter kits as part of the new Junior Gardeners program.

"And we didn't give you any of those," laughed Wainio.

Indeed, the starter boxes were filled with tomato plants, basil, seed potatoes, peas, and flowers like Zinnias, which attract bees and butterflies, and Marigolds, which help prevent

plant disease.

Though this year's crop of Junior Gardeners is small, Nicol said they hope to expand the program next school year to include a more regular gardening club throughout the school year.

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vibe. It's just a lot of fun ... and before we play, we can hang out with people."

Even after as long as he has been doing this, Parkin said he thrives on having the opportunity to perform.

"There's a lot of energy they give back to you. It's making a connection with the audience that mat-

ters," he said, adding the Back 40 audience can expect a mix of familiar and new original material during his performance.

Part of the trio The New Lightweights, Ariel Posen is also looking forward to the trip to Morden, where the band played in 2012 followed by his return the next year

with the Brothers Landreth.

Posen says he particularly enjoys playing festivals.

"Especially the Back 40 is great because it's literally one of the first ones ... it's so early in the summer," he said. "It's really fun when you can start playing music outside, and there's just a different atmosphere."

As for their set here in Morden, Posen said fans can expect music that is a blend of roots, country, and R&B.

"They can expect some honest music ... that we really believe in," he said. "[We're] a handful of friends who have been making music together for almost the better part of a decade."

Joining Parkin and Posen on stage at this year's festival are:

- Nathan Rogers - the son of late Canadian folk icon Stan Rogers, who is keeping his dad's memory alive with three albums of his own.

- David Lum - an infusion of folk and pop influences with a touch of bluegrass and a versatile guitar style and songwriting from many years of studio and performance experience.

- Raine Hamilton - a Winnipeg-based prairie songstress, Hamilton blends acoustic, classical, folks and roots music to create a unique sound.

- Mika-Dawn - After making it to the top ten of the 2015 CBC Searchlight contest, Mika-Dawn has become a well-known singer songwriter

in Manitoba who began writing her own music at the age of 15.

- On The Edge - a southern Manitoba quartet made up of Al and Loretta Thorleifson and Bill and Mariette Howatt with more than 20 years of musical history together.

- Bill Dowling - a singer songwriter familiar to many in the Pembina Valley. His new disc, *Accidents and Incidents*, was just released in April.

- Jayme Giesbrecht - she grew up in Winkler singing southern gospel music in churches and at fundraisers and has been performing for area events every since.

- Steve Dueck and Link Neufeld - they have been playing together for years first in Link and the Moustaches and now as a blues duo. Link's harmonica and Steve's guitar mesh together for dynamic and expressive versions of the blues.

Manning the stage through it all as emcee will be Al Simmons.

Off stage, check out Yoga in the Bowl, crafts and other activities for kids, and the artisan village.

Admission is \$15 for advance tickets at Thornview Grocery in Morden or Whitecap Coffee in Winkler and \$20 at the gate. Kids 12 and under get in for free.

For more information on the festival, go to [www.back40folkfest.com](http://www.back40folkfest.com).

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The Morden Lions Club president Jerry Nelson and vice-president Shannon Dueck handed over the proceeds from the club's annual toy show to two worthy community projects earlier this month.

Accepting a \$1,000 donation on behalf of the Boundary Trails Health Centre pediatric program was (above) Jill Edwards, occupational therapist, Carla Peters, physiotherapist, and Laura Dyck, speech language pathologist.

Nelson praised the program as one of the best in the province and noted the money will help provide toys and equipment for the therapy services.

Another \$1,000 went to Katie Cottage manager Lynn Penner and Katie Cares executive director Ruth Reimer (right photo).

Reimer said they deeply appreciate every donation and that "it's never something that we take for granted."

"The community of Winkler, Mor-

den and surrounding areas has been so generous and so kind ... they've seen the need and come forward to help us."

## > FESTIVAL HEADLINERS, FROM PG. 12

"What's Fair is Fair," "Rise in the Wake," and "New King."

Snake Oil is made up of five rockers from different parts of the world who met purely by chance backstage at a rock festival in England after performing in their respective bands.

Coming from as far afield as Win-

nipeg and Detroit as well as Ireland and Finland, they offer a rock n' roll party that covers everything from classic rock to metal.

Finally, Past The Perimeter is a country and rock band from Stonewall.

They have been performing together since 2008, but their musical

history and friendships started in high school.

They bring to the stage a high energy distinctive rock style blended with their country sound.

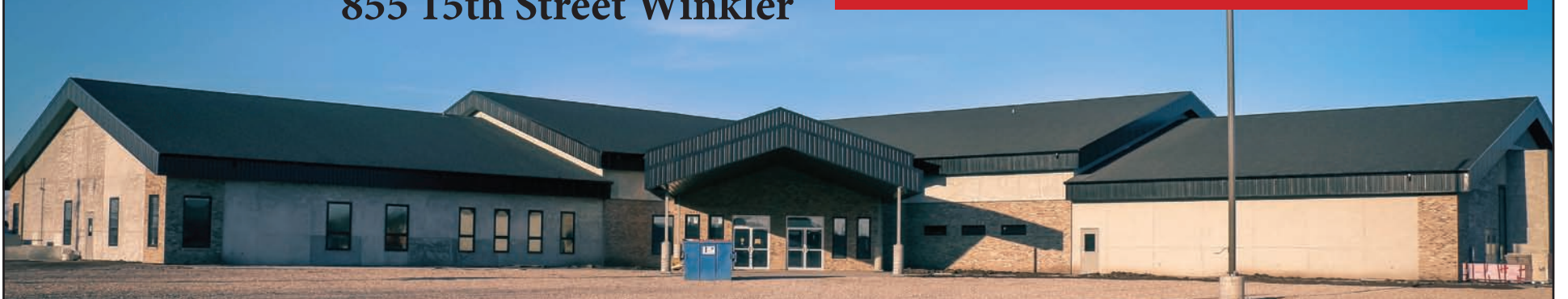
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## Winkler Whips off to a good start

By Lorne Stelmach

It can take awhile to build a bond as an expansion team, but the Winkler Whips are ahead of the game.

The newest team in the Border West Baseball League already has some strong family connections on their roster.

Not only does it include the family trio of brothers Abe, Bill and Jamie Fehr, but there is also the father and son duo of Abe and Travis Friesen.

For Jeremy Matuszewski, one of the key organizers of the team, that is very much a reflection of why the expansion team came about and joined the senior ball league.

There had been talk about it for a few years because there were a number of guys around who were looking for an avenue to be able to keep playing some competitive ball locally.

"There hasn't been anywhere for guys out of Winkler to play. There really isn't anywhere for them to go after junior ball," said Matuszewski, noting they couldn't play out of Morden according to league rules.

"We applied to get into the league, thinking maybe it was a long shot, but the league welcomed us with open arms."



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

A Morden Mohawk runner safely steals third base out from under the Winkler Whips, who went on to claim victory 16-7 in their first home game of the season Monday night.

The team members have varying backgrounds but most have played some form of baseball previously.

"We actually have 18 guys right now ... our roster is maxed out," said Matuszewski.

"We're a really wide range of ages and talent and baseball backgrounds,"

he said. "For quite a few of us though, it's been four or five years since we've played competitive ball."

The most interesting members of the roster may be Abe Friesen, who ranks as the oldest, along with his son Travis, who had a notable junior ball career.

"He actually pitched in our first game. He's never played organized baseball before. And his kid plays on the team, and he also pitched ... so that's pretty cool," said Matuszewski.

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## SC Hurricanes host first home game tomorrow

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The South Central Hurricanes kicked off their season in the Winnipeg Womens Soccer League's Division 1 with two losses, and now they're looking to earn their first win on home grass tomorrow.

The ladies' first home game of the season takes place on Friday, May 27 against the FC Titans at 7 p.m. at the 15th St. soccer pitch in Winkler.

The Hurricanes began the season with 2-0 and 2-1 losses against the

Impact and the Classics, respectively, earlier this month.

They were also supposed to host Tri United on May 8, but their opponents couldn't field a team; now the 'Canes are waiting to confirm the league is putting that down as a default win.

But what they really want is an actual win, says player/coach Jenn Martens, so they can get started on earning their spot in the division.

It's going to be an uphill battle, she says.

"It is a rebuilding year for us. Half of

our team from last year didn't return, so we have tons of brand new players and they're all really young with not a lot of experience except high school."

Martens expects it will take a few games for them all to get in sync.

"We're a little weaker this year, but we are trying harder to get to know each other and how we play and how to work together," she says.

The team is focusing most of its efforts on avoiding ranking in the bottom two spots at summer's end, which would bump them down to a

lower division.

"In the past we've always wanted to win a lot of games and be at the top and move up," Martens says. "This year mostly our goal is to win enough games to stay in the first division."

Beyond tomorrow's game, the Hurricanes' schedule for June includes home games against the Vikings June 6, St. James June 20, and the Titans June 27, and away games against Brazil June 3 and the Shooters June 12.



# Winkler Storm battle Kickers to a draw

The Winkler Storm hosted the Hanover Kickers on Monday and earned their first tie of the season. The Kickers didn't waste any time in taking a 2-0 lead in the first half, but Winkler started to claw their way back into things when Corny Siemens scored off a Nico Nickel pass inside the 18 yard box. Minutes later, Goran Kucar passed one off to Stan Bell, who dribbled around the Hanover goalie to score on an open net and tie the game at 2-2. Riding high on confidence, the Storm then took a 3-2 lead with a free kick goal from Nickel. A much more physical second half saw Winkler lose several players to injuries and the Kickers take advantage to even things out at 3-3—a score that held through to the end. Coming up, the Storm host the Lions FC this Saturday at noon.

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## Decor Cabinets golf tourney registration on now

Funds raised going to four local charities

By Lorne Stelmach

Decor Cabinets is preparing for the 13th year of its Charities Classic golf tournament.

The annual fundraiser has raised over \$826,000 since 2004. Proceeds from each event are presented to four charitable organizations, one of which changes every year.

The tournament started with a vision for it to serve as “a way that we can help charities we were already supporting in the company at that time ... and raise awareness for them,” said organizer Dave Schellenberg.

“We know they do a ton of good work, and they are awesome to have in our communities, so we’re happy to support them.”

A share of the proceeds each year goes to Youth For Christ, Pembina Counseling Centre, and Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre.

The fourth charity was added starting in 2010 with Mully Children’s Foundation in support of an orphanage in Africa.

“Really it’s whatever they feel God is leading them towards supporting, so it’s been a variety, said Schellenberg, noting this year the tournament will support Teen Challenge of Central Canada. Teen Challenge execu-

tive director Steven Paulson will be featured as the event’s guest speaker.

Teen Challenge is a Christian discipleship program for men and woman struggling with a drug or alcohol addiction.

“Teen Challenge has been a great ministry ... and has done a great job of helping people get back on their feet,” said Schellenberg, adding that the organization is developing a local presence in the area. “We see a lot of value in what they are doing and want to support it.”

The tournament pretty well sells out every year with around 140 entries.

It usually raises close to \$40,000, and Decor matches half to bring the total up to about \$60,000, which means about \$15,000 or so goes to each charity.

“We have so many suppliers and people in the local area who come back year after year. We’ve gotten great support, and we really appreciate it,” said Schellenberg, noting they want it to be a good time for everyone involved.

“We want people to give money to the tournament because they believe in the charities ... but we also recognize that people want to come out and have a good time.”

This year’s tournament is set for Thursday, August 11 at the Minnewasta Golf and Country Club. Entry is \$175 per person, which includes green fees, a shared power cart, and dinner.

If you’d like to take part, you can register online until July 28 at [www.decorcharityclassic.com](http://www.decorcharityclassic.com).

## At the speedway

Taking home the glory in last weekend’s ALH Motor Speedway races were:

- Pure stock: Brian Kentner in first place, Les McRae in second, and Zak Brennan in third.
- Midwest modifieds: Austin Hunter, Patrick Sobolik, and Rick Fehr.
- Street stock: Shawn Teunis, Brad Wall, and Doug Perrier.
- Super trucks: Rene Poluyko, Jeff Remple, and Rod Fidler.
- A-modifieds: Ward Imrie, Scott Greer, and James Wall.
- Four-cylinders: Sean Cassidy, Brandon Rehill, and Dean Miljue.

## Orioles split double-header

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Orioles won their first game of the Manitoba Junior Baseball League 2016 season on Monday.

Following on the heels of season opening, double-header losses to the Elmwood Giants the week be-

fore, the Orioles split their Victoria Day double-header with the St. Boniface Legionaires to pick up their first victory of the summer.

After dropping the opener 9-1, they bounced back to take the second game 5-3.

The split leaves the Orioles in sixth place in the eight team league in

the early going, with their next action coming Sunday in a double-header against the Carillon Sultans in Steinbach.

The Orioles then host their first home games next week against the Altona Bisons on Wednesday, June 1 and the Legionaires on Friday, June 3.



# Winkler Whips down Morden Mohawks 16-7

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With both getting in some time on the mound, the Whips made a successful debut May 17 with a 5-0 shut-out of the Cartwright Twins.

"So the father-son duo combined for a shutout," said Matuszewski, noting Abe pitched two innings and only gave up one hit while getting a hit himself. Travis had two hits in five innings and struck out nine.

"It was kind of what we expected from him," said Matuszewski, noting the younger Friesen had been a Manitoba Junior Baseball League player of the year. "So we expected him to be strong."

"We have a good group of guys," he continued. "When it comes down to it, I think we should be able to compete with the best teams in the league."

Matuszewski said initially their goals for the year were simply to get something established for the young guys coming up in the community.

"We just wanted to field a team, find sponsors, get jerseys," he said, adding though, "after getting a win in the first game ... it's pretty funny how goals change."

"Our goal was to have fun this year, but we want to be competitive. At the end of the day, we're all competitive people, and we want to win."

Matuszewski anticipated their second game Monday against the Mohawks would turn out to be a special one.

"It's our home opener, and Morden

obviously are our closest rival ... will be our biggest rival," he said, noting they were also taking donations at the game, with the proceeds going to Red Cross for Fort MacMurray.

"They're the three time defending champs, and we expect them to be

real strong again this year, so that should be a good measuring stick for us."

The Whips certainly measured up: they downed the Mohawks 16-7 in front of a robust hometown crowd.

Coming up, the Whips host Pilot

Mound Friday (7 p.m.), and Killarney (2 p.m.) and Baldur (5 p.m.) on Sunday, while the Mohawks host Clearwater Friday (7 p.m.) and Baldur (2 p.m.) and Killarney (5 p.m.) on Sunday. Morden also hosts Cartwright next Tuesday evening.

## Walk for Alzheimer's next month

By Lorne Stelmach

They serve as fundraisers for the Alzheimer Society, but just as important is the awareness raised by the six upcoming charity walks in our region.

"Awareness is a huge thing ... just getting the word out there ... and people knowing that the office is here," said regional co-ordinator Kathy Fehr, who works out of Winkler. "I think a lot of people look for us only when they need the resources, and it's nice to get it out there ... if they have friends or family who are dealing with it, they are able to get it."

"It seems like so many people know a lot about Alzheimer disease ... until they are in it, and they go 'I don't really know much.'"

Formerly known as Memory Walks, the events sponsored by Investors Group are now branded as the Walk for Alzheimer's and they continue to serve as the Alzheimer Society of

**"AWARENESS IS A HUGE THING ... JUST GETTING THE WORD OUT THERE .. AND PEOPLE KNOWING THAT THE OFFICE IS HERE."**

Manitoba's largest annual fundraiser.

"It's still the annual walk that people are accustomed to, but it's being re-energized," suggested Wendy Schetler, society CEO.

"Anyone who signs up this year will notice our new website," she said. "It's more user-friendly and makes it easier for people to register and fundraise."

The funds go the agency's many programs and support services for the more than 22,000 Manitobans who live with Alzheimer's and other related dementias.

The walks raised over \$36,000 in the

south central region last year.

This year's events take place in Winkler at Salem Home on June 8 and in Morden at Tabor Home June 11. Registration gets underway at both locations at 9:30 a.m.

Other walks in the region include June 1 in Altona at Eastview Place, June 2 in Carman at Boyne Lodge Park, June 8 in Morris at Red River Valley Lodge, and June 10 in Notre Dame de Lourdes at Foyer Notre Dame.

If you want to participate or offer your support financially, go online to [www.alzheimer.mb.ca/wfa](http://www.alzheimer.mb.ca/wfa) or call 204-325-5634.

## Zodiacs down Nighthawks to wrap up season

The Garden Valley Collegiate wrapped up Zone 4 boys baseball last week on a high point.

The Zodiacs downed cross-town rivals the Northlands Parkway Collegiate Nighthawks 7-2 and 8-3 in the final regular season games of the season on May 19.

Meanwhile, the Morden Thunder found less success in their final double-header, also on May 19, falling to the Altona Aces 8-7 and 3-0.

In girls Zone 4 fast pitch, meanwhile, the Zodiacs downed the Carman Cougars 3-2 in the first round of playoffs. This week, Morden and GVC were slated to face each other in Portage on Wednesday.

## Shelter dogs get out for a meet and greet

Dogs that are available for adoption enjoyed their time outside as the Pembina Valley Humane Society held its annual Hot Dogs For Hot Dogs fundraising barbecue on May 14 at the Giant Tiger in Morden. The event brought in \$900 in donations and two of the shelter's longer term canine residents found new homes.



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# Agriculture

## GE crops the most precise method for new varieties

By Harry Siemens

Robert Wager is a faculty member in the biology department at Vancouver Island University. His focus is on genetically engineered research, also educating the public whenever he can on the many different aspects of GE technology.

GE crops are those where scientists have changed certain traits by moving in DNA from other sources, Wagner explains.

Such crops are very popular with farmers and today over 90 per cent of corn, cotton, soybeans, and sugar beets are planted with GE crop varieties in North America, not to mention canola.

"Farmers would not plant these crops in the acreages that they do unless they believe these crops benefit the environment and the farmer's bottom line," Wager says. "In both these cases, economic and environmental benefits are both well documented for these crops."

Still, there is a lot of negativity in society at large in regards to genetic engineering.

Wager says the vast majority of that comes from people who are scared because they've read false information on the internet. Often this false information is put forward by people who are trying to sell alternative products. Other times people are simply against genetic modification of any kind.

"Some people have ideological reasons against this type of technology, but the reality is agriculture is by definition the manipulation of the DNA of plants and animals to suit our needs," Wager says. "That is what agriculture is. GE technology is just the latest technique and by far the most precise method we've ever use to change the DNA of our foods."

Some years ago, scientists even changed insulin from what it was before to where today it isn't nearly as allergic to people needing it to give them a normal life. Virtually all the insulin that is on the market now is a genetic engineered product.

"They took the human gene for insulin and now grow it up in microorganisms," says Wager. "In the past we had to isolate the insulin from the pancreas of cows or pigs so there

were many issues with cross-reactivity when you are injecting proteins from another species into humans. So now we use just the human protein that is grown up in microorganisms"

Farmers need to stand up and speak out to show their support of genetic engineering, Wager says.

"Today there are large amounts of money being spent to try and convince people GE crops technology is

not, in fact good, but bad," he says. "We're talking billions of dollars, which here does buy much influence."

But it's the producers on the ground who know the truth best about GE technology.

"I would argue farmers know this technology better than anybody because they have used it for 20 years," Wagner says. "What farmers need to do is tell the public or whoever comes

asking questions exactly what they do and why they do it. They don't need to get into the science because that is debated at another level—they need to talk to the public about why they plant a GE crop in a field and how it has changed the way they farm compared to previous years when these options were not available."

## Spring seeding moving forward

By Harry Siemens

Spring seeding moves onward, with an estimated 61 per cent of seeding done across the province as of last week, with cooler temperatures and precipitation in the form of snow and rain slowing progress earlier in the month.

In checking with producers in the area, while the spring seeding soil and working conditions are almost ideal right now, rain for the most part is needed and needed soon.

Manitoba Ag's weekly crop report says precipitation last week ranged

from trace amounts to 37 mm; minimal accumulations were recorded in the southwest and little if any in the central region.

Areas within Manitoba would benefit from additional precipitation to assist in seeding progress, crop emergence and growth, the province noted.

Frost injuries have been reported in canola, soybeans, and corn, but the fact much of those crops have not yet emerged have protected them in some areas.

Overall, crops across the board are starting to emerge as the warm weather continues, however slow

growth was noted due to the cooler air and soil temperatures, as well as drier soil conditions in some areas.

Little to no rainfall resulted in some producers delaying seeding of canola and soybeans into dry soil; cold soils and risk of frost were also factors in these decisions.

Most producers resumed seeding once the temperatures started to climb, except in areas where it's still far too dry.

Precipitation would be welcome for all crops, including pasture and hay.

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## Catching up with the issues

By Harry Siemens

Sometimes I just like to catch up on what is happening in this column, and so in these cases I cover more than one topic.

First off, in response to requests from stakeholders, the Canadian Grain Commission has extended the comment period on proposals to license producer railway car loading facilities, agents, and feed mills to Aug. 31.

With changes occurring to the grain handling system regarding the removal of the Canadian Wheat Board monopoly and other streamlining taking place, the government wants to make additional changes

as it pertains to the aforementioned parties.

Here is hoping these changes will improve the system.

So far, with the way the Trudeau government is behaving and making changes willy-nilly to suit their fancy, some are not holding out a great deal of hope on this one.

An incident in the Question Period in the House of Commons recently bares this out.

Chris Warkentin, the Conservative ag critic in Ottawa, asked the Minister of Agriculture Lawrence MacAulay if he would intervene to help Canadian pork producers keep PEDv, a virus that has killed eight million pigs in the United States, out

of Canada.

He wasn't pleased with MacAulay's response.

"I asked about a pig-killing virus... the minister stood up and rambled about food safety," Warkentin says. "I'm not reassured by the answer and farmers won't be either."

I saw the question asked and the answer—they did not relate in any way, shape, or form. In fact, it looked like and sounded like MacAulay had been napping or, to give him the benefit of the doubt, that he really didn't know the answer to the question.

While PEDv is dangerous to pigs,

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# Watershed plan in the works

By Lorne Stelmach

Managing a watershed requires a comprehensive plan that addresses a complex range of issues.

It's no wonder then that it will take about two years to develop the Boyne-Morris Integrated Watershed Management Plan (IWMP), work on which is starting up this spring.

The plan is unique to the region and a reflection of the landscape and concerns of the communities within the watershed such as drinking water quality, surface water quality, flooding and erosion, said Cliff Greenfield, manager of the Pembina Valley Conservation District.

He said the strength of it is that it is a consultative process.

"You find out what the problems are, what the assets are that maybe need to be protected," said Greenfield. "You look at things like surface water management ... flooding and erosion ... their drinking water sources.

"It's really locally driven. These are the local people who are dealing with these situations right in their backyard."

The aim is to develop a long term plan to manage land, water and related resources across the watershed.

This one includes a group of tribu-

taries that flow into the Red River, Boyne River, Stephenfield Lake, Tobacco Creek, Shannon Creek, Norquay-Boyne Channel and the Morris River.

Municipalities in the planning area include Lorne, Victoria, Dufferin, Grey, Norfolk Treherne, Thompson, Pembina, Stanley, Roland, Morris, Macdonald, Ritchot, Town of Carman, Town of Morris, and Swan Lake First Nation.

The planning process is a partnership between the La Salle Redboine Conservation District, Pembina Valley Conservation District and the province of Manitoba.

Greenfield said they want to identify priority land and water-related issues in the watershed, determine projects or policies targeted to address these issues, and identify how land and water management programming will be cooperatively carried out throughout the watershed.

The scope of the plan can include any natural resource issues and their economic and social impacts. Climate change, drought management adaptation, invasive species and biodiversity are also addressed in the planning process.

"It's a typical Manitoba watershed in the sense that it starts above the



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The Pembina Valley Conservation District is working on a watershed management plan that includes several area lakes, including Stephenfield (above).

escarpment and then there's that big drop down the escarpment and then goes flat in the Red River Valley," he explained. "This ends up in the Morris River, Red River ... we know the situation there ... there's definitely flooding concerns.

"Drinking water quality is always high on people's minds as well," he added. "We've got a lot of agriculture in our area as well, so how is agriculture impacting the environment and what can we do about it?"

Once complete, the resulting plan will be updated every 10 years, and Greenfield noted public meetings are hosted throughout the watershed to gain input on the local issues.

Currently, there are 25 integrated watershed management plans in the province under the leadership of 18 conservation districts, of which 20 plans have been completed and five are at various stages of development.

## > SEEDING, FROM PG. 21

In the central region, seeding ranges from 65 to 90 per cent complete. In general, farmers in the south are most advanced, while areas that had a wetter April lag behind.

There's quite a range when it comes to which crops are in the ground—cereals are about 90-100 per cent, canola ranges from 35-100 per cent complete, depending on the area, soybeans range from 15-70 per cent, and corn planting is at about 80 per cent, as is sunflower seeding.

Excellent winter survival has been seen in winter wheat and fall rye. Most fields are tillering, with some stem elongation in fall rye reported.

Herbicide applications should start shortly, where required. Fields are reported as being quite weed-free, with few if any wild oats seen in the majority of fields.

Weed growth is more evident, and many fields will benefit

from pre-seed/post emergence burn-off to lessen competition to the crops.

Dandelions and winter annuals are blooming. Herbicide applications will continue in winter wheat, and will begin in the most advanced spring wheat fields later this week.

## > SIEMENS SAYS, FROM PG. 21

it has nothing to do with food safety when the hog producers want the feds to reinstate a provision to have transport trucks washed at a credible wash bay in Canada, as had been happening for some time until the provision ended May 2.

Right now, the truckers can wash in the United States, where it appears they're using recycled water from pig farms across the area, increasing the potential of spreading disease.

There has been no reports of significant insect pressure in crops to date, though volunteer canola in winter wheat fields are seeing heavy flea beetle pressure.

Growth in perennial forages, pastures and hay fields has slowed with

cooler temperatures and frost.

Pasture growth isn't sufficient to support cattle grazing at this point. Livestock water supply is adequate for most, although some dugouts are low.

At the time of this writing, Friday afternoon, I was heading out to interview a Steve's Transport truck driver who had kept me informed as to what was actually happening to trucks hauling pigs to the U.S.

This driver told me that under the previous protocol which the pork industry still wishes was in effect, the empty truck had a seal placed on it at the border and then travelled straight to a designated truck wash bay in

Canada.

Now they're forced to risk contamination in U.S. wash facilities.

In the U.S., a truck can haul pigs to a processing plant and back up to the unloading shoot and doesn't require washing or disinfecting.

But a truck that unloads at different farms, it requires washing, but not specified at what facility or with clean or recycled water.



# Morden Elks support SCCR

The Morden Elks Club recently supported the work of South Central Cancer Resource with a \$2,000 donation from the proceeds from its 2015 lottery. The club's Charlie Hildebrand and Fred Stock made the presentation to the SCCR's Deb Thiessen last week. Thiessen said the donation will assist with their transportation program for cancer patients, and she noted SCCR is now planning for the Fore The Cure golf tournament in September. "It has been a real asset for our organization. Last year, it raised about \$8,000." The Elks, meanwhile, will start selling tickets for their next lottery at the Corn and Apple Festival in August.



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## take a break > GAMES

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6	9	1	5	8	7	2	3	4
5	4	2	3	1	6	9	8	7

Sudoku Answer

D	N	E	W		E	N	N		T	S	R	E
R	O	L	O		D	I	V		U	N	E	C
V	A	T	R	E	S	G	V	S	N	O	H	C
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P					H	A	V		P	T	I	N
O					E	R	G		S	I	A	V
C	A	F			R	M	P		U		P	A

Crossword Answer



## CROSSWORD

### CLUES ACROSS

1. Quickly
5. Strike caller
8. Canadian flyers
12. Mrs. Leno
14. Car mechanics group
15. Therefore
16. Concerted
18. Carries energy (abbr.)
19. Bestow praise
20. Damage
21. Most cars need this
22. Ingests
23. Set apart again
26. Breeding ground
30. English electronic musician
31. One who is bound
32. Return on equity
33. Beloved princess
34. TV stars get these
39. Diet soft drink
42. More gravelly
44. Placido Domingo sings this
46. Herbaceous plant
47. Medication
49. Continent
50. Armed movement in Ireland
51. Took the place of
56. "Eric" from "Twilight"
57. Sink
58. Print errors
59. A restaurant's offerings
60. Afflict
61. Sorrow
62. Long ago
63. Midway between north and northeast
64. Go in a specified direction

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12				13				14			15	
16				17				18			19	
20								21			22	
				23		24			25			
26	27	28	29					30				
31								32				
33									34	35	36	37
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			44	45				46				
			47					48				
49					50				51	52	53	54
56					57				58			
59					60				61			
62					63					64		

### CLUES DOWN

1. Type of maple tree
2. Capital of Yemen
3. Tel \_\_, Israel city
4. Goes great with hummus
5. Activity
6. Bullfighter
7. Soft drink maker
8. Listen again
9. Make
10. Ornamental stone
11. Dandies
13. Sets apart
17. Makes tractors
24. A way to change color
25. Snacks made of sour milk
26. Tennis great Laver
27. \_\_-Wan Kenobi
28. Russian river
29. Family
36. \_\_ Farrow, actress
37. Japanese money
38. No seats available
40. Craftsman
41. An island country in the Persian Gulf
43. Take part in a rebellion
44. They lead to bad breath
45. Eat this at a ballgame
47. A son of Jacob
48. A Philly footballer
49. Point of perfection
52. This sometimes wrinkle
53. Batman
54. British School
55. Indic



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## GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale, multi family, Lowe Farm #18 6th St. May 27, 5-9 p.m., May 28, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## WORK WANTED

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

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## COMING EVENTS

Manitoba Motorcycle Ride for Dad - Fighting Prostate Cancer. Saturday, May 28, 2016, 10 a.m. official start. Polo Park Shopping Centre. Register online: [ridefordad.ca/Manitoba](http://ridefordad.ca/Manitoba)

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## COMING EVENTS



## SOAP MAKING

Fri. June 3, 9am  
Pembina Thresherman's Museum

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

## GARAGE SALE

## REINFELD

Community-Wide  
**GARAGE SALE**  
Thurs., June 2  
9 AM - 8 PM

## COMING EVENTS


## TABOR HOME

### Spring Tea & Bake Sale

Saturday, May 28  
2:00 - 3:30 pm

Silver Collection Tea  
Baking, Rainbow Auction  
*Proceeds to Activity Programming*

## COMING EVENTS



## RACE DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 29  
4:00 PM

Pure Stocks, Street Stocks,  
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## CAREERS

## Delmar

Commodities

## Plant/Cleaner Operator

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**Attn: Ken Desrochers - Somerset Location**  
**Phone: 204 744 2126**  
**Or email: [HR@delmarcommodities.com](mailto:HR@delmarcommodities.com)**

## NOTICES

### PEMBINA VALLEY CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2016 WELL WATER TESTING PROGRAM



TUESDAY JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> AND  
TUESDAY JUNE 14<sup>th</sup>



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!!

Sample bottles can be picked up at the following places:  
(Drop off times may vary, please refer below)

- Cartwright-Roblin Municipality - Cartwright - Drop Off By - 9:00 a.m.
- Municipality of Louise Office - Crystal City - Drop Off By - 9:00 a.m.
- R.M. of Thompson Office - Miami - Drop Off By - 10:30 a.m.
- Manitoba Agriculture, Food & Rural Development (MAFRD) Offices at:
  - Morden - Drop Off By - 11:00 a.m.
  - Pilot Mound - Drop Off By - 9:30 a.m.
  - Somerset - Drop Off By - 9:30 a.m.
- PVCD Office - Manitou - Drop Off By - 9:30 a.m.

### TEST COSTS

TC,EC:	\$21.26 (Total Coliform and E. coli)
N:	\$40.00 (Nitrates)
Mi1:	\$90.00 (Calcium, Magnesium, Hardness, Sodium, Potassium, Manganese, Copper, Iron, Zinc, Nitrates and Nitrites, Chloride, Sulphate, pH, and Conductivity)

PVCD WILL LOOK AFTER SHIPPING SAMPLES INTO WINNIPEG

**SAMPLES MUST BE TAKEN THE MORNING OF TESTING.**  
**CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO PVCD**

## NOTICES



## Morden Police Board Meeting

**Wed., June 8, 2016**  
**7:00 pm**

Morden Civic Centre  
195 Stephen St.

*All those wishing to be on the agenda and speak must register at the beginning of the meeting.*



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The Express Weekly News is looking for an outgoing individual to join our news team as a reporter/photographer covering the news along Highway 6 including St. Laurent, Eriksdale, Ashern, Lunda, Gympsumville and everything in between.

The ideal candidate is someone who is familiar with the goings-on of the region (or willing to get out there and learn), eager to take the initiative in finding compelling stories, has the know-how to take awesome photographs and is able to write clean, engaging copy on deadline.

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## COMING EVENTS

**MAY 28, 2016**  
**TICKETS \$60\***  
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Morden Friendship Centre  
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Doors open at 5:30pm  
Dinner at 6:30pm  
Program begins at 7pm

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[www.discoverfossils.com](http://www.discoverfossils.com)

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## NOTICES

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

The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on Tuesday, June 14th, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2156-16, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2156-16, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

**Legally described as Lot 2 Plan 51845 and part of SE ¼ 9-3-4 WPM** as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE  
TO: "OR" OPEN SPACE/RECREATION,  
"RS" RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY,  
"RM" RESIDENTIAL MULTIPLE FAMILY,  
& "RT" RESIDENTIAL TWO FAMILY

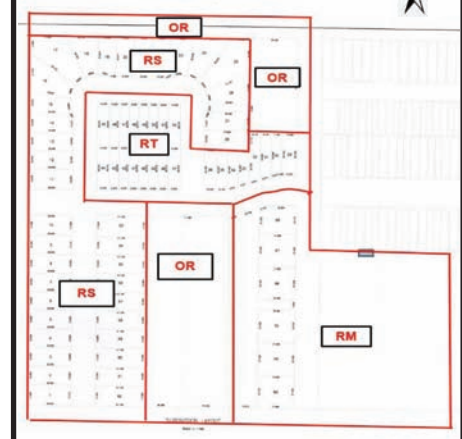
A copy of the above By-Law No. 2156-16, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba,  
this 4th day of May, 2016.

Barb Dyck, Interim City Manager  
City of Winkler



SCHEDULE "A"  
To By-Law 2156-16



## COMING EVENTS

**Shadow Valley Raceway**  
*presents*

**MMA Motocross Races**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5 • 9 AM - 5 PM**

**Adults \$15 • Kids 6 - 12 \$5**

**5 MILES SOUTH OF MORDEN ON HWY 432**



# Announcements The Winkler Morden Voice

## OBITUARY



### Wilhelm (Bill) Reimer 1938 - 2016

On Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Bill Reimer aged 77 years of Winkler, MB went to his eternal rest.

He leaves to mourn his passing two daughters, Suzi and Ben Rempel, Elizabeth and Morris Moody; one son, Willy Reimer as well as five grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Susanna (nee Unrau) in 2012.

Funeral service was held on Sunday May 22, 2016 at Winkler Sommerfeld Mennonite Church with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

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



## OBITUARY



### David Teichroeb 1956 - 2016

David Teichroeb, 60, passed away suddenly in his home in Morden, Manitoba on Wednesday, May 4 2016. David was born January 15, 1956 in Cuauhtemoc, Mexico. He was a husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Anna and five children: David (Helen), Anita (Chad), Bernhard (Barb), Connie (Gavin), Christina (Jake); 10 grandchildren: Colton, Megan, Claudia, Hunter, Mercedes, Quincy, Ronin, Ryder, Nolan, Adeline; five brothers: Abe, John, Jake, Henry, Frank; four sisters: Mary, Helen, Margaret, Kathy and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at the Pembina Valley Baptist Church in Winkler. David's body was laid to rest at the Rosenbach Cemetery in Winkler, Manitoba.

The Family would like to express thanks for the many prayers and acts of kindness during this difficult time.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

# Piping Trades Program



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## AUCTIONS

### LOEPPKY HAYING MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT AUCTION

Saturday, May 28, 2016 • 10 am

From Morden 2 mi. east on # 3, then 3 mi. south on road

26w. **Tractors:** 2000 Ford New Holland TV140 Bidirectional tractor. 16.9x 38 tires. 7614 loader, w/ bucket and grapple fork, 3pth and ptos on engine and draw bar ends, serial # D203936, 1307 Original hrs, believe it. 1983 John Deere 4450, 4430, 3020, 4020, 3 @ 1H 1066'S. CASE 2090.

**Balers:** 2002 Round baler Hesston 856A, fully automatic, serial # HL253558. 2002 New Idea model 6365, fully automatic Round baler, serial HL25225. 2002 Hesston model 956 Round automatic baler. **Trucks:** 1997 Western Star truck 9 speed 370 Detroit Diesel, day cab, equipped with 12 round bale Picker hauler, air ride suspension, Farm equipment, no Manitoba Tod. 2004 Mack highway tractor, model LX613, 460 vision, 13 speed, serial # 1M1AE07Y34N016123 Safetied truck. 2006 Sterling highway tractor, 470 - 490 Detroit, 13 speed, double bunk, safetied 2FWJA3CK56AWF0973

**Trailers** 2001 Minac 53 ft aluminum triple axle highboy trailer, 22.5 rubber air ride, with hay outriggers, safetied, serial #2M513161711079611. **Owners Bill Loeppky 204-822-4962 Dallas 204-325-3265**



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# Announcements The Winkler Morden Voice

## OBITUARY

### Gordon Wayne Cowan 1933 - January 26, 2016



On Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at Prairieview Lodge in Pilot Mound, MB. Gordon Cowan aged 82 years formerly of the Orange Hill school district went to his eternal rest.

Gordon was born June 2, 1933 and raised on the family farm, northwest of Thornhill, MB. Gordon was the youngest son of Robert and Elizabeth (Buchanan) Cowan. He attended Orange Hill School and after his schooling he helped on the farm. Later, farming and raising his cattle became his livelihood.

He was predeceased by his father in 1959 and his mother in 1998, his eldest brother, James in 2002 and sister-in-law June in 2006.

Gordon is survived by his elder brother, Alva (Allie) and sister, Margaret and her husband, Lindsay as well as his nephews and

nieces.

A private memorial service and ash interment for family and close friends will take place on Sunday, May 29, 2016 at the Darlingford Cemetery followed by a time of fellowship and remembrance at 3:00 p.m. at Wiebe Funeral Chapel, 1050 Thornhill St. in Morden for those who wish to attend.

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



## OBITUARY

### Anne Kehler (nee Peters) 1916 - 2016



Anne Kehler passed away peacefully on May 17, 2016 at the age of 99 at Salem Personal Care Home in Winkler, MB where she had spent the last 7½ years of her life. She is survived by three children, Mary Braun, Leonard and Nettie Kehler, Jake and Esther Dyck; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren and two sisters-in-law. She was predeceased by her husband, Ben A. Kehler; son-in-law, Ernie Braun; her parents and all her brothers and sisters.

She grew up on a family farm in Rosenort, MB now known as Rosetown, where she spent the first 19 years of her life. She was baptized upon the confession of her faith at the Old Colony Mennonite Church in Rosenort, MB. Mom met Dad at a village youth games night. Mom and Dad got married September 29, 1935, on an exceptionally warm fall day. Mom often recounted on how beautiful the weather had been and that they were able to have their lunch under the trees. Mom and Dad spent the first number of years farming in the Kronsthal District where she enjoyed taking care of the household and caring for the farm animals and raising their first two children. Due to circumstances they moved to Steinbach, MB where their daughter, Esther was born.

They decided Winkler would be their final move and where they would retire. Here, Mom enjoyed singing in various choirs, attending ladies fellowship in their church, and also serving at various church functions. She also prided herself in her cooking and loved to share with others. She really enjoyed having family over for meals.

Grandchildren were a big part of her life; she made sure that they got a phone call every birthday. She also made sure she always had the grandkids' favourite baking on hand. During her last 7½ years of life she made many friends at Salem Home. After the passing of her closest friend and neighbor, she often felt very lonely. She had a strong faith which helped her through situations as these and we took comfort in knowing where she would spend eternity.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20, 2016 at Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment at Winkler Cemetery.

We would like to say a special thank you to Cottonwood Staff for their excellent care and love for Mom. We rejoice that Mom is now in her heavenly home and united with Dad. She missed him so much. Mom we love you and will miss you. The family

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## OBITUARY

### Rose Anna Hamm 1950 - 2016



Anna was born in Winkler, Manitoba on March 17, 1950. Anna was the second of six children born to Peter A. and Annie Hamm. She grew up on a farm in the village of Reinfeld. She had a happy childhood and was accepted well in her community. Anna attended Sunday school at the Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church and on June 7, 1992 she was baptized on the confession of her faith in Jesus Christ. Ella Neufeld, one of Anna's Sunday school teachers was Anna's lifelong faith mentor and Anna loved her!

Anna attended school at the ARC School in Winkler. She and a handful of other special needs children from the community were the first to receive formal training within the school system. Later, this group would also be among the first to start working at

a newly developed sheltered workshop in the community. Finally, as adults, a number of them moved into the first special needs residence. Anna especially loved Len and Anne Penner who managed "Our Home" for many years. She loved the Special Olympics bowling program and proudly wore her bocci bowling medal. On January 13, 2014, Anna moved to Salem Home where she enjoyed participating in the many activities and was known for her smile and hugs. She thrived on interacting with the staff, visitors and just about anyone else that passed by. It was a wonderful and welcoming place for her to interact with her family as well. Family visits were a highlight throughout her life. Anna taught us many things. She brought love and laughter to our lives. Anna loved music, especially gospel music.

Anna passed away peacefully on Monday May 16, 2016 with family members by her side. She was predeceased by her parents, Peter A. and Annie Hamm. She leaves to mourn two brothers, Jim (Marie) Hamm, Fred (Marge) Hamm; three sisters, Clara (Cliff) Hiebert, Irene (Al) Loeppky, Edna (Abe) Wiebe and their families; extended family and many friends. We will miss Anna, but we rejoice because she is alive in Christ, and is finally able to run, ride a bike and a motorcycle, ride a horse, and dance!

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens. If friends so desire, donations may be made in Anna's memory to the Salem Foundation Inc.

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### Gisèle Louise Marie Marion (née Gagné) 1954 - 2016



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Gisele Louise Marion, wife, mother, grand-mother, sister and aunt on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at the age of 61.

Gisèle will be forever loved and missed by her husband, René and her children, Eric (Brigitte), Dean (Thasha), Michel (Lisa), Colleen and grandchildren, Chloe, Cody, Colin, Andon, Danica, Tristen, Tyler and Aria. She will also be missed by her mother, Cecile Gagné and siblings, René, Lisette (Denis), Carmel (Lucien), Monique (Kelly), Marc (Daisy) and Chantal (Bob) as well as extended family and friends. Gisèle is predeceased by her father, Benoit Gagné and stepfather, Jean-Louis Coutu.

A Celebration of Life in honor of Gisèle was held Monday, May 23rd, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Cabane à Sucre, 432 Joubert Street, Saint-Pierre Jolys, Manitoba.

We would like to thank the staff at Boundary Trails Health Center in Winkler Mb, for their care and compassion during the past two years. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her honor to a charity of choice.

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